



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: Sub. H.B. 116 of the 130th G.A. **Date:** May 13, 2013
Status: In House Agriculture and Natural Resources **Sponsor:** Rep. Pelanda

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Specifies the requirements for animal shelters or dog wardens to use chemical capture to secure companion animals or dogs at large

State Fiscal Highlights

- In order to allow for the chemical capture of animals, the bill requires animal shelters and county dog wardens not already licensed to obtain a limited license as a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs issued by the State Board of Pharmacy. This may result in a minimal gain in license revenue deposited into the Occupational Licensing and Regulatory Fund (Fund 4K90). The applicable fees are \$112.50 or \$150 per license annually.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- Animal shelters and county dog wardens who wish to perform chemical capture may incur minimal costs for providing employees with necessary training to qualify as certified officers. This training costs between \$225 and \$650 per individual.
- Animal shelters and county dog wardens not already licensed by the State Board of Pharmacy may incur minimal costs to obtain a limited license as a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs. Those fees are either \$112.50 or \$150 annually, depending on the circumstances.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill establishes training requirements that apply to animal shelters or county dog wardens that chemically capture a companion animal or dog at large. To receive a chemical capture classification, an employee of an animal shelter or county dog warden must meet certain training standards established by the bill. Additionally, chemical capture classifications would only be issued to animal shelters or county dog wardens if the animal shelter or county dog warden holds a limited license issued by the State Board of Pharmacy. Consequently, county dog wardens and animal shelters that choose to employ chemical capture may incur minimal costs to obtain the necessary training and licenses. These potential fiscal effects are discussed in more detail below.

An animal shelter or county dog warden that wishes to employ chemical capture may incur minimal costs to acquire employee training required under the bill. Under the bill an animal shelter or county dog warden that holds a limited license as a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs issued by the State Board of Pharmacy may apply to the Board for a chemical capture classification. To qualify for the classification, an animal shelter or county dog warden must employ or appoint a certified officer who has successfully completed training in chemical capture acceptable to the Board from the National Animal Control Association or Safe Capture International, Inc. Training in chemical capture from these organizations costs between \$225 and \$650. Presumably, animal shelters and county dog wardens would incur these one-time training expenses for each person they wished to establish as a certified officer.

In addition to training costs, animal shelters and county dog wardens that do not already hold a limited license as a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs issued by the Board would incur the license fee for the type of license acquired. The type of limited license needed is determined by the types of drugs the animal shelter or county dog warden would use. Generally these drugs would be classified as category II or category III dangerous drugs, with corresponding annual license fees of \$112.50 and \$150. License fees paid to and collected by the State Board of Pharmacy are deposited into the Occupational Licensing and Regulatory Fund (Fund 4K90).