



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: [H.B. 408 of the 129th G.A.](#) **Date:** March 26, 2012
Status: As Reported by House Financial Institutions, Housing & Urban Development **Sponsor:** Rep. Terhar

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Changes the composition of certain metropolitan housing authorities

State Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on the state.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- The bill establishes a new model for appointing members to certain metropolitan housing authority boards, specifically those serving counties with populations between 700,000 and 900,000. According to the most current census data, this appears to affect Hamilton County, and specifically the Cincinnati Metropolitan Housing Authority.
- The model increases membership on the metropolitan housing authority board from five to seven members. Although under current law members serve without compensation, the Cincinnati Metropolitan Housing Authority could incur some small new costs for reimbursing the new members who serve on the board.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill adds a fifth model for appointing members to a metropolitan housing authority governing board. Under the bill, this new method applies to housing authorities serving counties with a population of between 700,000 and 900,000. Given this population limit, the bill appears to affect only Hamilton County and the Cincinnati Metropolitan Housing Authority. Specifically, two new member positions are created in addition to the five appointed under current law: one member nominated by the township association of the county, and one member nominated by the municipal league of the county, both subject to approval by the county commissioners. Under current law, members of metropolitan housing authorities serve without compensation, but are entitled to reimbursement for expenses incurred for fulfilling their responsibilities. By adding two members to the governing board, the Cincinnati Metropolitan Housing Authority could incur some small new reimbursement expenses.

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