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## Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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**Version:** As Introduced

**Primary Sponsors:** Reps. Wiggam and A. Miller

**Local Impact Statement Procedure Required:** No

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### Highlights

- The bill could create additional minimal costs to a county if the board of county commissioners currently participates in the veterans' identification card program or opts to in the future. Presumably, the costs would be offset to some degree by the fee (if charged) paid by the applicants.
- The bill would have no direct fiscal effect on the state.

### Detailed Analysis

The bill permits persons discharged from the United States Public Health Service or the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to obtain an Ohio veterans identification card. Under continuing law, a board of county commissioners may, by resolution, allow the county recorder or county veterans service office to issue Ohio veterans identification cards to individuals. To be eligible to obtain this card, an individual must satisfy the following requirements: (1) present the individual's armed forces discharge record for recording in the county recorder's office, (2) provide, in person at the county recorder's office, two forms of current valid identification, one of which bears a photograph of the individual, and (3) pay a fee not exceeding \$2, if a fee has been established by the county. The bill expands the eligibility for this card to persons discharged from the United States Public Health Service or the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

The number of persons belonging to this new eligibility class is expected to be relatively small statewide. As such, the bill would not likely result in significant fiscal effects for counties to make and administer the card to these additional persons.

Because the bill is permissive and contains provisions that allow county recorders or county veterans service office to either contract for this service, or receive equipment donations to make the identification cards, it can be assumed that very few counties would opt

to purchase the necessary equipment to make these cards if they have not already done so. Presumably, the costs would be offset to some degree by the fee charged to applicants, if a fee has been established. The exact cost for counties that are required by the board of commissioners to offer the card is dependent on the number of Public Health Service and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration workers that are both eligible and seek a veterans identification card.

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