



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Synopsis of Senate Committee Amendments*

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(S. Public Safety, Local Government, and Veterans Affairs)

- Requires the Chancellor to prepare a report describing the progress made toward implementation of this act by the Chancellor and by state institutions of higher education, and, within six months after the effective date of the bill, to deliver the report to the General Assembly. (Section 6.)
- Authorizes the Chancellor to defer or forgive all or a portion of the principal and interest on a loan made under the Nurse Education Assistance Program, for certain individuals on active duty. (R.C. 3333.28.)
- Authorizes boards of trustees of state institutions of higher education to allow for the establishment of a student-led group on campus for student service members and veterans, and to encourage other service member- and veteran-friendly organizations. (R.C. 3345.421.)
- Requires boards of trustees of state institutions of higher education to integrate existing career services to create and encourage meaningful collaborative relationships between student service members and veterans and alumni of the institution, and that links student service members and veterans with prospective employers. (R.C. 3345.421.)
- Requires boards of trustees of state institutions of higher education to survey student service members and veterans to identify their needs and challenges and to make the survey available to faculty and staff at the state institution of higher education, and periodically to conduct follow-up surveys, at a frequency determined by the board, to gauge the institution's progress toward meeting identified needs and challenges. (R.C. 3345.421.)
- Exempts state universities and the Northeast Ohio Medical University from a provision of current law that requires state agencies that use or permit the use of electronic records or electronic signatures to do so in accordance with rules adopted by the Department of Administrative Services, and instead requires these universities to adopt their own rules regarding such use. (R.C. 1306.20.)

* This synopsis does not address amendments that may have been adopted on the Senate Floor.

- Requires the Department of Veterans Services to provide a link on the Department's website to the registry established by the bill of employers that provide the service member and veteran preference. (The bill requires the registry to be maintained on the ODJFS website.) (R.C. 5903.15.)