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99th & 82nd House Districts

Rep. Klopfenstein:

Chairman John, Vice-Chair Dean, Ranking Member Brennan, and esteemed members of the State and Local Government Committee, thank you for your diligent work to complete the legislative Occupational Licensure Review within the timeline laid out in law.

Since the committee released their report, Representative Fowler-Arthur and I have been meeting diligently with stakeholders and working with LSC to draft the substitute bill language. We have worked hard to capture the committee's intent of reducing burdensome regulations, reducing, or eliminating fees where appropriate, and minimizing barriers to occupational entry and retention while maintaining respected and meaningful competency standards and consumer quality safeguards.

The following is a high level summary of the substitute bill changes and how they compare to the committee recommendations. Please note that deviations from the committee recommendations are highlighted in yellow, along with a brief rationale for the change.

Board/Agency:	License/Registration:	Committee Recommendation:	Substitute Bill Changes:
Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission	Certification for full-service jail staff	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
Department of Agriculture	Grain Commodity Tester Certificate	Eliminate.	Eliminated, responsibilities rolled into Grain Commodity Handler License.

Department of Agriculture	Amusement Ride Operator Permit	Not Reviewed per addendum.	Reduce costs for inflatable ride inspections & permits.
Architects & Landscape Architects Board	Certificate of Qualification to Practice Architecture	Reduce renewal fee to \$100.	Reduce renewal fee to \$100.
Ohio Casino Control Commission	Key Employee License	Reduce initial fee to \$1,750 for Ohio residents; raise initial fee to \$5,000 for non-residents of Ohio.	Incorporated recommendation with \$1,750 being the “ceiling” and \$5,000 being the “floor” for allowable fees.
Department of Commerce – Industrial Compliance	Boiler & Pressure Vessel Inspector Certificate of Competency	Reduce initial fees to \$100, cap renewal fee at \$50.	Reduce initial fees to \$100, cap renewal fee at \$50.
Department of Commerce – Industrial Compliance	Steam Engine or Boiler Operator License	Reduce initial fee to \$25.	Reduce initial fee to \$25.
Department of Commerce – Industrial Compliance	Backflow Technician Certification	Extend license duration to 5 years, keep renewal fee \$75 total.	Extend license duration to 5 years, keep renewal fee \$75 total.
Department of Commerce – Industrial Compliance	Plumbing Inspector Certification (Plumbing Code)	Extend license duration to 3 years, keep renewal fee to \$60.	The substitute bill does not make any changes to current law. LSC found that the license had been eliminated in the 134 th GA and that the duties are now housed in the

			Department of Building Standards.
Department of Commerce – Industrial Compliance	Manufactured Housing Installer License	Reduce both initial and renewal fees to \$150.	Reduce both initial and renewal fees to \$150.
Motor Vehicle Repair Board	Motor Vehicle Repair Operator	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
Bureau of Motor Vehicles	Motor Vehicle Sales person License	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
Bureau of Motor Vehicles	Construction Equipment Auction License	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
Bureau of Motor Vehicles	Salvage Motor Vehicle Auction License	Eliminate fees.	Eliminate fees.
Department of Public Safety	Driver Training Instructor License	Consolidate with Online Instructor License into a single license.	Didn't include due to large disparity between the licensing requirements.
Department of Public Safety	Driver Training Manager	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
Department of Public Safety	Online Instructor	Consolidate with Driver Training Instructor License into a single license.	Didn't include due to large disparity between the licensing requirements.
Department of Public Safety	Commercial Training Manager	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
Department of Public Safety	Class A Private Investigator &	Extend license duration to 3 years.	Extend license duration to 3 years.

	Security Services License		
Department of Public Safety	Class B Private Investigator License	No Change.	Extend license duration to 3 years – requested by DPS.
Department of Public Safety	Class C Security Services License	No Change.	Extend license duration to 3 years – requested by DPS.
State Racing Commission	Maintenance	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
State Racing Commission	Medical & First Aid	Reduce initial & renewal fees to \$10.	Reduce initial & renewal fees to \$10.
State Racing Commission	Parking Lot Employee	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
State Racing Commission	Security	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
State Racing Commission	Special A (professional)	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
State Racing Commission	Special B (technical)	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
State Racing Commission	Special C (clerical/misc)	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
State Racing Commission	Supply Sales (Owner)	Reduce initial & renewal fees to \$75.	Reduce initial & renewal fees to \$75.
State Racing Commission	Supply Salesman	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
State Racing Commission	Valet	Eliminate.	Eliminate.

State Racing Commission	Restricted License – Special D (misc)	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
State Racing Commission	Admission Employee	Reduce initial & renewal fees to \$10.	Reduce initial & renewal fees to \$10.
State Racing Commission	Chief of Security	Reduce initial & renewal fees to \$25.	Reduce initial & renewal fees to \$25.
State Racing Commission	Concession Employee	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
State Racing Commission	Concession Manager	Eliminate.	Eliminate.
State Racing Commission	Doctor	Reduce initial & renewal fees to \$25.	Reduce initial & renewal fees to \$25.
State Racing Commission	General Manager	Reduce initial & renewal fees to \$75.	Reduce initial & renewal fees to \$75.

Rep. Fowler-Arthur:

As you can see, Sub-HB 238 captures many of the recommendations within the committee report. We have also captured the general recommendation changes with updates to the boards and licenses that would be included in future reviews, as well as continuing education guardrails.

Today you will likely hear testimony on both the committee report and the sub-bill. Due to the tight timeline and the recent holiday, we are continuing to work through the committee's proposed changes regarding Real Estate, Barber and Cosmetology Licenses with the stakeholders over the coming week. As these conversations progress, we anticipate bringing forward several amendments for your consideration.

In summary, HB 238 follows through on the State and Local Government Committee's bi-partisan recommendations to eliminate 18 licenses that are obsolete or irrelevant and to reduce fees for at least 17 additional licenses. We are confident that this bill cuts bureaucratic red tape and will continue the good work of reducing barriers to occupational entry, incentivizing licensure of Ohioans in Ohio rather than losing them to more competitive surrounding states, and ensuring the continued health, safety, and quality of consumers through common sense standards.

Thank you for your attention and we would be happy to answer any questions you may have.