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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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Version: As Passed by the Senate

Primary Sponsor: Sen. Blessing

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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Highlights

- The state and political subdivisions may incur a small administrative cost to mark up industry standard forms, when contracting for construction services, to note any modifications of the industry standard form.
- The Ohio Facilities Construction Commission (OFCC) may incur a small administrative cost for rulemaking activities.

Detailed Analysis

The bill could likely result in a small increase in administrative costs for the state and political subdivisions when entering into construction contracts, other than contracts let by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for roads, highways, and bridges, which are exempt. Under the bill, when a public authority enters a construction contract using an industry standard published form, the public authority must indicate any alterations made to the form language by striking or underlining or by adding cross-references to any supplemental conditions. If the alterations are not so indicated, the alterations are void and the terms found on the standard form apply to the agreement. Because the bill requires only this minor procedural change, any new administrative costs are expected to be minimal at most.

The Ohio Facilities Construction Commission (OFCC) may also incur a small administrative cost to adopt rules to require that a public authority, construction manager at risk, design-build firm, or general contracting firm that uses a prescribed industry standard published contract or subcontract form comply with the bill's requirements.