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**S.B. 281**  
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## **Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement**

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**Version:** As Introduced

**Primary Sponsor:** Sen. Roegner

**Local Impact Statement Procedure Required:** No

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The bill has no direct fiscal impact on the state or political subdivisions. The bill authorizes a board of county commissioners, on its own behalf, to award a franchise for the operation of a public transit system. Currently, a board of county commissioners may award such a franchise on behalf of a county transit board. A board of county commissioners is responsible for the creation of a county transit board and for appointing members to that board. Therefore, it appears the bill would expedite the ability of a board of county commissioners to award a public transit franchise if that county currently does not have a county transit board. According to the Ohio Public Transit Association, there are currently 63 public transit agencies operating in Ohio.