

## Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Version: As Passed by the Senate

Primary Sponsor: Sen. Hoagland

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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## Highlights

- The bill requires state agencies to verify that a candidate for employment is registered with Selective Service, if that registration is required. Although this creates a new task for state agencies in the onboarding process for new employees, Selective Service registration verification is free and takes just a few seconds via the Selective Service System website using information already collected from candidates for employment.
- Public schools that offer grades 9-12 may incur a negligible cost to notify individual high school students of any obligation to register with the Selective Service System.

## **Detailed Analysis**

The bill is unlikely to have any fiscal effect on the state or political subdivisions. Public schools, however, may incur a negligible cost to notify individual high school students of any obligation to register with the Selective Service System. The bill disqualifies individuals who have failed to register with the Selective Service System in violation of the federal Military Selective Service Act from holding an appointed or elected position with state agencies, public institutions, political subdivisions, or any other organized body, office, agency, institution, or entity established by Ohio law for the exercise of any function of government.<sup>1</sup> It also prohibits a person who fails to register with Selective Service from employment with a state agency, as defined by the bill. Under the bill, state agencies must verify that a candidate for employment is registered with Selective Service. Although this creates a new task for state agencies in the onboarding

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The bill provides exemptions for persons whose obligation to register with Selective Service terminated or became inapplicable before the bill's effective date, and for persons elected or appointed to offices created by a provision of the Ohio Constitution.

process for new employees, Selective Service registration verification is free and takes just a few seconds via the Selective Service System website using information already collected from candidates for employment. The bill also requires school districts; community schools; science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) schools; college-preparatory boarding schools; and chartered nonpublic schools that offer grades 9-12 to notify individual high school students of any obligation to register with the Selective Service System, possibly resulting in some negligible new costs for these entities.

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