

The Ohio REINS Act

Regulations from the Executive In Need of Scrutiny

House Bill 11 - Representative Ron Ferguson & Representative Brian Lorenz

Why It Matters

JCARR provides a strong stopgap on the executive for rule making, ensuring that legislative intent is not abused via unaccountable bureaucracy.

Agencies currently need to provide a Business Impact Statement when seeking approval from JCARR.

REINS would require the most economically impactful regulations to receive additional scrutiny by the full legislative body.

The Ohio REINS Act requires that the most economically significant regulations must be approved by a majority of the Ohio Legislature, ensuring all Ohioans have a voice on impactful regulatory decisions.

The REINS Act starts with the Rule Summary & Financial Analysis (RSFA). House or Senate appointees to JCARR can request a third-party review of the RSFA, with legislative approval, to ensure accuracy.

Economic Impact

The REINS Act would require additional scrutiny if any of the following cost triggers are identified in the RSFA:

Agency costs	Compliance costs	Annual economic impact
\$100,000+	\$100,000+	\$1,000,000+

Legislative Approval

Any rule exceeding these cost triggers must be approved by a majority of the Ohio General Assembly, ensuring that the most economically impactful rules are fully scrutinized by Ohio's elected representatives.



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The Work So Far

2020 - 133rd General Assembly

SB01 Red Tape Reduction Act:

Established the need for executive agencies to cut red tape and start cleaning up Ohio code.



2022 - 134th General Assembly

SB09 Cut Red Tape Act:

Affirms that agencies need to cut 30% of regulations. Establishes CutRedTape.Ohio.gov

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2025 - 136th General Assembly

HB11 REINS Act:

Requires agencies to create an economic impact and empower legislature to review/approve new rules over a certain dollar threshold.



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