



Nonappropriation Provisions of

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(As Passed by the Senate)

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BILL SUMMARY

- Creates a study committee, called the Ticket to Work Program Evaluation Committee, to determine costs of, sources of revenue for, number of people likely to enroll in, and barriers and impediments to establishing, an Ohio ticket to work program.
- Extends the reporting deadline of the Tobacco Oversight Accountability Panel by six months to July 1, 2001.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Creation of the Ticket to Work Program Evaluation Committee

(Section 8)

Under the federal Ticket To Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999, states may extend Medicaid coverage to employed disabled people whose income would otherwise make them ineligible to receive such benefits.

The bill creates a study committee, named the Ticket To Work Program Evaluation Committee, to determine (1) the costs associated with establishing in Ohio a ticket to work and self-sufficiency program under the federal act, (2) sources of funds that may be available for such a program, (3) the number of people likely to enroll in it, and (4) the barriers and impediments to establishing it. The Committee is also empowered to address any other issues it considers pertinent. Not later than March 31, 2001, the Committee must complete its work and submit its report to the President and Minority Leader of the Senate and the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives. Upon submitting the report, the Committee is to cease to exist. Staffing for the Committee is to be provided by the Legislative Service Commission.

The Committee is to consist of the following ten members:

(1) Three senators appointed by the President of the Senate, not more than two of whom belong to the same political party as the President;

(2) Three representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, not more than two of whom belong to the same political party as the Speaker;

(3) Four ex officio members (that is, persons who serve by virtue of the offices they hold) or their designees--namely, the Director of Job and Family Services, Administrator of the Rehabilitation Services Commission, Director of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities, and Director of Budget and Management.

Extension of the reporting date for the Tobacco Oversight Accountability Panel

(Sections 3 and 4)

Legislation enacted by the General Assembly earlier in 2000 provided for the distribution of payments that the state is expected to receive under an agreement with the major American tobacco manufacturers in settlement of state lawsuits against the industry. Effective June 2, the act (1) established a seven-member Tobacco Oversight Accountability Panel to develop appropriate achievement benchmarks for each of the seven trust funds created by the act and (2) required the Panel to submit a report by December 31, 2000 describing the achievement benchmarks. The bill extends the reporting deadline to July 1, 2001.

HISTORY

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