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Bill Analysis
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BILL SUMMARY

- Authorizes county sheriffs and municipal corporations, and requires the Departments of Youth Services and Rehabilitation and Correction, to contract with certain clinics for the provision of health care services for prisoners, inmates, and delinquent children.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

"Clinics"

A "clinic," as referred to throughout the bill, means a federally qualified health center as defined in the federal Social Security Act (R.C. 341.06(A), 753.35(A), 5120.052(A), and 5139.031(A)). Federally qualified health centers generally are health centers that receive federal grants under the federal Public Health Services Act and that serve a medically underserved population or a special medically underserved population comprised of migratory and seasonal agricultural workers, the homeless, and residents of public housing (U.S.C. 42 254b and 1395x).

County sheriffs

The bill authorizes a county sheriff to contract with a clinic to have the clinic provide health care services, particularly the purchase of prescription drugs, to prisoners in a county jail (R.C. 341.06(B)).

Municipal corporations

The bill authorizes the legislative authority of a municipal corporation that operates a jail, prison, or station house to contract with a clinic to have the clinic provide health care services, particularly the purchase of prescription drugs, to prisoners in the jail, prison, or station house (R.C. 753.35(B)).

Department of Rehabilitation and Correction

The bill requires the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction to enter into an agreement with one or more clinics to have the clinics provide health care services, including prescription drug services, to inmates of state correctional institutions. This requirement does not apply if no clinic operates in the county in which the institution is located. (R.C. 5120.052(B) and (C).)

Department of Youth Services

The bill requires the Department of Youth Services to enter into an agreement with one or more clinics to have the clinics provide health care services, including prescription drug services, to delinquent children residing in training or rehabilitation institutions or facilities. This requirement does not apply if no clinic operates in the county in which the institution or facility is located. (R.C. 5139.031(B) and (C).)

HISTORY

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