



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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(As Reported by H. Health and Aging)

Reps. Roegner and Rosenberger, Martin, Maag, Derickson, Newbold, Beck, J. Adams, Conditt, Wachtmann, Buchy, Hayes, Young, Brenner, Butler, Grossman, L. Slaby, Blessing, Henne, Huffman, Boose, McClain, Hall, Bubb, Goodwin, Burke, Uecker, Dovilla, Thompson, Gardner, Blair

BILL SUMMARY

- Prioritizes the distribution of public funds, including funds received from the federal government, that are used for family planning services.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Prioritized distribution

The bill requires that funds distributed for family planning services by the Department of Health and Department of Job and Family Services are to be awarded first to eligible public entities that are operated by state, county, or local government entities and that provide or are able to provide family planning services. Then, to the extent funds are available after all eligible public entities have been fully funded, the bill permits the funds to be awarded to nonpublic entities in the following order of descending priority:

- (1) Nonpublic entities that are federally qualified health centers, federally qualified health center look-alikes, or community action agencies;
- (2) Nonpublic entities that provide comprehensive primary and preventive care services in addition to family planning services;
- (3) Nonpublic entities that provide family planning services, but do *not* provide comprehensive primary and preventive care services.

The public funds to be distributed in accordance with the bill's provisions include federal funds received under the Maternal and Child Health Services Block

Grant (Title V of the Social Security Act), the Family Planning program (Title X of the Public Health Service Act), the Social Services Block Grant (Title XX of the Social Security Act), and the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (TANF, Title IV-A of the Social Security Act), to the extent that TANF funds are being used by Ohio to provide Title XX social services.¹

Exemptions

The bill exempts from the prioritized fund distribution both of the following: (1) the Medicaid program and (2) funds awarded by the Department of Health as women's health services grants.²

HISTORY

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¹ R.C. 3701.027, 3701.033, 5101.101, 5101.46, and 5101.461.

² R.C. 3701.033(B) and 5101.101(B).

