



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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BILL SUMMARY

- Specifies that the Children's Trust Fund Board is authorized to solicit and accept gifts, money, and other donations from any public or private source.
- Permits the Board to develop private-public partnerships to support the mission of the Children's Trust Fund.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Children's Trust Fund Board – current funding sources

The Children's Trust Fund Board is required by current law to develop and carry out a biennial state plan for comprehensive child abuse and child neglect prevention. The Board receives funds through the Children's Trust Fund, a fund in the state treasury. The Fund includes amounts derived from certain additional fees that are collected when a copy of a birth record, birth certificate, or death certificate is obtained or when a divorce decree is filed.¹

In addition to receiving these additional fee amounts, the Board is authorized by current law to obtain other funds, which also are deposited into the Children's Trust Fund. For example, the Board may accept gifts and donations from any source, including individuals, philanthropic foundations or organizations, corporations, or corporation endowments.²

Further, the Board is authorized by current law to apply for and accept federal and other funds for the purpose of funding child abuse and child neglect prevention

¹ R.C. 3109.14 and 3109.17 (not in the bill).

² R.C. 3109.16.

programs. With respect to federal funds, current law specifies that the acceptance or use of the funds does not entail any commitment or pledge of state funds, nor obligate the General Assembly to continue the programs or activities for which the federal funds are made available.³

Board solicitation of gifts and acceptance of money and donations

The bill authorizes the Board to not only accept gifts and donations, but also solicit them. In addition, the bill permits the Board to solicit and accept money. The bill specifies that the Board may solicit and accept the gifts, money, and other donations from any public or private source.⁴

Private-public partnerships

The bill authorizes the Board to develop private-public partnerships. The partnerships are to be developed to support the mission of the Children's Trust Fund.⁵

No state funding effect

Consistent with current law pertaining to the acceptance and use of federal funds, the bill specifies that the Board's acceptance or use of any other funds does not entail any commitment or pledge of state funds, nor obligate the General Assembly to continue the programs or activities for which the funds are made available.⁶

HISTORY

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³ R.C. 3109.16.

⁴ R.C. 3109.16(D)(2).

⁵ R.C. 3109.16(D)(3).

⁶ R.C. 3109.16(D)(4).