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## OHIO JUDICIAL CONFERENCE

- Requires an advisory committee of the Ohio Judicial Conference to submit a report to the General Assembly recommending the manner in which its current functions should be performed by an independent association, by the Supreme Court, or by any other method the advisory committee considers to be appropriate.

### **Advisory committee, future representation**

(Section 701.100)

The bill requires the Ohio Judicial Conference to form an advisory committee to recommend a method by which the interests of Ohio's courts of appeals and common pleas, probate, juvenile, municipal, and county courts should be represented to the General Assembly. The committee must recommend that those courts be represented by (1) an independent association that does not receive public funds, (2) the staff of the Supreme Court in the manner directed by the Chief Justice, or (3) any other method the advisory committee considers to be appropriate.

The committee must consist of five members of the Conference who are not Supreme Court justices. Not later than October 31, 2015, the committee must submit a report to the President and Minority Leader of the Senate and the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House. The report must explain the reasons for the committee's recommendation. It also must include the committee's recommendations concerning the manner in which the staff of the Supreme Court should carry out the Conference's other current statutory functions.

