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## MISCELLANEOUS

### OhioMeansJobs registration

- Requires, beginning in 2016, participants in certain training or education programs and recipients of specified vocational rehabilitation services to create an account on the OhioMeansJobs website by specified times established in the bill.
- Exempts certain individuals from those requirements.

### OhioMeansJobs Revolving Loan Fund

- Requires the Treasurer of State, rather than the Chancellor of Higher Education or the Chancellor's designee, to service loans under the OhioMeansJobs Workforce Development Revolving Loan Fund and transfers other Program duties to the Treasurer of State that are currently performed by the Chancellor.
- Requires an institution that receives Program funds to apply the loan proceeds to program costs for Program participants who satisfy an institution's eligibility requirements for the loan instead of disbursing the loan to Program participants under current law.
- Requires the first loan under the Program to go to the Lorain County Community College to establish and operate the Ready Mix Truck Driver Training Program.

### Estate law

- Permits the transfer to a surviving spouse of one watercraft trailer of the decedent associated with the transfer of a watercraft or outboard motor.
- Allows executors the same commissions as existed before repeal of the estate tax.

### Division of marital property

- Makes technical corrections to the law governing the division of marital property.

### General Assembly members at state agency entry points

- Requires a state agency to recognize, at all entry points and check points within the state agency's building or office, without requiring additional credentials, the state identification card of a member, officer, or employee of the General Assembly.



## **Joint Legislative Committee on Multi-system Youth**

- Creates the ten-member Joint Legislative Committee on Multi-system Youth and requires the Committee to submit a report to the General Assembly and the Governor by December 31, 2015, and cease to exist after its submission.
- Requires the Committee to identify (1) the services currently provided to multi-system youths and the costs and outcomes of those services, (2) existing best practices to eliminate custody relinquishment as a means to receive services, (3) the best methods for person-centered care coordination, and (4) a system to monitor the progress of these youths in residential placement.
- Requires the Committee to recommend a funding and service delivery system to meet the needs of all multi-system youths.
- Permits the Committee, in the performance of its duties, to consult with specified state agency directors and representatives of any of several specified advocacy organizations.
- Defines a multi-system youth as a youth who is in need of services from two or more of (1) the child welfare system, (2) the mental health and addiction services system, (3) the developmental disabilities services system, or (4) the juvenile court system.

## **Non-GRF fund report to General Assembly**

- Requires a court of record, mayor's court, or executive agency to submit to the General Assembly twice annually a report regarding its non-General Revenue Fund funds.

## **Montgomery County Workforce Study Committee**

- Creates the Montgomery County Workforce Study Committee to study workforce development issues and trends in the Montgomery County region, including workforce development system options for in-demand jobs and identifying supply and demand of in-demand job areas.
- Requires the Committee to publish a report of its findings and deliver that report to the Governor, the President and Minority Leader of the Senate, and the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House, no later than June 30, 2017.



## **Repeal Ohio White Sulfur Springs land conveyance authorization**

- Repeals a previously authorized state land conveyance of real estate located in Delaware County.

## **City of Moraine conveyance**

- Authorizes the Governor to execute a release of any and all rights of reversion for the benefit of the state and any deed restrictions and covenants with respect to the construction on or use of certain real estate located in the city of Moraine in Montgomery County.

## **Conveyance of One Government Center to the city of Toledo**

- Authorizes the conveyance of state-owned real estate in Lucas County, known as One Government Center, to the city of Toledo or to an alternative grantee at a price acceptable to the Director of Administrative Services.

## **Eastern European Month**

- Designates and encourages commemoration of April as "Eastern European Month."

## **Sunset Review Committee**

- Requires the Sunset Review Committee to consider and make recommendations to the General Assembly, by June 1, 2016, regarding the status of the Motor Vehicle Repair Board, Ohio Landscape Architects Board, Architects Board, State Board of Optometry, and Ohio Optical Dispensers Board.

## **OhioMeansJobs registration**

(R.C. 3304.171, 3333.92, and 6301.16)

Beginning January 1, 2016, the bill requires the following individuals to create an account on OhioMeansJobs (the electronic system for labor exchange and job placement activity operated by the state):

(1) Participants in an Adult Basic and Literacy Education funded training or education program at the 12th week of the program;

(2) Participants in an Ohio Technical Center funded training or education program at the time of enrollment in the program;



(3) Participants in an adult training or education program funded under the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act at the time of enrollment in the program;

(4) Recipients of vocational rehabilitation services provided by the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency upon initiation of a job search as a part of receiving those services.

The bill exempts the following individuals from these requirements (1) an individual who is legally prohibited from using a computer, (2) an individual who has a physical or visual impairment that makes the individual unable to use a computer, or (3) an individual who has a limited ability to read, write, speak, or understand a language in which OhioMeansJobs is available.

### **OhioMeansJobs Revolving Loan Fund**

(Sections 401.40, 610.22, 610.23, and 812.20)

The OhioMeansJobs Workforce Development Revolving Loan Fund Program is a continuing law program that provides loans to eligible individuals to participate in approved workforce development programs at public and private educational institutions in Ohio. The bill requires the Treasurer of State to service loans under the Program, rather than allowing the Chancellor of Higher Education to designate either the Treasurer of State or a third party to service these loans.

The bill also transfers from the Chancellor to the Treasurer of State the duty to assess interest on a Program participant in accordance with continuing law. The bill specifically requires the Treasurer to assess interest against a participant who fails to complete the workforce development program beginning six months after the individual's enrollment is terminated.

The Treasurer of State under the bill, rather than the Chancellor as under current law, must also adopt rules that do all of the following:

- Establish repayment terms for loans under the Program;
- Assess interest on loans for a participant who fails to complete the workforce training program for which the loan was made, or whose participation in the program is on a staggered basis;
- Disperse funds to public and private educational institutions.

The bill also requires an institution that receives funds under the Program to apply the loan proceeds to program costs for Program participants who satisfy an



institution's eligibility requirements for the loan. Currently, the institution must disburse the loan to the Program participants.

The first loan under the Program must go to the Lorain County Community College to establish and operate the Ready Mix Truck Driver Training Program.

The bill eliminates the Chancellor's current law authority to include in the Chancellor's annual report on the amount each institution received under the Program any recommendations for legislative changes to the Program that the Chancellor determines are necessary to improve the Program's function and efficiency.

### **Estates – transfer of watercraft trailer to surviving spouse**

(R.C. 1548.11 and 2106.19)

The bill permits a surviving spouse who selects the decedent's watercraft or outboard motor also to select the decedent's associated watercraft trailer, if the trailer is not specifically disposed of by testamentary disposition. The surviving spouse may select only one trailer used to transport the watercraft transferred to the surviving spouse.

As under current law, the trailer passes to the surviving spouse upon receipt by the clerk of the court of common pleas of the title executed by the surviving spouse and an affidavit sworn to by the surviving spouse stating the date of the decedent's death, the description and approximate value of the trailer, and that it is not disposed of by testamentary disposition. However, the bill adds that if the trailer is untitled but registered, it passes to the spouse upon receipt of the affidavit by the Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

The bill requires the clerk to transfer a decedent's interest in one watercraft trailer selected by the surviving spouse. It specifies that the watercraft trailer is not considered an estate asset and is not included and stated in the estate inventory. The transfer does not affect the existence of any lien against the trailer. Except for a watercraft trailer transferred to a surviving spouse under the bill, the executor or administrator may transfer title to a watercraft trailer in the same manner as the transfer of an automobile under current law.

### **Commissions of executors and administrators**

(R.C. 2113.35)

The bill allows executors and administrators the same commissions as existed before the repeal of the estate tax. Executors and administrators of the estates of



decedents who died before January 1, 2013, were allowed a fee of 1% on all property that was not subject to administration and that was includable in the estate for purposes of computing the estate tax, except joint and survivorship property. The bill allows a fee of 1% on the value of property that is not subject to administration and *would have been* includable for purposes of computing the estate tax *had the decedent died on December 31, 2012* (that is, before the repeal of the estate tax took effect), except joint and survivorship property.

### **Division of marital property**

(R.C. 3105.151)

The bill makes technical corrections to remove erroneous line numbers from the section of law governing the division of marital property in a divorce proceeding.

### **General Assembly members at state agency entry points**

(R.C. 101.60)

The bill requires a state agency and its officers, employees, and contractors to recognize the state identification card of an individual who is a member, officer who is not a member, or employee of the General Assembly as a form of identification at all entry points and check points within the state agency's building or office and prohibits any additional credential or photograph from being required.

### **Joint Legislative Committee on Multi-system Youth**

(Section 701.80)

The bill creates the ten-member Joint Legislative Committee on Multi-system Youth. The committee must review specified issues regarding youths in need of services from two or more of the following: the child welfare system, the mental health and addiction services system, the developmental disabilities services system, and the juvenile court system. The committee must identify (1) the services currently provided to multi-system youths and the costs and outcomes of those services, (2) existing best practices to eliminate custody relinquishment as a means of gaining access to services for multi-system youths, (3) the best methods for person-centered care coordination related to behavioral health, developmental disabilities, juvenile justice, and employment, and (4) a system of accountability to monitor the progress of multi-system youths in residential placement. The committee must also recommend an equitable, adequate, sustainable funding and service delivery system to meet the needs of all multi-system youths.



The President of the Senate must appoint five members, three from the majority party and two from the minority party. The Speaker of the House must appoint five members, three from the majority party and two from the minority party. Appointments must be made not later than 15 days after the effective date of this provision, and the first meeting must occur not later than 45 days after that date. The committee must elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson at the first meeting, and meetings take place at the call of the chairperson. Committee vacancies are filled in the same manner as appointments.

The committee may consult with the directors of specified state agencies in the performance of its duties. The bill requires the agencies to cooperate with the committee and, upon request of the committee, provide any information that will assist the committee in the performance of its duties. The state agencies specified in the bill are the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the directors of the Office of Health Transformation, Department of Youth Services, the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Department of Medicaid, Department of Developmental Disabilities, Department of Job and Family Services, Department of Insurance, Office of Human Services Innovation, and the Ohio Family and Children First Cabinet Council. The committee also may consult with representatives of any of the following:

- Public Children Services Association of Ohio;
- Ohio Association of Child Caring Agencies;
- National Alliance on Mental Illness of Ohio;
- Autism Society of Ohio;
- Ohio Association of County Boards Serving People with Developmental Disabilities;
- Ohio Council of Behavioral Health and Family Services Providers;
- Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities;
- Juvenile Justice Coalition;
- Children's Defense Fund – Ohio;
- Ohio Family Care Association;
- Ohio Children's Hospital Association;
- County Commissioners Association of Ohio;



- Center for Innovative Practices;
- Disability Rights Ohio;
- The ARC of Ohio.

The committee must prepare a report of its findings and recommendations and submit it to the General Assembly and the Governor by December 31, 2015. Upon submission of its report, the committee ceases to exist.

### **Non-GRF fund report to General Assembly**

(R.C. 101.60)

The bill requires an executive agency, mayor's court, municipal court, county court, court of common pleas (including a probate court and a juvenile court), court of appeals, and the Supreme Court to submit to the General Assembly twice annually a report containing information about the amounts contained in any non-General Revenue Fund the agency or court administers and an itemized statement as to the manner in which a fund has been expended.

For purposes of the reporting requirement, the bill defines "executive agency" as the office of an elected executive official, a cabinet department, or any other state agency, department, board, or commission that is controlled or directed by an elected executive official or that is otherwise subject to an elected executive official's authority. "Executive agency" does not include JobsOhio.

### **Montgomery County Workforce Study Committee**

(Section 763.10)

The bill establishes the Montgomery County Workforce Study Committee. The committee must study all of the following:

(1) Workforce development system options for in-demand jobs in the Montgomery County region;

(2) Establishing a workforce sector network to develop a common agenda and shared performance measures in aerospace and manufacturing;

(3) Identifying the supply and demand of in-demand job areas over multi-time horizons and using this data to establish short-term and long-term targets for the Montgomery County region's in-demand jobs that are approved and shared by the network's partners.



(4) Identifying and implementing clear pathways and incentives for meeting educational and experiential objectives;

(5) Identifying a collaborative strategy to expand the number of internships that are available and to recommend targeted matching or seed funding to complement existing efforts or to generate new "gap filler" efforts for students interested in careers in aerospace and manufacturing industries;

(6) Creating innovative loan forgiveness programs and providing targeted matching or seed funding to complement existing efforts or generating new "gap filler" efforts for students who are completing a post-secondary credential in a high-demand workforce area.

The committee must issue a report of its findings to the Governor, the President and Minority Leader of the Senate, and the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House no later than June 30, 2017. Once the committee submits its report, it is abolished.

The bill permits the committee to hire staff in consultation with Learn to Earn Dayton and requires the Montgomery County Educational Service Center to act as the committee's fiscal agent.

### **Committee membership**

The committee consists of the following 18 members:

- Four representatives of the manufacturing industry;
- Four representatives of the aerospace industry;
- Six representatives from institutions of higher education; and
- Four representatives from the Department of Higher Education, the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation, the Montgomery County Educational Services Center, OhioMeansJobs Montgomery County, or any other state or county agency involved with education or workforce development.

For each category, half of the members must be appointed by the Speaker of the House, and the other half must be appointed by the President of the Senate. Appointments must be made within 30 days after the provision's effective date, and within 30 days after the last appointment is made, the committee must meet and select a chairperson and vice-chairperson from among its members. Committee members are not entitled to compensation for serving on the committee.



## **Repeal Ohio White Sulfur Springs land conveyance authorization**

(Section 690.10)

The bill repeals the authorization for the conveyance of state-owned real property in Delaware County that is referred to as the "Ohio White Sulfur Springs Property." The property is further described as being located in Concord Township, and as consisting of two parcels totaling approximately 99 acres. The authorization was enacted in H.B. 477 of the 130th General Assembly, effective July 16, 2014.

## **City of Moraine conveyance**

(Section 753.10)

The bill authorizes the Governor to execute a release of any and all rights of reversion for the benefit of the state and any deed restrictions and covenants with respect to the construction on or use of certain real estate located in the city of Moraine in Montgomery County. The Auditor must State to prepare the release, and the city of Moraine must present the release for recording in the office of the Montgomery County Recorder.

The authorization expires one year after it takes effect.

## **Conveyance of One Government Center to the city of Toledo**

(Section 753.20)

The bill authorizes the conveyance of state-owned real estate in Lucas County, known as One Government Center, to the city of Toledo or to a grantee to be determined through a real estate purchase agreement prepared by the Department of Administrative Services. Consideration for the conveyance of the real estate is to be at a price acceptable to the Director of Administrative Services. The real estate is to be sold as an entire tract and not in parcels.

Under the bill, the conveyance must include improvements and chattels situated on the real property, and is subject to all leases, easements, covenants, conditions, and restrictions of record; all legal highways and public rights-of-way; zoning, building, and other laws, ordinances, restrictions, and regulations; and real estate taxes and assessments not yet due and payable. The real property must be conveyed in "as-is, where-is, with all faults" condition.

The deed may contain restrictions, exceptions, reservations, reversionary interests, and other terms and conditions the Director of Administrative Services determines to be in the best interest of the state. Also, subsequent to the conveyance,



any restrictions, exceptions, reservations, reversionary interests, or other terms and conditions contained in the deed may be released by the state or the Department of Administrative Services without the necessity of further legislation.

The bill requires that if the real property is conveyed to the city of Toledo, the deed to the real estate must include a deed restriction stating that subsequent to the transfer of the deed to the grantee, in the event the grantee determines the real estate interest no longer is needed for the grantee's use and purpose, the grantee must notify the grantor and offer to return title of the real estate to the grantor conditioned upon written agreement from the grantor to accept the title. Should the grantor decline to accept this reversion of title interest not later than 90 days after receipt of the notice, the grantee is authorized to proceed with any subsequent transfer, conveyance, or disposal of the real estate the grantee determines to be in its best interest.

The bill requires that, if the city of Toledo, or the grantee to be determined, does not complete the purchase of the real estate within the time period provided in the real estate purchase agreement, the Director of Administrative Services may offer to sell the real estate to an alternate grantee, through a real estate purchase agreement prepared by the Department of Administrative Services. Consideration for conveyance of the real estate to an alternate grantee is to be at a price acceptable to the Director.

Upon payment of the purchase price, the Auditor of State, with the assistance of the Attorney General, is to prepare a deed to the real estate. The deed must state the consideration. The deed must be executed by the Governor in the name of the state, countersigned by the Secretary of State, sealed with the Great Seal of the State, presented in the Office of the Auditor of State for recording, and delivered to the grantee. The grantee must present the deed for recording in the Office of the Lucas County Recorder.

The bill requires the grantee to pay all costs associated with the purchase, closing, and conveyance, including surveys, title evidence, title insurance, transfer costs and fees, recording costs and fees, taxes, and any other fees, assessments, and costs that may be imposed.

The bill requires that the net proceeds of the sale be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the General Revenue Fund.

The authorization for the conveyance expires three years after its effective date.



## **Eastern European Month**

(R.C. 5.2298)

The bill designates April as "Eastern European Month." The people of Ohio are encouraged to commemorate Eastern European culture during this month with relevant educational opportunities, ceremonies, and activities.

## **Sunset Review Committee**

(Section 701.80)

The bill requires the Sunset Review Committee generally to hold hearings to receive testimony from the public concerning, and from the chief executive officer of, the Motor Vehicle Repair Board, the Ohio Landscape Architects Board, the Architects Board, the State Board of Optometry, and the Ohio Optical Dispensers Board, and otherwise to consider and evaluate the usefulness, performance, and effectiveness of those boards. The bill requires the Sunset Review Committee specifically to consider and make recommendations to the General Assembly, by June 1, 2016, regarding whether or not continuation of the Motor Vehicle Repair Board is necessary or if the board should be eliminated; whether or not the Ohio Landscape Architects Board and the Architects Board should be combined to improve efficiency and save costs; and whether or not the State Board of Optometry and the Ohio Optical Dispensers Board should be combined to improve efficiency and save costs.

Under continuing law, the Sunset Review Committee, which is scheduled to be convened and operate during calendar years 2015 and 2016, is required to make recommendations regarding all boards and commissions under its purview by December 31, 2016.

The bill also requires the committee, after completion of the committee's consideration and evaluation, to prepare a report and furnish a copy of the report to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Governor, and each affected agency. The report must be made available to the public in the offices of the House and Senate Clerks during reasonable hours. The report may be in the form of a bill prepared for introduction in the House or Senate.

