



basic information has already been compiled. No additional or supplemental resources will be required to continue the future issuance of this report.

The bill also modifies the hiring requirements of PASSPORT and adult care agencies. PASSPORT agencies are public and private entities that provide home and community based services to older adults through the PASSPORT program under §173.40 of the O.R.C. Currently, the chief administrator of a PASSPORT agency must request that the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation, BCII, conduct a criminal records check of each new job applicant. This bill would enable such applicants to be hired conditionally, for a period of up to sixty days, provided that they were referred to the agency by an appropriate employment service and the service states, in writing, that it has requested the superintendent of BCII to conduct a criminal records check. This change should enable adult care agencies to hasten the start dates for new employees. There should be no fiscal effect on the state or the localities. BCII collected a fee from the PASSPORT agencies to conduct the criminal background checks. However, the PASSPORT agency could charge the applicant the cost of the fee. Under this bill, an employment service could request the background check of BCII and either pay the fee or have the applicant pay the fee.

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