

Executive		As Passed By House		As Passed By Senate		As Reported By Conference Committee	
DVSCD5	Veterans services claim register						
R.C.	5902.06, (Repealed)	R.C.	5902.06, (Repealed)	R.C.	5902.06, (Repealed)	R.C.	5902.06, (Repealed)
Eliminates the DVS Director’s duty to keep a register showing the situation and disposition of claims filed by DVS.		Same as the Executive.		Same as the Executive.		Same as the Executive.	
Fiscal effect: None. Codifies current practice.		Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.		Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.		Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.	
DVSCD4	Veteran Peer Counseling Network						
R.C.	5902.20, (Repealed)	R.C.	5902.20, (Repealed)	R.C.	5902.20, (Repealed)	R.C.	5902.20, (Repealed)
Eliminates the Veteran Peer Counseling Network, for which the DVS Director was to adopt rules.		Same as the Executive.		Same as the Executive.		Same as the Executive.	
Fiscal effect: None as this grant supported program is coming to an end.		Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.		Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.		Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.	
DVSCD3	Resident’s Benefit Fund						
R.C.	5907.11	R.C.	5907.11	R.C.	5907.11	R.C.	5907.11
Eliminates the requirement that the Ohio Veterans' Homes Superintendent establish rules for the operation of the residents' benefit funds.		Same as the Executive.		Same as the Executive.		Same as the Executive.	
Fiscal effect: Minimal.		Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.		Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.		Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.	
DVSCD6	Veterans’ homes clinician recruitment program						
R.C.	5907.17	R.C.	5907.17	R.C.	5907.17	R.C.	5907.17
Replaces the physician recruitment program with the clinician recruitment program.		Same as the Executive.		Same as the Executive.		Same as the Executive.	

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Expands program eligibility to include advanced practice registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, physician's assistants, registered nurses, registered nurse aides, and certain other Ohio Veterans' Homes employees, in addition to physicians.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.
Establishes eligibility requirements for program participation that include licensing, length of service, discipline, program accreditation, and other contract terms and related rules.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.
Revises the terms of the contract required under the provision to require that the clinician maintain appropriate licensure and provide services for at least one year.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.
Changes the category of individuals the clinician must agree to serve from "patients of one or more specified institutions administered by the department" to "residents of the Ohio veterans' homes."	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.
Permits the DVS Director, or the Director's designee, to allocate funds among recruited clinicians for any purpose considered necessary to best serve clinician staffing needs.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.
Fiscal effect: None. Expenditures would only occur if funding is appropriated in the future (none is provided for in H.B. 96).	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.

Ohio Department of Veterans Service			Main Operating Appropriations Bill H.B. 96
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DVSCD1 Department of Veterans Services			
Section: 415.20	Section: 415.20	Section: 415.20	Section: 415.20
Requires GRF ALI 900408, Department of Veterans Services, to be used to pay veterans organizations' rent in buildings managed by DAS.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.
No provision.	No provision.	No provision.	Earmarks \$250,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 900408, Department of Veterans Services, for USA Cares - Ohio.
DVSCD2 Veterans Organizations General Obligation Bond Debt Service			
Section: 415.20	Section: 415.20	Section: 415.20	Section: 415.20
Requires GRF ALI 900901, Veterans Compensation General Obligation Bond Debt Service, to be used to pay all debt service and related financing costs during the biennium, on obligations issued to provide compensation to Ohio veterans who served during the Persian Gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.
DVSCD7 Veterans Home Modernization			
		Section: 415.20	Section: 415.20
No provision.	No provision.	Reappropriates the unexpended and unencumbered portions of DPF ALI 900411, Veterans Homes Modernization, under the Veterans Homes Modernization Fund (Fund 5ZO0), plus an amount equal to cash previously expended but returned to the fund at the end of FY 2025 and FY 2026 to FY 2026 and FY 2027 respectively, for the same purpose.	Same as the Senate.

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DVSCD8 State Veterans Homes			
No provision.	No provision.	<div>Section: 759.10</div> <div>Requires the DVS Director to investigate sites in central Ohio for the construction of a new state veterans home and issue a report on the findings to the General Assembly and the Governor not later than September 30, 2026.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Potential increase in administrative costs for DVS.</div>	<div>Section: 759.10</div> <div>Same as the Senate.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Senate.</div>

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MHACD32 Ibogaine Treatment Study Committee			
	Section: 751.40		Section: 751.40
No provision.	Establishes the Ibogaine Treatment Study Committee to evaluate the use of ibogaine for treating individuals with substance use disorders and veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder, depression, and mild traumatic brain injuries.	No provision.	Same as the House.
No provision.	Requires DBH to provide administrative support to the committee.	No provision.	Same as the House.
No provision.	Requires the committee to submit a report with recommendations for legislation addressing the use of ibogaine to the General Assembly by December 31, 2027, after which the committee ceases to exist.	No provision.	Same as the House.

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DEVCD19 Appalachia Assistance			
Section: 259.20	Section: 259.20	Section: 259.20	Section: 259.20
Allows GRF ALI 195455, Appalachia Assistance, to be used for (a) the administrative costs of planning and liaison activities for the Governor's Office of Appalachia; (b) financial assistance to projects in Ohio's Appalachian counties; (c) support of the four local development districts; (d) payment of dues for the Appalachian Regional Commission; and (e) as a match for federal funding received from the Appalachian Regional Commission.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.
Requires that programs funded through the ALI be identified and recommended by the local development districts and approved by the Governor's Office of Appalachia.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.
Requires DEV to conduct compliance and regulatory review of the programs recommended by the local development districts, and allows moneys allocated under the ALI to be used to fund projects including those designated by the local development districts as community investment and rapid response projects.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.
Earmarks \$210,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI to support the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.
Earmarks \$210,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI to support the Ohio Mid-Eastern Government Association.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.

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Earmarks \$210,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI to support the Buckeye Hills Regional Council.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.
Earmarks \$210,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI to support the Eastgate Regional Council of Governments.	Same as the Executive, but requires the earmark to be used to support the study and construction of oil and natural gas pipelines within Ashtabula, Columbiana, Mahoning, and Trumbull counties.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.
Requires the four local development districts receiving this funding to use the funds for the implementation and administration of programs and duties under the Governor's Office of Appalachia.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive.
Earmarks \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI to support the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio.	Same as the Executive, but decreases the earmark to \$2,750,000.	Same as the House.	No provision.
Earmarks \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI to support the Ohio University's Voinovich School of Leadership and Public Service to work on behalf of the Mayor's Partnership for Progress.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive, but earmarks \$850,000 in each fiscal year.	Same as the Executive.

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No provision.	Earmarks \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI to the Appalachian Ohio Manufacturers Coalition to create a workforce reentry pilot program in Meigs, Athens, Morgan, Noble, Monroe, and Washington counties for individuals who have graduated from behavioral health recovery programs. Requires the program to be jointly developed and administered with the Appalachian Children Coalition, in consultation with the Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services.	No provision.	Same as the House, but earmarks \$1,500,000 in each fiscal year.
No provision.	Earmarks \$500,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI for the Outdoor Recreation Council of Appalachia.	No provision.	Same as the House, but earmarks \$750,000 in each fiscal year.
No provision.	Earmarks \$250,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI for the FosterHub in Hocking County.	No provision.	Same as the House, but earmarks \$375,000 in each fiscal year.
No provision.	No provision.	No provision.	Earmarks \$250,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI for Integrated Services for Behavioral Health to support a behavioral health emergency pilot program.
No provision.	No provision.	No provision.	Earmarks \$100,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI for the Tuscarawas County Commissioners for the Tuscarawas County Growth Initiative.
No provision.	No provision.	No provision.	Earmarks \$150,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI for the City of Athens to support a southeast Ohio regional agricultural initiative.

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No provision.	No provision.	No provision.	Earmarks \$500,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI for Shawnee State University to support the Civic and Culture Program for Appalachia.
No provision.	No provision.	No provision.	Earmarks \$375,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the ALI to be used in coordination with the Ohio History Connection to celebrate and recognize the Northwest Ordinance Commemoration.
No provision.	No provision.	No provision.	Earmarks \$500,000 in FY 2026 and \$875,000 in FY 2027 from the ALI to support the Veterans and First Responders Appalachian Assistance Program, with the DEV Director in coordination with the DVS Director setting criteria for distributing funding under the program.

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BORCD103 Military and Veterans Offices			
	Section: 381.215		Section: 381.215
No provision.	Requires that GRF ALI 235450, Military and Veterans Offices, be used by the Chancellor to support higher education institutions that are members of the Ohio Veterans Education Council (OVEC). Permits the Chancellor to consult with the Director of Veterans Services as needed.	No provision.	Same as the House.
No provision.	Makes the following earmarks from ALI 235450:	No provision.	Same as the House.
(1) No provision.	(1) Up to \$213,750 in each fiscal year for the Chancellor to award scholarships of \$2,500 to students who serve as Military Community Advocates, including up to six students at an OVEC public university and up to three students at a public community college or private nonprofit university or college.	(1) No provision.	(1) Same as the House.
(2) No provision.	(2) \$255,000 in each fiscal year to be used for grants to military and veterans offices at institutions of higher education to support growth in private philanthropy, in collaboration with the National Veterans Leadership Foundation (NVLf).	(2) No provision.	(2) Same as the House.
(3) No provision.	(3) \$91,800 in each fiscal year to sponsor staff from military and veterans offices at institutions of higher education to attend the NVLF's Advancement Institute.	(3) No provision.	(3) Same as the House.

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(4) No provision.	(4) The remainder to support NVLF administrative costs, create a web site to connect veterans to programs and offerings at all Ohio Veterans Education Council-member colleges and universities, administer membership and Ohio Purple Star status, facilitate information sharing, and support any other expenses as determined appropriate by the Chancellor, in consultation with NVLF.	(4) No provision.	(4) Same as the House.