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House Bill 96 — 136th General Assembly

Main Operating Budget Bill
(FY 2026-FY 2027)

As Introduced
As Passed by the House
As Passed by the Senate

*Items on which the Executive, House, and Senate are in agreement are **not** shown.*

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Introduction

The Comparison Document provides brief descriptions and fiscal estimates of the provisions that make up the executive recommended version and subsequent versions of the biennial main operating budget bill of the 136th General Assembly, House Bill 96. The document is arranged in alphabetical order by state agency. It also includes three nonagency items for which appropriations are made: Employee Benefits Fund (PAY), Pension Subsidies (PEN), and Revenue Distribution Funds (RDF) as well as a section for Local Government Provisions (LOC). A Table of Contents follows this Introduction. Two indices are located at the end of the document. The first index gives the page number of each particular item within the sections; the second index lists cross-references by agency.

Generally within an agency's section, items that involve Revised Code changes come first, followed by items that involve uncoded (i.e., temporary) law provisions. The sections for the Department of Education and Workforce, the Department of Medicaid, and the Department of Taxation are first arranged by general topic area. If an item affects more than one agency, it is described under one of the affected agencies, rather than all of the agencies. However, the other agencies are listed in the cross-reference index at the end of the document. This index lists, for each agency, all entries that affect the agency but are not included in that agency's section as well as the page numbers for these entries. A reader who is interested in all provisions affecting a certain agency should consult the cross-reference index in addition to the agency's section.

Each item is assigned a unique identification number. This number begins with the three-letter agency code used in the state's accounting system followed by a comparison document reference ("CD") and a number (TAXCD15, for example). A reader who wants to track an item across several versions of the Comparison Document may find the identification number useful.

The Comparison Document does not include appropriation amounts for the agencies. Please see the Appropriation Spreadsheet for that information. For a complete discussion of the statutory changes in the bill, please see the Bill Analysis for H.B. 96.

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| ACCCD3 Public accounting firm registration | | |
| | R.C. 4701.04, 4701.01, 4701.16 | R.C. 4701.04, 4701.01, 4701.16 |
| No provision. | Modifies the requirements for a public accounting firm to practice public accounting in Ohio as follows: (1) reduces the percent of a firm's total equity interest that must be owned by Ohio permit or foreign certificate holders from 100% to 50%; (2) requires more than 50% of the directors to hold an Ohio permit or a foreign certificate if a firm has a board of directors; (3) requires 50% of any board of directors or trustees of an employee stock ownership plan to hold an Ohio permit or foreign certificate. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Changes references to ownership interests in a public accounting firm from "equity interest" to "equity interest or shares." | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| <div><div>DASCD22 Software purchases</div><div>R.C. 9.27</div><div>Prohibits a contract entered into by the state for a purchase, in which a state agency receives a license to use a software application designed to run on generally available desktop or server hardware or cloud platforms, from including a requirement that the state agency install or run the software on hardware or in a cloud platform dedicated solely to the state agency, or a requirement that otherwise restricts the state agency from installing or running the software on hardware or in a cloud platform of the state agency's choosing.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Potentially reduces costs from redundant software licensing.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C. 9.27</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div></div> | <div><div></div><div>No provision.</div><div></div></div> |
| <div><div>DASCD53 Menstrual products in public buildings</div><div></div><div>No provision.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C. 9.561</div><div>Prohibits a government entity from placing menstrual products in the men's restroom of a public building.</div><div>Fiscal effect: None.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C. 9.561</div><div>Same as the House.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div></div> |
| <div><div>DASCD39 Notice of open meeting on a public body's website</div><div>R.C. 121.22</div><div>Requires a public body to establish a method for announcing all scheduled and special meetings on the public body's website, instead of requiring that the method be established by rule.</div><div>Allows any advance notification to include electronically mailing the agenda of meetings to all subscribers on an electronic mailing list.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C. 121.22</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div></div> | <div><div></div><div>No provision.</div><div>No provision.</div></div> |

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| Removes the reference of making an advance notification using self addressed, stamped envelopes provided by a person requesting an advance notice. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Small cost savings for public entities subject to the meeting notification requirements. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| DASCD50 State-owned real property study | R.C. 123.14 | R.C. 123.14 |
| No provision. | Requires DAS to conduct a biennial comprehensive study of all real property owned or leased by the state or a state agency. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires the report to include information on the nature of the property, its value, cost of maintenance, current and potential usage, square footage, and whether it is owned, rented, or leased. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Administrative cost increase for DAS to complete the required biennial real property study. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DASCD51 Flag display on state-owned buildings | R.C. 123.30 | R.C. 123.30 |
| No provision. | Prohibits a state agency or any entity that manages the grounds or buildings under the control of a state agency (except for the Ohio Statehouse and its grounds) from displaying on the grounds or building any flag except for the official state flag, the United States flag, or the POW/MIA flag. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| DASCD56 State employee pay for jury service or court attendance | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 124.135 Prohibits requiring a state employee, as a condition of receiving paid leave for jury duty or court attendance under continuing law, to surrender compensation or reimbursement paid to the employee for the service or attendance. Fiscal effect: Minimal. |
| DASCD38 Exempt employee salary schedules | | |
| R.C. 124.152, 5503.031 (repealed), Section 701.30 Eliminates statutory pay schedules E-1 and E-2 for exempt state employees. Requires the DAS Director, in consultation with the OBM Director, to create schedules E-1 and E-2, report them to the Controlling Board, publish them, and assign exempt state employees to pay ranges within them based on job classification plan developed by the DAS Director under continuing law. Repeals a requirement that certain officers of the State Highway Patrol be paid in accordance with specific pay ranges in statutory schedule E-1 eliminated by the bill. Repeals a prohibition against an exempt employee other than a captain or equivalent officer in the State Highway Patrol from being placed in step value 7 in range 17 of statutory pay schedule E-1 eliminated by the bill. | R.C. 124.152, Sections 503.15 and 701.30 Replaces the Executive provision with provisions that codify modifications to exempt state employee pay schedules E-1 and E-2 for FY 2025 made by the DAS Director pursuant to H.B. 2 of the 135th General Assembly, and establish exempt employee pay schedules E-1 and E-2 for FY 2026 and FY 2027. No provision. No provision. Same as the Executive. | R.C. 124.152, Sections 503.15 and 701.30 Same as the House. No provision. No provision. Same as the Executive. |

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| No provision. | Authorizes, beginning with the pay period that includes July 1, 2025, each state appointing authority to make expenditures from current state operating appropriations to provide for the changes to compensation provisions pursuant to approved collective bargaining agreements between employee organizations and State of Ohio public employers and for employees exempt from collective bargaining to allow parity for those employees. | Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: Any fiscal effect would depend on the exempt salary schedules developed by the DAS Director. Presumably they would mirror the existing E-1 and E-2 salary schedules initially, but any future changes are unknown. | Fiscal effect: The FY 2026 and FY 2027 exempt employee pay schedules include pay increases of approximately 4.5% for FY 2026 and 3% for FY 2027. State agencies will incur similar increases in payroll costs as a result. Payroll costs are paid from both GRF and non-GRF funds. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DASCD46 State employee work location | R.C. 124.184, 4117.08, 4117.10 | R.C. 124.184, 4117.08, 4117.10 |
| No provision. | Requires, not later than October 15, 2025, each state agency to develop a plan for the agency's state employees to report to the agency's worksite or another location designated by the agency during the time the employees are performing their duties for the agency. | Same as the House, but (1) excludes the state retirement systems from the bill's requirements, and (2) states that the bill's provisions do not interfere with an administrative policy regarding employee work locations adopted by the Supreme Court. |
| No provision. | Requires, beginning January 1, 2026, a state agency to require the agency's state employees to report to the agency's worksite or another location in accordance with that plan. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Prohibits, beginning January 1, 2026, any state employee from working from the employee's place of residence unless an exception applies. | Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | Creates an exception to the prohibition for reasonable accommodations under Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) or the Ohio Civil Rights Law. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Allows a state agency to adopt a policy allowing a supervisor to approve a state employee to work from the employee's place of residence or other off-site location under certain circumstances. | Same as the House, but replaces supervisors with an appointing authority or the appointing authority's designee as the person who may approve an employee to work remotely and adds additional circumstances under which the approval may be granted. |
| No provision. | Makes, for future collective bargaining agreements, state employee work location under the amendment not an appropriate subject of collective bargaining and states that the law regarding state employee work location prevails over a conflicting provision in a future collective bargaining agreement. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires a state employee to attest on the employee's timesheet that the employee has complied with a state agency's plan described above or an exception applies. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Exempts a state employee receiving a reasonable accommodation under the ADA or Ohio Civil Rights Law from the attestation requirement described above. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires a state agency to submit an annual implementation report to the DAS Director that describes the agency's compliance with these provisions. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires, beginning on March 1 immediately following the provision's effective date, and every March 1 thereafter, the DAS Director to submit a written report that compiles the information the DAS Director receives from state agencies above to the Speaker of the House, the Senate President, and the chairs of the standing committees in both chambers that are principally responsible for workforce development policy. | No provision. |

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| | Fiscal effect: State agencies that have adopted work from home policies and have reduced office space as a result will likely incur some costs to provide work locations. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DASCD36 Disability leave benefits | | |
| R.C. 124.385 | R.C. 124.385 | |
| Makes a full-time permanent state employee with at least one year of service eligible for disability leave benefits if the employee is entitled to disability benefits under a collective bargaining agreement. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Eliminates the requirement that the DAS Director adopt a rule regarding the disability leave program pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, thus subjecting the required rule adoption to the abbreviated (R.C. 111.15) rulemaking procedure. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires the Director to adopt rules that allow disability leave due to a condition. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Eliminates the requirement that the rules the Director adopts include the following: (1) timing requirements regarding the procedure for appealing denial of payment of a claim, (2) approving leave of absence for medical reasons where an employee is in no pay status after using all other leave time, and (3) provisions precluding the payment of benefits to ensure they are provided in a consistent manner. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Specifies that the adjudication hearing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act do not apply to the procedures for appealing denial of payment of a claim. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Eliminates the prohibition against charging time off for an employee granted disability leave to any other leave. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Eliminates the requirement that the Director approve disability leave on the appointing authority's recommendation and eliminates the Director's ability to delegate to the appointing authority the authority to approve disability benefits for a standard recovery period. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None, the amendment codifies a current practice. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| DASCD33 | Procurement processes | | |
| R.C. | 125.01, 125.02-125.073, 125.09, 125.091, 125.11, 125.18, 125.601, 127.16, 307.86, 731.14, 731.141, 3345.691, 3345.692, 4114.36, 5513.01, and 5513.02, Repealed: 125.092, 125.093, 125.10, 125.112, 125.60, 125.602-125.6012 | R.C. | 125.01, 125.02-125.073, 125.09, 125.091, 125.11, 125.18, 125.601, 127.16, 307.86, 731.14, 731.141, 3345.691, 3345.692, 4114.36, 5513.01, and 5513.02, Repealed: 125.092, 125.093, 125.10, 125.112, 125.60, 125.602-125.6012 |
| Modifies DAS responsibilities with respect to the purchase of "goods or services" instead of "supplies and services." | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires that rules adopted by the DAS Director, with respect to state agency purchases, and regarding circumstances and criteria for obtaining a release and permit under the first and second requisite procurement program, be adopted under the Administrative Procedure Act. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Allows DAS, at its discretion, to amend, renew, cancel, or terminate any state contract when it is in the best interest of the state. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Alters the procedures for state agency purchases through the first and second requisite procurement programs. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Eliminates a requirement that DAS include in its annual report, an estimate of the purchases, by participation in state contract, that are made by state institutions of higher education, governmental agencies, political subdivisions, boards of elections, private fire companies, private, nonprofit emergency medical service organizations, and chartered nonpublic schools. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Removes from the definition of "state procurement emergency" specific circumstances that (1) pose a threat to public health, safety, or welfare; (2) cause an immediate and serious need for supplies or services that cannot be achieved by normal state procurement methods; or (3) are a serious threat of harm to state government, protection of property, or the health and safety of individuals. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires that solicitations for state agency purchases via competitive sealed bidding at a minimum must contain a detailed description of the goods or services to be purchased, the terms and conditions of the purchase, instructions concerning submission of proposals, and any other information prescribed by rules, or that DAS considers necessary. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires that proposals in response to competitive sealed bidding solicitations be submitted through and opened in the electronic procurement system established by DAS. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires the prequalification of all entities who submit bids through the "reverse auction" purchasing process. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Eliminates the biobased product preference program and specifies new requirements for the purchase of biobased products. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Eliminates DAS authority to require that all competitive sealed bids, competitive sealed proposals, and bids received in a reverse auction be accompanied by a performance bond or other financial assurance acceptable. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Allows the DAS electronic procurement system to be used to meet the existing requirement that DAS establish and maintain a single searchable website with information on state awards. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Modifies and recodifies the Community Rehabilitation Program within the procurement office of DAS. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Modifies the definition of government ordering office, as applies to the Community Rehabilitation Program, so that it no longer includes the General Assembly or state elected officials. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Recodifies (relocates) most definitions in the procurement chapter to one common definition section. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: DAS, and perhaps other state agencies, would likely see some administrative cost savings as a result of procedural efficiencies in procurement. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| DASCD48 Affirmative action programs in state contracts | R.C. 125.111, 153.59, and 9.47 (repealed) | R.C. 125.111, 153.59, and 9.47 (repealed) |
| No provision. | Eliminates a requirement for all contractors from whom the state or a political subdivision makes purchases to have a written affirmative action program for the employment and utilization of economically disadvantaged persons. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Repeals a requirement that a person receive a certificate of compliance with affirmative action programs from DEV before bidding on a public improvement construction contract or a transportation construction contract awarded by DOT. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| DASCD27 State surplus supplies and nonprofit corporations R.C. 125.13 Allows the DAS Director to dispose of surplus or excess supplies in the Director's control to a nonprofit entity that is registered and in good standing with the SOS as a domestic nonprofit or not-for-profit corporation, instead of only to a nonprofit entity that receives funds from the state or has a contract. Fiscal effect: None. | R.C. 125.13 Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| DASCD29 Next Generation 9-1-1 access fee R.C. 128.412, (repealed) Repeals the provision of law that would, beginning October 1, 2025, lower the Next Generation 9-1-1 access fee applied to certain communication services in the state from \$0.40 to \$0.25. No provision. Fiscal effect: Next Generation 9-1-1 access fees are deposited to the credit of several funds used for establishing and administering the state's Next Generation 9-1-1 system. This change will result in an increase in revenue each of these funds would otherwise receive after October 1, 2025. | R.C. 128.41, 128.412 (repealed) Same as the Executive. Increases the monthly Next Generation 9-1-1 access fee from \$0.40 to \$0.60. Fiscal effect: Increase in revenue totaling several millions of dollars per year. | R.C. 128.41, 128.412 (repealed) Same as the Executive. Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DASCD31 Designation of a public records officer R.C. 149.43 Expressly authorizes a public office or person responsible for public records to designate one or more officials or employees to act as its public records officer or officers, and specifies that the public office may require that a person making a request for a public record address a request to the designated public records officer or officers. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Requires a public office to include the designation of the public records officer or officers and operative contact information for the public records officer or officers in its public records policy, and also post this information on any website of the public office. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | |
| DASCD49 Disqualifying subcontractors - affirmative action programs | R.C. 153.502 | R.C. 153.502 |
| No provision. | Prohibits public authorities, for subcontracts of construction managers at risk, integrated project contractors, and design-build firms, from eliminating a bidder as unqualified on the basis that the bidder has not complied with an affirmative action program, or a diversity, equity, and inclusion program. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Allows exceptions to the above prohibition for both of the following: (1) county policies to assist minority business enterprises in competitively bid contracts; and (2) any set-aside programs for minority business enterprises or EDGE business enterprises. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DASCD52 MARCS Steering Committee | R.C. 4501.302, Section 620.20 (amends section 363.10 of H.B. 2 of 135th G.A.) | R.C. 4501.302, Section 620.20, 620.21 (amends section 363.10 of H.B. 2 of 135th G.A.) |
| No provision. | Codifies the MARCS Steering Committee in permanent law. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| DASCD34 License holder residential address and contact information | | |
| R.C. 4798.10 | | |
| Shields the address, telephone number, or email address of a holder, or former holder, of an occupational license, specialty occupational license for medical reimbursement, certification, or registration from revelation under Ohio's Public Records Law. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Allows an occupational licensing board or the Office of Information Technology, which operates the elicense database, to make a covered address, telephone number, or email address available under the following circumstances: | No provision. | No provision. |
| (1) at the request of a federal, state, or local government agency or a professional organization approved by the occupational licensing board, provided the agency or approved organization agrees not to disseminate the information to third parties, | (1) No provision. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) for joining and maintaining an interstate licensure compact or other method of granting interstate reciprocal licensure, | (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) for enforcing state or federal law, including conducting investigations, issuing citations, enforcing settlements, and conducting adjudication hearings, | (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. |
| (4) at the request of a law enforcement agency or an agency in another state responsible for the licensure, regulation, or investigation of the holder of an occupational license, specialty occupational license for medical reimbursement, certification, or registration under the jurisdiction of an occupational licensing board in that state, | (4) No provision. | (4) No provision. |
| (5) at the request of an accredited educational institution for research purposes approved by the occupational licensing board, provided the institution agrees not to disseminate the information to third parties, | (5) No provision. | (5) No provision. |

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| (6) at the request of an entity that performs services on behalf of an occupational licensing board, provided the organization or entity agrees not to disseminate the information to third parties unless the disclosure is necessary to provide the services and is authorized as part of a contract or agreement between the entity and the board, | (6) No provision. | (6) No provision. |
| (7) for the purpose of reporting disciplinary actions to federal or state authorities or to organizations approved by the occupational licensing board, or | (7) No provision. | (7) No provision. |
| (8) at the request of the individual who holds or held the occupational license, specialty occupational license for medical reimbursement, certification, or registration. | (8) No provision. | (8) No provision. |
| Prohibits the release of the address, telephone number, or email address of a designated public service worker, as defined in continuing law, unless the release also complies with procedures of the Public Record's Law. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | |
| DASCD6 State Agency Support Services | | |
| Section: 207.20 | Section: 207.20 | Section: 207.20 |
| Permits GRF ALI 130321, State Agency Support Services, to be used to provide funding for the cost of property appraisals or building studies that DAS may be required to obtain for property that is being sold by the state or under consideration to be renovated or purchased by the state. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Permits the ALI to also be used to pay the operating expenses or other costs of state facilities maintained by DAS that are not billed to building tenants, or other costs associated with the Voinovich Center in Youngstown or costs of repairing vehicles donated pursuant to R.C. 125.13. Specifies that these expenses may include the costs for vacant space, space undergoing renovation, and the rent expense of tenants that are relocated because of building renovations. Allows DAS to process these payments through intrastate transfer voucher to the Building Management Fund (Fund 1320). | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Allows that, at least once per year, the portion of the ALI not used for the regular expenses of the ALI be processed by DAS through intrastate transfer voucher and deposited into the Building Improvement Fund (Fund 5KZ0). | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Reappropriates an amount certified by the DAS Director, up to the available balance in ALI 130321, State Agency Support Services, at the end of FY 2026 for the same purposes in FY 2027. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| DASCD7 Professional Development Fund and the Ohio Digital Academy and GRF cash transfer to Fund 5L70 | | |
| Section: 207.30, 512.10 | Section: 207.30, 512.10 | Section: 207.30 |
| Earmarks up to \$1,400,000 in each fiscal year from Fund 5L70 ALI 100610, Professional Development, to be used to make payments from the Professional Development Fund (Fund 5L70) covering the cost of programs that provide professional development opportunities for exempt employees. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Earmarks up to \$2,000,000 during the biennium to support the creation of the Ohio Digital Academy to generate high-tech workforce capacity and serve the state in advanced technology and cybersecurity needs. Establishes goals for the Academy to include educating, training, and subsequently employing analysts in completing boot camps, certifications, or degree programs in cybersecurity, coding, software engineering, user experience designers, and related fields. | Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to \$1,200,000 over the biennium. | Same as the House. |
| Authorizes DAS, in consultation with CyberOhio, to select qualified candidates for the Academy. Subjects candidates to all applicable background checks and requires, if selected, candidates to commit to three years of service with the state. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Allows candidates to be placed in an unclassified, administrative staff position and authorizes the DAS Director to set compensation. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Allows DAS to use ALI 100610 to reimburse selected students' tuition expenses for coursework, certification achieved, or other necessary expenses, prior to acceptance in the program, that are directly attributable to the targeted skills of the program, if completed within one year prior to the bill's effective date. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Qualifies candidates for reimbursement of costs for continuing education or certification at the discretion of the DAS Director to support the development of specialized skills in the areas of IT and cybersecurity. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Makes the candidate responsible for paying any taxes owed on tuition assistance received. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Allows DAS to recover all or a portion of funds provided to an Academy participant who fails to complete the agreed-upon three years of service. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Allows DAS to select and enter into a subgrant agreement with a regionally accredited Ohio institution of higher education with demonstrated coursework programming in cybersecurity to serve as a Digital Analyst Training Academy (D.A.T.A) Center. Requires D.A.T.A. Centers to be responsible for paying costs associated with the work of the Academy as designated by DAS. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires institutions serving as D.A.T.A. Centers to: (1) provide necessary educational coursework or training for selected students successful completion of a certificate or degree program as prescribed by DAS at no cost to the student, (2) administer weekly professional development programs for students, (3) prepare analysts for summer mandatory recruit training as prescribed by DAS, (4) coordinate and manage summer scenarios, (5) submit quarterly reports to DAS to contain information on the amount of grant funds expended, and (6) submit an annual report to DAS of all achievements including a status report of all expenditures, number of students enrolled by program area, number of students graduated or certifications achieved by program area, program expansion opportunities, and projected costs to continue operating the D.A.T.A. Center. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Allows additional centers to be added over the biennium subject to the approval of the DAS Director. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Reappropriates, upon certification from the DAS Director to the OBM Director, the available balance in ALI 100610 at the end of FY 2026 for the same purposes in FY 2027. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$2,000,000 cash from the GRF in FY 2026 to the Professional Development Fund (Fund 5L70). | Same as the Executive, but decreases the amount of the required transfer to \$1,200,000. | No provision. |

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| <div>DASCD8 9-1-1 Program</div> <div>Section: 207.30</div> <div>Requires ALI 100663, 9-1-1 Program, to be used by DAS to pay the administrative, marketing, and educational costs of the Statewide Emergency Services Internet Protocol Network program.</div> | <div>Section: 207.30</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>Section: 207.30</div> <div>Same as the Executive, but removes the cost of marketing from the list of items ALI 100663, 9-1-1 Program is to be used for.</div> |
| <div>DASCD12 Risk Management Reserve</div> <div>Section: 207.40</div> <div>Requires Fund 1300 ALI 100606, Risk Management Reserve, to be used to make payments for liability claims, expenses, fees, or damages under the state’s Risk Management Reserve Program pursuant to R.C. 9.823.</div> <div>Appropriates additional amounts for this purpose if the OBM Director determines they are necessary.</div> | <div>Section: 207.40</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>Section: 207.40</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>No provision.</div> |
| <div>DASCD13 Consolidated IT Purchases</div> <div>Section: 207.40</div> <div>Requires that Fund 2290 ALI 100640, Consolidated IT Purchases, be used by DAS to make information technology purchases for the benefit of government entities at a lower aggregate cost than each individual government entity could obtain if they were making the purchase independently.</div> <div>Reappropriates, upon certification from the DAS Director to the OBM Director, the available balance in ALI 100640 at the end of FY 2026 for the same purposes in FY 2027.</div> | <div>Section: 207.40</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>Section: 207.40</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>No provision.</div> |

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| DASCD15 Major IT purchases charges Section: 207.40 Allows the OBM Director, at the request of the DAS Director, to transfer up to the amount collected for statewide indirect costs attributable to debt service paid for the enterprise data center solutions project from the GRF to the Major Information Technology Purchases Fund (Fund 4N60). | Section: 207.40 Same as the Executive. | Section: 207.40 Same as the Executive, but limits the amount that may be transferred to \$2,000,000 per fiscal year. |
| DASCD44 MARCS Administration Section: 512.10 No provision. Permits the OBM Director to transfer up to \$10,500,000 cash from the GRF to the MARCS Administration Fund (Fund 5C20) in each fiscal year of the FY 2026-FY 2027 biennium. | Section: 207.40, 512.10 Earmarks \$10,500,000 in each fiscal year under Fund 5C20 ALI 100605, MARCS Administration, to reduce MARCS subscriber fees paid by villages, municipal corporations, townships, counties, and regional public safety and first response agencies. Same as the Executive. | Section: 207.40, 512.10 Same as the House. Same as the Executive. |
| DASCD55 Cash transfers from the GRF to the OAKS Support Organization Fund No provision. | No provision. | Section: 505.35 Limits cash transfers of statewide indirect costs attributable to debt service paid for OAKS from the GRF to Fund 5EB0 to \$1,250,000 in each fiscal year. |

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| AGECD5 | Criminal records checks | | |
| R.C. | 173.38, 173.381 | R.C. 173.38, 173.381 | R.C. 173.38, 173.381 |
| Revises the law governing criminal records checks for persons applying for, or employed in, direct-care positions with community-based long-term care services providers whose services are provided under ODA-administered programs as follows: | | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, with the following changes: |
| (1) Excludes attorneys, persons acting at the direction of attorneys, and participant-directed providers from having to complete criminal records checks under this particular law (attorneys undergo such checks as part of their admissions to the Ohio bar); | | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) Same as the Executive, but also excludes ambulette drivers from the records check requirement and, for participant-directed providers, requires the ODA Director to have conducted a database review regarding their background. |
| (2) Eliminates a consumer meeting certain conditions from the law's responsible party definition (current law prohibits a responsible party from employing an applicant or continuing to employ an employee if the records check demonstrates that the applicant or employee is ineligible for employment); | | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| Excludes ambulette drivers, attorneys, and persons acting at the direction of attorneys from the law governing ODA sanctions to be imposed against self-employed providers, based on criminal records check results, when considering certificates to provide community-based long-term care services and ODA contracts and grants for such services. | | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |

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| AGECD14 PACE site expansion proposals | | |
| | R.C. 173.502 | |
| No provision. | Requires ODA to issue a request for proposals from any entity interested in becoming a PACE organization in any currently unserved Ohio county. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: Administrative costs to process proposals and an increase in PACE costs depending on how many proposals are accepted. PACE services are paid by ODM. | |
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| AGECD13 PACE presumptive eligibility | | |
| | R.C. 173.503, 173.50 | |
| No provision. | Requires ODA to seek approval to allow the Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) to receive PACE services immediately upon applying, during a presumptive eligibility period. | No provision. |
| No provision. | States that, if the applicant is later determined to be ineligible for PACE, the PACE organization that made the presumptive eligibility determination is responsible for the costs of PACE services provided to the individual during the presumptive eligibility period. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: May result in some individuals receiving PACE services earlier than they otherwise would have. The PACE organization is responsible for services provided to those deemed ineligible. | |
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| AGECD10 Senior Community Services | | |
| Section: 209.30 | Section: 209.30 | Section: 209.30 |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$150,000 in each fiscal year in GRF ALI 490411, Senior Community Services, to support the IConnect Program, administered by the Neighborhood Centers Association in Richland, Medina, Lorain, and Cuyahoga County. | No provision. |

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| Permits GRF ALI 490411, Senior Community Services, to: | Same as the Executive, but specifies that the remainder of ALI 490411 may be used for these purposes to account for the earmark above. | Same as the Executive. |
| (1) Be used for programs, services, and activities designated by ODA. | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) Same as the Executive. |
| (2) Provide grants to community organizations to support and expand older adult programming. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| Requires priority for these services to be given to low-income, high need persons and/or persons with a cognitive impairment who are age 60 or over. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| No provision. | Prohibits ODA from using these funds for administrative expenses. | Same as the House. |
| AGECD11 National Senior Services Corps | | |
| Section: 209.30 | Section: 209.30 | |
| Permits GRF ALI 490506, National Senior Service Corps, to be used by ODA to fund grants to organizations that receive federal funds from the Corporation for National and Community Service to support the following: (1) the Foster Grandparents Program; (2) the Senior Companion Program; and (3) the Retired Senior Volunteer Program. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires a grant recipient to use funds to support priorities established by ODA and the Ohio State Office of the Corporation for National and Community Service. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Prohibits ODA and any area agencies on aging involved in the distribution of funds to lower-tiered grant recipients to use funds to cover administrative costs. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| AGECD15 Community Projects | | |
| | Section: 209.30 | Section: 209.30 |
| No provision. | Requires GRF ALI 490510, Community Projects, to be given to Jewish Family Services to support Ohio's Holocaust survivors. | Same as the House, but specifies the amount of the earmark, \$285,000 in FY 2026, to be used for this purpose rather than the entire line item to account for the earmark below. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Earmarks \$200,000 in FY 2026 in GRF ALI 490510, Community Projects, to be provided to the Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging and used for services for disadvantaged seniors. |

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| AGRCD18 Certificate of free sale R.C. 901.43 Allows the AGR Director to authorize any AGR division or program to issue to any entity a certificate of free sale, a document that certifies to states and countries receiving a listed product that the product being exported is freely marketed without restriction in the U.S. Authorizes the AGR Director to charge a reasonable fee for the certificate and adopt and enforce rules for issuance. Requires that the fee be deposited into the appropriate fund. Fiscal effect: Minimal gain in fee revenue to applicable funds. | R.C. 901.43 Same as the Executive, but replaces the AGR Director's authority to charge a reasonable fee with a statutory \$50 fee. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | R.C. 901.43 Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| AGRCD35 Public records of AGR laboratories No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 901.43 Generally excludes information, reports, and other records used in any AGR laboratory to perform a laboratory service from the Public Records Law. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires any details that would identify a person or entity that submitted a specimen to an AGR laboratory to be treated as confidential unless the AGR Director opts to share such information with (1) a local, state, federal agency in discharging official public duties, or (2) an institution of higher education. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows the AGR Director to prepare and publish statistical information without disclosing details that would identify a particular person or business client. Fiscal effect: Minimal. |

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| AGRCD1 Apiary law changes | | |
| R.C. 909.01, 909.02, 909.07-909.09, 909.13 | R.C. 909.01, 909.02, 909.07-909.09, 909.13 | |
| Makes the following changes to the requirements governing apiary registration: (1) Extends the registration deadline from 10 to 30 days after taking ownership or moving into Ohio with an apiary; (2) Eliminates the \$5 registration fee and \$10 late fee, as well as the issuance of a physical registration certificate; (3) Requires clear posting of apiary identification number. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Eliminates a board of county commissioner's authority to appropriate money in an amount it deems sufficient for the inspection of apiaries in its county. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Makes the following changes to the law governing deputy apiarists: (1) Requires a board of county commissioners to set the deputy apiarist's salary based on inspection work and related costs; (2) Requires the AGR Director to review, rather than approve, a deputy apiarist's salary and expenses; (3) Allows the AGR Director to assign a deputy apiarist to conduct inspections in multiple counties; (4) Expands the reasons for which the AGR Director may fire a deputy apiarist to include unethical or negligent discharge of duties. | Same as the Executive, but allows a board of county commissioners to appoint more than one deputy apiarist with the approval of the AGR Director. | No provision. |
| Does all of the following under the law governing the sale or gift of queen bees: (1) Defines a "nuc" as a small colony of bees in a hive box with certain characteristics; (2) expands the law to cover the sale of packaged bees, nucs, and colonies and the trade or distribution of bees; (3) requires that a person intending to sell, trade, gift, or distribute them file a request for certification with AGR along with a fee of \$50 for the certification of a bee, nuc, or colony; (4) expands the prohibition against distributing diseased bees to include an apiary with bee pests or another amount set in rules. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Expands the AGR Director's enforcement authority regarding the Apiary Law to include: (1) compliance agreements between AGR and a person engaged in queen rearing; (2) the authority to suspend any compliance agreement or any registration, certificate, or permit, and (3) the authority to revoke any registration or compliance agreement. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Authorizes the AGR Director to require all queen rearing apiaries to be inspected as specified in rules at least annually, rather than requiring inspections once each year with no authority to alter inspection frequency as under current law. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Loss of approximately \$35,000 annually by eliminating the apiary registration fee. Gain of approximately \$41,000 annually from new \$50 certification fee. Net gain of \$6,000 annually for the Plant Pest Program Fund (Fund 5FC0). | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. However, counties could incur additional costs if they choose to hire more than one deputy apiarist. | |
| AGRCD16 Pesticide Law changes | | |
| R.C. 921.01, 921.02, 921.06, 921.09, 921.11-921.14, 921.16, 921.23, 921.24, 921.26. | R.C. 921.01, 921.02, 921.06, 921.09, 921.11-921.14, 921.16, 921.23, 921.24, 921.26. | |
| Updates Ohio law to comply with U.S. EPA regulations as follows: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: | No provision. |
| (1) Requires restricted use pesticides to be applied exclusively by a licensed commercial or private pesticide applicator; | (1) Same as Executive. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) Expands activities requiring licensure to include both pre-application actions involving mixing and loading restricted use pesticides, and transporting or storing pesticide application equipment; | (2) Same as Executive. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) Requires each pesticide business location to be licensed, rather than requiring one license for the pesticide business and the registration of each location that is owned by the person operating the pesticide business; | (3) Same as Executive. | (3) No provision. |

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| (4) Allows the AGR Director to establish an examination fee by rule for applicants for pesticide applicator licenses; | (4) Same as Executive. | (4) No provision. |
| (5) Allows the AGR Director to deny, suspend, revoke, refuse to renew, or modify any license, permit, or registration if the applicant or holder has entered into an administrative or judicial settlement under the federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act. | (5) Same as Executive. | (5) No provision. |
| (6) Increases the number of days that the AGR Director may suspend a license, permit, or registration prior to a hearing concerning a violation from ten to 30 days. | (6) Same as Executive. | (6) No provision. |
| (7) Requires that, for one of the conditions that must be met for an exemption from obtaining a pesticide business license, an individual must not engage in the business of applying pesticides for hire, rather than, as under current law, requiring that the person must not regularly engage in such a business. | (7) No provision. | (7) No provision. |
| Increases fees for the annual registration of a pesticide sold or distributed in Ohio as follows: (1) from \$150 to \$250 for each product name and brand registered for the company whose name appears on the pesticide label; (2) from \$75 to \$125 the penalty fee for late registration renewal; and (3) from \$75 to \$125 the penalty fee for each product name and brand of a non-registered pesticide that is distributed in Ohio before registration. | Same as Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Gain of approximately \$500,000 annually for the Pesticide Program Fund (Fund 6690). | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |

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| AGRCD30 Pork Marketing Program | | |
| | R.C. 924.212 | R.C. 924.212, 924.01, 924.30 |
| No provision. | Establishes a Pork Marketing Program to promote the sale and use of pork products and requires it to be operated with the same general procedures, requirements, and other provisions that exist for the Grain and Soybean Marketing Programs. | Same as the House, but makes the following additions and clarifications: (1) Defines "pork" as the flesh of a porcine animal, "pork product" as a product produced or processed in whole or in part from pork, and "producer" as a person who raises porcine animals in Ohio for sale in commerce; (2) states that the Program's purpose is to promote the sale of pork and pork products; and (3) clarifies that the Program may operate only if the National Pork Checkoff Program is no longer in operation. |
| No provision. | Establishes a ten-member Pork Marketing Program Operating Committee consisting of four members appointed by the AGR Director and six elected members. States that all ten members of the Operating Committee are voting members. | Same as the House, but expands the Operating Committee to 12 by adding the AGR Director or the Director's designee as a nonvoting member and the executive vice-president of the Ohio Pork Council as a voting member. |
| No provision. | Applies the same procedures for elections as those that apply to the Grain Marketing Program, except divides the state into six districts consisting of specified counties. | Same as the House, but elaborates on the procedures for establishing the Operating Committee as follows: (1) Requires that the Ohio Pork Council, within 180 days after the National Program is no longer in operation, accept nominations for candidates and hold elections; (2) establishes requirements and procedures for elections. |
| No provision. | Requires the Director to levy an assessment on pork producers at 35¢ per \$100 of value at the first point of sale. Prohibits such assessments if assessments are levied under the National Pork Checkoff Program. Prohibits the operating committee from refunding a producer for any assessments that it collects from the producer. | Replaces the House provision with one that does the following: (1) Establishes an assessment of the lesser of (a) 0.25% of the market value of the porcine animal, pork, or pork product sold or imported, or (b) an amount established by the operating committee at the committee's initial meeting through an initial order; and (2) allows the operating committee to increase the rate of assessment after the initial order by up to 0.1% per year. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits a person from refusing to withhold an assessment levied on pork or pork products. |

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| No provision. | No provision. Fiscal effect: Minimal increase in AGR’s oversight administrative costs. | Excludes pork from the law governing other agricultural commodities. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| AGRCD17 Hemp Cultivation and Processing Program | | |
| R.C. 928.02, 928.03, 928.04 | R.C. 928.02, 928.03, 928.04 | R.C. 928.02 |
| Permits the AGR Director to transfer jurisdiction to implement Ohio's hemp cultivation licensure program to the USDA. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Eliminates the prohibition against issuing a hemp cultivation or processing licenses to a person for a felony related to a controlled substance within the previous 10 years. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Eliminates a requirement that the AGR Director revoke, for 10 years, a hemp cultivation or processing license issued to a person who pleads guilty to or is convicted of a controlled substance felony. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Eliminates a requirement that a license applicant comply with the general background check law, and instead requires an applicant to comply with background check rules adopted by the AGR Director. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential cost savings if the program is transferred to the USDA. The state program is currently funded by GRF and license and other revenue deposited into Fund 5WJ0. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |

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| <div>AGRCD20 Captive cervid licensing</div> <div>R.C. 943.01, 943.26, 944.01-944.08, 1533.71, 1533.721, 1533.731, 1533.77.</div> <div>Replaces the requirement that owners who propagate deer in a facility be licensed as livestock dealers with a new regulatory structure that applies to facility owners and owners of any type of cervid (deer, moose, elk, and their hybrids), as follows: (1) Requires all captive cervid facility owners to be licensed annually by AGR; (2) requires the facilities to be inspected before licensure, allowing for an appeals process for failed inspections; (3) establishes an annual \$50 license and renewal fee to be deposited into the Animal and Consumer Protection Fund. Applies the new regulatory structure to the AGR Director's existing authority for rulemaking, testing, mitigating disease, investigations and inspections, and civil penalties.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Gain of approximately \$7,500 annually for the Animal and Consumer Protection Fund.</div> | <div>R.C. 943.01, 943.26, 944.01-944.08, 1533.71, 1533.721, 1533.731, 1533.77.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |
| <div>AGRCD2 Amusement ride fees</div> <div>R.C. 993.04</div> <div>Expands the current amusement ride classifications that apply to annual inspection from four currently to (1) kiddie rides, (2) family rides, (3) major rides, (4) spectacular rides (5) family/portable roller coaster, (6) tower rides, and (7) large roller coaster.</div> <div>Increases the following inspection and reinspection fees: Family rides from \$160 to \$200; major rides from \$140 to \$300; spectacular rides from \$160 to \$400; tower rides from \$160 to \$1,800; and large roller coaster from \$1,200 to \$4,000.</div> | <div>R.C. 993.04</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> |

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| Replaces the current flat \$104 inspection or reinspection fee for inflatable rides with the following: For three or fewer at the same location and with the same owner, \$100 each. For three such rides, \$75 each. For 11 or more, \$50 each. Decreases the permit fee for inflatables from \$225 to \$100. Fiscal effect: Estimated loss of approximately \$222,000 annually in permit fees. Partially offsetting gain in inspection fees. Receipts are deposited into the Amusement Ride Safety Fund (Fund 5780). | Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| AGRCD14 Food processing establishment exemption for small egg producers R.C. 3715.021 Exempts a small egg producer (500 or fewer birds) from food processing establishment regulations. Requires AGR Director to establish standards for manufacturing practices. Fiscal effect: None. | R.C. 3715.021 Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | No provision. No provision. |
| AGRCD31 Auctioneer client trust accounts No provision. | R.C. 4707.024 Allows a licensed auctioneer to deposit money into a client trust account, and retain that money in the account, to pay expenses related to bank charges necessary to maintain the account. Fiscal effect: None. | R.C. 4707.024 Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| AGRCD4 Soil and Water Division | | |
| Section: 211.20 | Section: 211.20 | |
| Earmarks \$500,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 700428, Soil and Water Division, to provide grants to local governments for developing or updating local land use plans. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| AGRCD5 County Agricultural Societies | | |
| Section: 211.20 | Section: 211.20 | Section: 211.20 |
| Requires that GRF ALI 700501, County Agricultural Societies, be used to reimburse county and independent agricultural societies for expenses related to Junior Fair activities. | Same as the Executive, but earmarks \$380,000 in each fiscal year for this purpose and also includes the following earmarks: | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$250,000 in each fiscal year to support Future Farmers of America, urban agriculture, and agriculture literacy programs around the state. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$800,000 in each fiscal year to support up to 50% of the rental and equipment costs associated with hosting state and national livestock events at the Ohio Expo Center. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$500,000 in FY 2026 to support the construction of the Mercer County Fairgrounds Grand Events Center. | No provision. |
| AGRCD32 E15 Rebate Program | | |
| | Section: 211.20, 757.100 | |
| No provision. | Requires the AGR Director to create a pilot High Blend Ethanol Rebate Program to support new construction of E15 or higher blend ethanol pumps at motor fuel retailer locations across Ohio. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the Director to provide a rebate of 5¢ per gallon of blended fuel sold, up to \$100,000 per fiscal year, to a retailer that meets the program's conditions. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Establishes general conditions for the program, and authorizes AGR to adopt rules to administer it. | No provision. |

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| Fiscal effect: The bill provides \$10.0 million for grants under new GRF ALI 700429, E15 Motor Fuel Rebate Program. | | |
| AGRCD27 Transfer from the GRF to the H2Ohio Fund Section: 512.10 Allows the OBM Director to transfer \$270,276,066 in FY 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to the H2Ohio Fund (Fund 6H20). | Section: 512.10 Same as Executive, but decreases the transfer amount to \$150,000,000. | Section: 512.10 Same as House, but increases the transfer amount to \$170,000,000. |

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| ARTCD2 | Percent for Arts Program | | R.C. 127.16, 3379.03, 3378.12, (3379.10 repealed) |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Eliminates the Percent for Arts program, which requires quality works of art to be sold to certain state agencies by ART, and recognizing qualified professional artists. |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Repeals the authority to create in the state treasury the Per Cent for Art Acquisitions Fund (Fund 4B70), which supports the administrative costs of the program. |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Eliminates certain duties for state agencies participating in the Percent of Art Program including reporting requirements by OBM and responsibilities for maintaining the acquired art. Fiscal effect: Potential savings in both capital expenditures statewide, and administrative costs for ART and OBM. The Percent of Art Program sets aside up to 1% of state capital funding for new and renovated public buildings with state capital appropriations of more than \$4 million, to purchase, commission, and install original works of art. Of this 1% set aside, 7% may be used by ART for administrative costs with respect to the program. |

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| AGOCD36 Findings for recovery | | |
| | R.C. 9.24 | R.C. 9.24 |
| No provision. | Adds the following two additional circumstances for which a finding for recovery is considered resolved for purposes of the existing prohibition against contracting with a person against whom a finding of recovery by the state is unresolved. | Same as the House, but removes one of the additional circumstances. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) The debt has been discharged in bankruptcy or is no longer owed based on a final nonappealable court order. | (1) Same as the House. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) Another reason deemed by the AGO to constitute good cause for resolving the finding for recovery. | (2) No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| AGOCD28 Special prosecutor for correctional institution offenses | | |
| | R.C. 109.39 | |
| No provision. | Allows AGO to appoint a special prosecutor for the prosecution of offenses perpetrated in facilities operated by DRC. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: Shifts prosecuting costs from the applicable county to the AGO. | |
| AGOCD27 Peace officer lapse in service | | |
| | R.C. 109.73, 109.77 | R.C. 109.73, 109.77 |
| No provision. | Prevents the expiration of a certificate awarded by OPOTC attesting to a person's satisfactory completion of an approved peace officer basic training program because of a lapse of employment as a peace officer, subject to the below refresher training requirements. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires a certificated peace officer to complete refresher training if that officer has not been employed as a peace officer for at least one year for prior to reappointment as a peace officer. | Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | Requires up to 40 hours of refresher training if the period of lapse was at least one year, but less than 4 years. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires up to 80 hours of refresher training, if the period of lapse was four years or longer. Fiscal effect: May result in a savings effect for appointing agencies as fewer individuals will be required to retake the full basic training course upon re-appointment compared to the rules of the existing refresher program. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| AGOCD39 Peace officer training reimbursement | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 109.803 Prohibits a state agency from receiving statutory reimbursement for peace officer training provided to a law enforcement officer appointed by the state agency. Fiscal effect: Some state agencies may experience increased costs to cover training expenses that will not be eligible for reimbursement. The bill appropriates \$30 million in FY 2026 and \$35 million in FY 2027 to GRF ALI 055509, Law Enforcement Training, for the reimbursement program (see AGOCD18). |
| AGOCD38 Notice for debt payable to the state | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 131.02, 131.026 Requires the officer, employee, or agent responsible for collecting an amount payable to the state to serve a notice to the debtor or statutory agent before certifying the amount owed to the AGO. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the officer, employee, or agent to serve the notice not sooner than 45 days, nor later than 60 days, after payment is due. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | States the methods to be used in order to satisfy the requirement to serve notice to the debtor or debtor's statutory agent. | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows the debtor or statutory agent to satisfy the debt within 30 days of receiving the notice to prevent the debt from being certified to the AGO. | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the AGO to include a copy of the notice and proof of service of the notice if filing a lien. | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Stipulates that failing to comply with the specific time requirement for serving notice does not deem the amount payable uncollectible, discharged, relieved, or otherwise satisfied or non-payable. Fiscal effect: Administrative cost increase for the AGO to provide copies of notices and proofs of service when filing tax liens. | |
| AG OCD40 Public Records Law Changes - Documents, reports, and records definitions | | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 149.011 Makes a definitional change of "record" under the Public Records Law so that it does not include personal notes or any document, device, or item, regardless of physical form or whether an assistive device or application was used, of a public official, or of the official's attorney, employee, or agent, that is used, maintained, and accessed solely by the individual who creates it or causes its creation. Fiscal effect: Minimal. | |
| AG OCD31 Public Records Law changes - Availability of public records for inspection and copying | | | |
| R.C. 149.43 | R.C. 149.43 | R.C. 149.43 | |
| Creates an exemption under the Public Records Law for the following: | Same as the Executive, but with the following changes: | Same as the House, but with the following changes: | |
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| (1) "Specific investigatory work product" and defines it to include specific records developed during an investigation by the investigating officer, agent of an investigative agency, or prosecuting attorney. | (1) Same as the Executive, but defines "specific investigatory work product" as information assembled by law enforcement officials in connection with a probable or pending criminal proceeding. | (1) Same as the House, but specifies "specific investigatory work product" is not a public record until the criminal or civil proceeding has ended without the possibility of direct appeal or a decision by the agency, office, or official responsible not to proceed with the matter and excludes routine incident reports from the definition. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) "Attorney work product record," defined as a record (including any record that documents the independent thought processes, mental impressions, legal theories, strategies, analysis, or reasoning or reasoning of or for an attorney) created by or for an attorney in anticipation of or for litigation, trial, or administrative proceedings, when acting in an official capacity on behalf of the state, a political subdivision of the state, a state agency, public official, or public employee. | (2) Same as the House, but specifies that "attorney work product record" does not include "specific investigatory work product" or "trial preparation records" and is one made in reasonable anticipation of litigation. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) A record created using assistive device or application when the record is used, maintained, and accessible only to the individual creating the record or causing the record to be created. | (3) No provision (see AGOCD40). |
| (4) No provision. | (4) The personal notes of a public official or public employee, or an attorney acting in an official capacity on behalf of the public official or public employee acting in their official capacity, which were created for reference and convenience and are used, maintained, and accessible only to the individual creating the record or causing the record to be created. | (4) No provision (see AGOCD40). |
| No provision. | No provision. | (5) Entries on a state or local elected official's public calendar that are for a future date. |

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| No provision. | Clarifies that trial preparation records, which include any record that is not a confidential law enforcement investigatory record or attorney work product record, are exempt from the Public Records Law until after the conclusion of all direct appeals or, if no appeal is filed, at the expiration of the time during which an appeal may be filed. | Same as the House, but specifies the public records exemptions for "trial preparation records" includes, that if no trial occurred, until the civil or criminal action or proceeding has ended without the possibility of direct appeal or a decision by the agency, office, or official responsible not to proceed with the matter. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential administrative cost savings for state and local agencies if certain documents are no longer required to be released as part of a public records request due to an exemption under the Public Records Law. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| AG OCD34 Age verification requirements, fabricated sexual images, and civil actions | | |
| | R.C. 1349.10, 1349.101, 2307.66, 2917.211, 2981.02 | |
| No provision. | Requires an organization that sells, delivers, furnishes, disseminates, provides, exhibits, or presents any material or performance that is obscene or harmful to juveniles to utilize reasonable age verification methods and to delete identifying information of any person attempting to access those materials or performances. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Exempts persons employed by newspapers, magazines, television stations, or similar media and certain service providers disseminating information for the general public from fulfilling the age verification requirement. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Allows the AGO to bring a cause of action against an organization that violates the above noted provision and precludes the minor or parent or guardian of the minor from bringing such a cause of action. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Creates the offenses of nonconsensual dissemination and nonconsensual creation of fabricated sexual images (with certain exceptions) and allows a victim of nonconsensual dissemination or nonconsensual creation of fabricated sexual images to commence a civil action against the offender. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Allows the court to order criminal forfeiture of certain specified property acquired or maintained as a result of committing the offense of nonconsensual dissemination or nonconsensual creation of fabricated sexual images. Fiscal effect: AGO may experience an increase in enforcement costs. Local criminal and juvenile justice systems will likely experience some increase in their operating costs, in particular counties, as they have jurisdiction over felonies. | No provision. |
| AG OCD33 Proceeds of instant bingo and electronic instant bingo | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 2915.01, 2915.02, 2915.06, 2915.101, 2915.13, 3774.01 Modifies the formula that determines the amount of a veteran's, fraternal, or sporting organization's proceeds from instant bingo and electronic instant bingo that must go to a 501(c)(3) or government entity, and how much the organization may keep to cover its expenses in conducting bingo. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Increases, from \$250,000 to \$330,000, the threshold that determines the percentage of the annual proceeds that must be given to a 501(c)(3) or government entity and the percentage the organization may keep to cover its expenses, in order to match the current threshold set by the AGO by rule. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires instant bingo gross profit and electronic instant bingo gross profit to be calculated and distributed separately, meaning that a veteran's or fraternal organization that conducts both instant bingo and electronic instant bingo may keep more of the combined gross profit to cover its expenses. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Clarifies that "gross profit" means the amount raised minus prizes paid out and that "net profit" means gross profit minus the organization's expenses in conducting bingo, as under the continuing law definitions in the Bingo Law. Fiscal effect: Potentially less revenue donated to governmental entities out of certain bingo proceeds. | No provision. |
| AG OCD37 Electronic instant bingo | | |
| | R.C. 2915.01, 2915.08, 2915.14 | |
| No provision. | Permits sporting organizations to conduct electronic instant bingo. Fiscal effect: Potential additional annual licensing revenue generated and credited to the Charitable Law Fund (Fund 4180). | No provision. |
| AG OCD32 Hours for instant bingo and electronic instant bingo | | |
| | R.C. 2915.13 | |
| No provision. | Expands the hours during which a veteran's, fraternal, or sporting organization may offer instant bingo or electronic instant bingo other than at a bingo session. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Allows those games to be offered up to 16 hours a day, instead of up to 12. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Allows those games to begin as early as 8am instead of 10am. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | |
| AGOCD2 Narcotics task forces | | |
| Section: 221.20 | Section: 221.20 | Section: 221.20 |
| Earmarks up to \$500,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 055321, Operating Expenses, to support narcotics task forces funded by AGO. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but replaces the funding source with Fund 5TZ0 ALI 055614, Narcotics Task Forces. |
| AGOCD7 Drug Abuse Response Team Grant Program | | |
| Section: 221.20 | Section: 221.20 | Section: 221.20 |
| Requires AGO to maintain the Drug Abuse Response Team Grant Program to replicate or expand successful law enforcement programs that address the opioid epidemic similar to the Drug Abuse Response Team established by the Lucas County Sheriff's Department, and the Quick Response Teams established in Colerain Township's Department of Public Safety in Hamilton County and Summit County. Permits any grants awarded to include requirements for private or nonprofit matching support. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires GRF ALI 055431, Drug Abuse Response Team Grants, to be used by AGO to fund grants to law enforcement or other government agencies primarily for the purpose noted above. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but also applies the provision to Fund 5TZ0 ALI 055610, Drug Abuse Response Team Grants (both GRF ALI 055431, Drug Abuse Response Team Grants and this new ALI may be used for these purposes). |
| Requires that each recipient of funding submit, within six months of the end date of the grant, a written report describing the outcomes that resulted from the grant to the Governor, President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the minority leaders of the Senate and the House of Representatives. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| AGOCD10 Victims of Crime | | |
| Section: 221.20 Requires that GRF ALI 055441, Victims of Crime, be allocated for the Crime Victim Compensation Program. | Section: 221.20 Same as the Executive. | Section: 221.20 Same as the Executive, but requires the ALI be allocated for Crime Victim Services Section instead of the Crime Victim Compensation Program. |
| Requires AGO, prior to using this ALI, and to the extent possible, first use funds related to the federal Victims of Crime Act. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| AGOCD18 Law Enforcement Training | | |
| Section: 221.20 Requires Fund QG18 ALI 055675, Law Enforcement Training, to be used by AGO for state funding of the training of peace officers and troopers. | No provision. | Section: 221.20 Same as the Executive, but replaces the funding source with GRF ALI 055509, Law Enforcement Training. |
| Permits AGO to use up to \$100,000 in each fiscal year for administrative expenses associated with the program. | No provision. | Same as the Executive, but increases the earmark to \$150,000 in each fiscal year. |
| AGOCD25 Organized Crime Commission Distributions | | |
| Section: 221.20 Requires that Fund R042 ALI 055601, Organized Crime Commission Distributions, be used by the Organized Crime Investigations Commission to reimburse political subdivisions for expenses incurred when their law enforcement officers participate in an organized crime task force. Appropriates additional amounts if it is determined that they are necessary for this purpose. | Section: 221.20 Same as the Executive. | Section: 221.20 Same as the Executive, but also requires the ALI to be used to support the operations of the retail theft task force. |

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| AGOCD35 Opioid settlement remittance | | |
| No provision. | <div>Section: 221.30</div> <div>Requires AGO, on January 15, 2027, or as soon as possible thereafter, to certify and remit to the OBM Director the balance of all proceeds received by the state under the settlement agreement in State of Ohio v. McKesson Corp., Case No. CVH20180055 (C.P. Madison Co., settlement agreement of October 7, 2021).</div> | <div>Section: 221.30</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> |
| No provision. | <div>Requires the OBM Director to remit the amounts certified to the Targeted Addiction Assistance Fund (Fund 5TZ0); (See OBMCD40).</div> | <div>Same as the House.</div> |

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| MHACD34 Data-sharing agreements for ADAMHS boards, DBH, and ODM | | |
| | R.C. 340.038, 5160.45 | |
| No provision. | Requires DBH and ODM, in collaboration with ADAMHS boards, to develop a three-way data-sharing agreement whereby the agencies and boards can exchange claims-level client data and other information to ensure that each ADAMHS board's continuum of care is appropriately available. Fiscal effect: Increase in administrative costs to develop the agreement, as well as ongoing IT costs. | No provision. |
| MHACD7 Evaluation of mental health | | |
| R.C. 2945.401 | | |
| Specifies the following if DBH recommends the termination of a person's commitment or the first of any nonsecured status: | No provision. | No provision. |
| (1) Eliminates the requirement that the person be evaluated by a local forensic center examiner, but retains the requirement that DBH or another entity housing the person must make regular reports to the court as to whether the person remains a person with a mental illness subject to a court order or person with an intellectual disability subject to institutionalization by court order. | (1) No provision. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) Allows the prosecutor to request an independent evaluation of the person's mental health. | (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) Allows specified examiners to conduct the evaluation, rather than only a local forensic center's examiner. | (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Currently two separate evaluations are performed before conditional release. Under the bill, the evaluation by the local forensic center examiner is by judicial discretion, so if fewer evaluations are performed there could be savings. | | |

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| MHACD9 Summary suspension of residential facilities | | |
| R.C. 5119.344, 5119.34 | R.C. 5119.344, 5119.34 | |
| Allows DBH to suspend the license of a class one residential facility serving children without a prior hearing for specified reasons primarily related to actual harm or the risk of harm to a child under the care and supervision of the residential facility. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential reduction in hearing costs. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| MHACD39 Residential facilities | | |
| | | R.C. 5119.345 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires DBH to publish on its website a directory of all residential facilities licensed by DBH (see MCD44). |
| | | Fiscal effect: Minimal administrative costs. |
| MHACD8 Recovery housing residences - confidentiality of investigative materials | | |
| R.C. 5119.393, 5119.394 | R.C. 5119.393, 5119.394 | |
| Establishes confidentiality requirements regarding complaints and information received or generated by DBH or its contractors in the investigation of complaints involving recovery housing residences. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Allows for disclosure of complaint information in identified circumstances, including (1) when required by law, (2) when shared with other regulatory agencies or officers, (3) when admitted into evidence in a criminal trial or administrative hearing if appropriate measures are taken to ensure confidentiality, and (4) when included by reference as part of DBH's registry of recovery housing residences, as long as DBH makes its best effort to protect confidentiality. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |

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| MHACD33 DBH Trust Fund | | |
| | R.C. 5119.46 | R.C. 5119.46 |
| No provision. | Eliminates authorization for the transfer of unexpended, unencumbered balances of DBH's GRF appropriations to the Behavioral Health Trust Fund (Fund 4P90). | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Permits money in the fund to be used only as appropriated by the General Assembly or approved by the Controlling Board. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Potential loss of revenue deposited into Fund 4P90. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| MHACD36 Voice over internet protocol service immunity | | |
| | R.C. 5119.85 | R.C. 5119.85 |
| No provision. | Exempts, except for willful or wanton misconduct, voice over internet protocol service providers from liability in a civil action for damages resulting from their acts or omissions in connection with the 9-8-8 Hotline. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Minimal reduction of court costs. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| MHACD10 State block grants | | |
| Section: 337.20 | Section: 337.20 | Section: 337.20 |
| Permits DBH, in FY 2026 and FY 2027, to allocate specified GRF ALIs, as well as any other GRF or Dedicated Purpose funds determined by DBH, to ADAMHS boards through state block grants. Requires state block grants to provide flexibility within established allowable uses for ADAMHS boards to disburse funds to behavioral providers to provide specified activities. Requires the DBH Director to adopt guidelines on the eligible uses of state block grants. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Requires DBH to create a uniform reporting structure related to the expenditures, uses, and outcomes of the state block grants. Requires data to be made available in accordance with best practices and federal and state laws. | Same as the Executive, but requires the DBH Director to include in the state block grant reporting structure how expenditures, uses, and outcomes are tied to ADAMHS boards' community plans, and requires certain data points to be collected, including data regarding expenditures, types of services provided and number of individuals served, provider determination and monitoring activities, and performance indicators and outcomes. | Same as the House. |
| Requires DBH to disburse state block grants to ADAMHS boards in accordance with a methodology developed by the DBH Director. Requires the Director to consider various factors such as population indicators, poverty rates, and FY 2025 award amounts when determining the methodology. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires a portion of GRF ALI 336406, Prevention and Wellness, be used to create a Prevention State Block Grant (see MHACD11 for specific earmark amounts) that ADAMHS boards must use to fund evidence-based or evidence-informed early intervention, suicide, and other prevention services. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires a portion of GRF ALI 336407, Crisis Services and Stabilization, be used to create a Crisis Services State Block Grant to fund crisis services and supports. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires portions of GRF ALI 336421, Continuum of Care Services, to create block grants that ADAMHS boards must use as follows: (1) Mental Health State Block Grant to fund mental health services and recovery supports; (2) Substance Use Disorder State Block Grant to fund alcohol and drug addiction services and recovery supports; and (3) Recovery Supports State Block Grant to fund recovery supports. (See MHACD15 for specific earmark amounts) | Same as the Executive, but prohibits an ADAMHS board, when using Mental Health State Block Grant funds for certain mental health services, from refusing to contract with a hospital that is in the board's service district if the hospital is in good standing with DBH and is willing to accept the board's contract terms. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Requires a portion of GRF ALI 336422, Criminal Justice Services, to create a Criminal Justice State Block Grant (see MHACD16 for specific earmark amounts) that ADAMHS boards must use to fund services and supports to incarcerated individuals and individuals being discharged from prisons and jails. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the DBH Director to establish allowable uses for each state block grant, including specified activities. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| MHACD11 Prevention and wellness | | |
| Section: 337.30 | Section: 337.30 | Section: 337.30 |
| Makes the following earmarks in GRF ALI 336406, Prevention and Wellness, in each fiscal year: | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but with the following changes: |
| (1) Up to \$3,000,000 to be distributed to ADAMHS boards through the Prevention State Block Grant (see MHACD10 for description). | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) Same as the Executive. |
| (2) Up to \$2,500,000 to support suicide prevention efforts. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) Up to \$2,150,000 to increase access to early identification and prevention of behavioral health disorders across the lifespan. | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) No provision. |
| MHACD13 Hospital services | | |
| Section: 337.50 | Section: 337.50 | Section: 337.50 |
| Allows GRF ALI 336412, Hospital Services, to be used for any of the following purposes: | Same as the Executive, but with the following changes: | Same as the Executive, but with the following changes: |
| (1) Supporting all operations related to the hospitals established, controlled, or supervised by DBH. | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) Same as the Executive. |
| (2) Supporting physical environments that are designed for patients to receive assessment, evaluation, and stabilization interventions within general hospitals. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |

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| (3) Establishing and operating the Pretrial Behavioral Health Intervention Pilot Program (see MHACD30). | (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. |
| (4) Providing jails and associated health care providers with access to telehealth consultations with psychiatric specialists. | (4) Same as the Executive. | (4) Same as the Executive. |
| MHACD15 Continuum of care services | | |
| Section: 337.70 | Section: 337.70 | Section: 337.70 |
| Requires that GRF ALI 336421, Continuum of Care Services, be used as follows: | Same as the Executive, but with the following changes: | Same as the Executive, but with the following changes: |
| (1) Up to \$69,500,000 in each fiscal year allocated to ADAMHS boards through the Mental Health State Block Grant (see MHACD10 for description). | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) Same as the Executive. |
| (2) Up to \$9,500,000 in each fiscal year allocated to ADAMHS boards through the Substance Use Disorder State Block Grant (see MHACD10 for description). | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) Up to \$19,500,000 in each fiscal year allocated to ADAMHS boards through the Recovery Supports State Block Grant (see MHACD10 for description). | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) Same as the Executive. |
| (4) \$4,000,000 in each fiscal year must be used to expand statewide access to rapid mobile response and stabilization services provided to youth experiencing an emotional or behavioral health crisis and their families. | (4) Same as the Executive. | (4) Same as the Executive. |
| (5) Up to \$455,000 in each fiscal year to implement the certification or accreditation of recovery housing residences and related requirements. | (5) Same as the Executive. | (5) Same as the Executive. |
| (6) Up to \$400,000 in each fiscal year to provide funding for community projects across the state that focus on support for families, assisting families in avoiding crisis, and crisis intervention. | (6) Same as the Executive. | (6) Same as the Executive. |

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| (7) \$225,000 in each fiscal year to LifeTown Columbus to provide additional support for facility renovations and operations. | (7) Same as the Executive. | (7) Same as the Executive. |
| (8) No provision. | (8) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for Flying Horse Farms. | (8) Same as the House. |
| MHACD16 Criminal Justice Services | | |
| Section: 337.80 | Section: 337.80 | Section: 337.80 |
| Requires GRF ALI 336422, Criminal Justice Services, be used as follows: | Same as the Executive, but with the following changes: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes. |
| (1) Up to \$6,800,000 in each fiscal year to ADAMHS boards through the Criminal Justice State Block Grant (see MHACD10 for description). | (1) Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to \$5,115,483 in FY 2026 and \$5,077,378 in FY 2027. | (1) Same as the House. |
| (2) Up to \$5,250,000 in each fiscal year must be allocated for the Behavioral Health Drug Reimbursement Program. | (2) Same as the Executive, but increases the earmark to \$7,750,000 in each fiscal year. | (2) Same as the Executive, but increases the earmark to \$6,500,000 in each fiscal year. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. | (3) \$1,250,000 in each fiscal year to support the Addiction Treatment Program. |
| (4) Requires the remainder of ALI 336422 be used for specified activities including forensic psychiatric evaluations to courts of common pleas, evaluations of patients in forensic status at facilities operated or designated by DBH, workforce initiatives, competency restorations, specialized dockets, and outpatient treatment programs. | (4) Same as the Executive. | (4) Same as the Executive. |

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| MHACD18 Community Innovations | | |
| Section: 337.100 Permits GRF ALI 336504 Community Innovations, to be used by DBH to make targeted investments in programs, projects, or systems operated by or under the authority of other state agencies, governmental entities, or private not-for-profit agencies that impact, or are impacted by, the operations and functions of DBH, with the goal of achieving a net reduction GRF expenditures and/or improved outcomes for Ohio citizens without a net increase in GRF spending. | Section: 337.100 Same as the Executive. | Section: 337.100 Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the DBH Director to identify and evaluate programs, projects, or systems proposed or operated outside of DBH's authority, where targeted investment of funds is expected to decrease demand for DBH or other resources funded from GRF, and/or to measurably improve outcomes for Ohio citizens with mental illness, or with alcohol, drug, or gambling addictions. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Grants the DBH Director discretion to provide funds from GRF ALI 336504 to private not-for-profit agencies in amounts determined most likely to achieve state savings and/or improved outcomes. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires DBH to enter into an agreement with each recipient receiving funds and specifies what information is to be identified in the agreement. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Earmarks up to \$3,000,000 in each fiscal year in GRF ALI 336504 to support workforce development initiatives. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Earmarks up to \$1,500,000 in each fiscal year in GRF ALI 336504 to provide behavioral health access and opportunities. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Earmarks up to \$3,000,000 in each fiscal year in GRF ALI 336504 to support the creation and expansion of programs established by peer-run organizations for the purpose of offering individuals with a mental illness, or a mental illness and co-occurring substance use disorder, opportunities for employment, housing, education, and access to medical and psychiatric services. Requires programs and facilities to be operated in accordance with model standards and benchmarks selected by DBH. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Earmarks up to \$15,000,000 in FY 2026 in GRF ALI 336504 to establish and sustain health information systems for providers licensed or certified by DBH. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$125,000 in each fiscal year in GRF ALI 336504, Community Innovations, to support the Pilot Grant Program for Doctoral Psychology Internships. | No provision. |
| MHACD31 Community Projects | | |
| | Section: 337.117 | Section: 337.117 |
| No provision. | Requires GRF ALI 336519, Community Projects, to be used as follows: | Same as the House, but with the following changes: |
| (1) No provision. | (1) \$700,000 in each fiscal year for the Social Advocates for Youth (S.A.Y.) Program at the Bellefaire Jewish Children's Bureau to support the expansion of school-based prevention and crises intervention services for youth. | (1) Same as the House. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) \$150,000 in each fiscal year for Challenge Ministries. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for The Refuge to support existing programming and services. | (3) No provision. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) \$175,000 in each fiscal year for the 1N5 Foundation to provide suicide prevention in schools. | (4) No provision. |
| (5) No provision. | (5) \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year for the Values-in-Action Foundation for the Kindland initiative. | (5) Same as the House. |

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| (6) No provision. | (6) \$300,000 in each fiscal year for the High-THC Cannabis Impact Research Study. (See MHACD35) | (6) Same as the House. |
| (7) No provision. | (7) No provision. | (7) \$50,000 in FY 2026 for Ohio Special Initiatives by Brothers and Sisters, or OHIO SIBS, for sustaining programs and supporting those with a sibling with a developmental disability to empower them to take an active role in the life of the developmentally disabled sibling. |
| (8) No provision. | (8) No provision. | (8) \$750,000 in each fiscal year for Cornerstone of Hope to launch and expand the Ohio Traumatic Loss Response Team. |
| MHACD22 9-8-8 Lifeline Section: 337.130 Requires the following to be used to support statewide operations and related activities of the 9-8-8 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline and mental health treatment and response: Fund 5AA1 ALI 336661, 988 Suicide and Crisis Response, and Fund QG18 ALI 336668, 9-8-8 Suicide and Crisis Response. No provision. | Section: 337.130 Same as the Executive, but eliminates Fund QG18 ALI 336668, 9-8-8 Suicide Crisis and Response, and instead requires GRF ALI 336522, 9-8-8 Suicide Crisis, to be used for these purposes. No provision. | Section: 337.130, 337.185 Same as the House, but eliminates Fund 5AA1 ALI 336661, 9-8-8 Suicide and Crisis Response, so that GRF ALI 336522, 9-8-8 Suicide Crisis, is the only ALI used for these purposes. Transfers the cash balance in Fund 5AA1 to the GRF on July 1, 2025, or as soon as possible thereafter, and abolishes the fund once this is complete. Cancels any existing encumbrances against Fund 5AA1 ALI 336661, 9-8-8 Suicide and Crisis Response, and reestablishes them against GRF ALI 336522. Appropriates the reestablished encumbrances. |
| MHACD23 Coordinated specialty care for first episode psychosis Section: 337.140 Earmarks up to \$2,400,000 in each fiscal year in Fund QG18 ALI 336667, Treatment Prevention, and Education, to support coordinated specialty care (CSC) for individuals experiencing first episode psychosis (FEP) and receiving care from a CSC for FEP team housed within a provider certified or licensed by DBH. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| MHACD38 Behavioral Health Care | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 337.145 Earmarks \$750,000 in FY 2026 in Fund 5AU0 ALI 336615, Behavioral Health Care, for Empowering to Elevate Academy to be used to enhance security and improve facilities at the former Mohican Young Star Academy in Ashland County. |
| MHACD12 Action resiliency network | | |
| Section: 337.40 Requires GRF ALI 336409, State of Ohio Action Resiliency Network, to be used for the State of Ohio Action for Resiliency Network and a strategic research agenda and capacity needed to conduct research, clinical trials, direct care, telehealth, data collection, and workforce training pertaining to innovative practices in behavioral prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery. | Section: 337.40 Same as the Executive. | Section: 337.155 Same as the Executive, but requires Fund 5TZ0 ALI 336669, State of Ohio Action Resiliency Network, to be used instead of GRF ALI 336409, State of Ohio Action Resiliency Network. |
| MHACD25 Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation Program and GRF cash transfer to Fund 5VV0 | | |
| Section: 337.160, 512.10 Requires Fund 5VV0 ALI 336645, Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation Program, to be used for the Electroencephalogram (EEG) Combined Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation Program. Allows the OBM Director to transfer \$4,000,000 cash in each fiscal year from the GRF to the Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation Fund (Fund 5VV0). | Section: 337.160, 512.10 Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. | Section: 337.160, 512.10 Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive, but increases the transfer to \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year. |

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| MHACD40 State Opioid Response | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 337.165 Earmarks \$1,500,000 in each fiscal year in Fund 3HB1 ALI 336644, State Opioid Response, for Cordata Health Care Innovations, Inc., for case management programming, enhanced assessment, and evaluation of Ohio's law enforcement deflection sites and quick response teams. |
| MHACD37 Capital projects | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 620.20, 620.21 (amends Sections 221.15 and 371.20 of H.B. 2 of the 135th G.A.) Exempts the \$500,000 earmark in the FY 2025-2026 capital biennium under fund 7033 ALI C58050, Community Support, for Vista Village from bidding requirements relating to the form of bids and the publishing notice of bids. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Renames and repurposes an earmark of \$500,000 for the FY 2025-FY 2026 capital biennium under Fund 7033 ALI C58050, Community Support, for "Unison Health Poe Road Crisis Residential Center" as "Whitney Manor." |
| MHACD30 Pretrial Behavioral Health Intervention Pilot Program | | |
| Section: 751.10 | | |
| Requires DBH to establish a pretrial behavioral health intervention pilot program with DRC, if funding is appropriated by the General Assembly. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Establishes that the purpose of the pilot program is to divert jailed defendants with serious mental illnesses and co-occurring substance use disorders from the criminal justice system into community-based treatment and support services. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Requires the pilot program to operate from October 1, 2026 to June 30, 2029 in three areas of the state selected by the DBH Director. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires entities selected by DBH to operate the program to screen defendants identified by local prosecutors for program eligibility and to develop individualized treatment plans for eligible defendants. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Permits the dismissal or modification of a defendant's criminal charges after successful completion of the treatment plan. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires each participating defendant to agree in writing to participate in the program and consent to the release of medical records. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires DBH to submit a report to various individuals by March 1, 2029, containing an evaluation of the pilot program and recommendations for its future. | No provision. | No provision. |
| MHACD32 Ibogaine Treatment Study Committee | | |
| | 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. |
| No provision. | Requires DBH to provide administrative support to the committee. | No provision. |
| 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. |

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| MHACD35 High-THC Cannabis Impact Research Study | | |
| | Section: 751.90 | Section: 751.90 |
| No provision. | Requires DBH to collaborate with COM to conduct a study in partnership with a public university or research consortium to assess cannabis regulation and the health risks and benefits of cannabis use. | Same as the House, but also permits DBH to partner with a public safety agency to conduct the study. |
| No provision. | Requires the study to examine: | Same as the House, but with the following changes: |
| (1) No provision. | (1) Physical, behavioral, cognitive, and neurodevelopmental effects of chronic or early use of high-potency THC cannabis products, particularly among individuals under the age of twenty-five. | (1) Same as the House. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) Cannabis-induced psychosis and schizophrenia. | (2) Same as the House. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) Cannabis hyperemesis syndrome. | (3) Same as the House. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) The relationship between cannabis use and depression, anxiety, and suicidal ideation. | (4) Same as the House, but also includes the relationships between cannabis use and completed suicides and cannabis use disorder. |
| (5) No provision. | (5) The relationship between cannabis use and cognitive and neurodevelopmental impairments such as decline in memory and executive functioning. | (5) Same as the House. |
| (6) No provision. | (6) Disproportionate impacts of cannabis use on vulnerable populations, including youth and individuals with a history of trauma or mental illness. | (6) Same as the House, but also includes pregnant women and unborn children as vulnerable populations. |
| (7) No provision. | (7) Health benefits of cannabis and hemp-derived products, including potential therapeutic uses and recommended guidelines for potency and usage. | (7) Same as the House, but removes the requirement to study the health benefits of cannabis and hemp-derived products, including potential therapeutic uses (only the recommended guidelines and usage are required). |
| (8) No provision. | (8) No provision. | (8) The relationship between cannabis use and IQ loss. |

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| No provision. | Requires DBH to submit a report to the Governor and General Assembly by June 30, 2026, and June 30, 2027, and to publish the report on DBH's website. (See MHACD31). | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires DBH to seek the input of, as necessary to complete the report, ODH, RecoveryOhio, the Bureau of Workers' Compensation, DPS, the Attorney General, the State Medical Board, Cannabis industry representatives, and prevention consultants certified by the Chemical Dependency Professionals Board. | Same as the House, but replaces cannabis industry representatives with the Ohio High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area and adds children's hospitals to the list. |

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| CRBCD1 | Motor Vehicle Repair Board | | |
| R.C. | 4775.07, 4775.08 | | |
| Requires CRB to adopt rules to establish the initial and renewal fees for motor vehicle repair registration certificates and eliminates the existing requirement that CRB seek CEB approval to adjust the fees by no more than 50% of the current statutory fee amount of \$150 (the current statutory cap is \$225, which is the amount charged by the Board, plus a \$3.50 charge for eLicensing). | | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires CRB to establish the fees as necessary to cover the expenses associated with carrying out its duties. | | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential minimal one-time costs to establish the fees; potential annual revenue gain, dependent on the fee established. | | | |

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| ETCCD3 Content Development, Acquisition, and Distribution Section: 281.20 Requires that GRF ALI 935410, Content Development, Acquisition, and Distribution, be used for the development, acquisition, and distribution of information resources by public media and radio reading services and for educational use in the classroom and online. Makes the following earmarks: (1) Up to \$965,000 in each fiscal year to be allocated equally among Ohio's educational television stations for the production of interactive instructional programming, with priority given to resources aligned with state academic content standards. (2) Up to \$2,650,000 in each fiscal year to support the operations of Ohio's qualified public educational television stations and radio stations. Requires these funds to be distributed pursuant to an allocation formula used by BEMC in consultation with Ohio's qualified public educational television stations and radio stations. (3) Up to \$294,000 in each fiscal year to support the operations of Ohio's qualified radio reading services. Requires these funds to be distributed pursuant to an allocation formula used by BEMC in consultation with Ohio's qualified radio reading services. | Section: 281.20 Same as the Executive. (1) Same as the Executive. (2) Same as the Executive. (3) Same as the Executive. | Section: 281.20 Same as the Executive. (1) Same as the Executive, but decreases the earmark to \$841,567 in FY 2026 and \$718,134 in FY 2027. (2) Same as the Executive, but decreases the earmark to \$2,311,039 in FY 2026 and \$1,972,077 in FY 2027. (3) Same as the Executive, but decreases the earmark to \$256,394 in FY 2026 and \$218,789 in FY 2027. |

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| OBMCD49 Governor's proposed budget | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 107.03 Prohibits the Governor from proposing a budget that carries into the new biennium a GRF cash balance that is greater than the required ending fund balance, excluding any encumbered funds. |
| OBMCD44 State Appropriation Limitations | | |
| | R.C. 107.032, 107.033, 107.034 (repealed and reenacted), 9.334, 153.693; Sections 701.60, 820.110 | R.C. 107.032, 107.033, 107.034 (repealed and reenacted), 9.334, 153.693; Sections 701.60, 820.110 |
| No provision. | Starting with FY 2028, makes the following changes to the calculation of the state appropriation limitations (SAL): | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | (1) Eliminates the alternative growth factor (the sum of the inflation and Ohio population change rates) so that the SAL will be calculated using a 3.5% growth factor only; | (1) Same as the House. |
| No provision. | (2) Modifies the appropriations included in the calculation of aggregate GRF appropriations to include appropriations made to another fund supported by cash transfers from the GRF, in addition to appropriations made directly from the GRF as provided under current law; | (2) Same as the House. |
| No provision. | (3) Provides that any tax revenue credited to the GRF during FY 2026 and FY 2027 is a GRF tax source funding GRF appropriations for the succeeding fiscal year with respect to determination of the SAL, even if that tax revenue is later credited to a non-GRF fund, and designates that appropriations made from any such non-GRF fund must be considered as though they were made from the GRF for purposes of calculating the SAL; | (3) Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | (4) Requires the Governor, as part of the executive budget submission to the General Assembly, to do all of the following: (a) Identify all non-GRF ALIs that are subject to the SAL for the current fiscal year; (b) Propose funding non-GRF ALIs from the GRF for each respective fiscal year of the biennium covered by the budget, to the greatest extent possible, if the Governor decides to continue funding any of those non-GRF ALIs; and (c) Submit a table of all non-GRF ALIs that are subject to the SAL for the current fiscal year and for each respective fiscal year of the biennium covered by that budget and provide a list of these ALIs in the main operating appropriations bill. | (4) Same as the House. |
| OBMCD51 Major sports facility performance grants | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 123.28, 123.281, 123.282, 169.08, 718.13, Section 229.40, 243.20 Replaces the House provisions related to construction of major sports facilities (see FCCCD9) with the following provisions. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires that, on January 1, 2026, or as soon as possible thereafter, the COM Director remit unclaimed funds and interest that escheat to the state under the amendment as follows: (1) \$600,000,000 for deposit into the Ohio Cultural and Sports Facility Performance Grant Fund (Fund 5CY1); and (2) The remainder for deposit into the Ohio Escheatment Fund. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Appropriates \$600,000,000 in FY 2026 to ALI 042428, Major Sports Facilities Performance Grants, out of the revenues received from the Ohio Cultural and Sports Facility Performance Grant Fund (Fund 5CY1). Requires OBM to use ALI 042428 to support construction of a "transformational major sports facility mixed-use project" that is associated with a Brook Park economic development project. Prohibits moneys from being disbursed from ALI 042428 prior to February 1, 2026. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Reappropriates the unexpended, unencumbered balance of item 042428, Major Sports Facilities Performance Grants, at the end of fiscal year 2026 to the same appropriation item in fiscal year 2027. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Permits state funds to be used as performance grants to pay or reimburse to up to 25% of the estimated construction costs of a major sports facility if certain criteria are met. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the professional sports franchise to submit a payment to OBM equal to eight and one-third percent of the total amount granted for the project, to be held in escrow, repayment conditioned on increased tax revenues meeting target amounts over a 16-year period as described below, and to establish a supplemental reserve fund in an amount equal to the initial escrow amount. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Permits the professional sports franchise to apply to receive its escrow money early if the total increased tax revenues have already equaled or exceeded the performance grant amount. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Establishes a schedule under which increased tax revenues produced by the major sports facility over a 16-year period must meet target amounts, which increase every four years, the sum of which is equal to the grant amount. For calendar years 2026, 2027, and 2028, provides that the incremental major sports facility mixed-use project district state tax revenues generated during each of those years are equal to the state taxes levied for the (1) sales and use tax, (2) personal income tax, and (3) commercial activity tax for the construction of, and the purchasing of or leasing of materials and items used in the construction of, the project. If the increased tax revenue does not equal target amounts, permits the money from the payment held in escrow to be used to offset the shortfall. If the amount held in escrow is not enough, permits OBM to take the remaining amounts from the supplemental reserve, which is deposited into the GRF. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the base amount to increase by 3.5% each year when calculating base professional sports franchise state tax revenues. However, for the Brookpark project and for calendar years 2026, 2027, and 2028, provides that the base professional sports franchise state tax revenues equals the actual state tax revenues generated at the Cleveland stadium. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Establishes tax reporting requirements for businesses operating in transformational major sports facility mixed-use project districts. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the agreement between OBM and a professional sports franchise to establish the metes and bounds of the transformational major sports facility mixed-use project, which must be accompanied by a petition signed by every record owner of a parcel of real property located in the proposed district. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires all territory in the district to be contiguous, and contain only one transformational major sports facility mixed-use project. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits the territory of a district from being enlarged after it is established with OBM. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires that, if the owner loses a controlling share of ownership or control interest in the professional sports franchise, the rights and obligations of the owner are assigned to, and assumed by, any new owner with controlling ownership interest. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits the professional sports franchise from ceasing to play most of its home games at the major sports facility and begin playing most of its home games at a different facility located anywhere outside of the transformational major sports facility mixed-use project district until the earlier of: (1) the total incremental major sports facility mixed-use project district state tax revenues equals or exceeds the amount of the performance grant appropriated to the project (including escrow and reserve amounts) or (2) 30 years after the franchise plays its initial regular season home game in the facility. Clarifies this provision is in addition to similar existing provisions prohibiting professional sports franchise owners from moving facilities. |
| OBMCD48 State grant reporting system | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 126.17 Requires the Director of OBM to establish and administer a centralized reporting system for state grant recipient financial status reports. |

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| OBMCD40 Targeted Addiction Assistance Fund | | |
| R.C. 126.67 Creates the Targeted Addiction Assistance Fund to receive all funding awarded to the state by court order to address the effects of the opioid crisis, unless such money is specifically directed elsewhere by the court. No provision. | R.C. 126.67 Clarifies that the Targeted Addiction Assistance Fund consists of money awarded to the state to address the effects of the opioid crisis, removing the provision stating "unless such money is specifically directed elsewhere by the court." Requires, beginning January 15, 2027, any money received under the settlement agreement in State of Ohio v. McKesson Corp., Case No. CVH20180055 (C.P. Madison Co., settlement agreement of October 7, 2021) to be certified by AGO and sent to OBM for deposit in the Targeted Addiction Assistance Fund (see AGOCD35). Requires OBM to notify the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate when money is deposited into the fund. | R.C. 126.67 Same as the House. Same as the House. Same as the House, but also requires notification to the Finance Committee chairpersons. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| OBMCD32 Federal medical assistance percentage for expansion eligibility group | | |
| R.C. 126.70 Requires ODM to immediately terminate medical assistance for members of the Medicaid expansion eligibility group (Group VIII) if the federal government sets the federal medical assistance percentage below 90%. No provision. | R.C. 126.70, 5163.04, Section 513.10 Same as the Executive, but also requires ODM to certify, not later than 15 business days following the change to the FMAP, to (1) the OBM Director, (2) JMOC, (3) the Senate President, and (4) the House Speaker, the state and federal shares of the total actual expenditure for Group VIII for the most recently completed month before the change. Specifies that the certified state share monthly amount is to be multiplied by the number of months remaining in the fiscal biennium to derive the total calculated amount that is to remain in the GRF. | R.C. 126.70, 5163.04, Section 513.10 Same as the House. Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | Requires that at the conclusion of each fiscal year in the biennium, the calculated total state share amount be transferred to the Budget Stabilization Fund or the Expanded Sales Tax Holiday Fund pursuant to R.C. 131.44. | Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: Group VIII's projected caseload is 779,000 in FY 2026 and 772,000 in FY 2027, with expenditures of \$6.66 billion and \$6.93 billion, respectively. The federal and state shares are 90% and 10%, respectively. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| OBMCD47 Budget Stabilization Fund - interest | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 131.43 Redirects investment earnings of the Budget Stabilization Fund to the GRF. Fiscal effect: Potentially increase GRF revenue by \$96.4 million in FY 2026 and \$114.6 million in FY 2027. |
| OBMCD34 State Land Royalty Fund | | |
| R.C. 131.50 Revises the requirements and procedures regarding money transferred from the existing State Land Royalty Fund (SLRF) to individual funds administered by state agencies from revenue generated by oil and gas leases on state land as follows: (1) Creates the Natural Resources Land Royalty Fund (NRLRF) to consist of money from leased mineral rights on land owned or controlled by ODNR and the Transportation Land Royalty Fund to consist of money from leased mineral rights on land owned or controlled by ODOT. | R.C. 131.50 Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: (1) Same as the Executive, but also creates the Wildlife Land Royalty Fund, separate from the NRLRF to consist of money from leased mineral rights on land owned or controlled by the Division of Wildlife in ODNR. | No provision. No provision. |

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| (2) Requires the OBM Director to transfer cash from the SLRF to these two funds or other designated funds at the request of a state agency entitled to receive such revenue, rather than requiring the Treasurer of State, in consultation with the OBM Director, to disburse the money within 30 days of its deposit into the SLRF. | (2) Same as the Executive, but also requires transfers to the Wildlife Land Royalty Fund and does not remove the 30 day deadline for making the transfers. | No provision. |
| (3) Removes the requirement that the cash transferred to ODNR be transferred to the appropriate fund designated by the applicable division within ODNR. | (3) Same as the Executive, except for the transfers to the Wildlife Land Royalty Fund as described above. | No provision. |
| OBMCD53 Fund interest to GRF | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 3770.06, 105.41, 122.14, 122.6510, 122.6511, 122.6512, 126.24, 126.60, 126.62, 2108.34, 3701.841, 5168.25, and 5753.031; Sections 265.370 and 503.140</div> <div>Redirects interest earnings from the following funds to the GRF: Lottery Profits Education Reserve Fund, Roadwork Development Fund, Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund, Brownfield Remediation Fund, Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Fund, OAKS Support Organization Fund, H2Ohio Fund, All Ohio Future Fund, Facilities Establishment Fund, Second Chance Trust Fund, Tobacco Use Prevention Fund, Lottery Profits Education Fund, State Liquor Regulatory Fund, Hospital Assessment Fund, and Sports Gaming Profits Education Fund.</div> |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>Requires OBM to direct the investment earnings of the following funds to the GRF by July 15, 2025: Capitol Square Improvement Fund (Fund 5AN1), The Health Care/Medicaid Support and Recoveries Fund (Fund 5DL0), Ohio Workforce Incumbent Job Training Fund (Fund 5NH0).</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Likely increases GRF revenues in the tens of millions of dollars each fiscal year.</div> |

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| OBMCD50 Statewide Children's Vision Initiative | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 229.10, 229.20, 229.30, 512.10, and 516.10 Requires Fund 5AT1 ALI 042637 to be used for delivering a statewide vision care project and an independent evaluator contract. Rapproprates any unexpended and unencumbered amount for the same purpose in fiscal year 2027. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the OBM Director to consult with the Ohio Optometric Foundation before implementing the vision project or distributing funds from ALI 042637. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the OBM Director to transfer up to \$5,000,000 cash from the GRF to the Statewide Children's Vision Initiative Fund (Fund 5AT1) on July 1, 2025 or as soon as possible thereafter. |
| OBMCD45 One Time Strategic Community Investments | | |
| | Section: 229.20 | Section: 229.20, 620.20, 620.21 (amends section 200.30 of H.B. 2 of the 135th G.A.) |
| No provision. | Makes the following earmarks of Fund 5AY1 ALI 042509, One Time Strategic Community Investments: (a) \$750,000 in fiscal year 2026 for Say Yes Cleveland and (b) \$250,000 in fiscal year 2026 for University Circle. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Earmarks \$500,000 in FY 2026 from Fund 5AY1 ALI 042509, One Time Strategic Community Investments, to Great Lakes Science Center. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Earmarks \$500,000 in FY 2026 from Fund 5AY1 ALI 042509, One Time Strategic Community Investments, for Cleveland Neighborhood Progress for the Middle Neighborhood Investment Project. |
| No provision. | Reappropriates an amount equal to the available balance of ALI 042509 at the end of FY 2026 for the same purpose in FY 2027. | Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Redirects a \$750,000 earmark in FY 2025 of Fund 5AY1 ALI 042509, One Time Strategic Community Investments, from the Lorain County Administrative Building to the Lorain County Justice Center. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Redirects a \$185,000 earmark in FY 2025 under Fund 5AY1 ALI 042509, One Time Strategic Community Investments, from the Sheridan Road Multi-Use Trail to the Village of Poland. |
| OBMCD46 One Time Strategic Community Investments Fund redirect | | |
| No provision. | Section: 506.10 Notwithstanding an earmark of \$250,000 in FY 2025 from Fund 5AY1 ALI 042509, One Time Strategic Community Investments, to Chardon High School Athletic Boosters for the Chardon Memorial Stadium Restroom and Concession Project in Section 200.30 of H.B. 2 of the 135th General Assembly. Prohibits OBM from releasing the grant. If released, requires Chardon High School Athletic Boosters to promptly return any unexpended amount on the effective date of this section. Requires OBM to distribute that amount as follows: 40% to South Ridge Christian Academy for school building and roof renovations and 60% to Agricultural Career Education Academy for DOPR career-technical program and infrastructure projects. | Section: 506.10 Same as the House. |
| OBMCD28 Transfers in to the GRF | | |
| Section: 509.10 (1) Authorizes the OBM Director to transfer to the GRF interest earned in any state fund, with the exception of funds that are restricted or protected by the Ohio Constitution, federal tax law, or the federal Cash Management Improvement Act. | Section: 509.10 (1) Same as the Executive. | Section: 509.10 (1) Same as the Executive |

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| (2) Authorizes the OBM Director to transfer up to \$200,000,000 cash during the biennium, from non-GRF funds that are not constitutionally restricted to the GRF. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) Authorizes the OBM Director to transfer cash as necessary during the biennium, from the School District Tangible Property Tax Replacement Fund (Fund 7047) and from the Local Government Tangible Property Tax Replacement Fund (Fund 7081) to the GRF. | (3) Same as the Executive, but limits the total amount of cash that may be transferred over the biennium to \$480,000,000. | (3) Same as the Executive. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) No provision. | (4) Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$4,000,000 in FY 2026 from the Audit Settlements and Contingency Fund (Fund 5BP1), used by DCY, to the GRF. |
| (5) No provision. | (5) No provision. | (5) Requires the OBM Director to transfer up to \$10,000,000 cash in FY 2026 from the Literacy Improvement Fund (Fund 5AQ1), used by DEW, to the GRF. |
| (6) No provision. | (6) No provision. | (6) Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year from the Human Services Project Fund (Fund 5RY0), used by ODJFS, to the GRF. |
| (7) No provision. | (7) No provision. | (7) Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$1,000,000 in FY 2026 from the Workforce Development Projects Fund (Fund 5RX0), used by ODJFS, to the GRF. |
| (8) No provision. | (8) No provision. | (8) Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$4,000,000 in each fiscal year from the ODJFS Audit Settlements and Contingency Fund (Fund 5DM0) to the General Revenue Fund. |
| (9) No provision. | (9) No provision. | (9) Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$20,000,000 in FY 2026 from the Pre-Securitization Tobacco Payments Fund (Fund 5LS0) to the GRF. |
| (10) No provision. | (10) No provision. | (10) Requires the OBM Director to transfer up to \$10,000,000 cash in FY 2026 from the Super RAPIDS Fund (Fund 5AH1), used by ODHE, to the GRF. |

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| (11) No provision. | (11) No provision. | (11) Requires the OBM Director to transfer up to \$9,000,000 cash in FY 2026 from the Grow Your Own Teacher Program Fund (Fund 5ZY0), used by ODHE, to the GRF. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (12) Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$15,000,000 cash from the Broadband Pole Replacement and Undergrounding Program Fund (Fund 5AI1), used by DEV, to the GRF in FY 2026. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (13) Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$15,000,000 cash in FY 2026 from the Rail Safety Crossing Fund (Fund 5ZP0), used by ODOT, to the GRF. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (14) Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$2,500,000 cash in each fiscal year from the Information Technology Development Fund (Fund 5LJ0), used by DAS, to the GRF. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (15) Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$250,000,000 cash in FY 2026 from the All Ohio Future Fund (Fund 5XM0) to the GRF. |
| OBMCD29 Fiscal years 2025 and 2026 General Revenue Fund ending balance | | |
| Section: 513.10 Requires that the balance in the GRF on June 30, 2025, and on June 30, 2026, remain in the GRF, notwithstanding codified law governing the GRF ending balance. | Section: 513.10 Same as the Executive, but makes an exception for any amount kept in the GRF under R.C. 5163.04 due to the potential termination of Medicaid assistance for the Group VIII population. (See OBMCD32) | Section: 513.10 Same as the House. |
| OBMCD31 Cash transfers and abolishment of funds | | |
| Section: 516.10 Authorizes the OBM Director, on July 1, 2025, to transfer the cash balance of several funds to other designated funds. Abolishes the funds from which the cash balance is transferred. | Section: 516.10 Same as the Executive. | Section: 516.10 Same as the Executive, but adds six more funds to the list. |
| Abolishes another list of funds that are repealed by the bill. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| <div><div>CSRCD1</div><div>Operating Expenses</div><div>Section: 231.20</div><div>No provision.</div><div>Reappropriates the certified available balance of GRF ALI 874321, Operating Expenses, at the end of FY 2025 and FY 2026 to FY 2026 and FY 2027, respectively.</div></div> | <div><div>Section: 231.20</div><div>No provision.</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div></div> | <div><div>Section: 231.20</div><div>Earmarks up to \$50,000 in each fiscal year of GRF ALI 874321, Operating Expenses, to display inside the Statehouse borrowed or purchased United States, Ohio, or Ohio military flags that have historical significance to the state of Ohio.</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div></div> |

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| SCRCD1 Student Tuition Recovery Authority membership changes | | |
| | R.C. 3332.081 | R.C. 3332.081 |
| No provision. | Modifies the General Assembly members of the five-member Student Tuition Recovery Authority by replacing the chairpersons of the House and Senate committees that primarily deal with education with a member each of the Senate and House appointed by the President and Speaker, respectively. Specifies that the General Assembly members are nonvoting members, rather than nonvoting ex officio members as under current law. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: None. | |

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| <div>KIDCD57</div> <div>Responsible Fatherhood Month</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C. 5.62</div> <div>Designates the month of June as "Responsible Fatherhood Month" and encourages DCY, local governments, and other agencies to sponsor events to promote responsible fatherhood and the contributions fathers make in the lives of their children.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: None.</div> |
| <div>KIDCD42</div> <div>Mandatory reporter of child abuse and neglect</div> <div>R.C. 2151.421</div> <div>Adds an employee of an entity providing home visiting services under the Help Me Grow program as a mandated reporter of child abuse and neglect.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: If additional cases of neglect or abuse are reported, there could be an increase in investigative costs for PCSAs or local enforcement agencies.</div> | <div>R.C. 2151.421</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |
| <div>KIDCD23</div> <div>Contracts with entities for autism services</div> <div>R.C. 3323.32</div> <div>Requires DCY, when applicable, to contract with an entity to administer programs and coordinate services for infants, preschool and school-age children, and adults with autism and low incidence disabilities, mirroring existing law requiring DEW to contract with an entity to administer such programs and coordinate such services.</div> <div>Also requires the DCY Director, like the DEW Director under current law, to give primary consideration to the Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence (OCALI) as the contracting entity.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: DCY's costs will depend upon the contract amount and the number of contracts necessary.</div> | <div>R.C. 3323.32</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Replaces the Executive provision with a provision that removes the requirement that DEW, DCY, and the Advisory Board give primary consideration to OCALI as the contracting entity.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>R.C. 3323.32</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div> |

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| KIDCD56 Multi-system youth | | R.C. 5101.91 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODJFS, DCY, DBH, DYS, ODM, and DDD to do the following: |
| (1) No provision. | (1) No provision. | (1) Collaborate to identify and take appropriate action to meet the needs of multi-system youth. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. | (2) Jointly submit a report to the General Assembly with data and policy recommendations on serving multi-system youth. |
| | | Fiscal effect: Minimal administrative costs. |
| KIDCD53 Requirements for group homes | | R.C. 5103.0520, Section 751.100 |
| No provision. | Requires the DCY Director to adopt rules to establish requirements regarding the following for group homes for children: (1) the use of the Ohio Professional Registry for the completion of background checks and criminal records checks for individuals overseeing or working within a group home; (2) training on behavioral intervention; and (3) supervision of children, including staff-to-children ratio requirements. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Prohibits a group home operator from displacing a child in order to meet the ratio requirements. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Allows the DCY Director to revoke or suspend the certification of a group home for a violation of these requirements. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Potential fiscal impact to PCSAs depending on rules adopted versus current practice. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| KIDCD47 Step Up to Quality - peer review appeal process | | |
| | R.C. 5104.292 | |
| No provision. | Authorizes an early learning and development program, which includes a licensed child care center, licensed family child care home, and licensed preschool program, to appeal a decision of the DCY Director to do any of the following: (1) refuse to rate the program in the Step Up to Quality Program (SUTQ); (2) reduce the program's SUTQ rating; (3) remove the program's SUTQ rating. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the appeal to be filed with the DCY Director not later than 15 days after the program receives notice of the decision. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the DCY Director to hear the appeal not later than 45 days after the appeal is filed and requires the hearing to be conducted either in-person or through virtual means. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the program appealing the DCY Director's decision to be allowed to participate in the hearing, including by asking and answering questions and offering evidence in support of the program's position. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the DCY Director, not later than 15 days after the hearing, to make an initial determination as to whether the decision to refuse, reduce, or remove a SUTQ rating should be upheld or reversed. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the DCY Director, as soon as practicable after making an initial determination, to convene a panel to review both the initial determination and evidence presented at the hearing. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the review panel to consist of a member representing DCY and two members representing early learning and development programs and requires the panel to meet either in-person or through virtual means. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires the review panel, as soon as practicable after convening, to make a recommendation to the DCY Director as to whether the DCY Director's initial determination should be enforced and made public and requires the DCY Director to consider the recommendation. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the DCY Director to make a final determination as to whether the decision to refuse, reduce, or remove a SUTQ rating should be enforced and made public as soon as practicable after the review panel's recommendation. Fiscal effect: Possible increase in costs to conduct appeals hearings and convene review panels, which will depend on the number of appeals. Potential impact to child care payments depending on any changes to a SUTQ rating. | No provision. |
| KIDCD44 Payment to providers of PFCC | | |
| R.C. 5104.30, 5104.32, 5104.34, 5104.38 | R.C. 5104.30, 5104.32, 5104.34, 5104.36, 5104.38 | R.C. 5104.30, 5104.32, 5104.34, 5104.36, 5104.38 |
| Requires payment to PFCC providers to be made prospectively, by changing references to "reimbursement" to "payment" in the PFCC laws. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Changes the contractual payment rate for PFCC to the rate established in DCY rules. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Repeals law that allows an applicant to receive PFCC while a CDJFS determines the applicant's eligibility. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the DCY Director, when establishing payment rates, to use the information obtained from the market rate survey or alternative methodology. | Same as the Executive, but removes the reference to the "alternative methodology." | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires DCY, beginning not later than July 1, 2026, to calculate PFCC payments based on a child's enrollment with a child care provider rather than on the child's attendance. | Same as the House. |

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| Fiscal effect: This will ensure Ohio's compliance with federal laws and regulations. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. DCY has a federal waiver from the requirement to base payment rates on enrollment (rather than attendance) until August 1, 2026. There could be some costs to instead do this by July 1, 2026, depending on when DCY was actually planning on implementation. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| KIDCD45 Adjustments to PFCC payment rates | | |
| R.C. 5104.302, 5104.30 | R.C. 5104.302, 5104.30 | R.C. 5104.302, 5104.30 |
| Requires the DCY Director to contract with a third-party entity to analyze child care price information for each even-numbered year (maintains the requirement that DCY establish the rate by rule in each odd-numbered year). | Same as the Executive, but authorizes, instead of requires, the DCY Director to do so. | Same as the House. |
| Authorizes the DCY Director, based on the information analyzed, to adjust provider payment rates for the even-numbered year, and requires the adjustments to be made by rule. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Authorizes the third-party entity under contract with the DCY Director, when analyzing child care price information, to consider the most recent market rate survey. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: DCY could have increased costs to contract with a third-party entity. Additionally, reimbursements to providers could be adjusted based on the information analyzed under the contract. | Fiscal effect: DCY could have increased costs to contract with a third-party entity. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| KIDCD50 Kindergarten readiness assessment | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 5104.52, (repealed) 3301.0714, 3301.0715, 3302.03 Eliminates the kindergarten readiness assessment, its use on the state report card, and related data collection and reporting requirements. Fiscal effect: Decrease in costs to administer and report on the assessment. | No provision. |

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| KIDCD52 Child Care Cred Program | | |
| | R.C. 5104.54, Section 423.85 | |
| No provision. | Creates the Child Care Cred Program in DCY that allows for costs of child care to be shared by participating employees, employers, and DCY. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Authorizes a participating employer to select one or more of its employees to participate in the program. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires each participating employee to choose a child care provider for the employee's child, but specifies that the chosen provider must hold a license issued by ODJFS or be certified by a county department of job and family services. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires that a participating employee's family income not exceed 400% FPL as a condition of eligibility. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires GRF ALI 830414, Child Care Cred Program, to be used for the Child Care Cred Program | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$10,000,000 in FY 2026 in GRF ALI 830414 for the program. | |
| KIDCD46 Ohio Professional Registry | | |
| R.C. 5104.60 | R.C. 5104.60 | R.C. 5104.60 |
| Requires the DCY Director to contract with a third-party entity to develop a registry information system to provide training and professional development opportunities to early learning and development program employees. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the registry information system to comply with requirements set forth in the federal Child Care and Development Block Grant Act and regulations adopted under the Act. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the DCY Director to give primary consideration to the Ohio Child Care Resource and Referral Association (OCCRRA) as the contracting entity. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Authorizes OCCRRA, if selected as the contracting entity, to utilize the registry information system that it established prior to the bill's effective date, but only if the DCY Director determines that system's principal goals and mission are consistent with the federal Child Care and Development Block Grant Act and its regulations. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Names the registry information system the Ohio Professional Registry. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: Various state agencies currently fund portions of the existing professional registry, which is maintained by OCCRRA, or contract with OCCRRA for services. This allows DCY to contract as well. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but removes the requirement that DCY give primary consideration to OCCRRA as the contracting entity for the registry. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| KIDCD24 Advisory councils | | |
| R.C. 5180.21, 5180.22, 5104.50 (renumbered 5180.04), 5104.39; Repealed: 5104.08, 5180.23, 5180.34 | R.C. 5180.21, 5180.22, 5104.50 (renumbered 5180.04); Repealed: 5104.08, 5180.23, 5180.34 | R.C. 5180.21, 5180.22, 5104.50 (renumbered 5180.04); Repealed: 5104.08, 5180.23, 5180.34 |
| Requires DCY to create the Children and Youth Advisory Council, replacing the Early Childhood Advisory Council, the Ohio Home Visiting Consortium, the Early Intervention Services Advisory Council, and the Child Care Advisory Council. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| States that the purpose of the Council is to advise the Governor regarding prenatal and child-serving systems and to serve as the state advisory council on early childhood education and care and the state interagency coordinating council as required by federal law. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the Governor to appoint the members of the Council. | Same as the Executive, but requires nine additional members representing various stakeholder groups to be appointed. | Same as the House. |
| Requires the Council to create topic-specific advisory groups addressing at least the following: early childhood education and care; children services; maternal and infant vitality; early childhood mental health services and supports; early intervention services. | Same as the Executive, but requires the DCY Director to appoint each of the nine additional members to at least one topic-specific advisory group within the Council. | Same as the House. |

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| Exempts the Council from sunset review. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: DCY may realize administrative costs to support the Council; however, there may also be administrative savings due to the consolidation of these councils. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| KIDCD55 Responsible Fatherhood Initiative | | |
| | | R.C. 5180.705, 5180.706, 5180.707, 5101.342 (renumbered 5180.702); Section 423.108 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires DCY, through the Ohio Commission on Fatherhood, to contract with a nonprofit organization for the development and implementation of the Responsible Fatherhood Initiative (RFI) and to award grants to nonprofit organizations to provide support to fathers and materials and community engagement on fatherhood. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the RFI to include a statewide media campaign that increases the awareness of the importance of, and resources and information for, fathers being involved in their children's lives. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires that the nonprofit organization DCY contracts with, designated as the RFI manager, be solely responsible for developing, collaborating, and managing the RFI media campaign and the resources, content, and information for fathers and permits the RFI manager to receive RFI grants. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the Ohio Commission on Fatherhood to include in its annual report a performance evaluation of the grant recipients. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires GRF ALI 830421, Responsible Fatherhood Initiative Grant Program, be used to award grants under the Responsible Fatherhood Initiative Grant Program. Prohibits more than 2% in each fiscal year to be used for administrative purposes. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires DCY, on June 30 of each fiscal year, to encumber the available balance of ALI 830421, Responsible Fatherhood Initiative Grants, to be used for the same purposes in the following fiscal year. Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$5.0 million in FY 2026 and \$15.0 million to GRF ALI 830421. |
| KIDCD2 Infant Vitality Section: 423.30 Makes the following earmarks in GRF ALI 830404, Infant Vitality, in each fiscal year: (1) Not less than \$7,500,000 to be used to support programming by community and local faith-based service providers that invests in maternal health programs, provides services and support to pregnant mothers, and improves both maternal and infant health outcomes. (2) Up to \$1,000,000 to be used to support the per diem nonmedical services provided by residential infant care centers. Requires the remainder of GRF ALI 830404, Infant Vitality, to be used to fund a multi-pronged population health approach to address infant mortality. | Section: 423.30 Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: (1) Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to not less than \$6,000,000 in each fiscal year. (2) Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. | Section: 423.30 Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: (1) Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to up to \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year. (2) No provision. Same as the Executive. |

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| Specifies that this approach may include the following: increasing awareness; supporting data collection; analysis and interpretation to inform decision-making and ensure accountability; targeting resources where the need is greatest; and implementing quality improvement science and programming that is evidence-based or based on emerging practices. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Specifies that measurable interventions may include activities related to safe sleep, community engagement, group prenatal care, preconception education, continuous support for women during pregnancy and childbirth, patient navigators, community health workers, early childhood home visiting, safe birth spacing, gestational diabetes, smoking cessation tailored for pregnant women, breastfeeding, care coordination, and progesterone. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| KIDCD4 Strong Families Strong Communities | | |
| Section: 423.50, 423.60 | Section: 423.50, 423.60 | Section: 423.50 |
| Makes the following earmarks in GRF ALI 830406, Strong Families Strong Communities: | Same as the Executive, but with the following changes: | Same as the House, but with the following changes: |
| (1) Up to \$10,000,000 in FY 2026 shall be used to provide funding to qualified entities in Ohio to support any of the following: research into causes, diagnoses, prevention, and treatment of pediatric cancer; and the study of new and novel approaches to researching and treating pediatric cancer, as well as the side effects of cancer treatment, including discovering and developing new drugs, clinical trials, neurosurgery, and other surgical interventions, diagnostics, care management, and learning disabilities. | (1) Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to up to \$5,000,000 in FY 2026. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) Up to \$3,600,000 in each fiscal year to be used to provide funding for community projects across the state that focus on support for families, assisting families in avoiding crisis, and crisis intervention. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to up to \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year. |

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| (3) No provision. | (3) \$500,000 in each fiscal year to be provided to Riveon Mental Health and Recovery to support primary care integration. | (3) Same as the House. |
| KIDCD7 Early Care and Education Learning Standards | | |
| Section: 423.80 | | Section: 423.80 |
| Requires GRF ALI 830409, Early Care and Education Learning Standards, to be used to support the state's early learning assessment work, required assessments, and the implementation of curricula, assessments, and learning activities that are aligned with the science of reading and the early learning and development standards. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| KIDCD51 Community Projects and Assistance | Section: 423.105 | Section: 423.106 |
| No provision. | Makes the following earmarks in GRF ALI 830420, Community Projects and Assistance: | Same as the House, but with the following changes: |
| (1) No provision. | (1) \$500,000 in FY 2026 to be provided to Birthing Beautiful Communities to provide perinatal support services for at-risk mothers and children in Cuyahoga and Summit Counties. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) \$100,000 in each fiscal year to be provide to Applewood Centers, Inc., to expand their foster care program. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. | (3) \$2,500,000 in each fiscal year for the purchase of 3D diagnostic ultrasound machines. (See KIDCD54). |

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| KIDCD54 Diagnostic ultrasound machine program | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 423.106 Requires the DCY Director to purchase 3D diagnostic ultrasound machines and provide them through a grant program to certain Ohio entities that do not (1) charge for ultrasound services provided to pregnant women or (2) promote abortion, perform abortion-related medical procedures, or make referrals for abortions. Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$2,500,000 in each fiscal year in GRF ALI 830420 for the program (See KIDCD51). |
| KIDCD11 Family and Children Services activities | | |
| Section: 423.120, 423.130 Makes the following earmarks in GRF ALI 830506, Family and Children Services: (A) Up to \$25,000,000 in each fiscal year to assist with the expense of providing services to youth requiring support from multiple systems. Allows these funds to be used for youth in the custody of a PCSA, or at risk of entering custody, by custody relinquishment or another mechanism. Requires the DCY Director to adopt rules to administer the funding. (B) Up to \$10,000,000 in each fiscal year to incentivize best practices. Requires the DCY Director to adopt rules to administer this funding. (C) \$150,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to Cleveland State University for the Sullivan-Deckard Scholarship Opportunity Program and the Helen Packer Scholarship Program. | Section: 423.120, 423.130 Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: (A) Same as the Executive. (B) Same as the Executive. (C) Same as the Executive. | Section: 423.120, 423.130 Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: (A) Same as the Executive. (B) Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to up to \$7,500,000 in each fiscal year. (C) No provision. |

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| (D) Not less than \$180,000,000 in FY 2026 and not less than \$185,000,000 in FY 2027 to be spent, in coordination with ODJFS, for PCSAs. Requires that these funds be allocated as follows: \$200,000 to each county and the remaining amount distributed to counties using a statutory formula. | (D) Same as the Executive. | (D) Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to up to \$162,750,000 in FY 2026 and up to \$170,887,500 in FY 2027. |
| (E) Up to \$35,309,990 in each fiscal year to be used to support activities associated with the delivery of children services activities. | (E) Same as the Executive. | (E) Same as the Executive. |
| (F) Up to \$20,000,000 in FY 2026 and up to \$10,000,000 in FY 2027 to be used to assist with the establishment of regional child wellness campuses. Requires the following regarding these campuses: | (F) Same as the Executive, but requires \$350,000 in FY 2026 from this earmark be used for the Providence House Every Child Ohio Feasibility Study to identify Ohio communities with the capacity to sustainably operate a children's crisis care facility. Requires the results and recommendations of the study to be reported by September 31, 2026. | (F) No provision. |
| (1) DCY to provide one-time funding to establish regional child wellness campuses across the state to serve children and youth who are in the custody of a PCSA and who are not placed in a licensed residential setting and are otherwise spending one or more nights in an unlicensed setting. | (1) Same as the Executive, but adds children and youth who have been determined by a PCSA to be at risk of being in the PCSA's custody to be eligible for placement in a regional child wellness campus, in addition to those already in PCSA custody. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) Campuses to support children in crisis in or near the communities in which the children reside and create additional capacity for short-term treatment. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) DCY to select entities through a competitive process. | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) No provision. |
| (4) An entity to provide proof of local funding commitments that fulfill all necessary start-up costs and ongoing community commitments to ensure timely and appropriate delivery of service to meet the needs of the child, family, and communities. | (4) Same as the Executive. | (4) No provision. |
| (G) At least \$17,000,000 in each fiscal year to be used for federal match requirements for Title IV-B and Title IV-E funding. | (G) Same as the Executive. | (G) Same as the Executive, but requires "up to" \$17,000,000 in each fiscal year instead of "at least." |

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| (H) Up to \$3,000,000 in each fiscal year to be provided to the Ohio Network of Children's Advocacy Centers to administer and distribute grants to Child Advocacy Centers to coordinate statewide access to investigation, prosecution, and treatment of child sexual abuse, while helping children heal. | (H) Same as the Executive. | (H) Same as the Executive. |
| (I) Up to \$8,500,000 in each fiscal year to be used to support the Kinship Care Navigator Program, which may be used to match eligible federal Title IV-E. | (I) Same as the Executive. | (I) Same as the Executive. |
| Requires counties that contributed local funds in FY 2019 to the county children services fund, to continue to contribute funds if the state child protective services allocation in FY 2026 and FY 2027 exceeds the amount provided in FY 2019. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the DCY Director, in consultation and coordination with the ODJFS Director, to adopt rules, which include a hardship provision, to determine the amount of local funds each county must contribute. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires Fund 4F10 ALI 830607, Family and Children Activities, to be used to expend miscellaneous foundation funds and grants to support family and children services activities. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| KIDCD17 Child Care Choice Voucher Program | | |
| Section: 423.190 | Section: 423.190 | Section: 423.190 |
| Requires a portion of Fund 3H70 ALI 830604, Child Care, in each fiscal year to be used to establish and administer the Child Care Choice Voucher Program. | Same as the Executive, but also requires \$50,000,000 in each fiscal year in Fund 3V62 ALI 830605, TANF Block Grant, to be used for the Child Care Choice Voucher Program. | Same as the House. |
| Requires the program, subject to available funds, to provide vouchers to eligible families to assist with their child care costs. | Same as the Executive, but prohibits the voucher program from requiring a participating child care provider that is a type A or licensed type B family child care home to be rated through SUTQ. | Same as the House. |

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| Establishes family eligibility conditions as follows: (1) the caretaker parent is employed or participating in a program of education or training for an amount of time reasonably related to the time the parent's children are receiving child care; (2) the family does not meet income eligibility for initial PFCC but the maximum family income does not exceed 200% FPL; and (3) the family meets any other DCY-established condition. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the voucher program to utilize, not later than November 1, 2026, PFCC payment rates and adjusted rates based on child care price information analyzed by a third-party during even-numbered years. | Same as the Executive, but (1) removes the reference regarding the adjusted payment rates based on child care price information analyzed by a third-party during even-numbered years, and (2) prohibits the use of enhanced payment rates for SUTQ participation. | Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: According to DCY, the voucher program is budgeted at a cost of \$75.0 million in FY 2026 and \$150.0 million in FY 2027. | Fiscal effect: Due to changes in federal line item amounts, the substitute bill provides a budget of approximately \$100.0 million in each fiscal year for the voucher program. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| KIDCD20 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | | |
| Section: 423.220 | Section: 423.220 | Section: 423.220 |
| Makes the following earmarks in Fund 3V62 ALI 830605, TANF Block Grant, in each fiscal year: | Same as the Executive, with the following change: | Same as the House, with the following changes: |
| (1) At least \$5,000,000 for the Kinship Permanency Incentive Program to promote a permanent commitment by kinship caregivers through becoming guardians and custodians over minor children who would otherwise be unsafe or at risk of harm if they remained in their own homes. | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) Same as the Executive, but requires "up to" \$5,000,000 instead of "at least." |
| (2) Not less than \$2,500,000 for the Ohio Commission on Fatherhood. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive, but requires "up to" \$2,500,000 instead of "not less than." |

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| (3) Not less than \$2,000,000 to support the Independent Living Initiative, including life skills training and work supports for older children in foster care and those who have recently aged out of foster care who meet TANF eligibility requirements. | (3) No provision. (This earmark is moved to Fund 3V60 ALI 600689, TANF Block Grant. See JFSCD7.) | (3) No provision. |
| (4) Not less than \$1,000,000 for the Ohio Children’s Trust Fund. | (4) Same as the Executive. | (4) Same as the Executive, but requires "up to" \$1,000,000 instead of "not less than." |
| KIDCD21 PFCC eligibility Section: 423.230 Establishes, through June 30, 2027, the maximum income for a family's eligibility for PFCC at 160% FPL for initial eligibility, including special needs child care, and 300% FPL for continued eligibility. Fiscal effect: According to DCY, estimated costs to increase eligibility are approximately \$76.3 million in FY 2026 and \$101.8 million in FY 2027. | Section: 423.230 Same as the Executive, but reduces initial eligibility to 145% FPL and special needs child care to 150% FPL. Fiscal effect: The provision maintains current eligibility levels. | Section: 423.230 Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| KIDCD49 Child Care Provider Recruitment and Mentorship Grant Program | Section: 751.30, 423.103 | Section: 751.30, 423.103 |
| No provision. | Establishes the Child Care Recruitment and Mentorship Grant Program to help increase the number of licensed child care providers in Ohio and to assist recruited entities and individuals. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires DCY to operate the program until July 1, 2027. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Specifies eligibility and grant recipient requirements, including that grant recipients submit periodic reports with specified information. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires each grant applicant to apply to DCY in a manner prescribed by DCY. | Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | Requires DCY to review each application and determine whether the applicant meets the eligibility conditions. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires DCY to award a grant to a recipient, subject to available funds, if eligibility conditions are met. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires GRF ALI 830418, Child Care Provider Recruitment, be used for the Child Care Provider Recruitment and Mentorship Grant Program. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Reappropriates the available balance of ALI 830418 at the end of FY 2026 to FY 2027. Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$3,200,000 in FY 2026 in GRF ALI 830418, Child Care Provider Recruitment, for the program. | No provision. Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$1.75 million in FY 2026 and \$1.00 million in FY 2027 in GRF ALI 830418. |

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| CIVCD1 | Housing discrimination civil actions | | |
| | | R.C. 4112.055 | |
| No provision. | | Requires CIV to authorize the AGO to file a civil suit in a housing discrimination claim not more than 30 days after receiving a timely notice from a party to a housing discrimination complaint that the party is electing to pursue the complaint in court rather than through the CIV complaint procedure. | No provision. |
| No provision. | | Allows a complainant or an aggrieved person named in a housing discrimination complaint to file a civil suit not less than 30 days, but not more than 60 days, after a party to the complaint elects to proceed in court, provided one of the following applies: | No provision. |
| No provision. | | (1) CIV fails to authorize the AGO to file the suit as required under continuing law. | No provision. |
| No provision. | | (2) AGO fails to file the suit within 30 days of CIV authorization as required under continuing law. | No provision. |
| | | Fiscal effect: Allows housing discrimination cases to be pursued as a civil suit sooner. | |

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| COMCD26 Unclaimed funds filings | | |
| R.C. 169.061, 169.08 | | |
| Authorizes COM to waive the submission of the standard claim form for unclaimed funds if: (1) the person claiming a property interest is identified as the owner of the funds or property on the report filed under R.C. 169.03; and (2) the Department reasonably believes the person claiming a property interest is entitled to receive the payment. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Authorizes COM to exchange information with other state agencies or political subdivisions to locate and return unclaimed funds to their rightful owner. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: May result in some number of additional claims paid from the Unclaimed Funds Trust Fund. | | |
| COMCD45 Ohio Cultural and Sports Facility Performance Grant Fund and unclaimed funds | | |
| | | R.C. 169.08, Section 243.20, 243.30 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Transfers ownership of unclaimed funds to the state if the funds are not claimed by the owner or another person with a right to claim within ten years after the date the funds are first reported to COM and specifies that all property rights, legal title to, and ownership of unclaimed funds and interest vest solely in the state on the date the funds and interest escheat. Requires private holders of unclaimed funds to return funds to the Director when the funds escheat to the state. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the COM Director, two times each year, to remit unclaimed funds and interest that escheat to the state to the Ohio Cultural and Sports Facility Performance Grant Fund (Fund 5CY1). (See also OBMCD51.) |
| No provision. | No provision. | Temporarily allows former owners of unclaimed funds to file a claim after the funds and interest escheat, but specifies that no such claims are permitted after January 1, 2036. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the COM Director to pay claims filed by former owners from the Unclaimed Funds Trust Fund and not seek reimbursement from any other source. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the COM Director to develop guidelines and procedures for repayment of unclaimed funds and interest that are invested in non-liquid assets and to ensure that the balance of the Unclaimed Funds Trust Fund is sufficient to meet the state's repayment obligations. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Earmarks \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year of Fund 5430 ALI, 800602, Unclaimed Funds, to be used by the Division of Unclaimed Funds to employ technology, outreach, advertising, and other direct and indirect methods to locate and notify owners of unclaimed funds, or individuals with an established right to unclaimed funds, and assist them with filing claims. Fiscal effect: The first \$600,000,000 of the initial escheatment amount is to be deposited into the Ohio Cultural and Sports Facility Performance Grant Fund (Fund 5CY1) and the remainder into the Ohio Escheatment Fund (see OBMCD51). |

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COMCD31 Unclaimed funds - claims from the estate of a deceased owner

R.C. 169.081

Requires the COM Director, with respect to claims filed under the Unclaimed Funds Law by a deceased owner's estate, to pay the claim only if it appears the payment will be received by: (1) the actual heirs or legatees of the deceased owner; (2) creditors of the deceased owner whose claims are valid, not barred and existed prior to death, up to the amount of the debt; and (3) creditors of the deceased owner whose claims are valid and not barred, up to the extent of the costs of administering the estate. Applies these requirements only to claims pending and arising on or after the effective date of this provision.

No provision.

No provision.

Fiscal effect: Uncertain.

COMCD27 Unclaimed funds reporting penalties

R.C. 169.12

Imposes 3% annual interest on unclaimed funds that are not timely reported, paid, or delivered to COM. Establishes a cap of \$10,000 on continuing law’s additional civil penalty of \$100 per day for a holder who fails to report, pay, or deliver unclaimed funds within four months after the date required by law. Allows COM to waive interest in addition to waiving civil penalties.

No provision.

No provision.

Eliminates the current law requirement that the value of unclaimed funds that are intangible property be determined based on the market value as of the date for reporting and payment or, if no market value is determinable, on the basis used by the Department of Taxation.

No provision.

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Fiscal effect: Will change the amount collected by COM in fines and penalties for some civil penalties, depending on the circumstances and findings of the COM Director.

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| COMCD28 Unclaimed funds civil penalties | | |
| R.C. 169.99 | | |
| Allows the not more than \$500 a day fine for unclaimed funds violations to be imposed for each offense. Makes these penalties in lieu of, not in addition to, the penalties imposed under R.C. 169.12 (see COMCD27). Allows the COM Director to waive such penalties if the person or holder acted in good faith and without negligence. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Allows the Director to impose a civil penalty of \$500 for each day from the date a fraudulent unclaimed funds report was filed until the date the report is corrected, up to a maximum of \$25,000, and an additional penalty of 25% of the amount fraudulently unreported or underreported. Specifies that these penalties are in addition to, the penalties imposed under R.C. 169.12 (see COMCD27). | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential revenue gains from expanding these civil penalties. | | |
| COMCD43 Retail installment contracts | | |
| | | R.C. 1317.06 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Authorizes an alternative schedule of installment payments for a retail installment contract that arises out of a consumer transaction, that may be used in lieu of the existing schedule, which is required to consist of substantially equal payments. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Specifies that, under the alternative schedule, the scheduled installments may vary, but an individual installment payment cannot be greater than 50% of any other installment payment. |
| COMCD34 Regulation of earned wage access services | | |
| | R.C. 1320.02, 1320.01 to 1320.10; 1320.21 | |
| No provision. | Requires businesses that provide earned wage access (EWA) services to register with the Division of Financial Institutions. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Establishes a process through which a business may apply for a certificate of registration including a \$300 nonrefundable annual registration fee. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires investigations and background checks for applicants and key officers the cost of which must be paid by the applicant. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Regulates the operation of businesses providing EWA services including by establishing consumer rights and protections. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Prohibits any local fees and assessments related to EWA services. Fiscal effect: Additional costs incurred by the Division of Financial Institutions would be offset to some extent through the nonrefundable fees of \$300 for an application of certification and \$200 for the required civil and criminal records investigations. | No provision. |
| COMCD12 Financial Literacy Education Fund | | |
| R.C. 1321.21, 121.085 | R.C. 1321.21, 121.085 | R.C. 1321.21, 121.085 |
| Removes the requirement that the OBM Director transfer 5% of the charges, penalties, and forfeitures paid to the Superintendent of Financial Institutions by check-cashing lenders, small loan licensees, mortgage brokers, loan officers, and certain other entities regulated by the Superintendent from the Consumer Finance Fund (Fund 5530) to the Financial Literacy Education Fund (Fund 5FW0). | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Removes the requirement that the COM Director adopt a rule requiring at least 50% of the Financial Literacy Education programs be offered at public community colleges or state institutions. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, and also eliminates the requirement that the financial literacy education programs funded by the Financial Literacy Education Fund be directed to adults. |

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| Removes a requirement that the COM Director provide an annual report to the Governor and the House and Senate outlining each financial literacy education program developed or implemented, the number of individuals educated by the program and accounting for all funds distributed. Fiscal effect: Potentially reduces the amount of cash transfers to Fund 5FW0 and costs for administering the Financial Literacy Education Program. | Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | No provision. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| COMCD42 Securities dealer exemptions | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 1707.01, 1707.14 Specifies that a bank holding company or a savings and loan holding company are included in the current exemption for dealer licenses when such an entity or its subsidiary is the issuer of the securities and meets other requirements under continuing law. Fiscal effect: Potential decrease in license fees deposited into the Division of Securities Fund (Fund 5500). |
| COMCD10 Security Investor Education and Enforcement Fund grants | | |
| R.C. 1707.37 Allows for money in the Division of Securities Investor Education and Enforcement Expense Fund (Fund 5GK0) to be used for education grants and allows the Division to adopt rules concerning qualifications for grant-funded programs. Fiscal effect: Potential increase in grant expenditures from Fund 5GK0. | R.C. 1707.37 Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| COMCD25 Burial permit fee increase | | | |
| R.C. 3705.17 | R.C. 3705.17, 4767.10 | R.C. 3705.17, 4767.10 | |
| Increases the burial permit fee from \$3.00 to \$4.50 | Same as the Executive, but Increases the burial permit fee to \$10. | Same as the House. | |
| No provision. | Increases from \$1 to \$6 the portion of each burial permit fee to be allocated to the Cemetery Grant Program. | Same as the House. | |
| No provision. | Increases the maximum grant amount available under the Cemetery Grant Program from \$2,500 to \$5,000. | Same as the House. | |
| Fiscal effect: Gain in burial permit fee revenue gain to the Cemetery Registration Fund (Fund 4H90). | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but also increases the amount of grant funding available under the Cemetery Grant Program. COM issued \$104,000 in such grants in FY 2024. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. | |
| COMCD33 Fire code changes and enforcement | | | |
| | R.C. 3737.83, 3781.062 | R.C. 3737.83, 3781.062 | |
| No provision. | Prohibits the State Fire Marshal (SFM) from including certain accessory spaces in determining whether an agricultural structure requires an automatic sprinkler system or other fire suppression system. | Replaces the House provision with one that prohibits the SFM, when determining sprinkler thresholds, from including the occupant load of a covered patio and its area if the building or structure is incident to the agricultural purpose of the land, exempt from Board of Building Standards rules, and meets other specified criteria. | |
| No provision. | Requires the COM Director, in collaboration with the SFM, Board of Building Standards (BBS), and local building departments, to develop guidelines for the enforcement of the Ohio Building Code and State Fire Code in a coordinated manner, including the interaction of exemptions from one code with requirements of another code. | No provision. | |
| | Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Fiscal effect: Minimal. | |

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| COMCD38 Online sale and curb side pickup of consumer fireworks | | |
| | R.C. 3743.48 | R.C. 3743.48 |
| No provision. | Permits licensed fireworks manufacturers and wholesalers to conduct online sales of 1.4G fireworks (“consumer fireworks”), subject to certain procedural requirements prescribed by the bill. | Same as the House, but makes various technical and clarifying changes. |
| No provision. | Requires online sales to be linked to a specific manufacturer or wholesaler that will deliver the consumer fireworks in the manufacturer’s or wholesaler’s retail showroom or via curbside delivery in a designated pick-up zone on the same licensed premises. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Allows a manufacturer or wholesaler to construct a tent or other temporary structure to provide shelter for employees and purchasers at the point of curbside delivery, provided those structures are approved by the SFM and compliant with the State Building Code, the State Fire Code, and local zoning requirements. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires manufacturers and wholesalers that conduct online sales of consumer fireworks to implement reasonable traffic control measures for curbside deliveries. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Prohibits a manufacturer or wholesaler from delivering consumer fireworks by mail order or other process outside the licensed premises, displaying fireworks for sale outside the retail showroom, or permitting members of the public to access areas of the licensed premises other than the retail showroom and the designated pickup zone for curbside delivery. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Allows a manufacturer or wholesaler to submit alternative delivery systems for consumer grade fireworks to the SFM for approval. | Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | <div>Permits the SFM to adopt rules as necessary to implement and enforce the provisions expanding sale and delivery conditions for consumer fireworks.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Increase in oversight costs for the SFM to regulate these sales. Minimal, if any, gain in sales tax and receipts for the Fireworks Fee Receipts Fund (Fund 5BG1), which is used to regulate the fireworks industry.</div> | <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |
| COMCD41 Drug misuse prevention, education, and public awareness initiatives | | |
| | R.C. 3780.37, 243.30 | |
| No provision. | <div>Requires the Division of Cannabis Control to contract with a statewide nonprofit corporation to develop and implement cannabis and related drug misuse prevention, education, and public awareness initiatives. Requires at least 10% of the funding for the initiatives to be provided by the nonprofit corporation through private contributions. Requires the Division to oversee and evaluate the effectiveness of the initiatives undertaken by the nonprofit corporation.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |
| No provision. | <div>Requires that Fund 5TZ0 ALI 800661, Drug Addiction Partnership, be used to fund the public-private partnership mentioned above. Requires the Division to submit an annual report to the General Assembly detailing program activities, use of funds, and measurable outcomes.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: The bill provides funding of \$10.0 million each fiscal year for this purpose.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |

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| COMCD13 Board of Building Standards Grant Program | | |
| R.C. 3781.10, 3781.102 | R.C. 3781.10, 3781.102 | |
| Permits the Board of Building Standards to establish a grant program to assist local building departments in the recruitment, training, and retention of qualified personnel. Allows the Board to use fees credited to the Industrial Compliance Operating Fund (Fund 5560) in connection with inspections and approval of plans and specifications by local building departments to administer and award the grants. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential cost increases if COM uses this authority to establish the grant program including grant awards and administrative costs. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| COMCD14 Third-party building examiners and inspectors | | |
| R.C. 3781.10 | R.C. 3781.10 | |
| Allows the Board of Building Standards (BBS) to adopt rules that allow municipal, township, and county building departments to accept plan, examination, and inspection reports from third-party building plan examiners and building inspectors. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Permits the Board to establish competency standards for third-party building plan examiners and building inspectors. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Specifies that fees charged by a third-party examiner or inspector are in addition to current fees collected by political subdivisions on behalf of the Board for exams and inspections. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Clarifies that plan approvals and certificates of occupancy or completion remain the exclusive authority of the certified personnel employed by or under contract with a certified municipal, township, and county building department and cannot be issued by a third-party examiner or inspector. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential minimal cost increases to BBS for establishing rules and competency requirements. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |

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| COMCD32 Kids Internet and Data Safety Commission | | |
| R.C. 3793.01, 3793.02 - 3793.06, 3793.20 - 3793.25, 3793.30, 3793.40 - 3793.47, 3793.90, Section 820.40 | | |
| Creates the Kids Internet and Data Safety Commission within COM consisting of 11 members to enforce the below provisions, and further authorizes the Commission to: (1) identify emergent or current risks of harm to children and teens associated with online platforms; (2) recommend measures and methods for assessing, preventing, and mitigating such harms; (3) recommend methods and themes for conducting research regarding these harms; and (4) recommend best practices and clear consensus-based technical standards for required transparency reports and audits. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires "covered platforms" likely to be accessed by a child or teen to take certain measures to prevent foreseeable harms to children and teens, including by establishing parental controls and privacy settings. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires covered platforms to undergo third-party audits and issue annual reports concerning compliance with these requirements. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires "online platforms" to provide notices about algorithms used to display content on the platform and to allow users to opt into an input-transparent algorithm. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Prohibits certain practices by operators of web sites, online services, online applications, and mobile applications related to collection, use, disclosure, and deletion of personal information of children and teens. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires such operators to obtain "verifiable consent" from the teen or parent of the child before collecting such personal information, subject to certain exclusions. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Requires the Commission to administer and enforce these requirements, including imposing administrative penalties. Delays the effective date of these provisions until July 1, 2026. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Creates the Kids Internet and Data Safety Fund in the state treasury, consisting of all money collected through administrative penalties imposed by the Commission. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Allows the MHA Director to use unencumbered funds beyond the amount needed by the Commission to administer the bill's provisions, to support addiction treatment for minors. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Indeterminate cost increases to operate the Commission and implement the specified requirements. Creates the Kids Internet and Data Safety Fund to pay the Commission's expenses, but does not appropriate funding. | | |
| COMCD16 Minimum wage records | | |
| R.C. 4111.99, 121.084 | | |
| Requires an employer who fails to retain records related to wages and hours to pay a fine of not more than \$100 each day of the violation and limits these total fines to \$5,000. Requires these fines to be deposited into the Industrial Compliance Operating Fund (Fund 5560). | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential fine revenue gain to Fund 5560. | | |
| COMCD39 Low alcohol coolers | | |
| | R.C. 4301.01, 4301.43, 4301.432, 4303.05 | |
| No provision. | Expands the products that a mixed beverage manufacturer (A-4 permit) may manufacture and sell to alcohol retailers and distributors to include low-alcohol coolers. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Defines low-alcohol coolers as bottled and prepared cordials, cocktails, and highballs to which all of the following apply: (1) they are obtained by mixing any type of spirituous liquor with, or over, nonalcoholic beverages, flavoring, or coloring; (2) as a completed product, they contain between 0.5% of alcohol by volume (ABV) and 10% of ABV; and (3) they are sold only in packages of four to twelve single-serve containers with each container 16 ozs. in size. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Taxes low-alcohol coolers at \$0.35 per gallon, a reduction from the \$1.20 per gallon excise rate currently charged for mixed beverages, generally. Fiscal effect: Reduces receipts from the alcoholic beverage tax by an estimated \$3.1 million in FY 2026 and \$3.6 million in FY 2027, based on current trends in consumption. | No provision. |
| COMCD35 Shared space for wineries | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 4301.20 Allows two or more A-2 and A-2f permit holders (wineries and farm wineries) to use the same premises and manufacturing equipment to conduct all authorized activities for wineries. Fiscal effect: None. | No provision. |
| COMCD44 Criteria for issuing D-5j liquor permit | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 4303.181 Revises one of the conditions under which the D-5j liquor permit may be issued in a community entertainment district by eliminating the stipulation that the municipal corporation in which the permitted premises will be located in the district must have been incorporated as a village prior to 1880. Fiscal effect: Minimal. |

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| COMCD36 Written agency agreements | | |
| No provision. | <div>R.C. 4735.01, 4735.55, 4735.56, 4735.80</div> <div>Requires a real estate broker or salesperson to enter into an agency agreement with the seller, purchaser, or tenant and defines "nonexclusive agency agreement" for purposes of real estate transactions</div> <div>Fiscal effect: None.</div> | <div>R.C. 4735.01, 4735.55, 4735.56, 4735.80</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |
| COMCD3 Fire Department Grants | | |
| Section: 243.20 | Section: 243.20 | Section: 243.20 |
| (1) Requires that Fund 5460 ALI 800639, Fire Department Grants, be used to make grants to volunteer fire departments, fire departments that serve one or more small municipalities or small townships, joint fire districts comprised of fire departments that primarily serve small municipalities or small townships, local units of government responsible for such fire departments, and local units of government responsible for the provision of fire protection services for small municipalities or small townships. | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) Same as the Executive. |
| (2) Requires the grants to be used to purchase firefighting or rescue equipment or gear or similar items, to provide full or partial reimbursement for the documented costs of firefighter training, or, at the discretion of the State Fire Marshal, to cover costs for providing fire protection services in the grant recipient's jurisdiction. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) Earmarks up to \$1,300,000 in each fiscal year to pay for the State Fire Marshal's costs of providing certain firefighter training classes at no cost to selected students, and allows the State Fire Marshal to establish the qualification and selection process for such classes. | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) Same as the Executive. |

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| (4) Earmarks up to \$4,000,000 in each fiscal year for Multi-Agency Radio Communication System (MARCS) grants. Establishes the criteria for awarding these grants, including authority for the State Fire Marshal to give preference to grants that will enhance emergency communication networks in the geographic region that includes and is adjacent to the applicant's jurisdiction. Limits the awards to \$50,000 annually per recipient. | (4) Same as the Executive. | (4) Same as the Executive. |
| (5) Limits grant awards for firefighter or rescue equipment or gear or fire department costs of providing fire protection services to \$15,000 per fiscal year, or up to \$25,000 per fiscal year if an eligible entity serves a jurisdiction in which the Governor declared a natural disaster during the preceding or current fiscal year in which the grant was awarded, and up to \$15,000 per fiscal year for full or partial reimbursement of the documented costs of firefighter training, which could be in addition to any grant funds awarded for equipment or fire protection services. Requires the State Fire Marshal to determine the total amounts to be allocated for each eligible purpose. | (5) Same as the Executive. | (5) Same as the Executive. |
| (6) Requires the State Fire Marshal to administer the grant program in accordance with rules adopted as part of the State Fire Code, which may further define eligible entities and establish criteria for the awarding and expenditure of grant funds. | (6) Same as the Executive. | (6) Same as the Executive. |
| (7) Permits any appropriations in excess of the amount allocated for the grants to be used to administer the grant program. | (7) Same as the Executive. | (7) Same as the Executive. |
| (8) No provision. | (8) Earmarks \$30,000 in FY 2026 to be used to support volunteer firefighter training programs at the Northwestern Ohio Volunteer Firemen's Association Fire School. | (8) No provision. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Earmarks \$8,000,000 in FY 2026 to be used to provide small county volunteer fire department grants, and specifies eligible departments are those located within a county having a total population that is 70,000 or lower as of the most recent decennial census. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Establishes the following small county volunteer fire department grant guidelines: (1) Limits grants to up to \$50,000 per recipient; (2) allows eligible fire departments to apply for one grant per fiscal year; and (3) requires that grants be used for firefighting or rescue equipment or gear, or for fire department costs associated with the provision of fire protection services. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$8,000,000 cash from the Ohio Highway and Transportation Safety Fund (Fund 5XI0) to the State Fire Marshal Fund (Fund 5460) in FY 2026 to provide funding for the grant program. |
| COMCD4 Cash transfers to the Division of Real Estate Operating Fund | | |
| Section: 243.30 | Section: 243.30 | Section: 243.30 |
| Allows the OBM Director, upon the request of the COM Director to transfer cash from the Real Estate Recovery Fund (Fund 5480) to the Division of Real Estate Operating Fund (Fund 5490) when the Fund 5480 cash balance exceeds \$250,000, provided that the minimum remaining amount in Fund 5480 is at least \$250,000. | Same as the Executive, but subjects the transfer to Controlling Board approval. | Same as the House. |
| Allows the OBM Director, upon the request of the COM Director to transfer cash from the Real Estate Appraiser Recovery Fund (Fund 4B20) to Fund 5490 when the Fund 4B20 cash balance exceeds \$200,000, provided that the minimum remaining amount in Fund 4B20 is at least \$200,000. | Same as the Executive, but subjects the transfer to Controlling Board approval. | Same as the House. |

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| COMCD5 Cash transfers to Small Government Fire Department Services Revolving Loan Fund | | |
| Section: 243.30 | Section: 243.30 | Section: 243.30 |
| Allows the OBM Director, upon the request of the COM Director, to transfer up to \$600,000 cash from the State Fire Marshal Fund (Fund 5460) to the Small Government Fire Department Services Revolving Loan Fund (Fund 5F10). | Same as the Executive, but subjects the transfer to Controlling Board approval. | Same as the House. |
| COMCD7 Cash transfers to the Investor Education and Enforcement Expense Fund | | |
| Section: 243.30 | Section: 243.30 | |
| Requires the OBM Director, on July 1, 2025, or as soon as possible thereafter, to transfer \$5,000,000 from the Division of Securities Fund (Fund 5500) to the Investor Education and Enforcement Expense Fund (Fund 5GK0). | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Allows the OBM Director, upon the request of the COM Director, every three months, to transfer up to 5% of the fees and charges received in Fund 5500 to Fund 5GK0. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| COMCD8 Cash transfers to the Financial Literacy Education Fund | | |
| Section: 243.30 | Section: 243.30 | Section: 243.30 |
| Allows the OBM Director, upon request of the COM Director, to transfer up to \$150,000 in each fiscal year from the Consumer Finance Fund (Fund 5530) to the Financial Literacy Education Fund (Fund 5FW0). | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Allows the OBM Director, upon the request of the COM Director, at least once every three months, to transfer up to 15% of the fees and charges received in Fund 5530 to Fund 5FW0. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but reduces the fee transfer percentage to 5%. |

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| COMCD9 Claiming unclaimed funds for the State of Ohio and political subdivisions | | |
| Section: 243.30 | Section: 243.30 | |
| Allows the Treasurer of State, in consultation with the COM Director and OBM Director, to claim unclaimed funds in the name of the State of Ohio and not otherwise attributable to an administrative department and requires these unclaimed funds to be credited to the GRF. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Allows the county treasurer, in consultation with the COM Director and OBM Director, to claim unclaimed funds in the name of the political subdivision and not otherwise attributable to the political subdivision and requires these unclaimed funds to be credited to the appropriate fund of that political subdivision. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Allows any person with a property interest in the unclaimed funds to file a claim with the COM Director and, upon sufficient proof of the validity of the claim, allows the Director to pay the claim less any expenses and costs incurred by the state or political subdivision in securing full title and ownership of the unclaimed funds. Prevents any other claimant from taking action against the state or political subdivision for or on account of the payment of the claim after the payment is made. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential revenue gains to the state GRF, or to applicable county funds for claiming applicable unclaimed funds. Currently the state has \$240,000 in unclaimed fund properties to which it is the rightful holder that could be collected and transferred to the GRF under this provision. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |

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| OCCCD1 | Wireless service providers exempt from OCC assessment | <div><div>R.C.4911.18</div><div>Exempts a wireless service provider or reseller, to the extent either are providing wireless service, from being considered a "public utility" subject to the assessment for purposes of funding OCC.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Reduces assessments on wireless service providers, but it does not reduce OCC appropriation. Other companies will pay higher amounts to offset the amounts not assessed on wireless companies.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.4911.18</div><div>Same as the House.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House, but decreases OCC’s DPF appropriation item 053601, Operating Expenses, by \$179,000 in FY 2026 and by \$186,000 in FY 2027.</div></div> |
| No provision. | | | |

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| <div>CEBCD4</div> <div>Controlling Board approval for online subscriptions</div> | <div>R.C. 125.052</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Increases in administrative costs for state agencies to prepare CEB requests and meeting attendance and for CEB to review the requests.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> |
| <div>CEBCD3</div> <div>Release of funds for capital projects</div> | <div>R.C. 126.14, 123.211, 126.141, 3333.071, 5123.36</div> <div>Removes the requirement that CEB or the OBM Director release money appropriated to state agencies for capital projects and related procedures associated with approval of capital expenditures.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Slight decrease in administrative costs for state agencies with capital appropriations and the CEB because there will be a lower volume of requests to review and prepare for CEB approval.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |
| <div>CEBCD7</div> <div>Controlling Board - general and specific projects</div> | <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C. 126.14</div> <div>Eliminates current law provisions that do all of the following:</div> <div>(1) Allow the OBM Director to approve the release of money appropriated for specific projects.</div> |

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| No provision. | No provision. | (2) Require the OBM Director determine which appropriations are for general projects and which are for specific projects within 60 days after the effective date of any act appropriating money for capital projects and following this determination, submit to the CEB a list that includes a brief description of and the estimated expenditures for each specific project. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (3) Allow the OBM Director to create new appropriation items and make transfers of appropriations for specific higher education projects for basic renovations in certain circumstances. Fiscal effect: Minimal. |
| CEBCD5 Controlling Board technical correction | R.C. 127.12 | R.C. 127.12 |
| No provision. | Adds a division indicator before a paragraph in the statute creating the CEB (technical amendment). Fiscal effect: None. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| CEBCD6 Controlling Board agenda | | R.C. 127.13, Section 820.80 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Increases the number of days that the CEB President must publish the Board's meeting agenda before each meeting, from seven to ten, and makes the change effective January 1, 2026. Fiscal effect: Minimal. |

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| CEBCD8 | Controlling Board - approval of additional revenue | | |
| No provision. | | No provision. | <div><div>R.C.</div><div>131.35</div><div>Modifies the CEB's authority to approve spending of additional or excess revenue by permitting the Board to approve up to \$100 million of additional spending per fiscal year for a specific or related purpose or item instead of an amount up to 0.5% of the GRF appropriation for that fiscal year.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Minimal.</div></div> |

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| OSBCD3 | St. Rita's School for the Deaf | R.C. | 3325.01, 3301.0711, 3325.011, 3325.012, 3325.03, 3325.08, 3325.09, 3325.11, 3325.12, 3325.13, 3325.15, 3325.18, 3365.01, 3365.032, 3365.07, Section 207.60. | |
| | No provision. | | Permits the ODBES Superintendent to create additional divisions to meet the educational needs of students throughout the state who have multiple disabilities if one of the disabilities is vision related, hearing related, or related to communication such that the student would benefit from the use of American Sign Language ("ASL"). | No provision. |
| | No provision. | | Generally includes students with multiple disabilities as described above in all continuing law provisions regarding services and funding overseen by ODBES for students who are blind, visually impaired, deaf, hard of hearing, or deafblind. | No provision. |
| | No provision. | | Designates Rita Community School, currently operating as St. Rita School for the Deaf, a chartered nonpublic school in Hamilton County, as a division of ODBES and subjects the school to regulations adopted by DEW. Clarifies that Rita Community School is not considered a "community school" (also known as a charter school nationally) under continuing law. | No provision. |
| | No provision. | | Subjects students in Rita Community School to the same assessment requirements as other public school students. | No provision. |
| | No provision. | | Permits students at Rita Community School to participate in the College Credit Plus Program in the same manner as students at the State School for the Deaf and the State School for the Blind. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires the ODBES Superintendent to grant a diploma or honor's diploma to a student enrolled in Rita Community School who fulfills the requirements for that diploma that apply to students enrolled in the State School for the Blind or the State School for the Deaf under continuing law. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires ODBES to use funds in the Ohio Deaf and Blind Education Services Student Activity and Work-Study Fund for Rita Community School in addition to the fund's other purposes under continuing law. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires purchases from the food service program of Rita Community School to be paid into the Ohio Deaf and Blind Education Services Employees Food Service Fund for the purposes of that fund under continuing law. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Permits ODBES to receive and administer any gifts, donations, or bequests given to it for Rita Community School. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires money deposited with the ODBES Superintendent by parents, relatives, guardians, and friends for the special benefit of any student at Rita Community School to remain in the hands of the Superintendent accordingly. Requires the ODBES Superintendent to deposit that money into one or more personal deposit funds for the student and to keep itemized accounts of the receipt and disposition of the money. Requires the ODBES Superintendent, if a student is no longer enrolled in Rita Community School and has not claimed the money for at least one year, to transfer that money to the Rita Community School Educational Program Expenses Fund. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Establishes the Rita Community School Educational Program Expenses Fund to be used for educational programs, after-school activities, and expenses associated with student activities and clubs at Rita Community School. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | <p>Declares the intent of the General Assembly that the State of Ohio purchase St. Rita School for the Deaf for an amount to be determined. Requires the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) to determine the amount of funding needed for the state to purchase the building in which the school is housed and the accompanying 20 acres of land on which the building is located so that the school may become a public school under the supervision of ODBES.</p> <p>Fiscal effect: The bill earmarks up to \$500,000 in FY 2026 from GRF ALI 226321, Operations, to support the transition of St. Rita School for the Deaf to Rita Community School (see OSBCD4). Increases state expenditures to purchase the building and land, at an amount that DAS will determine, and on ongoing basis depending on enrollment, student needs, and educational programming beginning in FY 2027, when the transition is complete. In FY 2025, the school's enrollment is 58 students. Of those, 25 are on either an Autism or Jon Peterson Special Needs state scholarship. State costs to operate the school will be partially offset by lower scholarship costs since the state would not pay for scholarships for the students once the school becomes a public school. In FY 2025, scholarships for the students likely total in the \$500,000 to \$600,000 range.</p> | No provision. |
| OSBCD4 Operations | <p>Section: 391.20</p> <p>Earmarks up to \$500,000 in FY 2026 from GRF ALI 226321, Operations, for ODBES to transition the staff, contracts, subscriptions, and equipment of St. Rita School for the Deaf to a public school known as Rita Community School under ODBES supervision. Requires the transition to be completed by June 30, 2026 and the school to be fully under ODBES supervision beginning with the 2026-2027 school year.</p> | No provision. |

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| BDPCD1 | Financial transaction devices | | |
| R.C. | 113.40 | R.C. 113.40 | R.C. 113.40 |
| Modifies definitions of "financial transaction device", "processor" and "state entity". Changes terms, including replacing "charge card" with "banking card" and "return or dishonored" with "reversed". | | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive but changes the defined term “state expenses” to “revenue” and expands it to include charges, tolls, restitution, judgments, and other amounts owed to the state. |
| Changes BDP's resolution requirements by mandating its adoption to authorize financial transaction device payments for state expenses, eliminating certain mandatory content requirements from the resolution, requiring the resolution to designate TOS as the administrative agent for soliciting proposals and assisting with settlement programs, and expanding its application to include both state treasury bank accounts and those in the custody of the TOS outside the state treasury. | | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but mandates its adoption to authorize financial transaction device payments for collection, receipt, and acceptance by the state of revenue, gifts, donations, or bequests. |
| Changes proposals process by removing the requirements to request proposals from at least three financial institutions, issuers, or processors, requiring the BDP's administrative agent to request proposals for acceptance, processing, and settlement services, requiring the public notice of proposals on the agent's website, increasing the minimum availability period for proposals to 15 days, removing the need to send proposals via email or require written notice of interest, and removing BDP's review requirement for all submitted proposals. | | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Changes contracting and administrative agent responsibilities by permitting BDP to authorize the administrative agent to contract with processors, permitting the agent to enter multiple contracts for payment processing on behalf of state entities and elected officials, and requiring the agent to notify processors of proposal rejections. | | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Changes notification and implementation requirements by removing the requirement for the Board to send its resolution to state officials and entities, removing the requirement for state officials and entities to notify the Board before implementing the resolution, and removing a permission of state entities under an elected official's authority to opt out of accepting financial transaction device payments. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Changes surcharges and fees for payments made by financial transaction devices by expanding authority to impose them from BDP to state officials and entities, removing the prohibition on unauthorized surcharges and fees, removing the state entities' requirement to post notice of surcharges and fees, and removing the provisions about surcharges and fees being nonrefundable and the posting of such notices. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Changes personal liability immunity under the section to exclude state entities and include state elected officials and employees of a state entity or state elected official. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential administrative costs savings by reducing procedural requirements and eliminating mandated notifications and reviews. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| BDPCD3 Custodial funds and active deposits | | |
| R.C. 135.01 | R.C. 135.01 | |
| Specifies that custodial funds that are not part of the state treasury are "active deposits" for the purposes of the public depository law and adds paper checks to the definition of a warrant clearance account. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |

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| DEVCD56 | Tourism attractions, professional sports facilities, and related economic development | |
| | R.C. 122.14, 166.01, 166.02, 166.12, 166.17 | R.C. 122.14, 166.01, 166.02, 166.12, 166.17 |
| No provision. | Expands the purposes of the existing Roadwork Development Fund to include funding: (1) construction, reconstruction, maintenance, or repair of public roads that provide or improve access to professional sports facilities; (2) improvements that provide or enhance access to tourism attractions and professional sports facilities; and (3) improvements associated with the retail and residential components that are a part of a tourism attraction or professional sports facility. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Expands the purposes of the existing Facilities Establishment Fund (Fund 7037) to include allowing loans through the fund to persons engaged in developing tourism attractions and professional sports facilities. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Removes the current law exclusion of point-of-final-purchase retail facilities as eligible projects for purposes of the Facilities Establishment Fund and its associated programs. Fiscal effect: H.B. 54, the FY 2026-FY 2027 transportation budget, provides \$15.2 million in each fiscal year for roadwork development project grants from Fund 4W00. This provision expands the eligible uses of grants from Fund 4W00 and loans from Fund 7037. | No provision. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| DEVCD24 | TechCred Program | |
| Section: 259.20 | R.C. 122.1710, 122.1712, 122.1713, Sections 259.20, 701.50 | R.C. 122.1710, 122.1712, 122.1713, Sections 259.20, 701.50 |
| Requires GRF ALI 195556, TechCred Program, to be used for the TechCred Program and the Individual Microcredential Assistance Program (IMAP). | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| No provision. | Creates the Institutional Platinum Provider Program (IPPP) for state institutions of higher of education participating in the IMAP under which institutions receive advance payment to train individuals to earn a microcredential. Increases from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 the total advance payment or reimbursement amount an institution participating in IPPP may receive in a fiscal year. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Creates the Platinum Provider Program for Ohio technical centers, state institutions of higher education, and private businesses or institutions participating in IMAP under which an eligible participant may receive one or more advance payments to train individuals to earn a microcredential. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: The bill provides funding of \$25.2 million in each fiscal year for microcredential training under GRF ALI 195556, TechCred Program. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| DEVCD2 Residential Broadband Expansion Program | | |
| R.C. 122.4041 | R.C. 122.4041 | |
| Adjusts the criteria used to score applications for grants (maximum 300 points) under the Ohio Residential Broadband Expansion Program by giving one-half point for each residential address the eligible project will reach in unserved areas and one-quarter point for each residential address in underserved areas. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| DEVCD32 Welcome Home Ohio Program | | |
| Section: 259.30 | R.C. 122.631, 122.632, 122.633, Section 259.30 | R.C. 122.631, 122.632, 122.633, Section 259.30 |
| No provision. | Adds certain "qualified nonprofit developers" as eligible applicants for grants to purchase or rehabilitate residential property under the Welcome Home Ohio Program (WHO). | Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | Extends the WHO tax credit from the end of FY 2025 to the through the end of FY 2027, and caps the total amount of credits awarded in the biennium at \$20 million. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Increases the amount of the WHO tax credit from one-third of the construction and rehabilitation costs to 90% of such costs. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires applicants for WHO tax credits to hold until maturity the note and mortgage, on an interest free loan, for any home that is the subject of the application. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Transfers liability for a penalty imposed when purchasers of homes that were the basis of a WHO Program tax credit do not maintain ownership and occupancy for three years or sell to a buyer with more than the maximum income level from the buyer to the recipient of the tax credit. |
| No provision. | Increases the amount by which penalties are reduced annually from one-twentieth to one-third of the total amount of tax credit awarded for each year the original or subsequent buyer with a qualifying income resided in the home. | Same as the House regarding WHO grants but removes the increase in penalty for tax credits. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows recipients of WHO Program tax credits to avoid penalties for a buyer's failure to abide by the occupancy and resale restrictions by reacquiring the home and reselling it to new qualified buyers within twelve months, provided several conditions are met. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows the DEV Director to waive penalties for hardship faced by a home buyer who does not abide by the occupancy and resale restrictions of the WHO tax credit program. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows applicants for WHO Program tax credits to sell homes that are the subject of applications under any terms not in conflict with the authorizing legislation. |
| No provision. | Raises the income eligibility threshold to purchase WHO-funded property from 80% to 120% of the median income of the county in which the property is located. | Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | Increases the amount for which WHO-funded homes may be sold from \$180,000 to \$220,000. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Allows WHO funds to be used to acquire or rehabilitate manufactured homes. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Decreases the minimum square footage WHO-funded units in a multi-unit property from 1,000 to 800 square feet. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires, if grant funds are used to construct or rehabilitate a unit in a multi-unit property, that no portion of the funds are used to construct or rehabilitate portions of the building that are for nonresidential uses, except for common areas used by the occupants of the residential units and improvements that serve both the residential units and the other portions of the building. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Increases the maximum grant for land banks and qualified nonprofit developers to construct or rehabilitate qualifying residential property from \$30,000 per home to \$100,000 per home. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Caps the grant amount for land banks and qualified nonprofit developers to acquire qualifying residential property at \$100,000 per home. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Allows up to \$2,000 in each WHO grant to be used to fund the financial literacy counseling that grant recipients are required, under continuing law, to provide to purchasers of the property. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires that the counseling be provided over six months, rather than one year. | Same as the House but, clarifies that financial literacy counseling is to be provided before the application for a WHO Program tax credit. |

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| No provision. | Requires such counseling to be provided by a "qualifying counseling provider," meaning an individual, business, nonprofit organization, or political subdivision that is licensed, certified, or authorized to provide homeownership counseling and financial literacy as one of its primary functions, including housing counselors certified by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development or the Ohio Housing Finance Agency. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Reduces from 5 years to 3 years the amount of time the purchaser of a WHO-funded home must agree to occupy the home as a primary residence and not rent it to any other person. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Reduces from 20 years to 15 years the amount of time the purchaser of a WHO-funded home must agree to not sell the home to anyone whose income meets the WHO eligibility thresholds. | For WHO Program tax credits only, replaces the House provision with one that allows a purchaser of a WHO -funded home to sell it back to the developer. |
| No provision. | Allows a grant or tax credit recipient to include in the deed restriction a right of first refusal to repurchase the property in order to ensure that subsequent purchasers meet the income eligibility thresholds. | Replaces the House provision on WHO tax credits with one that requires that the homes be sold with a twenty-year restrictive covenant, with the same income limitations, that is conditional and recorded only upon award of a tax credit and names DEV as a third-party beneficiary and allows rights of first refusal by contract. |
| No provision. | Requires the Director to adopt rules to determine the value of qualifying residential property located in a building with other uses and the total value of the building. | Same as the House for WHO grants but does not make this requirement for the WHO tax credit program. |
| No provision. | Requires a land bank or qualified nonprofit developer to use profits derived from the sale of qualifying residential property on which grant funds are spent for the land bank's land reutilization program or the qualified nonprofit developer's housing program. | Same as the House. |

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| Requires Fund 5AP1 ALI 1956H3, Welcome Home Ohio Program, to be used for providing grants under the Welcome Home Ohio Program. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Earmarks \$20,000,000 in FY 2026 to be allocated to land banks to purchase residential property at foreclosure sales. | Same as the Executive but, increases the earmark to \$22,812,500 in each fiscal year. | Same as the House. |
| Earmarks \$20,000,000 in FY 2026 to be allocated to rehabilitate or construct residential property for income-restricted owners. | Same as the Executive but, increases the earmark to \$22,812,500 in each fiscal year. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires that the OBM Director transfer \$50,000,000 cash in FY 2026 from the Local Government Tangible Property Tax Replacement Fund (Fund 7081) to the Welcome Home Ohio Fund (Fund 5AP1). | Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: The bill funds \$40,000,000 in grants in FY 2026. | Fiscal effect: The bill funds \$45,625,000 in grants in each fiscal year. The tax credit provision could reduce tax revenues by up to \$20,000,000 in the next biennium, but actual revenue loss could be lower than that based on the current biennium’s experience. Only a small fraction of the \$50,000,000 in WHO tax credits available during the FY 2024-FY 2025 biennium have been awarded, which could either signal a lack of demand or a long project completion timeline. Developers may only apply to DEV for a tax credit certificate after the rehabilitation or construction of a qualifying residential property is complete, and the property was sold to someone with qualifying income for the individual's or individuals' occupancy. If there has been a lack of demand, this provision's changes could lead to an increase in demand and more credits being issued. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| DEVCD63 | Housing Accelerator Grants | | |
| | R.C. | 122.634, Section 259.20 | |
| No provision. | | Establishes a grant program to be administered by the Department of Development for townships and municipal corporations that adopt and implement at least three pro-housing policies as defined by the bill. | No provision. |
| No provision. | | Requires GRF ALI 1954A6, Housing Accelerator, to be used for the housing development incentive grants. Reappropriates the unexpended, unencumbered amount at the end of FY 2026 for use in FY 2027. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: The bill provides funding of \$2.5 million each fiscal year for grants under the program. | | |
| DEVCD67 | Residential economic development district grants | | |
| | | | R.C. 122.635 |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Creates a grant program for counties, townships, and municipal corporations located within 20 miles of a "major economic development project." Allows these applicants to collaborate with a housing developer, a port authority, a council of government, a regional planning commission, or one or more other counties, townships, or municipal corporations. |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Requires grant funds to be used for the following purposes: (1) Providing capital for housing development through grants or loans; (2) Acquiring and readying sites for development; (3) Providing financial assistance for housing-related infrastructure projects; (4) Addressing additional service or public safety needs; and (5) Any other purpose deemed appropriate by the DEV Director. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the applicant for a grant to demonstrate that the applicant has, or has imminent plans to, adopt and implement "pro-housing policies" and to approve a "major workforce housing project" that includes at least 100 units. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Provides criteria for the DEV Director to score and prioritize applications that adopt more pro-housing policies, specifically regarding: density, lot size, side yard setbacks, open space, inspection, plan, impact, water and sewer tap fees, use of water pipe type, use of rigid and flexible pavement types, traffic studies, thoroughfare plans, and sanitary sewer or water extensions. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the DEV Director to adopt rules to implement and administer the program and to finalize and publish initial application procedures and scoring metrics no later than December 31, 2025. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires GRF ALI 1954A7, Residential Economic Development District Program, to support the Residential Economic Development District Grant Program. Reappropriates the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the ALI in FY 2026 for the same purpose in FY 2027. Fiscal effect: The bill provides \$10.0 million in FY 2026 and \$15.0 million in FY 2027 for grants under GRF ALI 1954A7, Residential Economic Development District Program. |
| DEVCD40 Brownfield Remediation | | |
| Section: 259.30 | Section: 259.30 | R.C. 122.6511, Section 259.30 |
| Requires Fund 5YE0 ALI 1956A2, Brownfield Remediation, to be used for grants and associated administrative costs for the Brownfield Remediation Program. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| No provision. | No provision. | For purposes of the Brownfield Remediation program, does the following: |

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| No provision. | No provision. | (1) Defines "planned economic development project" to mean a project to be developed at a brownfield where an organization for profit demonstrates site control, a plan for the development of the brownfield, and documented support for the planned economic development project of the municipal corporation or township in which the brownfield is located; |
| No provision. | No provision. | (2) Alters the definition of "remediation" to include demolition and infrastructure development costs associated with a planned economic development project when a lead entity is an organization for profit, the organization for profit did not cause the environmental contamination at the brownfield, and the planned economic development project at the brownfield exists at the time of submission of the application for a grant; |
| No provision. | No provision. | (3) Defines "demolition and infrastructure development costs" as demolition costs and costs associated with constructing, upgrading, or extending infrastructure necessary to make a brownfield operational for a planned economic development project, including any other investment in the brownfield; |
| No provision. | No provision. | (4) Defines "site control" as holding fee simple title or a leasehold interest in a brownfield or being in contract to acquire a brownfield; |
| No provision. | No provision. | (5) Starting in FY 2027, eliminates the requirement that money not reserved for each county under continuing law be available for grants located anywhere in the state on a first-come, first-served basis; and |

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| No provision. | | No provision. | (6) Instead, starting in FY 2027, requires any funds appropriated and any money reserved from an appropriation that is not utilized to be awarded on a case by case basis with the DEV Director evaluating the economic merit of the project, when making an award determination, to the county, surrounding counties, and state. Additionally requires the Director to ensure that projects are not specific to one region of the state. |
| No provision. | | Limits spending on administrative costs under Fund 5YE0 ALI 1956A2, Brownfield Remediation, to 2.5% in each fiscal year. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | | Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$250,000,000 cash from the All Ohio Future Fund (Fund 5XM0) to the Brownfield Remediation Fund (Fund 5YE0) in FY 2026. | Same as the House. |
| DEVCD3 State private activity bond ceiling and fund | | | |
| R.C. 122.97 | | R.C. 122.97 | R.C. 122.97 |
| Grants the DEV Director authority to allocate Ohio's volume ceiling on state private activity bonds established under federal income tax law. | | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the Director to adopt rules governing the administration of the volume ceiling, including an allocation formula. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Establishes a custodial fund consisting of fees paid by issuers receiving volume ceiling allocations and provides that the fund may be used to pay DEV's costs in administering Ohio's volume ceiling. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None. Codifies existing practice and rules. Fees are already deposited into the Volume Cap Administration Fund (Fund 6170). | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |

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| DEVCD64 Residential Development Revolving Loan Program | | |
| | | R.C. 122.98, 122.981, 176.05, 4115.04, and 5709.89; Sections 259.10, 259.30, 512.10 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Creates the Residential Development Revolving Loan Program, to be administered by DEV, to fund improvements to infrastructure necessary to support construction of new, single-family residential dwellings in the rural areas of Ohio. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Limits funding to local government entities located in counties having a population of 75,000 or less and that issued fewer new construction permits for single-family homes than the average number of such permits for counties in Ohio in the most recent calendar year. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires borrowed funds to be solely used for projects involving the development, repair, or upgrade of water, sewer, road, electric, or gas infrastructure necessary to service dwellings meeting certain statutory requirements, including that the dwellings do not receive a federal low-income housing tax credit. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Limits the loan amount to 50% of the cost of the infrastructure developments, repairs, or upgrades, or \$30,000 per single-family residential dwelling to be served by that infrastructure, whichever is less. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires political subdivisions receiving loans under the program waive certain building, zoning, and planning requirements concerning the residential development project served by the infrastructure developments, repairs, or upgrades. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires eligible borrowers to submit, as a part of an application for a loan under the program, the proposed or recorded plot of the subdivision that is the basis of the development project. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits DEV from using more than \$500,000 annually of the money deposited to the Residential Development Revolving Loan Fund for administrative expenses. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits DEV from establishing a schedule of fees and charges to be paid by applicants and loan recipients. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Specifies that the interest rate for loans made under the program must be the effective federal funds rate in effect at the time the loan agreement is made. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires a borrowing subdivision to exempt improvements constructed from loan proceeds from property tax, requires such properties make payments in lieu of taxes to the subdivision equal to the forgone tax, and requires the subdivision to use those payments to pay off the loan. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires all amounts received as repayment for loans made under the program to be credited to the Residential Development Revolving Loan Fund. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Exempts projects to develop, repair, or upgrade infrastructure needed for the construction of single-family, residential dwellings in Ohio rural areas using these loans from the Prevailing Wage Law. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires Fund 5CT1 ALI 1956B8, Residential Development Revolving Loan Program, to be used to support the Residential Development Revolving Loan Program. Reappropriates the unexpended, unencumbered portion of the ALI at the end of FY 2026 to FY 2027. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$100,000,000 cash in FY 2026 from the GRF to the Residential Development Revolving Loan Program Fund (Fund 5CT1). Fiscal effect: The bill provides program funding of \$100.0 million in FY 2026 under Fund 5CT1 ALI 1956B8, Residential Development Revolving Loan Program. |

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| DEVCD6 | Automated Clearing House Payments Fund | | |
| R.C. | 166.36 | R.C. 166.36 | |
| Creates the Automated Clearing House Payments Fund, a custodial fund consisting of regular loan repayments and fees by ACH transfer for loans made from loan programs administered by the DEV Director. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| DEVCD7 | Enterprise Bond Retirement Fund | | |
| R.C. | 166.37 | R.C. 166.37 | |
| Creates the Enterprise Bond Retirement Fund, a custodial fund consisting of repayments, fees, and other money attributable to loans made by the DEV Director from the Facilities Establishment Fund. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| DEVCD8 | Regional Loan Escrow Fund | | |
| R.C. | 166.38 | R.C. 166.38 | |
| Creates the Regional Loan Escrow Fund, a custodial fund consisting of all grants, gifts, contributions, and other money designated for or deposited in the Fund, and all repayments, fees, and other money attributable to loans made under the Regional 166 Loan Program. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| DEVCD57 | Ohio Housing Trust Fund fees | | |
| | | R.C. 319.63, 174.02, 317.36 | |
| No provision. | | Removes the requirement that the designated share of Low- and Moderate-income Housing Trust Fund (Fund 6460) fees collected by county recorders be deposited into the Ohio Housing Trust Fund (Fund 6460). | No provision. |
| No provision. | | Requires that each county use Low- and Moderate-Income Housing Trust Fund fees for purposes determined by the appropriate county board of commissioners. | No provision. |

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| | Fiscal effect: Shifts revenue credited to Fund 6460 under the DEV budget to the counties in which the fees were collected. In FY 2023 and FY 2024, Fund 6460 collected approximately \$49.9 million and \$44.6 million respectively. | | |
| DEVCD62 Helping Ohioans Stay in their Homes | | | |
| No provision. | Section: 259.20 Earmarks \$4,000,000 in each fiscal year under GRF ALI 195406, Helping Ohioans Stay in their Homes, to People Working Cooperatively for the Safe and Healthy at Home Initiative. | Section: 259.20 Same as the House. | |
| DEVCD68 One-Time Emergency Projects | | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 259.20, 259.10 Requires Fund 4F20 ALI 1956B7, One-Time Emergency Projects, to be granted to Boardman Township to provide matching funds for the flood mitigation assistance grant awarded to the township by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Transfers up to \$500,000 cash in FY 2026 from the Controlling Board Emergency Purposes/Contingencies Fund (Fund 5KM0) to the State Special Projects Fund (Fund 4F20). | |
| DEVCD15 Business Development Services | | | |
| Section: 259.20 Requires GRF ALI 195415, Business Development Services, to be used for the operating expenses of the Office of Strategic Business Investments and the regional economic development offices. | Section: 259.20 Same as the Executive. | Section: 259.20, 259.10 Same as the Executive. | |
| Earmarks \$1,800,000 in each fiscal year for Development Projects, Inc. for various Department of Defense- and aerospace industry-related workforce economic development activities. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but reduce the earmark to \$1,550,000 in FY 2026 and \$1,450,000 in FY 2027. | |

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| DEVCD19 Appalachia Assistance | | |
| 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. |
| 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. |
| 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. |
| 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. |
| 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. |
| 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. |
| 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. |

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| 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. |
| 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. |
| 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. |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year 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. |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$500,000 in each fiscal year for the Outdoor Recreation Council of Appalachia. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$250,000 in each fiscal year for the FosterHub in Hocking County. | No provision. |
| DEVCD58 Local Development Projects | Section: 259.20 | Section: 259.20 |
| No provision. | Makes the following earmarks of GRF ALI 195503, Local Development Projects: | Same as the House. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) \$500,000 in each fiscal year for Baldwin Wallace University to expand the Northeast Ohio Flight Information Exchange (NEOFIX) and support development of flight information exchanges in other communities in Ohio. | (1) No provision. |

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| (2) No provision. | (2) \$500,000 in FY 2026 for the Mahoning Valley Scrappers for stadium maintenance and improvements. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) \$500,000 in FY 2026 for NewBridge Cleveland Center for Arts and Technology to support at-risk adult learner healthcare professional certification and job placement. | (3) No provision. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for the Neighborhood Alliance to support the homeless shelter in Lorain County. | (4) No provision. |
| (5) No provision. | (5) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for the city of Coshocton for a water line extension serving Warsaw and the River View School. | (5) No provision. |
| (6) No provision. | (6) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for Freedom a la Cart to support workforce initiatives and programs for human trafficking survivors. | (6) No provision. |
| (7) No provision. | (7) \$125,000 in each fiscal year for the Buckeye Lake Region Corporation to support community development. | (7) No provision. |
| (8) No provision. | (8) \$85,000 in FY 2026 for the Stark County Minority Business Association to support the development and operation of the Kirk Schuring Business Development Center and Innovation Hub. | (8) Same as the House. |
| (9) No provision. | (9) \$45,000 in FY 2026 to provide a \$15,000 grant for one fire department in each of Geauga, Lake, and Portage counties, selected by the DEV Director, for the installation of baby boxes. | (9) No provision. |
| (10) No provision. | (10) \$10,000 in FY 2026 for the Salem Worlds War Memorial Building Association to support the development of a job training center. | (10) No provision. |
| (11) No provision. | (11) \$250,000 in FY 2026 for Boardman Township to provide matching funds for the flood mitigation assistance grant awarded to the township by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. | (11) No provision. |

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| (12) No provision. | (12) \$15,000 in FY 2026 for sidewalk improvements and repairs in the Village of Grand River. | (12) No provision. |
| DEVCD59 Workforce Development Grants | | |
| No provision. | Section: 259.20 Earmarks \$400,000 in each fiscal year under GRF ALI 195595, Workforce Development Grants, to support the Ohio Oil and Gas Career Jumpstart Program at each of the following: (1) Apollo Career and Technical Center; (2) Mahoning Career and Technical Center; and (3) Washington County Career Center. | No provision. |
| DEVCD26 Minority Business Bonding Fund | | |
| Section: 259.30 Permits the DEV Director, upon the recommendation of the Minority Development Financing Advisory Board, to pledge up to \$10,000,000 in unclaimed funds in the biennium allocated to the Minority Business Bonding Program. | Section: 259.30 Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Permits any transfer of unclaimed funds from the Unclaimed Funds Trust Fund to the Minority Bonding Fund (Fund 4490), but requires the transfer to occur only after proceeds of the initial transfer of \$2,700,000 authorized by CEB have been used for that purpose. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires that any expenditures made to pay losses arising from the Minority Business Bonding Program be made from Fund 4490 ALI 195658, Minority Business Bonding Contingency, and appropriates such amounts. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| DEVCD33 Ohio Housing Investment Opportunity Program | | |
| Section: 259.30, 515.20 | | |
| Requires Fund 5CH1 ALI 1956J2, Ohio Housing Investment Opportunity Program, be used to award grants and loans to local governments, or their designees, in rural counties and counties that border another state for housing development projects. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Designates eligible housing development project expenses to include: site acquisition, demolition, site remediation, wetland mitigation, or the extension or enhancement of sewer, water, gas, and electricity services. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Allows non-housing development project costs associated with planning for housing demand to be an eligible expense with priority given to county-wide proposals. | No provision. | No provision. |
| States that priority may be given to sites designated for housing development that have received funding under either the Brownfield Remediation Program or Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Allows the Director of OBM to transfer up to \$100,000,000 cash in FY 2026 from the Expanded Sales Tax Holiday Fund (Fund 5AX1) to the Housing Investment Program Fund (Fund 5CH1). | No provision. | No provision. |
| DEVCD38 Transfer from the State Small Business Credit Initiative Fund to the MBD Financial Assistance Fund | | |
| Section: 259.30 | Section: 259.30 | Section: 259.30 |
| Transfers \$5,000,000 cash in FY 2026 from the State Small Business Credit Initiative Fund (Fund 3FJ0) to the MBD Financial Assistance Fund (Fund 5XH0). Requires all repayments of loans issued under Fund 5XH0 to be credited to the fund. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but decreases the cash transfer amount to \$4,000,000 in FY 2026. |

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| Requires the DEV Director, upon the completion of the original Collateral Enhancement Program, to certify to the OBM Director the remaining cash balance in the State Small Business Credit Initiative Fund (Fund 3FJ0). Allows the OBM Director to transfer the certified amount from Fund 3FJ0 to the MBD Financial Assistance Fund (Fund 5XH0). | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. | |
| DEVCD39 All Ohio Future Fund | | | |
| Section: 259.30 | | Section: 259.30, 509.10 | |
| Requires Fund 5XM0 ALI 195576, All Ohio Future Fund, to be used for Fund 5XM0 purposes. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. | |
| DEVCD41 Demolition and Site Revitalization | | | |
| Section: 259.30 | Section: 259.30 | Section: 259.30 | |
| Requires Fund 5YF0 ALI 1956A3, Demolition and Site Revitalization, to be used for grants and administrative costs under the Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. | |
| No provision. | Reappropriates the unexpended, unencumbered balance of Fund 5YF0 ALI 1956A3, Demolition and Site Revitalization, remaining at the end of FY 2026 to FY 2027. | Same as the House. | |
| No provision. | Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$20,000,000 cash in each fiscal year from the Local Government Tangible Property Tax Replacement Fund (Fund 7081) to the Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Fund (Fund 5YF0). | Same as the House. | |
| DEVCD72 Priority Projects | | | |
| | | Section: 259.30, 259.10 | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Renames Fund 5AO0 ALI 1956H2, One Time Priority Projects, to Fund 5AO0 ALI 1956H2, Priority Projects, and earmarks the following: | |
| No provision. | No provision. | (1) \$750,000 in each fiscal year for the Center on Appalachian Innovation at Marietta College; | |

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| No provision. | No provision. | (2) \$625,000 in each fiscal year for the Excellence Training Center at Youngstown State University; |
| No provision. | No provision. | (3) \$500,000 in each fiscal year for support and expansion of the Clark County unmanned and general aviation STEM pilot programs in all Ohio counties; |
| No provision. | No provision. | (4) \$500,000 in each fiscal year for the Ohio Aerospace Institute's Space Grant Consortium; |
| No provision. | No provision. | (5) \$400,000 in FY 2026 for the Showers Family Foundation to support the high school education of students with multiple disabilities, including Autism and Down Syndrome, if an equivalent local match is provided; |
| No provision. | No provision. | (6) \$350,000 in each fiscal year for the Fairfield County Workforce Center; |
| No provision. | No provision. | (7) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for the U.S. Route 30 expansion in Carroll, Stark, and Columbiana counties; |
| No provision. | No provision. | (8) \$100,000 in each fiscal year for S.U.C.C.E.S.S. for Autism to expand an interprofessional professional training pilot program; |
| No provision. | No provision. | (9) \$250,000 in FY 2026 for the Eastgate Regional Council of Governments to support the study and construction of an oil and natural gas pipeline within Ashtabula, Columbiana, Mahoning, and Trumbull counties; |
| No provision. | No provision. | (10) \$1,250,000 in each fiscal year for the Ohio Life Sciences Foundation for workforce development projects; |
| No provision. | No provision. | (11) \$200,000 in FY 2026 for public safety services at the Voices of America Country Music Festival in West Chester Township on the condition that a local match in the same amount is provided; |

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| No provision. | No provision. | (12) \$200,000 in FY 2026 and \$250,000 in FY 2027 for the Mid-East Career and Technology Centers to purchase CDL training simulators; | |
| No provision. | No provision. | (13) \$175,000 in each fiscal year for the Buckeye Lake Regional Corporation to support community development; | |
| No provision. | No provision. | (14) \$1,000,000 in FY 2026 and \$1,500,000 in FY 2027 for Southern State Community College to support the permanent Ohio Code-Scholar Program (see EDUCD148); and | |
| No provision. | No provision. | (15) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for The Ohio State University East Side Dental Clinic. | |
| DEVCD46 Transfers from the Research and Development Loan Fund to the Business Assistance Fund | | | |
| Section: 259.50 | Section: 259.50 | Section: 259.50 | |
| Permits the OBM Director to transfer up to \$3,000,000 cash in each fiscal year from the Research and Development Loan Fund (Fund 7010) to the Business Assistance Fund (4510). | Same as the Executive, but requires Controlling Board approval. | Same as the House. | |
| DEVCD51 Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program (BEAD) | | | |
| Section: 259.70 | Section: 259.70 | Section: 259.70 | |
| Requires Fund 3IF0 ALI 1956E4, Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program (BEAD), be used to build infrastructure that supports the adoption of high-speed internet. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. | |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$20,000,000 in FY 2026 to support the U.S. Route 30 OARnet Broadband Extension project which will build a middle-mile broadband network along portions of Route 30. | No provision. | |
| DEVCD53 Transfer from the GRF to the State Marketing Office Fund | | | |
| Section: 512.10 | Section: 512.10 | Section: 512.10 | |
| Requires the OBM Director to transfer up to \$15,000,000 cash in FY 2026 from the GRF to the State Marketing Office Fund (Fund 5MJ0). | Same as the Executive, but increases the cash transfer amount to \$22,000,000. | Same as the Executive. | |

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| DEVCD70 Local Government Innovation Fund | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 516.10 Requires the OBM Director, on July 1, 2025, to transfer the cash balance of the Local Government Innovation Fund (Fund 5KN0) to the GRF and abolishes Fund 5KN0. Fiscal effect: As of the end of May 2025, Fund 5KN0 contains approximately \$2.5 million. |
| DEVCD69 Transfers into the Priority Projects Fund | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 516.30 Requires the OBM Director to make the following cash transfers in each fiscal year into the Priority Projects Fund (Fund 5AO0): |
| No provision. | No provision. | (1) \$600,000 from the State Small Business Credit Initiative Fund (Fund 3FJ0) |
| No provision. | No provision. | (2) \$750,000 from the Business Assistance Fund (Fund 4510) |
| No provision. | No provision. | (3) \$2,500,000 from the Roadwork Development Fund (Fund 4W00) |
| No provision. | No provision. | (4) \$1,000,000 from the Minority Business Enterprise Loan Fund (Fund 4W10) |
| No provision. | No provision. | (5) \$5,000,000 from the Rural Industrial Park Loan Fund (Fund 4Z60) |
| No provision. | No provision. | (6) \$3,000,000 from the State Fire Marshal Fund (Fund 5460) |
| No provision. | No provision. | (7) \$1,500,000 from the Industrial Compliance Operating Fund (Fund 5560) |
| No provision. | No provision. | (8) \$500,000 from the Securities Investor Education/Enforcement Fund (Fund 5GK0) |
| No provision. | No provision. | (9) \$1,000,000 from the Capital Access Loan Fund (Fund 5S90) |

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| No provision. | No provision. | (10) \$3,000,000 from the Innovation Ohio Loan Fund (Fund 7009) |
| No provision. | No provision. | (11) \$4,000,000 from the Research and Development Loan Fund (Fund 7010) |
| No provision. | No provision. | (12) \$5,000,000 from the Facilities Establishment Fund (Fund 7037) |

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| DDDCD9 Certified mail requirements | | |
| R.C. 5123.166, 5123.19 | | |
| Eliminates the certified mail requirement for delivering written notice that the DODD Director has issued an adjudication order against an individual or entity seeking or holding a supported living certificate and the written report and recommendation following proceedings related to denying or revoking a residential facility's license. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Possible minimal reduction in administrative costs. | | |
| DDDCD3 Termination of supported living certificate | | |
| R.C. 5123.168 | R.C. 5123.168 | R.C. 5123.168 |
| Requires, rather than permits, the DODD Director terminate a supported living certificate if the certificate holder does not bill the Department for supported living services for a specified time period. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Increases that time period from 12 months to 24 consecutive months. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires DODD, when terminating a supported living certificate, to send notice to the certificate holder by regular mail explaining its action. | Same as the Executive, but requires the notice to be sent by certified mail. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| DDDCD11 Nonfederal share of Medicaid expenditures for state-operated ICF/IID services | | |
| R.C. 5123.38 | R.C. 5123.38 | |
| Permits the DODD Director to establish a methodology for determining the amount collected from a county board to pay the nonfederal share of Medicaid expenditures for an individual admitted to a state-operated ICF/IID. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Eliminates law specifying that a county board is not required to pay the nonfederal share of Medicaid expenditures for an individual committed to a state-operated ICF/IID if the county board arranges for alternative services within 180 days of the individual's admission to the ICF/IID. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Specifies that the Director's authority under existing law to grant a waiver from paying the nonfederal share may exempt a county board from paying either the full amount or a portion. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential foregone revenue if the DODD Director elects to waive all or part of the collection of the nonfederal share that a county board must pay to admit a person at a developmental center. This impact is projected to be minimal. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| DDDCD1 Supported decision-making plans | | |
| R.C. 5123.68, 5123.681, 5123.682, 5123.683, 5123.684, 5123.685, 5123.686 | | |
| Establishes a presumption that all adults with developmental disabilities are capable of making their own decisions and are competent to handle their own affairs unless otherwise determined by a court. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Permits an adult with a developmental disability (known as the principal) to establish a formal or informal supported decision-making plan with one or more chosen supporters. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Permits a supported decision-making plan to be presented to a probate court as a less restrictive alternative to guardianship (under existing law that requires a probate court to consider less restrictive alternatives when guardianship has been requested). | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Requires DODD to create informational materials about supported decision-making plans and to create a model written supported decision-making plan. Fiscal effect: None. | No provision. | No provision. |
| DDDCD25 Service and support administrators training requirements | R.C. 5126.201 | R.C. 5126.222, 5126.201 |
| No provision. | Requires a county DD board superintendent to ensure a conditional-status service-and-support administrator successfully completes a DODD web-based training program not later than 30 days after hiring. Fiscal effect: None. | Same as the House, but expands the training requirement to all service-and-support administrators and supervisors. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DDDCD26 Achievement Centers for Children | Section: 261.61 | Section: 261.61 |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$190,000 in each fiscal year under GRF ALI 322509, Community Supports & Rental Assistance for the Achievement Centers for Children. | Same as the House. |
| DDDCD28 Hudson Community Living | | Section: 261.62 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Earmarks \$225,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$54,000 in fiscal year 2027 in GRF ALI 322509, Community Supports and Rental Assistance, for Hudson Community Living to support maintenance and operations in serving adults with developmental disabilities. |
| DDDCD27 Best Buddies | Section: 261.73 | Section: 261.73 |
| No provision. | Requires GRF ALI 322510, Best Buddies Ohio, be used to support the delivery and expansion of skills-building services throughout Ohio schools and communities. | Same as the House. |

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| DDDCD22 DODD innovative pilot projects | | |
| Section: 261.120 | Section: 261.120 | Section: 261.120 |
| Allows the DODD Director to authorize the continued implementation of innovative pilot projects that are likely to assist in promoting DODD and county board objectives. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the Director to consult with entities interested in the issue of developmental disabilities before authorizing the pilot projects. | Same as the Executive, but specifies five entities with whom the Director must consult: the Ohio Provider Resource Association, Ohio Association of County Boards of Developmental Disabilities, Ohio Health Care Association/Ohio Centers for Intellectual Disabilities, the Values and Faith Alliance, and ARC of Ohio. | Same as the House. |
| Prohibits the Director from authorizing a pilot project be implemented in a manner that would cause the state to be out of compliance with any requirements of a program funded with federal funds. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| EDUCD20 Career awareness and exploration funds | | |
| R.C. 3317.014 | R.C. 3317.014, 3314.089, 3317.023, 3326.39 | R.C. 3317.014 |
| Requires the lead district of each career-technical planning district (CTPD) receiving career awareness and exploration funds to report to DEW on the use of those funds. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Permits the lead district of a CTPD to use career awareness and exploration funds to provide mentorship opportunities through which students may learn about careers and workforce skills. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| No provision. | Eliminates the calculation and payment of career awareness and exploration funds for public schools and related requirements for the use of such funds. | No provision. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Decreases from \$10 to \$3 the amount multiplied by the enrolled ADM for all districts and schools within a CTPD to calculate the career awareness and exploration funds DEW must pay to the lead district of each CTPD. |
| Fiscal effect: Increases the administrative workload of CTPD lead districts. | Fiscal effect: The bill eliminates the \$16,325,000 earmark in each fiscal year for career awareness and exploration funds from GRF ALI 200545, Career Technical Education Enhancements (see EDUCD58). | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive and earmarks \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year for career awareness and exploration funds from GRF ALI 200545, Career Technical Education Enhancements (see EDUCD58). |
| EDUCD26 Traditional school district funding formula | | |
| R.C. 3317.022, 3317.012, 3317.014, 3317.016, 3317.017, 3317.018, 3317.019, 3317.02, 3317.021, 3317.0212, 3317.0215, 3317.0217, 3317.0218, 3317.051, 3317.25, Sections 265.220, 265.230, 265.450 | R.C. 3317.022, 3317.012, 3317.014, 3317.016, 3317.017, 3317.018, 3317.019, 3317.02, 3317.021, 3317.0212, 3317.0215, 3317.0217, 3317.0218 (repealed), 3317.051, 3317.25, Sections 265.220, 265.230, 265.235, 265.450 | R.C. 3317.022, 3317.012, 3317.014, 3317.016, 3317.017, 3317.018, 3317.019, 3317.02, 3317.021, 3317.0212, 3317.0215, 3317.0217, 3317.0218 (repealed), 3317.051, 3317.25, Sections 265.215, 265.220, 265.230, 265.237, 265.450 |
| Extends the operation of the school financing system established by H.B. 110 of the 134th General Assembly to FY 2026 and FY 2027, but makes the following changes for traditional school districts: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes and uses the foundation aid calculations only for purposes of calculating a district's "temporary foundation funding" described below: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes for traditional school districts: |

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| (1) Requires the use of the FY 2024 statewide average base cost per pupil in FY 2026 and FY 2027. | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) Same as the Executive. |
| (2) Requires the use of the FY 2024 statewide average career-technical base cost per pupil in FY 2026 and FY 2027. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) Requires DEW to calculate a district's building leadership support base cost using the number of school buildings in the district for the preceding fiscal year. | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) Same as the Executive. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) No provision. | (4) Requires DEW, for FY 2026 and FY 2027, to calculate a district's disadvantaged pupil impact aid (DPIA) by using a weighted count of economically disadvantaged students equal to the sum of (a) the economically disadvantaged ADM reported for the district for FY 2025, as of June 1, 2025, multiplied by 75% for FY 2026 and 65% for FY 2027, and (b) the directly certified economically disadvantaged ADM for the fiscal year multiplied by 25% for FY 2026 and 35% for FY 2027. |
| (5) Eliminates the payment of school district gifted professional development funds. | (5) Same as the Executive. | (5) Same as the Executive. |
| (6) Increases the general phase-in percentage and disadvantaged pupil impact aid (DPIA) phase-in percentage from 66.67% in FY 2025 to 83.33% in FY 2026 and 100% in FY 2027. | (6) Same as the Executive. | (6) Same as the Executive. |
| (7) No provision. | (7) Eliminates supplemental targeted assistance beginning in FY 2026. | (7) Same as the House. |
| (8) Increases the minimum transportation state share percentage from 41.67% in FY 2025 to 45.83% in FY 2026 and 50% in FY 2027. | (8) Same as the Executive. | (8) Same as the Executive. |
| (9) Requires DEW to use data from the previous fiscal year to establish the target number of qualifying riders per bus for each traditional school district. | (9) Same as the Executive. | (9) Same as the Executive. |

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| (10) Extends the payment of temporary transitional aid to school districts based on FY 2020 funding bases to FY 2026 and FY 2027, but decreases the bases to 95% of FY 2020 amounts in FY 2026 and 90% of FY 2020 amounts in FY 2027. | (10) Same as the Executive. | (10) Same as the Executive, but increases the base percentages to 100% of FY 2020 amounts in each fiscal year. |
| (11) Extends the payment of temporary transitional aid for transportation to school districts based on FY 2020 funding bases to FY 2026 and FY 2027, but decreases the bases to 95% of FY 2020 amounts in FY 2026 and 90% of FY 2020 amounts in FY 2027. | (11) Same as the Executive. | (11) Same as the Executive, but increases the base percentages to 100% of FY 2020 amounts in each fiscal year. |
| (12) Extends the payment of a formula transition supplement to school districts based on FY 2021 funding bases to FY 2026 and FY 2027, but decreases the bases to 95% of FY 2021 amounts in FY 2026 and 90% of FY 2021 amounts in FY 2027. | (12) Same as the Executive. | (12) Same as the Executive, but increases the base percentages to 100% of FY 2021 amounts in each fiscal year. |
| (13) Requires the Tax Commissioner to certify the median, instead of the total, federal adjusted gross income (FAGI) of a school district's residents for use by DEW in making computations for the district. | (13) Same as the Executive. | (13) Same as the Executive. |
| (14) Extends to FY 2026 and FY 2027 the requirement for DEW to calculate base costs for traditional school districts based on the sum of the enrolled ADM of every district that reported that data. | (14) Same as the Executive. | (14) Same as the Executive. |
| Requires, generally, that calculations for FY 2028 and each fiscal year thereafter be determined by the General Assembly. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| No provision. | Prohibits DEW from generally making payments under the public school financing system for FY 2026 and FY 2027 and, instead, requires DEW to pay each traditional school district an amount of "temporary foundation funding" in each of those fiscal years equal to the sum of: | No provision. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) The district's state foundation aid, less supplemental targeted assistance, for FY 2025 and | (1) No provision. |

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| (2) No provision. | (2) An additional amount equal to 50% of the difference between the district's state foundation aid for the fiscal year and the district's state foundation aid, less supplemental targeted assistance, for FY 2025, if the difference is positive (a district's "state foundation aid" for FY 2026 and FY 2027 is the sum of the district's state core foundation funding, transportation funding, temporary transitional aid, temporary transitional transportation aid, and formula transition supplement, excluding the district's supplemental targeted assistance). | (2) No provision. |
| No provision. | Provides an additional payment in FY 2026 and FY 2027 that guarantees a district's temporary foundation funding does not fall below its FY 2025 foundation aid, including supplemental targeted assistance. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Provides an enrollment growth supplement in FY 2026 and FY 2027 to districts whose enrolled ADM grew by at least 3% between FY 2022 and FY 2025 for the FY 2026 payment, and between FY 2023 and FY 2026 for the FY 2027 payment. Calculates the payment as equal to a district's current year enrolled ADM times: (a) \$150 in FY 2026 and \$200 in FY 2027 for districts whose enrolled ADM grew by at least 3% but no more than 5%, (b) \$100 in FY 2026 and \$150 in FY 2027 for districts whose enrolled ADM grew by more than 5% but no more than 10%, and (c) \$50 in FY 2026 and \$100 in FY 2027 for districts whose enrolled ADM grew by more than 10%. | Same as the House, but calculates the payment as the product of a district's current year enrolled ADM and (a) \$225 in FY 2026 for districts whose enrolled ADM grew by at least 5%, and (b) \$250 in FY 2027 for districts whose enrolled ADM grew by at least 3%. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Provides a performance supplement in FY 2026 and FY 2027 to districts that received any of the following on the state report card for the 2023-2024 school year: (a) an overall performance rating of four or more stars, (b) a performance rating of three or more stars on the Progress component, or (c) a higher performance rating on the Progress component than the district received for that component on its 2022-2023 report card. Calculates the payment as equal to a district's current year enrolled ADM times \$26 times the greater of the number of stars the district received for its overall performance rating or its Progress component rating on the state report card for the 2023-2024 school year. |
| No provision. | Provides a base funding supplement in FY 2026 and FY 2027 equal to a district's enrolled ADM for the fiscal year times \$20 in FY 2026 and \$30 in FY 2027. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires DEW, with regard to various payments outside and calculations outside of the school financing system for FY 2026 and FY 2027, to (1) use the FY 2024 statewide average base cost per pupil and (2) calculate each district's state share percentage for those fiscal years. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires DEW, in FY 2026 and FY 2027, to withhold from a traditional district's temporary foundation funding payments an amount for the threshold cost pool for exceptionally high cost special education students that is equal to the amount it withheld from the district's payments for that purpose for FY 2025. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires DEW to determine and notify each district the amount of funding the Department paid in FY 2025 to the district under the foundation formula for that year for (a) special education funding, excluding threshold cost supplement funds withheld from the district's funding under continuing law, (b) disadvantaged pupil impact aid, (c) English learner funding, (d) gifted funds, excluding gifted professional development funds, (e) career-technical education and career-technical associated services funding, and (f) student wellness and success funding. Requires, for FY 2026 and FY 2027, that each district, using the temporary foundation funding it receives, to spend at least the amount DEW determined in each of these categories in FY 2025, subject to any restrictions regarding how the funding must be spent. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires DEW, when required by law to deduct or withhold funds from state payments for a traditional school district for FY 2026 or FY 2027, to deduct those funds from the temporary foundation funding paid to that district. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: The estimated allocation of foundation aid for traditional school districts is \$8.09 billion in FY 2026 and \$8.05 billion in FY 2027. | Fiscal effect: Increases the estimated allocation of funding to traditional school districts by \$132.4 million in FY 2026, to \$8.22 billion, and by \$250.9 million in FY 2027, to \$8.30 billion, compared to the executive proposal. | Fiscal effect: Increases the estimated allocation of funding to traditional school districts by \$1.0 million in FY 2026, to \$8.22 billion, and by \$13.2 million in FY 2027, to \$8.31 billion, compared to the House. |

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| EDUCD28 Joint vocational school district funding formula | | |
| R.C. 3317.022, 3317.012, 3317.014, 3317.016, 3317.018, 3317.02, 3317.0215, 3317.16, 3317.162, 3317.165, 3317.25, Sections 265.220, 265.230, 265.450 | R.C. 3317.022, 3317.012, 3317.014, 3317.016, 3317.018, 3317.02, 3317.0215, 3317.16, 3317.162, 3317.165, 3317.25, Sections 265.220, 265.230, 265.235, 265.450 | R.C. 3317.022, 3317.012, 3317.014, 3317.016, 3317.018, 3317.02, 3317.0215, 3317.16, 3317.162, 3317.165, 3317.25, Sections 265.215, 265.220, 265.230, 265.450 |
| Extends the operation of the school financing system established by H.B. 110 of the 134th General Assembly to FY 2026 and FY 2027, but makes applicable changes for joint vocational school districts (JVSDs) that are substantially similar to those for traditional school districts (see EDUCD26), except for the following changes to the state share calculation: | Same as the Executive, but uses the foundation aid calculations only for purposes of calculating a JVSD's "temporary foundation funding" described below: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: |
| (1) Requires DEW to calculate a JVSD's per-pupil local capacity amount for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by multiplying 1/2 mill (0.0005) by the lesser of the JVSD's three-year average valuation or its most recent valuation and dividing the product by the JVSD's base cost enrolled ADM. | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) Same as the Executive. |
| (2) Requires DEW to calculate a JVSD's state share percentage for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by dividing the difference between a JVSD's per-pupil base cost and its per-pupil local capacity amount by the per-pupil base cost, with a minimum of 10%. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) Requires DEW to calculate a JVSD's state share of the base cost by multiplying the district's per-pupil base cost by its state share percentage and then by the district's current year enrolled ADM. | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) Same as the Executive. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) No provision. | (4) Requires DEW, for FY 2026 and FY 2027, to calculate a JVSD's disadvantaged pupil impact aid (DPIA) by using a weighted count of economically disadvantaged students equal to the sum of (a) the economically disadvantaged ADM reported for the district for FY 2025, as of June 1, 2025, multiplied by 75% for FY 2026 and 65% for FY 2027, and (b) the directly certified economically disadvantaged ADM for the fiscal year multiplied by 25% for FY 2026 and 35% for FY 2027. |

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| Requires, generally, that calculations for FY 2028 and each fiscal year thereafter be determined by the General Assembly. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| No provision. | Prohibits DEW from generally making payments under the public school financing system for FY 2026 and FY 2027 and, instead, requires DEW to pay each JVSD an amount of "temporary foundation funding" in each of those fiscal years equal to the sum of: | No provision. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) The district's state foundation aid for FY 2025 and | (1) No provision. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) An additional amount equal to 50% of the difference between the district's foundation aid for the fiscal year and the district's state foundation aid for FY 2025, if the difference is positive (a JVSD's "state foundation aid" for FY 2026 and FY 2027 is the sum of its state core foundation funding, temporary transitional aid, and formula transition supplement). | (2) No provision. |
| No provision. | Provides a base funding supplement in FY 2026 and FY 2027 equal to a district's enrolled ADM for the fiscal year times \$20 in FY 2026 and \$30 in FY 2027. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires DEW, in FY 2026 and FY 2027, to withhold from a JVSD's temporary foundation funding payments an amount for the threshold cost pool for exceptionally high cost special education students that is equal to the amount it withheld from the district's payments for that purpose for FY 2025. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires DEW to determine and notify each JVSD the amount of funding the Department paid in FY 2025 to the JVSD under the foundation formula for that year for (a) special education funding, excluding threshold cost supplement funds withheld from the district's funding under continuing law, (b) disadvantaged pupil impact aid, (c) English learner funding, (d) career-technical education and career-technical associated services funding, and (e) student wellness and success funding. Requires, for FY 2026 and FY 2027, that each JVSD, using the temporary foundation funding it receives, to spend at least the amount DEW determined in each of these categories in FY 2025, subject to any restrictions regarding how the funding must be spent. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires DEW, when required by law to deduct or withhold funds from state payments for a JVSD for FY 2026 or FY 2027, to deduct those funds from the temporary foundation funding paid to that district. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: The estimated allocation of foundation aid to JVSDs is \$540.7 million in FY 2026 and \$569.8 million in FY 2027. | Fiscal effect: Decreases the estimated allocation of funding to JVSDs by \$20.7 million in FY 2026, to \$520.0 million, and by \$34.7 million in FY 2027, to \$535.1 million, compared to the executive proposal. | Fiscal effect: Increases the estimated allocation of funding to JVSDs by \$17.7 million in FY 2026, to \$537.7 million, and by \$29.7 million in FY 2027, to \$564.9 million, compared to the House. |
| EDUCD29 Community and STEM school funding formula | | |
| R.C. 3317.022, 3314.08, 3317.014, 3317.016, 3317.018, 3317.0110, 3317.02, 3317.026, 3317.0212, 3317.0215, 3317.25, 3326.44, Sections 265.220, 265.230, 265.450 | R.C. 3317.022, 3314.08, 3314.0810, 3317.014, 3317.016, 3317.018, 3317.0110, 3317.02, 3317.026, 3317.0212, 3317.0215, 3317.25, 3326.44, Sections 265.220, 265.230, 265.235, 265.450 | R.C. 3317.022, 3314.08, 3314.0810, 3317.014, 3317.016, 3317.018, 3317.0110, 3317.02, 3317.026, 3317.0212, 3317.0215, 3317.25, 3326.44, Sections 265.215, 265.220, 265.230, 265.450 |
| Extends the operation of the school financing system for community and STEM schools established by H.B. 110 of the 134th General Assembly to FY 2026 and FY 2027, but makes applicable changes that are substantially similar to those for traditional school districts (see EDUCD26). | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes and uses the foundation aid calculations only for purposes of calculating a community or STEM school's "temporary foundation funding" described below: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: |

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| No provision. | Makes the following changes with respect to the calculation of Disadvantaged Pupil Impact Aid (DPIA), which is used in the calculation of the temporary foundation funding for FY 2026 and FY 2027 described below: | Replaces the House provision with a provision that requires DEW, for FY 2026 and FY 2027, to calculate an existing site-based community or STEM school's disadvantaged pupil impact aid (DPIA) by using a weighted count of economically disadvantaged students equal to the sum of (a) the economically disadvantaged ADM reported for the school for FY 2025, as of June 1, 2025, multiplied by 75% for FY 2026 and 65% for FY 2027, and (b) the directly certified economically disadvantaged ADM for the fiscal year multiplied by 25% for FY 2026 and 35% for FY 2027 and a newly opened site-based community school's DPIA using the school's directly certified economically disadvantaged ADM. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) Qualifies an internet- or computer-based community school (e-school) for DPIA. Requires DEW to calculate DPIA for an e-school using a base per-pupil amount of \$211 for FY 2026 and FY 2027. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) For the calculation of the economically disadvantaged index for a classical school (see EDUCD110), requires the percentage of students enrolled in a classical school who are identified as economically disadvantaged to be equal to the average of all brick-and-mortar community schools for the fiscal year. | (2) No provision. |
| Codifies the equity supplement that pays each site-based community school \$650 for each enrolled student and extends the payment to STEM schools. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but (a) reduces the per-pupil amount of the supplement to \$500 in FY 2026 and \$400 in FY 2027 and (b) eliminates the eligibility of STEM schools to receive the supplement. |
| Requires, generally, that calculations for FY 2028 and each fiscal year thereafter be determined by the General Assembly. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| No provision. | Prohibits DEW from generally making payments under the public school financing system for FY 2026 and FY 2027 and, instead, requires DEW to pay each community and STEM school an amount of "temporary foundation funding" in each of those fiscal years equal to the sum of: | No provision. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) The school's state foundation aid for FY 2025 and | (1) No provision. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) An additional amount equal to 50% of the difference between the school's foundation aid for the fiscal year and the school's state foundation aid for FY 2025, if the difference is positive (a school's "state foundation aid" for FY 2026 and FY 2027 is the sum of its state core foundation funding, transportation aid, equity supplement, and formula transition supplement). | (2) No provision. |
| No provision. | Provides a base funding supplement in FY 2026 and FY 2027 equal to a school's enrolled ADM for the fiscal year times \$20 in FY 2026 and \$30 in FY 2027. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Prohibits DEW from paying temporary foundation funding to a newly opened community school for FY 2026 and FY 2027 and clarifies that the prohibition against DEW making payments under the public school financing system for FY 2026 and FY 2027 does not apply to a community school that opens for the first time in either of those fiscal years. Requires DEW to withhold from a newly opened community school's foundation aid an amount for the threshold cost pool as under continuing law. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires DEW to make supplemental payments to dropout prevention and recovery internet- or computer-based community schools using the statewide average base cost per pupil calculated for FY 2024. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires DEW, in FY 2026 and FY 2027, to withhold from a community or STEM school's temporary foundation funding payments an amount for the threshold cost pool for exceptionally high cost special education students that is equal to the amount it withheld from the school's payments for that purpose for FY 2025. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires DEW to determine and notify each school the amount of funding the Department paid in FY 2025 to the school under the foundation formula for that year for (a) special education funding, excluding threshold cost supplement funds withheld from the district's funding under continuing law, (b) disadvantaged pupil impact aid, (c) English learner funding, (d) career-technical education and career-technical associated services funding, and (e) student wellness and success funding. Requires, for FY 2026 and FY 2027, that each school, using the temporary foundation funding it receives, to spend at least the amount DEW determined in each of these categories in FY 2025, subject to any restrictions regarding how the funding must be spent. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires DEW, when required by law to deduct or withhold funds from state payments for a community or STEM school for FY 2026 or FY 2027, to deduct those funds from the temporary foundation funding paid to that school. Clarifies that the provision does not apply to a newly opened community school. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: The estimated allocation of foundation aid to community and STEM schools is \$1.34 billion in FY 2026 and \$1.42 billion in FY 2027. | Fiscal effect: Decreases the estimated allocation of funding to community and STEM schools by an estimated \$32.2 million in FY 2026, to \$1.31 billion, and by \$67.8 million in FY 2027, to \$1.35 billion, compared to the executive proposal. | Fiscal effect: Increases the estimated allocation of funding to community and STEM schools by an estimated \$16.5 million in FY 2026, to \$1.33 billion, and by \$43.1 million in FY 2027, to \$1.39 billion, compared to the House. |

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| EDUCD87 Special education transportation funding R.C. 3317.024 Extends the formula for determining special education transportation payments to FY 2026 and FY 2027 but makes the following changes: (1) Increases the minimum state share percentage for traditional district payments from 41.67% in FY 2025 to 45.83% in FY 2026 and 50% in FY 2027. (2) Increases the percentages used to calculate the payments to county boards of developmental disabilities and ESCs to the same as those used for traditional districts. Fiscal effect: The bill earmarks up to \$176.9 million in FY 2026 and up to \$194.8 million in FY 2027 for special education transportation from GRF ALI 200502, Pupil Transportation (see EDUCD6). | R.C. 3317.024, Section 265.235 Same as the Executive, but requires the payments to be calculated using the state share percentage for FY 2026 and FY 2027 under the temporary provisions in the House school funding plan (see EDUCD26) and makes the following changes: (1) Same as the Executive, but reduces the minimum percentage to 43.75% in FY 2026 and 45.83% in FY 2027. (2) Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Decreases the earmark for special education transportation from GRF ALI 200502, Pupil Transportation, by \$4.0 million in FY 2026, to \$172.9 million, and by \$11.0 million in FY 2027, to \$183.8 million (see EDUCD6). | R.C. 3317.024 Same as the Executive. (1) Same as the Executive. (2) Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| EDUCD88 Preschool special education funding R.C. 3317.0213 Extends the formula used for calculating preschool special education payments to FY 2026 and FY 2027. Requires payments for FY 2028 and thereafter to be based on a formula to be determined by the General Assembly. No provision. Fiscal effect: The bill allocates \$154.0 million in each fiscal year for preschool special education payments from GRF ALI 200540, Special Education Enhancements (see EDUCD93). | R.C. 3317.0213, Section 265.190, Section 265.235 Same as the Executive, but requires the payments to be calculated using the statewide average base cost per pupil for FY 2024 and district state share percentages for FY 2026 and FY 2027 under the temporary provisions in the House school funding plan (see EDUCD26). Prohibits a district's preschool special education funding in FY 2026 and FY 2027 from falling below its funding in FY 2025. Fiscal effect: The bill increases the estimated allocation of preschool special education funding by \$6.5 million in FY 2026 and \$8.7 million in FY 2027 due to the additional temporary law requirement that a district's funding not fall below its FY 2025 payment. | R.C. 3317.0213 Same as the Executive. No provision. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |

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| EDUCD138 Community school and STEM school special education threshold cost funds | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div><div>R.C.3317.0215</div><div>Establishes a separate threshold special education cost pool for community schools and STEM schools (the cost pool under current law and separate pool for community and STEM schools under the Senate bill provides funding to partially reimburse costs for special education that exceed \$27,375 for students in special education categories two through five and \$32,850 for students in special education category six).</div></div> |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div><div></div><div>Requires DEW, for the purposes of the new pool, to withhold an amount equal to 5%, instead of 10% as under current law, of each community school's and STEM school's special education funding, subject to any funding limitations enacted by the General Assembly to the computation of that funding.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Reduces the amount of a community or STEM's school's special education funding that is withheld for the threshold special education cost pool.</div></div> |
| EDUCD142 School Bus Purchasing Grants | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div><div>R.C.3317.071, (repealed)</div><div>Eliminates the bus purchasing grant program that required DEW to distribute bus purchasing grants to school districts for FY 2022 and FY 2023 and the requirement that DEW annually collect age, mileage, and vehicle condition data from districts through its transportation data collection system.</div><div>Fiscal effect: The bill abolishes the School Bus Purchase Fund (Fund 5VU0) and authorizes the OBM director to transfer the cash balance in the fund to the GRF (see OBMCD31).</div></div> |

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| EDUCD90 Special education payments to county developmental disabilities boards and institutions | | |
| R.C. 3317.20, 3317.201 Extends the formula for funding special education and related services for school-age children provided through county boards of developmental disabilities (DD) and institutions (i.e., schools operated by the departments of Rehabilitation and Corrections and Youth Services) for FY 2026 and FY 2027. Requires that calculations for FY 2028 and thereafter be determined by the General Assembly. Fiscal effect: The bill earmarks up to \$33.9 million in each fiscal year for the payments from GRF ALI 200540, Special Education Enhancements (see EDUCD93). | R.C. 3317.20, 3317.201, Section 265.235 Same as the Executive, but requires the payments to be calculated using the statewide average base cost per pupil for FY 2024 and district state share percentages for FY 2026 and FY 2027 under the temporary provisions in the House school funding plan (see EDUCD26). Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | R.C. 3317.20, 3317.201 Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| EDUCD22 Disadvantaged pupil impact aid (DPIA) spending requirements | | |
| R.C. 3317.25, 3302.13 Requires each city, local, or exempted village school district or community school that was required to submit a reading achievement improvement plan in the prior fiscal year to spend at least 50% of its disadvantaged pupil impact aid (DPIA) in the current fiscal year on initiatives in reading improvement and intervention and professional development in literacy instruction. Requires any other school district, community school, or STEM school to spend at least 25% of its DPIA in the current fiscal year on initiatives in reading improvement and intervention and professional development in literacy instruction. Adds community mental health prevention providers as community partners with which a school district, community school, or STEM school may develop its plan for spending DPIA. | R.C. 3317.25 No provision. No provision. Same as the Executive. | R.C. 3317.25 No provision. No provision. Same as the Executive. |

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| Fiscal effect: May reduce district flexibility in the spending of DPIA. In FY 2024, 46 school districts and 104 community schools were required to submit a reading achievement improvement plan to DEW. | Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: None |
| EDUCD23 Student wellness and success funds (SWSF) spending requirements | | |
| R.C. 3317.26 | | |
| Requires each district or school's plan for the use of student wellness and success funds to be developed annually. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires each district or school to "cooperate and consult" with selected community partners, in addition to "coordinating" with them in developing the plan under continuing law. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires the planning process for a student wellness and success funds plan to include opportunities for the district's or school's selected community partners to provide meaningful input and feedback to each of the required components of the plan. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires the plan to include: | No provision. | No provision. |
| (1) The type of each initiative the district or school will implement; | No provision. | No provision. |
| (2) The amount of funding that will be used for each initiative; | No provision. | No provision. |
| (3) The name of the selected community partners with which the plan is being developed; | No provision. | No provision. |
| (4) The type of needs assessment or data used to identify the need for each initiative; | No provision. | No provision. |
| (5) The goal of each initiative; and | No provision. | No provision. |
| (6) How the impact of each initiative will be measured or evaluated. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Requires the sharing of each district or school's plan at a public meeting of its district board or governing authority and the posting of the plan on its website within 30 days of the plan's creation or amendment to occur annually, and requires the website on which the plan is posted to be “publicly accessible.” | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires each district or school to submit a link to the posted plan to DEW within that same 30-day time frame each year. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Increases district and school administrative workload. | | |
| EDUCD31 Quality Community and Independent STEM School Support Program | | |
| R.C. 3317.27, 3317.28, 3317.29 | R.C. 3317.27, 3317.28, 3317.29 | R.C. 3317.27, 3317.28, 3317.29 |
| Codifies the Quality Community and Independent School Support programs as follows: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires DEW to pay each designated school up to \$3,000 per fiscal year for each student identified as economically disadvantaged and up to \$2,250 in each fiscal year for all other students. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires DEW to calculate each fiscal year's payment based on the adjusted FTE number of students enrolled as of the date the payment is made, and requires DEW to make periodic payments to each designated school beginning in January of that fiscal year. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires DEW to designate as a community school of quality each community school that meets one of the following criteria: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: | Same as the House, but makes the following changes: |

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| <p>(1) (a) The school's sponsor was rated "exemplary" or "effective" on its most recent evaluation, (b) the school received a higher performance index score on its two most recent report cards than the district in which the school is located, (c) the school received a performance rating of four stars or higher for the progress component on its most recent report card or is a dropout prevention or recovery school or a special education school and did not receive a rating for the progress component on its most recent report card, and (d) at least 50% of enrolled students were economically disadvantaged in the prior fiscal year.</p> | <p>(1) Same as the Executive, but (a) also qualifies a school under the criteria in (1)(c) if it receives a performance rating of three stars or higher for the Achievement component and (b) removes the criteria in (1)(d).</p> | <p>(1) Same as the Executive.</p> |
| <p>(2) No provision.</p> | <p>(2) No provision.</p> | <p>(2) Requires DEW to designate as a community school of quality each community school for which (a) the school's sponsor was rated "exemplary" or "effective" on the sponsor's most recent evaluation, (b) the school received a higher performance index score than the school district in which the school is located on its most recent report card, (3) the school received a performance rating of three stars or higher for the progress component on its most recent report card, and (4) the school received a performance rating of three stars or higher for the achievement component on its most recent report card.</p> |
| <p>(3) (a) The school's sponsor was rated "exemplary" or "effective" on its most recent evaluation, (b) the school is in its first year of operation or opened as a kindergarten school and has added one grade per year and has been in operation for less than four school years, (c) the school is replicating an operational and instructional model used by a community school that meets criteria (1) above, and (d) if the school has an operator, the operator received a rating of at least three stars on its most recent performance report.</p> | <p>(3) Same as the Executive.</p> | <p>(3) Same as the Executive.</p> |

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(4) (a) The school's sponsor is rated "exemplary" or "effective" on its most recent evaluation, (b) the school either (i) contracts with an operator that operates schools in other states and either (I) operated a school that received funding through the Federal Charter School Program or the Charter School Growth Fund or (II) one of the operator's out-of-state schools performed better than the district in which the in-state school is located as determined by DEW, at least 50% of the operator's total student enrollment is economically disadvantaged, the operator is in good standing in all states where it operates schools, and DEW has determined the operator does not have financial viability issues preventing it from effectively operating in Ohio, or (ii) is replicating an operational and instructional model through an agreement with a college or university or its equivalent in another state that performed better than the school district in which the school is located, as determined by DEW; and (c) the school is in its first year of operation or opened on July 1, 2022 and has not previously been designated a community school of quality.

(5) No provision.

(4) Same as the Executive, but modifies the criteria in (3)(c) by also designating a school if the school opened on or after July 1, 2019 and has not been previously designated as a community school of quality. Requires the first payment to such a school be made within 30 days of the bill's effective date and based on the adjusted full-time equivalent number of students enrolled in the school for the fiscal year for which the payment is being made.

(5 (a) The school is a dropout prevention and recovery (DOPR) community school, (b) the school's sponsor was rated "exemplary" or "effective" on the sponsor's most recent evaluation, (c) the school received an "exceeds standards" on its two most recent report cards, (d) the school offers an in-house career-technical education program that leads to a 12-point industry recognized credential, (e) at least 75% of the school's students are placed in any form of employment, military service, apprenticeship, community or other two-year degree program, or state institution of higher education after graduation, and (f) the school is not an internet- or computer-based community school.

(4) Same as the Executive.

(5) Same as the House, but replaces (c) with a requirement that the school received an "exceeds standards" on the High School Test Passage Rate Percentage performance indicator on its two most recent state report cards and eliminates qualifications (d) and (e).

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| Requires a school designated as a community school of quality to maintain that designation for the two fiscal years following the fiscal year in which the school was first designated. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but requires that a school designated as a community school of quality under criteria (3) above (either has a qualifying operator or is replicating a certain operational and instructional model) maintain that designation for the four fiscal years following the fiscal year in which the school initially received that designation. |
| Permits a school designated as a community school of quality to renew its designation each year that it satisfies criteria (1) above and requires the school to maintain that designation for the two fiscal years following each fiscal year in which criteria (1) above is satisfied. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires a school first designated as a community school of quality under criteria (2) above for the 2022-2023 school year to be considered to maintain that designation through the 2027-2028 school year and permits such a school to renew its designation under the procedure for schools designated under criteria (1) above. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Permits the surviving community school of a merger occurring on or after June 30, 2022 to receive funds under the program, provided it otherwise qualifies as a community school of quality. Requires the payment to such a school for a fiscal year to be calculated using the adjusted FTE number of students enrolled in the school for that fiscal year as of the date the payments are made, as reported by the surviving school, regardless of whether those students were previously enrolled in a school that dissolved under the merger. Requires a school qualified to receive funds prior to merging on or after June 30, 2022 and that dissolved due to the merger to have been considered eligible for funds under the program prior to the bill's effective date and not be required to return any funds received prior to that date. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Requires DEW, no later than December 31 of each fiscal year, to designate as an independent STEM school of quality each STEM school that meets all of the following criteria: | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| (1) Operates autonomously. | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) Same as the Executive. |
| (2) Does not have a STEM school equivalent designation. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) Is not governed by a school district. | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) Same as the Executive. |
| (4) Is not a community school. | (4) Same as the Executive. | (4) Same as the Executive. |
| (5) Cannot levy taxes or issue tax-secured bonds. | (5) Same as the Executive. | (5) Same as the Executive. |
| (6) Satisfies the requirements to be designated a STEM school by the STEM Committee. | (6) Same as the Executive. | (6) Same as the Executive. |
| (7) Satisfies the requirements described in the DEW's Quality Model for STEM and STEAM Schools. | (7) Same as the Executive. | (7) Same as the Executive. |
| Requires a school designated as an independent STEM school of quality to maintain that designation for the two fiscal years following the fiscal year in which the school was first designated. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Permits a school designated as an independent STEM school of quality to renew its designation each year that it satisfies the criteria above and requires the school to maintain that designation for the two fiscal years following each fiscal year in which the criteria are satisfied. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$136.5 million in each fiscal year from Fund 7017 ALI 200631, Quality Community and Independent STEM Schools Support, to make the payments (see EDUCD81). | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but may increase expenditures from ALI 200631 if additional schools are designated. Under the Executive version and unchanged by the House, the DEW Director may request the Controlling Board to authorize expenditures in excess of the amounts appropriated if the amount appropriated is insufficient to pay the calculated amounts. The additional amounts are appropriated to ALI 200631 upon Controlling Board approval. | Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$115.0 million in FY 2026 and \$125.0 million in FY 2027 from ALI 200631 to make the payments and requires DEW to prorate the payments if the appropriation is insufficient (see EDUCD81). |
| EDUCD30 Community and STEM school facilities funding | | |
| R.C. 3317.31 Codifies the provision of law requiring DEW to annually pay \$25 for each student enrolled in an internet- or computer-based community school and \$1,500 (increased from \$1,000 under temporary law for FY 2024 and FY 2025) for each student enrolled in all other community or STEM schools for assistance with facilities costs. Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$133.2 million in each fiscal year from Fund 7017 ALI 200684, Community School Facilities, to make the payments (see EDUCD82). | R.C. 3317.31 Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | R.C. 3317.31 Same as the Executive, but decreases the per-student facilities payment for brick-and-mortar community and STEM schools to \$1,100 in FY 2026 and \$1,200 in FY 2027. Fiscal effect: Decreases the appropriation for ALI 200684 by \$34.0 million in FY 2026, to \$99.2 million, and by \$25.0 million in FY 2027, to \$108.2 million. |
| EDUCD109 Aim Higher Pilot Program | | |
| No provision. | Section: 265.560 Requires DEW to establish the Aim Higher Pilot Program to provide additional funding to JVSDs that operate a dropout prevention and recovery program in FY 2026. | Section: 265.560 Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires DEW to pay to each JVSD that opts to participate in the program in FY 2026, \$500 for each credit earned by enrolled students and \$2,500 for each completed industry-recognized credential, or group of credentials, that meet the criteria to help the student qualify for a high school diploma. | Same as the House, but requires DEW to calculate the payment based only on newly enrolled students. |

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| <u>Scholarship Programs</u> | | |
| EDUCD127 EdChoice scholarship reporting for chartered nonpublic schools | | |
| | R.C. 3301.165, 3310.15, 3310.16 | |
| No provision. | Requires DEW to do all of the following: | No provision. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) Establish a system for comparing the performance data of state scholarship students enrolled at chartered nonpublic schools with the data of similar students in nearby schools. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) Annually post on its website for each chartered nonpublic school the school's total enrollment, the number of state scholarship students, what kind of school each scholarship student attended in the prior school year, and the amount of state support the school received. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) Annually post on its website the total number of students who receive EdChoice Expansion, and, as the data is available, EdChoice and Cleveland Scholarships disaggregated by family income. | (3) No provision. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) Require each EdChoice scholarship applicant to include the school, and if applicable the school district, in which the applicant was enrolled for the school year prior to the one for which the applicant is submitting an application. | (4) No provision. |
| No provision. | Changes the deadline for DEW to report student performance data for EdChoice scholarship students from February 1 of the following school year to September 15 of that year. Fiscal effect: May increase DEW's data collection and reporting costs. DEW likely can leverage its existing public-facing reports portal to host the required comparison system and additional data reporting. | No provision. |

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| EDUCD118 Nonchartered educational savings account program | | |
| | R.C. 3310.22, 3310.21, 3310.23, 3310.24, 3310.25, 3310.26, 3310.037, 3310.412, 3310.51, 3313.975, 3317.02, 3317.022, 3317.03, Section 265.211 | |
| No provision. | Establishes the Nonchartered Educational Savings Account Program to provide eligible students with an educational savings account (ESA) beginning in the 2026-2027 school year. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the Treasurer of State (TOS) to administer the program with the assistance of the Department of Education and Workforce (DEW). | No provision. |
| No provision. | Qualifies a student for an ESA if the student's parent applies to participate in the program and if, for the school year for which the ESA is sought, both of the following apply: | No provision. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) The student is enrolling in any of grades K-12 in a participating nonchartered nonpublic school. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) The student has not received an EdChoice, Cleveland, Autism, or Jon Peterson Special Needs scholarship. | (2) No provision. |
| No provision. | Establishes an ESA award amount for a school year of 75% of the traditional EdChoice scholarship amount for the student's grade level for that school year (currently, a maximum of \$4,625 for students in grades K-8 and \$6,306 for students in grades 9-12) and prescribes specific, partial scholarship amounts for students with a family income at or above 450% of the federal poverty level using a logarithmic formula similar to the one used for EdChoice Expansion scholarships, with a minimum amount equal to 10% of the maximum (\$462 for students in grades K-8 and \$631 for students in grades 9-12). | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires TOS to develop an application procedure for the program by February 1, 2026 and open the application period on February 1, 2026 of each year. Requires the application for an ESA to require a parent to: (1) provide the student’s and parent’s names and address; (2) provide documentation verifying the student’s enrollment and attendance at a participating nonchartered nonpublic school; (3) provide the student’s school’s tuition and fee schedule; (4) affirm the student will take a nationally recognized standardized achievement assessment and, if the parent is reapplying for a scholarship, provide the scores for the student’s assessment scores for the prior school year; (5) affirm the parent will maintain records and documentation regarding educational expenses on which the parent spends funds from the ESA, including receipt for tuition, fees, textbooks, and curriculum materials; (6) affirm the parent will not enroll the student in a public or chartered nonpublic school while participating in the program; (7) affirm the parent will not use ESA funds for any purpose that is not authorized under the law; and (8) provide other information the TOS determines is necessary. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires recipients to apply ESA funds to tuition and fees and requires any remaining funds after paying for tuition and fees to be used for textbooks, instructional materials, and supplies. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires DEW to use state operating funding to meet the program's financial obligations in a manner similar to how other state scholarship programs are funded under current law. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires DEW to transfer funds to each account established by TOS in one annual payment that must occur, to the extent practicable, before the first day of the school year for accounts established prior to the school year. Requires TOS to disburse funds either directly to an approved educational goods and services provider or to the participating student's parent as reimbursement for costs incurred for educational goods and services authorized under the law. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires participating schools to do the following: | No provision. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) Notify TOS about their participation in the program. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) Maintain financial records documenting how the school spent the funds it received under the ESA program. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) Maintain a physical location in the state at which each student has regular and direct contact with teachers and that is not a building that primarily serves as a residence. | (3) No provision. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) Notify TOS and DEW of any change in the school's name, school director, mailing address, or physical location within 15 days of the change. | (4) No provision. |
| (5) No provision. | (5) Require the parent of a student for whom a scholarship account is established to endorse the use of funds from a scholarship account by the school or approve the transfer of funds from the scholarship account to the school. | (5) No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires TOS to transfer the balance of the student's old account to the student's new account if a student reapplies to have an account established for the following school year. Requires TOS, if a student does not reapply to have an account established for the following school year, to transfer the balance of the old account to the GRF on July 1 following the school year for which the account was established. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires TOS to transfer the balance of any funds, including any prorated refund, in the account of a student who disenrolls from a participating school and does not enroll in a different participating school during the same school year to the GRF and requires the transfers to occur on January 1 and July 1 of each year. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires TOS to certify to OBM the amount of any funds returned to the GRF from those scholarship accounts and appropriates, for FY 2027, the certified amount of funds returned to the GRF during that fiscal year to GRF ALI 200550, Foundation Funding - All Students. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Permits TOS to conduct random audits to verify that parents are using funds appropriately. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires DEW to establish a complaint system under which: (1) any individual may submit a complaint about an alleged violation of the program’s requirements; (2) DEW must promptly complete an investigation of the complaint, while providing updates and responding to questions from the complainant and the subject of the complaint; (3) DEW must submit the investigations findings to the TOS, the complainant, and the subject of the complaint; and (4) if the investigation determines the program’s requirements were violated, the TOS must determine a resolution to the complaint and require corrective action to be taken. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires TOS to establish due process procedures for individuals and participating nonchartered nonpublic schools who are determined noncompliant with the program’s requirements, including a notice of the noncompliance determination, an opportunity for a hearing regarding it, and an opportunity to appeal it prior to the TOS determining a resolution or undertaking any action regarding it | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires DEW to do all of the following: | No provision. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) Compile the assessment scores attained by students for whom a scholarship account is established and aggregate the scores by (a) the state, including all scholarship account students, (b) the scholarship students' resident school district, and (c) nonchartered nonpublic school. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) Disaggregate the performance data according to (a) grade level, (b) race and ethnicity; (c) gender; (d) students with a scholarship account who have participated in the program for three or more years; (e) students with a scholarship account who have participated in the program for more than one year and less than three years; (f) students with a scholarship account who have participated in the program for one year or less; and (g) economically disadvantaged students. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) Post the student performance data on its website by February 1 each year. Prohibits DEW from including any data that is statistically unreliable or that could result in the identification of individual students. | (3) No provision. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) Develop, by July 1, 2026, a measure of student growth for students with scholarship accounts that are enrolled in nonchartered nonpublic schools, use the data to report annually on student growth for students in grades 4-8 during the school year in which data is reported, and make the growth reports available on its publicly accessible website. Prohibits data reporting for schools with fewer than 10 students who have established scholarship accounts. | (4) No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires TOS to collect and provide to DEW any data that DEW needs to fulfill its data reporting duties. | No provision. |

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| | Fiscal effect: Increases GRF expenditures from ALI 200550, Foundation Funding - All Students, by an estimated \$35.1 million annually beginning in FY 2027. Potential increase in administrative costs for TOS to administer the accounts and for DEW to collect and report additional data. | |
| EDUCD103 Autism and Jon Peterson Special Needs scholarships - list of registered private providers | R.C. 3310.41, 3310.58 | R.C. 3310.41, 3310.58 |
| No provision. | Requires DEW to maintain a list of Autism and Jon Peterson Special Needs (JPSN) scholarship registered private providers and their locations on its publicly accessible web site. Fiscal effect: None. DEW already meets the requirement under current practice. | Same as the House. |
| EDUCD107 Autism and Jon Peterson Special Needs scholarships - eligibility and services | R.C. 3310.41, 3310.412, 3310.51, 3310.52, 3310.523, 3310.58, 3310.64 | R.C. 3310.41, 3310.412, 3310.51, 3310.52, 3310.523, 3310.58, 3310.64 |
| No provision. | Removes, for purposes of the Autism Scholarship Program, the definition of "parent" and instead defines "eligible applicant," which includes the natural or adoptive parents, the custodian, the guardian, the grandparent, or the surrogate parent of a qualified special education child and a qualified special education child, if the child does not have a custodian or guardian and the child is at least 18 and less than 22 years of age. | Same as the House, but exempts the provision from the referendum and makes it effective immediately. |
| No provision. | Clarifies that a child is eligible under the Autism Scholarship Program if that child is at least 3 years of age and less than 22 years of age. | Same as the House, but exempts the provision from the referendum and makes it effective immediately. |
| No provision. | Expands eligibility for the JPSN scholarship to three- and four-year-olds. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Makes the following changes to the Autism and JPSN scholarship programs: | Same as the House, but exempts the provisions below pertaining to the Autism Scholarship Program from the referendum and makes them effective immediately. |

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| (1) No provision. | (1) Qualifies a child to whom the following apply: | (1) Same as the House. |
| (a) No provision. | (a) The child is enrolled in a chartered or nonchartered nonpublic school, is home educated, or is older than compulsory school age and less than 22 years of age and received a home education and has not yet received a diploma from the child's parent or guardian; | (a) Same as the House. |
| (b) No provision. | (b) The child is still eligible to receive transition services under the child's IEP; and | (b) Same as the House. |
| (c) No provision. | (c) For the Autism scholarship, the child has an IEP developed that includes services related to autism. | (c) Same as the House. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) Permits multiple alternative public providers or registered private providers to be contracted to provide services to implement an IEP or education plan as the eligible applicant and providers determine are necessary and associated with educating the qualified special education child. Expressly states that a qualified special education child is not limited to receiving services from a single provider for any services identified in the IEP, including a single type of service. | (2) Same as the House. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) Permits intervention services, educational services, academic services, tutoring services, aide services, and other related special education services to be provided virtually. | (3) Same as the House. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) Permits a teacher or substitute teacher licensed by SBE to provide virtual services to a qualified special education child. | (4) Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Makes the following changes to the JPSN Scholarship Program: | Same as the House. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) Permits an educational aide or assistant with a valid permit and an instructional assistant with a a valid permit to provide services under a special education program. | (1) Same as the House. |

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| (2) No provision. | (2) For billing purposes, requires services provided by a teacher or substitute teacher licensed by SBE to be classified as academic services and not aide services and requires DEW to use this differentiation to simplify monthly audit procedures. | (2) Same as the House. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) Requires rules adopted by DEW to specify that supervision of a qualified, credentialed provider may be conducted virtually. | (3) Replaces the House provision with a provision that outright permits virtual supervision of a qualified and credentialed provider. |
| No provision. | Prohibits a qualified special education child receiving home education who participates in JROTC maintained by the child's resident school district from being considered enrolled in that district for purposes of determining eligibility for an Autism or JPSN scholarship. | Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Likely increases scholarship payments, which may be offset to some degree if remote services take the place of some services currently delivered in person at a potentially lower cost. May increase the availability of providers for services to the extent the identified professionals are not already permitted to provide services. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| EDUCD121 Autism scholarships - amounts | | |
| | R.C. 3317.022 | R.C. 3317.022 |
| No provision. | Increases the maximum amount of an Autism scholarship from \$32,445 to \$34,000 for both FY 2026 and FY 2027. Fiscal effect: The estimated amount for Autism scholarships increases by \$7.7 million in FY 2026 and \$8.3 million in FY 2027 compared to the executive budget. | Same as the House. |
| EDUCD120 Jon Peterson Special Needs scholarships - amounts | | |
| | R.C. 3317.022 | R.C. 3317.022 |
| No provision. | Increases the category amounts for the JPSN Scholarship Program as follows: | Same as the House, but makes the following changes: |

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| (1) No provision. | (1) Increases the Category 1 amount from \$2,395 to \$2,510; | (1) Same as the House, but increases the amount to \$2,855. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) Increases the Category 2 amount from \$5,280 to \$5,533; | (2) Same as the House, but increases the amount to \$5,879. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) Increases the Category 3 amount from \$11,960 to \$12,534; | (3) Same as the House, but increases the amount to \$12,879. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) Increases the Category 4 amount from \$15,787 to \$16,545; | (4) Same as the House, but increases the amount to \$16,890. |
| (5) No provision. | (5) Increases the Category 5 amount from \$21,197 to \$22,214; | (5) Same as the House, but increases the amount to \$22,560. |
| (6) No provision. | (6) Increases the Category 6 amount from \$30,469 to \$31,932; | (6) Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Increases the funding cap for a JPSN scholarship from \$32,445 to \$34,000 for both FY 2026 and 2027. Fiscal effect: The estimated amount for JPSN scholarships increases by \$2.7 million in FY 2026 and \$2.9 million in FY 2027 compared to the executive budget. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: The estimated amount for JPSN scholarships increases by \$2.4 million in FY 2026 and by \$2.6 million in FY 2027 compared to the House. |
| Community Schools | | |
| EDUCD129 Community school transportation pilot program | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 733.60 Requires DEW to establish and implement a community school transportation pilot program for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years to assist community schools to provide transportation services to their students. Fiscal effect: Will depend on implementation decisions made by DEW. Under continuing law, community schools that assume transportation responsibilities for their students receive payments for doing so through the pupil transportation formula. |

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| EDUCD110 Classical community schools - state testing on paper | | |
| | R.C. 3301.0711, 3317.02 | R.C. 3301.0711, 3317.02 |
| No provision. | Defines a "classical school" as a community school that is a member of the Ohio Classical School Association or its successor organization and uses a curriculum substantially similar to that of a nationally recognized classical school network. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Permits a classical school to generally administer state assessments in a paper format. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires a classical school to administer a state assessment in an online format to any student whose IEP or 504 plan specifies that taking an assessment in that format is an appropriate accommodation. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: May increase state testing system costs. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| EDUCD149 Community school sponsor evaluations | | |
| | | R.C. 3314.016, Section 733.70 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Excludes all community schools whose contracts were not renewed or terminated by the sponsor before the evaluation from the academic performance component of a community school sponsor's evaluation. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates peer review of a sponsor's adherence to quality practices for sponsors rated "effective" or "exemplary" on the most recent ratings. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits DEW from evaluating entities with an overall rating of "exemplary" for five full school years and entities with a rating of "effective" for three full school years after the rating was received (current law requires both to be evaluated once every three years). |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Qualifies a community school sponsor with an overall rating of "exemplary" for specified incentives under continuing law, rather than requiring the sponsor to receive an overall rating of "exemplary" for the two most recent years for which the sponsor was evaluated to qualify as under current law. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires DEW to annually publish academic performance data for each sponsor, regardless of whether the sponsor is being evaluated for that school year. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires DEW to evaluate community school sponsors for the 2025-2026 school year and to use these ratings to determine the sponsor's evaluation cycle. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits DEW from including Alternative Education Academy (OHDELA) in the academic component calculation of the sponsor evaluation for the Office of Ohio School Sponsorship for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years, but includes the school in that component if the Office continues to sponsor the school after the 2026-2027 school year. Fiscal effect: May decrease DEW's costs associated with administering the community school sponsor evaluation system. |
| EDUCD106 Community school contracts and comprehensive plans and facilities requirements | | |
| | R.C. 3314.03, 3314.05 | R.C. 3314.03, 3314.05 |
| No provision. | Eliminates the requirement for each community school to submit a comprehensive plan to its sponsor and, instead, requires the contract between each community school's sponsor and governing authority to include the comprehensive plan's provisions. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Permits any community school to be located in multiple facilities under the same contract and eliminates limitations on which schools may do so. | Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | Eliminates the limitations on which community schools may assign students in the same grade level to multiple facilities. Fiscal effect: May decrease community school administrative costs. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| EDUCD130 Community school transportation consortium | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 3314.093 Permits the governing authorities of two or more community schools to enter into an agreement to establish a consortium to provide or arrange transportation to and from school for students enrolling in participating schools. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires a consortium to act on behalf of participating schools with regard to student transportation and to comply with any law regarding student transportation in the same manner as a community school. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Permits a consortium to enter into an agreement to accept responsibility to transport students with school districts or unilaterally accept responsibility for the transportation as if it were a community school. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires DEW to calculate and make payments to a consortium as if it were a community school. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires that each community school transportation consortium designate a fiscal agent and that the fiscal agent report, on behalf of schools participating in the consortium, any combined data necessary for DEW to make transportation payments. Fiscal effect: Permissive. |

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| EDUCD111 Community school sponsor assurances prior to opening | | |
| | R.C. 3314.19 | R.C. 3314.19 |
| No provision. | Reduces from 10 to five the number of days prior to opening for its first year of operation or first year of operation from a new building that a community school sponsor must provide prescribed assurances to DEW. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires the sponsor of a community school that adds a facility to an existing location, or an internet- or computer-based community school that changes its location or adds a satellite location, to provide the prescribed assurances at least one day prior to the operation in the new facility. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| EDUCD122 Rural Transportation Grant Program | | |
| | Section: 265.600 | |
| No provision. | Requires DEW to award rural transportation grants each fiscal year to dropout prevention and recovery community schools that meet the following requirements: | No provision. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) More than 75% of the school's students are economically disadvantaged. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) The school's territory is located in three counties and contains more than 12 school districts. | (2) No provision. |
| No provision. | Limits the amount of each grant to \$450,000 for any fiscal year. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires schools to use grants awarded under the fund for student transportation. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: The bill earmarks \$450,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 200502, Pupil Transportation, to support the program (see EDUCD6). | |

Educator Provisions

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| EDUCD97 Youth suicide awareness and prevention and child sexual abuse educator in-service training | | |
| R.C. 3319.073 | | R.C. 3319.073 |
| Eliminates the option for each school district, community school, STEM school, or college-preparatory boarding school to adopt or adapt curriculum developed by DEW on youth suicide awareness and prevention for use in delivering in-service educator training on those topics (see EDUCD39), thus requiring each district or school to develop its own curriculum. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Eliminates the option for a school employee to satisfy youth suicide awareness in-service training through self-review of suitable suicide prevention materials approved by the school board or governing authority. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Eliminates the requirement that child sexual abuse in-service training for educators be provided by law enforcement officers or prosecutors and instead requires a district board to develop its own curriculum in consultation with public or private agencies. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: May increase school district costs to develop and offer the training for those that do not do so already, but provides additional flexibility in how it is provided. According to DEW, schools have had difficulty finding law enforcement officers or prosecutors who are able to provide the staff training on child sexual abuse. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| EDUCD57 Science of Reading professional development | | |
| R.C. 3319.2310, 3301.0714, 3313.6028 | R.C. 3319.2310, 3301.0714, 3313.6028 | R.C. 3319.2310, 3301.0714, 3313.6028 |
| Requires DEW to maintain an introductory training course on the Science of Reading for licensed educators and develop a competency-based training course to update and reinforce educators' skills in the Science of Reading. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Requires each public school teacher, administrator, school psychologist, or speech-language psychologist to complete training in the science of reading every five years. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires training to be completed by either July 30, 2030, if the individual was hired prior to July 1, 2025, or one year after the date of hiring, if the individual was hired on or after July 1, 2025, but exempts individuals who completed similar training or appropriate coursework as part of an educator preparation program. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires districts and schools to report the number of individuals who have completed Science of Reading training to DEW through the Education Management Information System (EMIS). | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires a professional development committee to count Science of Reading training toward professional development requirements for educator licensure renewal. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Specifies the grade bands that must receive specific instruction from the lists of curriculum that are aligned with the Science of Reading established by DEW as follows: | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Grades preK-5 must receive core curriculum and instructional materials in English language arts; | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Grades preK-12 must receive instruction in evidence-based reading intervention programs. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: Minimal. DEW already maintains professional development courses on the Science of Reading. Increases district and school workload to comply with the reporting requirement. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but eliminates district and school costs to comply with the reporting requirement. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |

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| EDUCD55 Principal apprenticeship program | | |
| R.C. 3319.271 | R.C. 3319.271 | |
| Requires DEW to establish a principal apprenticeship program to provide pathways for licensed teachers employed in Ohio and professionals in other fields to receive school leadership and administration training and development, and an optional master's degree. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Permits DEW to give preference to applicants with multiple years of classroom teaching experience or experience in the same career field and in teaching, training, or supervising others. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires participants of the program to be mentored by a school principal and complete on-the-job training. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires the State Board of Education to issue a professional administrator license for grades preK-12 to individuals who successfully complete the program. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: The bill earmarks \$5.0 million in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 200448, Educator and Principal Preparation, to fund the program (see EDUCD91). | Fiscal effect: The bill eliminates the earmark providing state funding for the program, shifting the costs of the program from the state to school districts (see EDUCD91). | |
| <u>Other Education Provisions</u> | | |
| EDUCD25 Absence intervention and truancy | | |
| R.C. 2151.27, 3313.609, 3321.16, 3321.19, 3321.191 (reenacted), 3321.21, 3321.22 | R.C. 2151.27, 3313.609, 3321.16, 3321.19, 3321.191 (reenacted), 3321.21, 3321.22 | R.C. 2151.27, 3313.609, 3321.16, 3321.19, 3321.191 (reenacted), 3321.22 |
| Repeals the requirement that a school district, community school, or STEM school assign habitual truants to an absence intervention team and adopt a prescribed absence intervention plan. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Instead, requires each district, community school, and STEM school to adopt a policy in consultation with the juvenile court that does all of the following: | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| (1) Acknowledges that student absences from school for any reason, whether excused or unexcused, take away from instructional time and have an adverse effect on student learning; | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) Same as the Executive. |
| (2) Identifies strategies to prevent students from becoming chronically absent; | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) Includes procedures for notifying a student's parent, guardian, or custodian, when the student has been absent from school for a number of hours determined by the board, which cannot exceed 5% of the minimum number of hours required in the school year; | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) Same as the Executive. |
| (4) Establishes a tiered system that provides more intensive interventions and supports for students with greater numbers of absences and includes resources to help students and their families address the root causes of the absences; | (4) Same as the Executive. | (4) Same as the Executive. |
| (5) Provides for one or more absence intervention teams to work with students at risk of becoming chronically absent and their families to improve the students' attendance at school; | (5) Same as the Executive. | (5) Same as the Executive. |
| (6) Prohibits suspending, expelling, or otherwise preventing a student from attending school based on the student's absences. | (6) Same as the Executive. | (6) Same as the Executive. |
| Permits a district, community school, or STEM school to consult or partner with public and nonprofit agencies to provide assistance to students and families in reducing absences. | Same as the Executive, but clarifies that a public school may partner with private entities, in addition to public and nonprofit entities. | Same as the House. |
| Defines "chronically absent" as missing at least 10% of the minimum number of hours required in the school year. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Removes a requirement that a school district or community school prohibit the grade level promotion of a student that has been truant for more than 10% of the required attendance days of the school year. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Eliminates the timeline under which a school district attendance officer must file a complaint in juvenile court against a truant student and instead requires a complaint only if the school district determines that the student is not making satisfactory progress in improving the student's attendance at school. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires that a filed complaint allege that the child is an unruly child for being a habitual truant and that the parent or guardian has violated the duty to cause the child to attend school. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Clarifies that certain required notices to parents regarding truancy and consequences that include proof of receipt by the recipient and is sent by email or text message, in addition to registered mail, regular mail with certificate of mailing, or other form of delivery, is a legal notice. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Likely shifts district and school spending in this area from compliance activities to prevention and early intervention. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| EDUCD34 Universal K-3 diagnostic assessment and kindergarten readiness assessment | | |
| R.C. 3301.079, 3301.0714, 3301.0715, 3302.03, 3313.608, Section 733.30 | | R.C. 3301.079, 3301.0714, 3301.0715, 3302.03, 3313.608, Section 733.30 |
| Requires DEW to, by June 30, 2026, adopt a diagnostic assessment for reading and math for students in each of grades K-3. | No provision. | Same as the Executive, but (1) requires DEW to adopt a diagnostic assessment for reading only, and (2) requires DEW to approve a list of up to five diagnostic assessments aligned with the academic standards for each of grades K-3 for both reading and math, including the three reading diagnostic assessments that were approved by DEW for use as comparable tools for the Third Grade Reading Guarantee as it existed prior to the amendment's effective date, and are most widely used by public schools in the state. |

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| Requires the diagnostic assessment for reading to be aligned to the science of reading. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Eliminates the requirement that blank copies of diagnostic assessments be public records. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Eliminates the requirement that DEW make the assessments available to school districts at no cost to the district. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires school districts, community schools, and STEM schools to administer the diagnostic assessments to their students by September 30 of each year, beginning with the 2026-2027 school year. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Removes an exemption for districts and schools, on a case-by-case basis, from annually administering diagnostic assessments to assess the reading skills of a student with a significant cognitive disability as part of the Third Grade Reading Guarantee. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Eliminates the authority of districts and schools to use an alternative assessment to measure reading skills under the Third Grade Reading Guarantee and, for districts and schools that achieve specified scores on the state report card, to administer alternative diagnostic assessments. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires districts and schools to use and score the kindergarten readiness assessment (KRA) in accordance with rules established by the Department of Children and Youth. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Eliminates the requirement that DEW include data from the KRA on the state report cards of districts and schools. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Removes DEW from KRA data collection and reporting. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: May increase DEW's GRF assessment system costs. Increases school district and other public school costs to administer the diagnostic assessments. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |

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| <div>EDUCD45Public release of state test questions</div> <div>R.C.3301.0711</div> <div>Reduces the number of state assessment test questions that must be made public record from 40% to 20% beginning with the state assessments administered in the spring of the 2025-2026 school year.</div> <div>Eliminates out-of-date provisions that make questions on state assessments administered prior to the 2017-2018 school year public records.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Reduces GRF assessment system costs by \$2.8 million or more per year.</div> | <div>R.C.3301.0711</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>R.C.3301.0711</div> <div>Replaces the Executive provision with a provision that eliminates the requirement that a minimum percentage of state assessment questions be made a public record and, instead, requires DEW to determine which questions are made a public record, if any.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but reduces GRF assessment system costs by an estimated additional \$2.8 million per year.</div> |
| <div>EDUCD36Education Management Information System (EMIS) reporting</div> <div>R.C.3301.0714</div> <div>Requires public schools to report their math core curriculum and instructional materials for grades preK-12 through the Education Management Information System (EMIS).</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: May increase public school and DEW administrative costs.</div> | <div>R.C.3301.0714</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>Requires each school district, community school, and STEM school, beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, to report to EMIS the causes of student absences by category, including various illness categories, medical appointments, extra-curricular activities, student exchange programs, agricultural organization activities, family travel, foster care activities, lack of transportation, and additional categories identified through best practices review.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>R.C.3301.0714</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div> |

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| EDUCD136 Instruction on harmful effects of substance abuse | | |
| | | R.C. 3301.0722, 3301.0732, 3301.166, 3313.60, 3313.6024, 3313.6034, 3314.0311, 3326.092, 3328.60 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires each public school and permits each chartered nonpublic school to annually provide instruction to students in grades K-12 on the harmful effects of short-term or chronic substance use. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires a school district's instruction in the harmful effects of and legal restrictions against the use of drugs of abuse to include instruction regarding marijuana, opioids, and opiates. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires school districts to include bullying and hazing in its health education curriculum. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires DEW to collaborate with OhioMHAS and OneOhio Recovery Foundation to review available resources and develop a list of evidence-based curricula, materials, programs, and instructional strategies related to the required health curriculum and substance use instruction. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires DEW to conduct a survey on public school compliance with the required health curriculum and substance use instruction. Fiscal effect: The survey, review of resources, and curriculum development may increase operating expenses for DEW and OhioMHAS. School districts may incur minimal costs to update their current health curricula. |

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| EDUCD39 Instruction on mental health promotion, suicide prevention, and health and wellness outcomes; youth peer-led programming | | |
| R.C. 3313.60, 3301.221, 3313.6611, 3314.0311, 3314.0312, 3326.092, 3326.093 | R.C. 3301.221 | |
| Requires each school district, STEM school, and community school annually to provide students in grades 6-12 developmentally appropriate, evidence-based instruction in mental health promotion and suicide prevention, instead of at least one hour or one standard class period per year of instruction on evidence-based suicide prevention and safety training and violence prevention. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires the instruction to include information on the development and maintenance of positive mental health, stigma reduction, the signs and symptoms of depression, suicide, and self-harm, and seeking help for self and peers. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Eliminates the requirement that students receive evidence-based social inclusion instruction and instead requires students attending a school district, community school, or STEM school to receive annual evidence-based instruction in universal prevention practices or programs that teach students the necessary knowledge and skills to improve health and wellness outcomes. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires the instruction to focus on enhancing interpersonal skills, encouraging healthy decision making, and increasing resiliency. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Eliminates the option for schools to use student assemblies, digital learning, and homework to satisfy the requirement to provide instruction on mental health promotion, suicide prevention, and health and wellness outcomes. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Prior to providing such instruction, requires a district or school to notify each student's parent or guardian of the instruction, their ability to review any related instructional materials, and their option to opt the student out from receiving the instruction by submitting a written request. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires DEW to maintain a list of instructional materials for students in grades 6-12 at a school district, community school, or STEM school regarding mental health promotion and suicide prevention, instead of instruction in suicide awareness, social inclusion, and violence prevention. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Eliminates the requirements that the lists of approved training programs include at least one option that is free or of no cost to schools, the approved training programs be evidence-based, and meet certain other criteria. | | |
| No provision. | Requires DEW to maintain a "universal" list of approved training programs in suicide awareness and violence prevention and qualifies a program using the success sequence curriculum provided by Ohio Adolescent Health Centers as an approved training program and as meeting the minimum requirements to teach risk prevention skills across the required subject areas to youth. | No provision. |
| Permits each school district, community school, STEM school, and college-preparatory boarding school to provide youth peer-led programming based on relational connections and youth empowerment models, instead of permitting a district or school to designate a student-led violence prevention club. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires youth peer-led programming to promote help-seeking behaviors and encourage students to individually assess and develop strengths in their life and removes the requirement to implement and sustain suicide and violence prevention and social inclusion training. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Fiscal effect: According to DEW, shifting to "universal" prevention education programs may lead to school districts and other public schools implementing the instruction more consistently and efficiently among grade levels. DEW reports that school districts have found difficulty in identifying prevention programs that comply with the law. | Fiscal effect: Minimal. | |
| EDUCD14 Artificial intelligence policies | | |
| R.C. 3301.24, 3414.03, 3326.11 | R.C. 3301.24, 3414.03, 3326.11 | R.C. 3301.24, 3414.03, 3326.11 |
| Requires DEW to adopt a model policy by December 31, 2025, to address the appropriate use of artificial intelligence by students and staff for educational purposes. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires each school district, community school, and STEM school to adopt a policy on the use of artificial intelligence by July 1, 2026. Permits a district or school to adopt the model policy developed by DEW. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Permits DEW to collect data from districts and schools on their use of artificial intelligence. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: May increase public school and DEW administrative costs. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| EDUCD49 Demand side educator employment data | | |
| R.C. 3301.82 | | R.C. 3301.82 |
| Requires DEW to annually collect school district employment and vacancy data for teachers, related services providers and other providers of specialized services, principals and assistant principals, paraprofessionals, bus drivers, and any other positions determined by DEW. | No provision. | Same as the Executive, but also requires DEW to collect employment and vacancy data for community and STEM schools. |
| Requires DEW to report the aggregated number of vacant positions by type of position, subject area, geographic area, methods used to fill vacant positions, including certain specified methods, and positions that remain unfilled. | No provision. | Same as the Executive, but (a) also requires DEW to report the number of educator positions filled by nontraditional teachers and the reasons why a position was vacant and (b) expands the list of specified methods used to fill vacant positions. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires DEW to collect and report educator preparation program enrollment and completion rates, the number of new educator licenses issued annually, educator retention, and educator demographic data. |
| Requires DEW to annually publish and summarize the data collected on its web site. | No provision. | Same as the Executive, but also requires DEW, to the extent possible, to report all collected data at the state, district, and school level. |
| Fiscal effect: Minimal. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| EDUCD35 Report card - Early Literacy component | | |
| R.C. 3302.03 | R.C. 3302.03 | R.C. 3302.03 |
| Eliminates the percentage of students promoted to the fourth grade under the Third Grade Reading Guarantee as a performance measure for the Early Literacy component on the state report card for public schools. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Assigns weights of 50% to each of the two remaining measures of the Early Literacy component: (1) the proficiency rate on the reading segment of the third grade English language arts assessment and (2) progress in improving literacy in grades K-3. Requires DEW to prescribe a performance rating for the Early Literacy component by rule if one of these two remaining measures is not included on a district or school’s report card. | No provision. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Revises the performance measure regarding the percentage of students promoted to the fourth grade under the Third Grade Reading Guarantee so that it is based on students who attain a promotion score on the third grade English Language Arts assessment or an alternative assessment, rather than any student who attains a promotion score or otherwise qualifies for an exemption from retention. | Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |

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| EDUCD44 Report card - College, Career, Workforce, and Military Readiness (CCWMR) component | | |
| R.C. 3302.03, Section 265.550 | | |
| Eliminates law that subjects to JCARR approval whether, beginning with a district’s or school building’s report card for the 2024-2025 school year, DEW must assign a performance rating to the report card’s CCWMR component and factor it into the calculation’s overall rating. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires DEW to report the CCWMR component as report-only data on school district and building report cards for the 2024-2025 school year. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, requires DEW to assign a performance rating for the CCWMR component and eliminates the prohibition against the method for assigning a rating including a tiered structure or per-student bonuses. Requires DEW to factor it into the calculation of an overall rating. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Minimal. | | |
| EDUCD146 Online learning schools | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 3302.42 Permits school districts to employ teachers and nonteaching employees, or to contract with a nonprofit or for-profit entity, to operate an online learning school. Fiscal effect: Permissive. |

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| EDUCD11 | Educational Regional Service System (ERSS) | | |
| R.C. | 3312.01, 3312.02 (reenacted), 3312.07, 3312.08, 3312.09, 3312.10, 3312.13. Repealed: 3312.02, 3312.03, 3312.04, 3312.05, 3312.06 | | R.C. 3312.01, 3312.02 (reenacted), 3312.07, 3312.08, 3312.09, 3312.10, 3312.13. Repealed: 3312.02, 3312.03, 3312.04, 3312.05, 3312.06 |
| Eliminates the 16 statutorily established ERSS regions (also known as state support teams or SSTs) and instead requires DEW to establish up to 16 regions within 180 days of the bill's effective date. Requires DEW to notify affected regions of subsequent changes at least 90 days before the fiscal year in which those changes will take effect. | | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the ERSS to support state and regional workforce development initiatives, in addition to supporting education initiatives. Eliminates law establishing the intent of the ERSS to reduce unnecessary duplication of programs and services. | | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Expands ERSS service providers to include career-technical planning districts, county boards of developmental disabilities, Ohio college tech prep regional centers, and community colleges, in addition to educational service centers, information technology centers, and other regional education service providers as under continuing law. | | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the ERSS to provide services to STEM schools and permits STEM schools to enter service agreements with information technology centers. | | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Eliminates ERSS regional advisory councils and subcommittees. | | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Permits career-technical planning districts, county boards of developmental disabilities, Ohio college tech prep regional centers, and community colleges to be the fiscal agent for an ERSS region, in addition to school districts and educational service centers as under continuing law. | | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Changes the criteria DEW must consider in selecting an ERSS region's fiscal agent by requiring an entity to provide an assurance it will limit aggregate fees for administering a performance contract to 5% of the contract's value, rather than a demonstrated intent to limit those fees to 7% as under current law. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Permits DEW to select an entity located in another ERSS region to be a fiscal agent for a region where no entity responded to or met the requirements in DEW's request for proposals. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Decreases the threshold to require Controlling Board approval from 4% to 3% of the value of a performance contract for aggregate personnel and program costs to be charged by a fiscal agent or its subcontractors to administer the contract. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Eliminates the requirement that, when entering into performance contracts with a fiscal agent and allocating state funds for ERSS, DEW consider the services that will be provided in a region from DEW's system of intensive, ongoing support for the improvement of school districts and school buildings. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: Will depend on how DEW carries out the reforms, though the performance contract provisions may reduce administrative fee revenue to ERSS fiscal agents. ERSS services are provided at no cost to districts and schools. The teams that make up the ERSS are mainly funded by federal funds, mostly from Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) state activity dollars. The state provides funding to SSTs through an earmark of \$3.5 million each fiscal from GRF ALI 200550, Foundation Funding – All Students, for school improvement initiatives (see EDUCD56). | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |

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| EDUCD132 Waiver of qualified immunity | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 3313.174</div> <div>Waives qualified immunity from civil liability when the school district board of education or one of its members knowingly instructs the school district superintendent to violate the law.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Some tort actions may be filed and adjudicated in local trial courts that would not have been otherwise.</div> |
| EDUCD114 Disposal or demolition of school district property | | |
| No provision. | <div>R.C. 3313.41, 3313.413</div> <div>Requires a school district, prior to demolishing a building worth more than \$10,000, to offer that building to other qualifying schools under the law regarding the right to first refusal to purchase district real property and then at a public auction if it is not initially purchased.</div> | <div>R.C. 3313.41, 3313.413</div> <div>Same as the House, but permits, rather than requires, the district to offer the building at a public auction if it is not initially purchased.</div> |
| No provision. | <div>Exempts from that requirement a building that is located on, or adjacent to, a tract or parcel of land where other school district buildings that are used for educational instruction are located.</div> | <div>Same as the House.</div> |
| No provision. | <div>Requires a school district board to accept the highest bid at a public auction of a real or personal property.</div> | <div>Same as the House.</div> |
| No provision. | <div>Adds chartered nonpublic schools in the list of qualifying schools to which school districts must offer property under the right of first refusal law.</div> | <div>Same as the House, but adds educational service centers that have territory in a school district to the list of qualifying schools to which school districts must offer property under the right of first refusal law.</div> |
| No provision. | <div>Requires a community school, STEM school, college-preparatory boarding school, or chartered nonpublic school that sells property it purchased from a school district through the right of first refusal law to pay to the district any profit the school earns from the resale of that property.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |

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| | Fiscal effect: May increase school district administrative costs. Requiring a district to accept the highest bid at auction may lower returns if the district otherwise would find the highest bid to be too low. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| EDUCD47 Unused school facilities | | |
| R.C. 3313.411 | R.C. 3313.411 | R.C. 3313.411 |
| Revises the involuntary disposition of school district property law, as follows: | Replaces the Executive provisions with provisions that do the following: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: |
| (1) To determine whether a school building is an unused school facility, clarifies the building is unused if its student enrollment is less than 60% of either (A) the maximum student enrollment established in the building's architectural specifications or master design plan or (B) the building's greatest student enrollment in the ten most recent school years, including the current school year (current law identifies a building as an unused school facility if less than 60% of the building was used for direct academic instruction in the preceding school year). | (1) No provision. | (1) Replaces the Executive provision with a provision that, for purposes of determining whether a school building is an unused school facility, clarifies the building is unused if its student enrollment in the three most recent school years is less than 60% of the building's greatest student enrollment in the ten most recent school years. |
| (2) Changes the value for which a school district must sell an unused school facility from the property's appraised fair market value to the property's appraised value as an educational facility. | (2) No provision. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) Changes the sale method from an auction to a lottery if more than one high-performing community school located in the district notifies the district of its intention to purchase property. | (3) No provision. | (3) Same as the Executive, but requires the lottery to be conducted if more than one high-performing community school or chartered nonpublic school located in the district notifies the district of its intent to purchase the property. |

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| (4) Requires a district, if no high-performing community school located in the district offers to purchase or lease a property, to offer the property for sale or lease to high-performing community schools located outside of the district prior to offering to sell or lease the property to other start-up community schools, college-preparatory boarding schools, and STEM schools. | (4) No provision. | (4) Same as the Executive, but requires a district to also offer the property for sale or lease to chartered nonpublic schools located outside of the district prior to offering to sell or lease the property to other start-up community schools, college-preparatory boarding schools, and STEM schools. |
| (5) Requires each district annually to report to DEW by November 30 information related to determining whether a school building operated by the district is an unused school facility. | (5) No provision. | (5) Same as the Executive. |
| (6) Requires DEW annually to post by December 31 a list of unused school facilities in each school district. | (6) No provision. | (6) Same as the Executive. |
| (7) No provision. | (7) Require, rather than permit, a school district to offer an unused school facility for sale at a public auction if no qualifying school offers to purchase or lease the facility under the involuntary disposition law. | (7) Same as the House. |
| (8) No provision. | (8) Exempt unused school facilities from the involuntary disposition law if the facility is located on, or adjacent to, a tract or parcel of land where other school district facilities that are used for educational instruction are located. | (8) Same as the House, but applies the exemption to facilities located on, or adjacent to, a tract or parcel of land where any school district facilities are located. |
| (9) No provision. | (9) Require a community school, STEM school, college-preparatory boarding school, or chartered nonpublic school that sells property it purchased from a school district through the involuntary disposition law to pay to the district any profit the school earns from the resale of that property. | (9) No provision. |
| (10) No provision. | (10) Add chartered nonpublic schools in the list of qualifying schools to which school districts must offer unused school facilities for sale or lease under the involuntary disposition of school district property law. | (10) Same as the House, but requires school districts to give priority to chartered nonpublic schools in the sale of unused school facilities in the same manner as is required for high-performing community schools (see (3) and (4) above). |

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| (11) No provision. | (11) No provision. | (11) Exempts unused school facilities from the involuntary disposition law if the facility is less than 10 years old. |
| (12) No provision. | (12) No provision. | (12) Permits a school district, if it believes extraordinary circumstances should exempt it from the involuntary disposition law, to appeal the requirement to the DEW Director, who must issue a decision within 60 days. |
| (13) No provision. | (13) No provision. | (13) Exempts unused school facilities from the involuntary disposition law if the facility, in the three most recent school years, had student enrollment that was less than 60% of the building's greatest student enrollment in the ten most recent school years if (1) it is the only district building that serves one or more grade levels or (2) the building's student enrollment decreased because it was undergoing repairs or renovations that caused a portion of the building's instructional space to be unusable. |
| (14) No provision. | (14) No provision. | (14) Exempts an unused school facility from the involuntary disposition law if the facility is primarily used to provide career-technical education or has specialized classroom facilities necessary for the district to operate its career-technical education program. |
| Fiscal effect: May increase the number of facilities a district board of education has to offer for sale or lease to community schools. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| EDUCD143 Contracts for school district construction projects | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C.3313.46</div> <div>Expands the school district contract bidding process for planned construction projects that exceed the competitive bidding threshold amount from work on any "school building" to work on any "building or other property."</div> <div>Fiscal effect: May increase school district administrative costs.</div> |

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| EDUCD147 School sports eligibility - ice hockey | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 3313.536</div> <div>Permits a school district superintendent to allow a student enrolled in another school district the opportunity to participate in ice hockey as an interscholastic athletic activity at a school operated by the superintendent's district if (1) the district in which the student is enrolled does not offer ice hockey, (2) the district in which the student is enrolled is located less than 20 miles from the superintendent's district, and (3) the superintendents of both districts enter into an agreement approving the student's participation.</div> |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>Prohibits requiring a student to enroll in, or be a resident of, the district that offers ice hockey to participate in ice hockey at that district.</div> |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>Requires a student participating in ice hockey at a school district other than the district in which the student is enrolled to be of the appropriate age and grade level as the school in which the student is participating in ice hockey and to fulfill and be subject to the same academic, nonacademic, and financial requirements as any other participant, including trying out for a position on the team.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: None.</div> |
| EDUCD135 Interscholastic athletics participation by nonresident homeschooled victims of harassment | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 3313.5313</div> <div>Limits the law that permits a student who is the victim of certain qualifying offenses to participate in interscholastic athletics at a different school to only home-educated students by eliminating the eligibility of students who are enrolled in a public or nonpublic school or another school district.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Minimal.</div> |

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| EDUCD128 Financial literacy instruction exemptions | | |
| | R.C. 3313.603 | |
| No provision. | Permits a school district, community school, STEM school, college-preparatory boarding school, or chartered nonpublic school to adopt a policy to excuse from the financial literacy instruction graduation requirement each student who, during high school, participates in a financial literacy program offered through the student branch of a credit union or by a bank. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires a qualifying financial literacy program under a district or school's policy to meet or exceed the state standards and model curriculum for financial literacy and entrepreneurship instruction. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires DEW to develop and post to its web site a model policy and guidelines for districts and schools to use in developing a policy. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: May increase DEW administrative costs. | | |
| EDUCD102 Religious instruction release time | | |
| | R.C. 3313.6022 | R.C. 3313.6022 |
| No provision. | Requires school districts to permit students to attend a released time course in religious instruction for at least one period per week. | Same as the House, but requires school districts to permit students to attend a released time course in religious instruction for at least 33 periods per school year. |
| No provision. | Limits student attendance in the religious instruction course to no more than two periods per week for elementary students and to the equivalent of no more than two units of high school credit per week for high school students. | No provision. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires school districts to permit students to bring external educational and program materials into school. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Fiscal effect: Minimal. |

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| <div>EDUCD46 Advanced math placement</div> <div>R.C. 3313.6031</div> <div>Requires each school district to provide advanced learning opportunities in math, including advanced math courses, in the following school year for each student that achieves an advanced level of skill on a math achievement assessment or end-of-course exam.</div> <div>Requires a student enrolled in an advanced math course to take the required corresponding math achievement assessment or end-of-course exam for that course.</div> <div>Exempts from the requirements school districts that do not offer advanced learning opportunities in math for the grade in which the student is enrolled in the next school year.</div> <div>Permits a student's parent or guardian to submit a written request to opt out of the advanced math learning opportunities and classes.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Likely minimal. According to DEW, these provisions aim to require districts to automatically enroll students who score at the advanced level of skill into advanced math classes if the district offers those classes for the student’s grade level. As a point of reference, in the 2023 -2024 school year, about 138,000 (16%) students taking the state math tests scored at an advanced level of skill.</div> | <div>R.C. 3313.6031</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>R.C. 3313.6031, 3313.6032</div> <div>Same as the Executive, but clarifies that "advanced learning opportunities in math" or "advanced math course" includes a math course that is two grade levels above the student's current grade level.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div> |
| <div>EDUCD140 Academic intervention services for qualifying students</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C. 3313.6035, 3302.131, 3302.132, 3313.6036</div> <div>Requires school districts, community schools, STEM schools, and college-preparatory boarding schools to provide evidence-based academic intervention services, free of cost, to qualifying students who demonstrate a limited level of skill in state assessments in math or English language arts.</div> |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires DEW to randomly select 5% of districts and schools for a review of their academic intervention services, beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, and each school year thereafter. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires districts and schools to develop a mathematics improvement and monitoring plan for each student who qualifies for math intervention services, beginning with the 2025-2026 school year. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires each district or school to develop a mathematics achievement improvement plan if 51% or less of the district or school's students who took the third grade math achievement assessment attained at least a proficient score on the assessment, beginning with the 2025-2026 school year. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires a district or school to involve the student's parent or guardian and classroom teacher in developing the mathematics improvement and monitoring plan and requires the plan to include all of the following: |
| (1) No provision. | (1) No provision. | (1) Identification of the student's specific mathematic deficiencies. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. | (2) A description of the additional instructional services and support to be provided. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. | (3) Opportunities for parent or guardian involvement in the services and support. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) No provision. | (4) A process for monitoring the extent to which the student receives the service and support. |
| (5) No provision. | (5) No provision. | (5) A mathematics curriculum during school hours that assists students in mathematics at grade level, provides scientifically based and reliable assessment, and provides initial and ongoing analysis of each student's progress. |

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| (6) No provision. | (6) No provision. | (6) High-dosage tutoring opportunities aligned with the student's classroom instruction through a state-approved vendor or locally approved opportunity that aligns with best practices, including additional instruction time delivered at least three days per week or at least 50 hours over 36 weeks. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the district or school to continue to implement the mathematics improvement and monitoring plan until the student achieves the required level of skill in mathematics for the student's current grade level. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires DEW to review core math curricula and establish a list of high-quality math core curriculum and instructional materials and a list of evidence-based math intervention programs for schools to use in providing math intervention services. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Permits public schools to use the information established by the Department or to select different high-quality core curriculum and instructional materials. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Exempts students who have an individualized education program (IEP) that include services related to a traumatic brain injury or who attend a dropout prevention and recovery (DOPR) school from academic intervention services and mathematics improvement and monitoring plans. |

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Fiscal effect: According to DEW, about 21% of the students in grades 3-12 tested in English language arts and about 32% of the students in grades 3-12 tested in math scored at the limited level of skill in the 2023 2024 school year. According to the Buckeye Association of School Administrators, most schools already offer intervention services to students. Ultimately, costs will vary depending on the number of qualifying students who are not already served or exempt and how each district or school chooses to provide the services. Additional costs could arise for districts and schools that do not meet the 51% threshold for third-grade math proficiency to develop and carry out math achievement improvement plans. For the 2023-2024 school year, 84 (14%) traditional school districts and 140 (42%) community schools were below the threshold. DEW will incur additional administrative costs, potentially in the hundreds of thousands of dollars annually, to review and report on the academic intervention services provided by up to 5% of public schools, depending on the scope, duration, and complexity of the reviews.

EDUCD33 Career planning for graduation

R.C. 3313.617, 3313.6020

Requires a graduation plan for a public or chartered nonpublic high school student to also identify post-graduation career goals for the student and align their high school experience with those goals.

Permits graduation and career plans to be developed jointly by a student and a representative of an organization that has partnered with the school to provide career planning and advising supports.

No provision.

No provision.

R.C. 3313.617, 3313.6020

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| Requires a public school to ensure that a graduation and career plan conforms to, rather than supplements, its existing career advising policy and that such plans for a student align to their student success plan. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires DEW to adopt rules regarding the content of graduation and career plans. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires DEW to develop a career pathways resource and requires school districts to annually distribute that resource to all students in grades 6-12. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: DEW may incur administrative costs to adopt rules and develop career pathways resources. Public school administrative workload may increase to comply with additional career planning requirements. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but eliminates any costs associated with DEW's adoption of rules regarding the content of graduation and career plans. |
| EDUCD41 Work-based learning hours for graduation requirement | | |
| R.C. 3313.618 | R.C. 3313.618 | |
| Shifts, for the purposes of demonstrating competency to meet the state's high school graduation requirements, a student's completion of 250 hours of work-based learning experience from a supporting option to a foundational option (continuing law permits a student that is unable to demonstrate competency by earning a certain score on state math and English language arts end-of-course exams to demonstrate competency by, among other avenues, showing career readiness in two career-focused activities, one of which must be a foundational option while the other may be a supporting option). | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |

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| EDUCD37 Industry-recognized credentials toward graduation requirements | | |
| R.C. 3313.6113, 3301.17, 3313.618, 3313.6114 | | R.C. 3313.6113, 3301.17, 3313.618, 3313.6114 |
| Eliminates the requirement for the DEW Director's industry-recognized credentials committee to establish a point value system for credentials to help determine whether a student qualifies for a high school diploma and, instead, requires the committee to establish a new set of criteria for that purpose. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: May increase DEW's costs to carry out this work. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| EDUCD124 College-level examination program | | |
| | R.C. 3313.6114, 3302.03, 3313.6013 | R.C. 3313.6114, 3302.03, 3313.6013 |
| No provision. | Adds the College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) to the list of programs that may be considered an "advanced standing program" at public and chartered nonpublic schools. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Adds passing scores on the CLEP exams as a demonstration of post-secondary readiness on the state report card. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Adds a passing score on a CLEP exam as a qualification for the college-ready, citizenship, science, and technology diploma seals. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: May increase DEW costs to collect and report additional report card data and make any necessary changes to report card calculations. School district administrative costs may increase to report additional data to DEW. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| EDUCD13 Use of cellular telephones by students R.C. 3313.753 Requires each school district, community school, and STEM school to adopt a policy by January 1, 2026 prohibiting the use of cellular telephones by students during the instructional day, except for student learning or to monitor or address a health concern. No provision. No provision. Fiscal effect: Minimal. | R.C. 3313.753 Same as the Executive. No provision. No provision. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | R.C. 3313.753, 5502.262 Same as the Executive, but requires the policy to be adopted by October 6, 2025, and requires a public school to permit a student to use a cell phone or other electronic communications device to monitor or address a health concern with a written statement from the student's physician requiring such use. Requires each public school administrator to include in its comprehensive emergency management plan a protocol that addresses student use of cellular telephones during an active threat or emergency and suspends the bill's cellphone prohibition during an active threat or emergency if permitted under the building's comprehensive emergency management plan. Eliminates the requirement for DEW to develop a model policy for student cell phone use in schools. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| EDUCD27 Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) participation R.C. 3313.8110, 3314.03, 3326.11 Requires each school district, community school, and STEM school that participates in the federal school breakfast or lunch program and has an identified student percentage (i.e., the percentage of students eligible for free and reduced-price meals through direct certification due to their participation in certain other assistance programs) of at least 25% to participate in CEP and provide a free breakfast or lunch, respectively, to each enrolled student. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| <p>Permits a district a school to choose not to comply with the requirement if it determines that it cannot do so for financial reasons. Requires the district or school to publicly communicate its decision not to comply to the residents of the district in the manner the district or school determines appropriate.</p> <p>Fiscal effect: May increase or decrease a district or school's federal school meal program reimbursements depending on whether a district or school opts to participate and their identified student percentage. May reduce school meal program administration costs for districts and schools that choose to participate in CEP and meet the 25% threshold. May indirectly decrease state foundation aid for districts and schools. DEW currently uses free and reduced-price lunch eligibility to identify students as economically disadvantaged for purposes of the state foundation aid formula's Disadvantaged Pupil Impact Aid (DPIA) component. DPIA is based in part on how a district or school's concentration of students identified as economically disadvantaged compares to the state average. The bill's provision may increase the population of students identified as economically disadvantaged, which in turn may increase the statewide average percentage of those students. As the statewide percentage rises, some districts’ individual economically disadvantaged percentages may be smaller relative to the statewide percentage, resulting in decreased DPIA.</p> | | No provision. | | No provision. | |
| EDUCD12 | Competency-based adult education programs | | | | |
| R.C. | 3313.902, 3314.38, 3345.86 (all repealed and reenacted), Section 733.20. Repealed: R.C. 3317.036, 3317.23, 3317.231, 3317.24 | R.C. | 3313.902, 3314.38, 3345.86 (all repealed and reenacted), Section 733.20. Repealed: R.C. 3317.036, 3317.23, 3317.231, 3317.24 | R.C. | 3313.902, 3314.38, 3345.86 (all repealed and reenacted), Section 733.20. Repealed: R.C. 3317.036, 3317.23, 3317.231, 3317.24 |
| <p>Eliminates the Adult Diploma Program and 22+ Adult High School Diploma Program.</p> | | Same as the Executive. | | Same as the Executive, but delays the elimination of the Adult Diploma Program and the Adult High School Diploma | |

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| Permits an eligible city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district, community school, community college, state community college, technical college, university branch campus, or Ohio technical center ("provider") to establish a competency-based educational program for eligible individuals to earn a high school diploma. | Same as the Executive. | Program, and the effective date of the competency-based adult education programs, until July 1, 2026. |
| Qualifies individuals who are at least 18 years old, have officially withdrawn from school, and who have not received a high school diploma or certificate of high school equivalence to participate in a competency-based educational program. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but adds the Buckeye United School District operated by DYS and the Ohio Central School System operated by DRC as eligible providers. |
| Requires DEW to award a high school diploma to enrolled individuals who demonstrate competency through specified activities or earn specified course credits. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires providers to report each individual enrolled in a competency-based educational program to DEW. Requires DEW to certify the enrollment and attendance of individuals reported by providers and make a payment to each provider of up to \$7,500 per school year based on the extent of each enrolled individual's successful completion of the program's diploma requirements. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but clarifies that an industry-recognized credential, or group of credentials, in a single career field must meet the criteria established for acceptable industry-recognized credentials and licenses for the purpose of obtaining a high school diploma. |
| Permits a provider to request DEW to permit an eligible individual to enroll in a program for more than the three permitted school years due to a hardship that necessitates additional time to meet the diploma requirements. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires a provider to contact individuals who receive a diploma under a program to collect data on the individual's career and educational outcomes and report that data to DEW. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Authorizes DEW to adopt rules for the programs as necessary, including program standards, requirements for determining amounts paid to providers, and guidelines for approving hardship requests for program participants. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Permits an individual enrolled in the Adult Diploma Program or 22+ Adult High School Diploma Program to either complete that program, so long as the individual completes it by June 30, 2027, or complete a new program established by the bill. Requires DEW to pay an eligible institution or eligible provider as required by the program an individual completes. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$9.8 million in FY 2026 and \$9.9 million in FY 2027 from GRF ALI 200572, Adult Education Programs (see EDUCD2), most of which will be used to support the proposed programs. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but allocates, less specific earmarks, \$9.3 million in FY 2026 and \$9.4 million in FY 2027 to ALI 200572. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House, but delays payments made from GRF ALI 200572, Adult Education Programs, for the new competency-based educational program until FY 2027. |
| EDUCD148 Ohio Code Scholars Program | | R.C. 3313.905, (Repeal and reenact) |
| No provision. | No provision. | Replaces the five-year Ohio Code-Scholar Pilot Program established in 2021 with a permanent program, outlines permissible uses of the appropriation for the program, requires the Director of Development to oversee the allocation and use of the appropriation and permits the DEW Director to establish guidelines to ensure compliance, requires an annual report on the program, and designates the Southern State Community College as the lead entity to expand the program. Fiscal effect: The bill earmarks \$1,000,000 in FY 2026 and \$1,500,000 in FY 2027 from Fund 5A00 ALI 1956H2, Priority Projects, in the Department of Development budget, to support the program (see DEVCD72). |

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| EDUCD145 Interdistrict open enrollment | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 3313.98</div> <div>Exempts a student whose parent is an active duty member of the U.S. Armed Forces stationed in this state from any application deadline established in a school district's interdistrict open enrollment policy.</div> |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>Eliminates a provision that permits a district to adopt a resolution that discourages or prohibits its native students from applying to enroll in an adjacent or other district if that district is receiving federal Impact Aid under a repealed federal law and has at least 10% of its students who would have been included in the aid calculation under that law.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Minimal.</div> |
| EDUCD117 Limit on school district administrative expenses | | |
| No provision. | <div>R.C. 3315.063</div> <div>Prohibits any school district board of education from expending more than 15% of its annual operating budget on administrative salaries and benefits and other costs associated with the district's administrative offices.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: The vast majority of districts appear to be under the limit based on FY 2024 operating expenditures reported by school districts to DEW. For those that are not, the provision may decrease school district operating expenditures if administrative positions are reduced. On the other hand, overall operating expenditures for a district will not decrease if the district responds by shifting resources to other areas like instruction.</div> | <div>R.C. 3315.063</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |

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| EDUCD40 Auxiliary services funding | | |
| R.C. 3317.06 | R.C. 3317.06 | R.C. 3317.06 |
| Permits chartered nonpublic schools to use auxiliary services funding for mental health services. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| No provision. | Allows chartered nonpublic schools to use auxiliary services funds to hire retired Ohio peace officers for security services. | Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| EDUCD115 Student absences to attend a private driver education course | | |
| | R.C. 3321.043 | |
| No provision. | Requires school districts to excuse, up to eight hours (two hours per day for up to four days), the absence of a high school student to attend a private driver education course. Requires school districts to require any student absent from school under these conditions to complete any classroom assignments that the student misses because of the absence. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: None. | |
| EDUCD101 Student transportation using mass transit system | | |
| | R.C. 3327.017, 4511.78 | |
| No provision. | Requires city, local, and exempted village school districts that transport students to and from community or chartered nonpublic schools using a mass transit system with a central transfer hub located in a county ranked in the top eight in population according to the most recent decennial census to ensure that any transfer between routes does not occur at the central hub. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires such a mass transit system that regularly transports students to and from school to ensure that the system has either direct routes available or routes that only require one transfer that is not at their central hub. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Expressly applies the law regarding school districts providing or arranging for the transportation of students using mass transit systems to a municipal school district (the only one of which is the Cleveland Municipal School District). | No provision. |
| No provision. | Permits a community school to purchase mass transit system passes for students in grades 9-12 and certify to DEW the cost of providing those passes if the school district responsible for transporting those students elects to pay for the cost of the passes instead of directly transporting them for a school year. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires DEW to deduct from a school district's state foundation payment the cost of the passes and pay it to the community school if the school elects to purchase passes for students in grades 9-12. Fiscal effect: A portion of pupil transportation payments may shift from school districts to community schools if districts opt to purchase mass transit passes for students. Potential increase in administrative costs for school districts and mass transit system. | No provision. |
| EDUCD134 Multifunction school activity buses | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 3327.08, 3327.10, 4511.01, 4511.75, 4511.76, 4511.77, 4511.771, and 4511.78 Authorizes school districts, chartered nonpublic schools, and community schools to use a multifunction school activity bus (i.e. a school bus without the stop-arms or typical school bus lights) to transport students between school and other school-related functions or activities. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits a multifunction school activity bus from being used for transporting students between school and home or a designated bus stop. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires drivers of multifunction school activity buses to meet all the same standards of a school bus driver. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Authorizes school district boards of education and governing authorities of educational service centers to purchase multifunction school activity buses in the same manner as other school buses. Fiscal effect: Permissive. |
| EDUCD17 School bus safety and driver training | | |
| R.C. 3327.101 | | |
| Requires, by July 1, 2026, employed school bus and motor van drivers to annually complete six hours of in-service training, rather than four hours as under current law. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires DEW to develop the curriculum for the in-service training and approve training providers by that date. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Authorizes the classroom portion of school bus driver recertification training to be conducted online, similar to the online courses for pre-service training and annual in service training under current law. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: The bill increases the earmarked funding from GRF ALI 200502, Pupil Transportation, for bus driver training by \$3.9 million in FY 2027 in large part to support the increased training requirement (see EDUCD6). | | |
| EDUCD116 Transportation network company services for student transportation | | |
| | R.C. 4925.11, 4925.12, 4925.13 | |
| No provision. | Authorizes a board of education or governing authority of a school to enter into a contract with a transportation network company for the transportation of unaccompanied students if the company meets certain conditions. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Authorizes a parent, guardian, resource caregiver, or person over 21 acting in loco parentis of a minor to request an eligible TNC to provide transportation for a minor child unaccompanied by that parent, guardian, or person. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Establishes parameters for company qualifications, driver qualifications, vehicle qualifications and inspections, and active GPS- monitoring during the transportation. Fiscal effect: Permissive. | No provision. |
| EDUCD123 School district operational revenue and expenditure report | | |
| | R.C. 5705.391, (conforming changes in various sections) | R.C. 5705.391, Section 265.660 (conforming changes in various sections) |
| No provision. | Reduces from five to three years the duration for operational revenue and expenditure forecasts school districts are required to develop twice annually. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires the Auditor of State or DEW to examine the projections to determine whether a district has the potential to incur a deficit during the first two years of the three-year period, rather than the first three years of the five-year period as under current law. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires each school district board of education to submit appropriations, revenue, and fund balance assumptions contained in the board's budget for that fiscal year, in addition to projections of expenditures, revenues, and fund balances for the three succeeding fiscal years. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires each district board to submit its current budget information and three-year projections by August 31 of each fiscal year and updated information and projections by the last day of February of that fiscal year. |
| No provision. | No provision. | For FY 2026, requires each school district to make the initial submission of current budget information and three-year projections by October 15, 2025. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires DEW and AOS to jointly adopt rules governing the submission of current budget information and three-year projections. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the rules to specify the information required for the submissions and any additional financial and operating information necessary for the audits and analyses conducted by the auditor of state or the department, including special and federal funds expenditures, revenues, and balances. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Adds current budget information to provisions of law where three-year forecasts are used or required. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires DEW and AOS to label projections regarding property tax allocation as "state reimbursement for property tax credits." |
| | Fiscal effect: May reduce administrative workload for school districts, DEW, and the Auditor of State. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| EDUCD108 Financial Literacy and Workforce Readiness Programming Initiative | | |
| | Section: 265.650 | |
| No provision. | Establishes the Financial Literacy and Workforce Readiness Programming Initiative within DEW to operate in FY 2026 and FY 2027 to prepare the next generation in financial literacy, workforce or career readiness, entrepreneurship and other relevant skills to enter and be competitive in the future economy. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires DEW to distribute funds appropriated for the initiative to the following Junior Achievement affiliate organizations: North Central Ohio, Greater Cleveland, Eastern Ohio, Northwestern Ohio, OKI Partners, and Central Ohio. Requires the organizations to collaborate with local schools, institutions of higher education, local, regional and statewide employers and businesses, subject matter experts, community-based organizations, and other public-private entities or agencies to implement the initiative. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the initiative to do all of the following: | No provision. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) Place emphasis on engagement with students, teachers, and schools primarily located in underserved communities, under-resourced rural areas, or economically disadvantaged populations. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) Increase capacity and resources to each of the participating organizations to provide programming designed to engage more students in the geographic areas of the participating organizations. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) Increase the number of students measurably impacted by the participating organization's services and the number of counties where services are offered. | (3) No provision. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) Assist students in grades 9-12 with direct entry into the workforce, access to higher education, or in-demand job training. | (4) No provision. |
| (5) No provision. | (5) Assist participating students in creating and implementing career pathways. | (5) No provision. |
| (6) No provision. | (6) Strengthen each participating organization's capacity and resources to collectively provide up to 10 student-focused engagement events meeting certain requirements in the northeast and central portions of the state. | (6) No provision. |

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| | Fiscal effect: The bill earmarks \$1.25 million in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 200597, Program and Project Support, to support the program (see EDUCD104). | |
| EDUCD144 Aspire Program transfer | | |
| | | Section: 525.60 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Transfers the administration of the Aspire Program from ODHE to DEW by July 1, 2026 (See BORCD12). |
| No provision. | No provision. | Authorizes the transfer of ODHE employees whose primary duties include administering the program and staff resources used to administer the program to DEW. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Authorizes the OBM Director to make budget and accounting changes to implement the program's transfer. |
| | | Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$6,322,267 in FY 2027 from GRF ALI 200572, Adult Education Programs, to support the program (See EDUCD2 and BORCD12). |
| EDUCD112 Pupil Transportation Pilot Program | | |
| | Section: 620.10, 620.11 | Section: 620.10, 620.11 |
| No provision. | Amends Section 265.550 of H.B. 33 of the 135th G.A. to extend to FY 2026 and FY 2027 the operation of the Montgomery County Pupil Transportation Pilot Program, under which an educational service center provides transportation to qualifying students in lieu of the students receiving transportation from their resident school district. | Same as the House, but only extends the operation of the program to FY 2026. |
| No provision. | Requires DEW to evaluate the program and report its findings by September 15, 2027. | Same as the House, but changes the date by which DEW must complete the evaluation and report to September 15, 2026. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Permits the educational service center (ESC) serving the Montgomery County Pupil Transportation Pilot Program to transport a student to and from that student's place of employment, in addition to a student's place of residence. |

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| | Fiscal effect: The bill earmarks \$250,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 200502, Pupil Transportation, to support the pilot program (see EDUCD6). | Fiscal effect: Same as the House, but earmarks \$250,000 in FY 2026 only (EDUCD6). |
| EDUCD98 Transportation workgroup | | |
| | R.C. 3327.18 | Section: 733.80 |
| No provision. | Requires the DEW Director to establish a workgroup on student transportation to annually monitor and review the student transportation system and develop recommendations for changes to better meet the transportation needs of Ohio students. | Same as the House, but requires the workgroup to monitor and review student transportation system during the 2025-2026 school year only. |
| No provision. | Requires the workgroup to consist of members selected by the Director, including representatives from the following: (1) the chairpersons of the House and Senate committees that primarily consider primary and secondary education legislation; (2) the ranking members of those committees; (3) school districts from rural, small town, suburban, and urban typologies; (4) career-technical education centers; (5) educational service centers; (6) community schools; (7) chartered nonpublic schools; and (8) the Ohio Association for Pupil Transportation. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the transportation workgroup to conduct a study of and develop recommendations regarding the feasibility of a school district to transport students enrolled in a community school or nonpublic school on days that the community school or nonpublic school is open for operation with students in attendance but the school district is not. |
| No provision. | Requires the workgroup to submit a report on its findings to the Governor and General Assembly by June 30, 2026, and annually thereafter. | Same as the House, but requires the workgroup to disband following the report's submission, rather than generally monitoring and reviewing the system and issuing an annual report. |

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| | Fiscal effect: May increase DEW administrative costs to support the workgroup's activities. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House, but only for FY 2026. |
| <u>Appropriation Language</u> | | |
| EDUCD73 Academic Standards | | |
| Section: 265.70 | Section: 265.70 | Section: 265.70 |
| Makes the following earmarks from GRF ALI 200427, Academic Standards: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes to the earmarks: | No provision. |
| (1) Up to \$1,000,000 in FY 2026 to develop an integrated model curriculum that includes English language arts, social studies, and civics education, including support for content, instruction, and assessment. | (1) Same as the Executive, but decreases the earmark to \$500,000 in FY 2026. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) Up to \$500,000 in FY 2027 to develop and deploy professional learning for successful implementation of the integrated model curriculum to be delivered through the learning management system and regional partners. | (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. |
| Requires the remainder of the ALI be used to develop and communicate academic content standards and curriculum models to school districts and to develop professional development programs and other tools on those standards and curricula. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but requires all of the ALI to be used for this purpose. |
| EDUCD74 Student Assessment | | |
| Section: 265.80 | Section: 265.80 | Section: 265.80 |
| Earmarks up to \$622,713 each fiscal year from GRF ALI 200437, Student Assessment, to reimburse a portion of the costs associated with Advanced Placement and College-Level Examination Program tests for low-income students. Requires districts and schools to pay the remainder of the costs using other funds if the funds provided through this set-aside and federal funds are not sufficient to cover the costs of the exams. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Requires the remainder of the ALI to be used for the costs of state achievement assessments and similar purposes. Permits these funds to be used to update and develop diagnostic assessments for students in grades K-3 and readiness assessments for students in grades 3 and higher. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Permits the OBM Director to transfer the available balance of other GRF ALIs in DEW's budget to this ALI if the DEW Director indicates to the OBM Director that additional funds are needed to fully fund mandated assessments. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but requires Controlling Board approval before the OBM Director may transfer available balances. |
| EDUCD91 Educator and Principal Preparation | | |
| Section: 265.110 | Section: 265.110 | Section: 265.110 |
| Makes the following earmarks of GRF ALI 200448, Educator and Principal Preparation: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: | Same as the House, but makes the following changes: |
| (1) Up to \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year to support the Principal Apprenticeship Program (see EDUCD55). Permits awards of the program to be used by recipients for award-related expenses according to DEW guidelines. | (1) No provision. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) Up to \$1,612,500 in each fiscal year for DEW, in consultation with ODVS, to support the Ohio Military Veterans Educator Program. Permits the program to do all of the following: | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (a) Administer a grant program for higher education institutions for financial incentives and assistance for military individuals to enroll or complete an educator preparation program; | (a) Same as the Executive. | (a) Same as the Executive. |
| (b) Subsidize costs for military individuals to complete college coursework or professional development in order to obtain an alternative military educator license or to advance to a professional license; | (b) Same as the Executive. | (b) Same as the Executive. |

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| (c) Provide funds to public schools, educational service centers, and county boards of developmental disabilities supporting recruitment of eligible military individuals; | (c) Same as the Executive. | (c) Same as the Executive. |
| (d) Reimburse public schools, educational service centers, and county boards of developmental disabilities that pay financial bonuses to eligible military individuals who complete at least one year of employment with the school; and | (d) Same as the Executive. | (d) Same as the Executive. |
| (e) In consultation with ODVS, establish and support the Ohio Military Veteran Educators Fellowship Pilot Program. | (e) Same as the Executive. | (e) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) Up to \$350,993 in FY 2026 and \$364,254 in FY 2027 for DEW to monitor and support Ohio's State System of Support under federal law. | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) Same as the Executive. |
| (4) \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year to support Teach for America. | (4) Same as the Executive. | (4) No provision. |
| (5) No provision. | (5) Up to \$250,000 in each fiscal year to support the SmartOhio Financial Literacy Program at the University of Cincinnati. | (5) No provision. |
| (6) \$200,000 in each fiscal year to support FASTER Saves Lives training for selected school staff. | (6) Same as the Executive. | (6) Same as the Executive. |
| Permits recipients to use awards for award-related expenses for up to two years from the date of the award. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| EDUCD125 STEM Initiatives | | |
| No provision. | Section: 265.125 Requires GRF ALI 200457, STEM Initiatives, to be distributed to the Alliance for Working Together Foundation to expand STEAM to Career programming for youth and adult students. | No provision. |
| EDUCD5 Education Technology Resources | | |
| Section: 265.130 | Section: 265.130 | Section: 265.130 |
| Makes the following earmarks to GRF ALI 200465, Education Technology Resources: | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: |

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| <p>(1) Up to \$2,500,000 in each fiscal year for the Union Catalog and InfoOhio Network to support the provision of electronic resources with priority given to resources that support the teaching of state academic content standards in all public schools and resources in support of Ohio's Plan to Raise Literacy Achievement. Requires DEW to consider coordinating the allocation of these moneys with the efforts of Libraries Connect Ohio, whose members include OhioLINK, the Ohio Public Information Network, and the State Library of Ohio.</p> | <p>(1) Same as the Executive.</p> | <p>(1) Same as the Executive.</p> |
| <p>(2) Up to \$1,778,879 in each fiscal year to provide grants to educational television stations working with partner education technology centers to provide public schools with instructional resources and services aligned with state academic content standards. Requires that such resources and services be based upon the advice and approval of DEW, based on a formula developed in consultation with educational television stations and educational technology centers.</p> | <p>(2) Same as the Executive.</p> | <p>(2) No provision.</p> |
| <p>Requires that the remainder be used to support the training, technical support, guidance, and assistance with compliance reporting to school districts and public libraries applying for federal E-Rate funds; for oversight and guidance of school district technology plans; for support to district technology personnel; and for support of the development, maintenance, and operation of a network of computer-based information and instructional systems.</p> | <p>Same as the Executive.</p> | <p>No provision.</p> |
| <p>EDUCD6 Pupil Transportation</p> <p>Section: 265.150</p> <p>Makes the following earmarks to GRF ALI 200502, Pupil Transportation:</p> | <p>Section: 265.150</p> <p>Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes:</p> | <p>Section: 265.150</p> <p>Same as the House, but makes the following changes:</p> |

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| <p>(1) Up to \$1,088,930 in FY 2026 and up to \$4,988,930 in FY 2027 for DEW to support training for prospective and experienced school bus drivers (see EDUCD17) and to expand access to advanced driver training for school bus drivers. Permits a portion of these funds to also be used to pay costs associated with enrolling bus drivers in the Retained Applicant Fingerprint Database (RAPBACK) continuous criminal record monitoring service.</p> <p>(2) Up to \$176,897,678 in FY 2026 and \$194,820,866 in FY 2027 for special education transportation reimbursements to school districts, ESCs, and county DD boards (see EDUCD87).</p> <p>(3) No provision.</p> <p>(4) No provision.</p> <p>Requires that the remainder of the appropriation be used for pupil transportation formula payments.</p> <p>Requires a school district, if the person in charge of a pupil accepts the offer of payment in lieu of providing transportation, to pay that person not less than 50% and not more than the average cost of pupil transportation for the previous school year as determined by DEW.</p> | <p>(1) Same as the Executive, but decreases the earmark in FY 2027 to \$1,088,930 and removes the express authority for DEW to use the earmark for the additional school bus driver training in EDUCD17 (removed by the House) and to expand access to advanced bus driver training.</p> <p>(2) Same as the Executive, but decreases the earmark to \$172,897,678 in FY 2026 and \$183,820,866 in FY 2027 (see EDUCD87) and makes conforming changes in recognition of the temporary provisions in the House school funding plan (see EDUCD26).</p> <p>(3) Up to \$450,000 in each fiscal year to support the Rural Transportation Grant Program (see EDUCD122).</p> <p>(4) Up to \$250,000 in each fiscal year to support the Montgomery County Pupil Transportation Pilot Program established in Section 265.550 of H.B. 33 of the 135th G.A (see EDUCD112).</p> <p>Same as the Executive, but requires the remainder to be used to distribute formula aid generally under the temporary provisions in the House school funding plan (see EDUCD26).</p> <p>Same as the Executive.</p> | <p>(1) Same as the House.</p> <p>(2) Same as the Executive.</p> <p>(3) No provision.</p> <p>(4) Same as the House, but limits the earmark to \$250,000 in FY 2026 (see EDUCD112).</p> <p>Same as the Executive.</p> <p>Same as the Executive.</p> |
| <p>EDUCD93 Special Education Enhancements</p> <p>Section: 265.190</p> <p>Makes the following earmarks from GRF ALI 200540, Special Education Enhancements:</p> | <p>Section: 265.190</p> <p>Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes:</p> | <p>Section: 265.190</p> <p>Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes to the earmarks:</p> |

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| <p>(1) Up to \$33,945,594 in each fiscal year to fund special education and related services for school-age children at county DD boards and state institutions (see EDUCD90). Requires that DEW reduce the calculated amounts proportionately if the earmark is not sufficient.</p> <p>(2) Up to \$1,350,000 in each fiscal year for parent mentoring programs.</p> <p>(3) Up to \$3,000,000 in each fiscal year for school psychology interns.</p> <p>(4) Up to \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year to be used by DEW to build capacity to deliver a regional system of training, support, coordination, and direct service for secondary transition services for students with disabilities beginning at age 14.</p> <p>Requires DEW to use the remainder of the ALI to distribute preschool special education funding for school districts and state institutions (see EDUCD88).</p> <p>Requires school districts, ESCs, county DD boards, and institutions serving preschool children with disabilities to adhere to Ohio's early learning program standards, to participate in and be rated through the Step Up to Quality program, to document child progress using research-based indicators, and to report results annually.</p> | <p>(1) Same as the Executive, but makes conforming changes in recognition of the temporary provisions in the House school funding plan (see EDUCD26).</p> <p>(2) Same as the Executive.</p> <p>(3) Same as the Executive.</p> <p>(4) Same as the Executive.</p> <p>Same as the Executive, but also prohibits a school district's preschool special education payments in FY 2026 and 2027 from being less than a district received in FY 2025 (see EDUCD88) and makes conforming changes in recognition of the temporary provisions in the House school funding plan (see EDUCD26).</p> <p>Same as the Executive.</p> | <p>(1) Same as the Executive.</p> <p>(2) Same as the Executive.</p> <p>(3) Same as the Executive.</p> <p>(4) No provision. (Funding for this purpose is provided under GRF ALI 415506, Services for Individuals with Disabilities (see OODCD8).)</p> <p>Same as the Executive.</p> <p>Replaces the Executive provision with a provision that requires school districts that serve preschool special education students and either receive Early Childhood Education Grant Program funds or provide publicly funded child care, ESCs, county DD boards, and institutions serving preschool children with disabilities to adhere to the Step Up to Quality program.</p> |
| <p>EDUCD58 Career-Technical Education Enhancements</p> <p>Section: 265.200</p> <p>Makes the following earmarks to GRF ALI 200545, Career-Technical Education Enhancements:</p> | <p>Section: 265.200</p> <p>Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes to the earmarks:</p> | <p>Section: 265.200</p> <p>Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes to the earmarks:</p> |

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| (1) Up to \$16,325,000 in each fiscal year for career awareness and exploration funds (see EDUCD20). Requires DEW to prorate the awards if the earmark is not sufficient. | (1) No provision. | (1) Same as the Executive, but decreases the earmark to up to \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year (see EDUCD20). |
| (2) Up to \$2,563,000 in each fiscal year to fund grants for secondary career-technical education at correctional institutions and Ohio Deaf and Blind Education Services. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) Up to \$9,600,000 in each fiscal year for DEW to fund competitive grants to tech prep regional centers that expand the number of students with access to career-technical education. Requires the grants to be used to directly support career services provided to students enrolled in school districts, community and STEM schools, and affiliated higher educations, including the purchase of equipment. | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) Replaces the Executive provision with a provision that earmarks up to \$4,000,000 in each fiscal year for competitive grants to an entity in each of the seven JobsOhio regions to expand the number of students with access to career-technical education, to support technical assistance to schools and districts in the provision and expansion of career-technical education, to provide mentoring and career planning and advising to students, and to support adults who have a high school diploma but have never enrolled in post-secondary education and allows the grants to be used by recipients for award-related expenses for a period of up to two years from the date of the award. |
| (4) Up to \$600,000 in each fiscal year to fund the Agriculture 5th Quarter Project. | (4) Same as the Executive. | (4) Same as the Executive. |
| (5) Up to \$650,000 in each fiscal year to support career planning and reporting through the OhioMeansJobs website. | (5) Same as the Executive. | (5) Same as the Executive, but decreases the earmark to up to \$500,000 in each fiscal year. |
| (6) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for the Ohio ProStart school restaurant program. | (6) Same as the Executive. | (6) Same as the Executive. |
| (7) No provision. | (7) \$150,000 in each fiscal year for the Fairfield County Workforce Center to support pre-apprenticeship program costs, including those for instructors, certification exams, books, software licenses, and tools needed for students. | (7) No provision. |
| (8) No provision. | (8) \$100,000 in each fiscal year for Tech Corps to support career-connected rural computer science programming. | (8) No provision. |

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| (9) No provision. | (9) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for DEW, in partnership with the Department of Higher Education, to fund grants supporting early childhood to post-secondary regional partnerships that connect education and the workforce. Requires grants to be awarded using a formula to be determined by DEW. | (9) No provision. |
| EDUCD56 Foundation Funding - All Students | | |
| Section: 265.210 | Section: 265.210 | Section: 265.210 |
| Makes the following earmarks from GRF ALI 200550, Foundation Funding - All Students: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: | Same as the House, but makes the following changes: |
| (1) An amount calculated by DEW in each fiscal year from formula aid to traditional school districts, JVSDs, and community and STEM schools for a payment to support exceptionally high costs associated with individual special education students. | (1) Same as the Executive, but makes conforming changes in recognition of the temporary provisions in the House school funding plan (see EDUCD26). | (1) Same as the Executive. |
| (2) Up to \$5,733,404 in each fiscal year for gifted education at educational service centers (ESCs), distributed through the unit-based methodology in place prior to FY 2010. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) Up to \$49,152,105 in FY 2026 and up to \$51,023,465 in FY 2027 for operational reimbursement of ESCs (see EDUCD89). | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) Same as the Executive. |
| (4) Up to \$3,500,000 in each fiscal year to ESCs for school improvement initiatives and to provide technical assistance to schools and districts. Permits DEW to distribute these funds through competitive grants. | (4) Same as the Executive. | (4) Same as the Executive. |
| (5) Up to \$7,000,000 in each fiscal year for power plant valuation adjustments (see EDUCD59). Allows the DEW Director to reallocate excess funds from other purposes in ALI 200550 if this earmark is insufficient. | (5) Same as the Executive. | (5) Same as the Executive. |
| (6) Up to \$12,400,000 in FY 2026 and up to \$12,800,000 in FY 2027 for the administration of state scholarship programs. | (6) Same as the Executive. | (6) Same as the Executive, but decreases the earmark to up to \$10,400,000 in FY 2026 and up to \$10,800,000 in FY 2027. |

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| (7) Up to \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year for the Cleveland Municipal School District to provide tutorial assistance. Requires CMSD to report the use of these funds in its three-year continuous improvement plan. | (7) Same as the Executive. | (7) Same as the Executive. |
| (8) Up to \$3,000,000 in each fiscal year for payment of the College Credit Plus Program for home-educated students. | (8) Same as the Executive. | (8) Same as the Executive, but increases the earmark to up to \$3,500,000 in each fiscal year. |
| (9) An amount in each fiscal year for payment of formula aid to JVSDs (see EDUCD28). | (9) No provision. (Payments to JVSDs, however, will be made from the remainder of ALI 200550 used to distribute formula aid, in recognition of the temporary provisions in the House school funding plan. See EDUCD28.) | (9) Same as the Executive. |
| (10) Up to \$700,000 in each fiscal year for a program to pay for educational services for youth assigned by a juvenile court or other authorized agency to a facility in the Private Treatment Facility Project (see EDUCD69). | (10) Same as the Executive. | (10) Same as the Executive. |
| (11) An amount to pay college-preparatory boarding schools a per-pupil boarding amount. | (11) Same as the Executive. | (11) Same as the Executive. |
| (12) Up to \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year for duties and activities related to the establishment of academic distress commissions, to provide support and assistance to academic distress commissions, and to provide technical assistance and tools to support districts subject to academic distress commissions. | (12) Same as the Executive. | (12) No provision. |
| (13) Up to \$1,500,000 in each fiscal year for the Ohio STEM Learning Network to support the expansion of free STEM programming aligned to Ohio's STEM priorities, to create regional STEM supports targeting underserved student populations, and to support the Ohio STEM Committee's STEM school designation process. | (13) Same as the Executive. | (13) Same as the Executive. |
| (14) Up to \$1,500,000 in each fiscal year for the Stay in the Game! Network and efforts to reduce chronic absenteeism. | (14) Same as the Executive. | (14) No provision. |

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| (15) No provision. | (15) Up to \$750,000 in FY 2026 to make payments for the Aim Higher Pilot Program (see EDUCD109). | (15) Same as the House. |
| Requires the remainder of the ALI to be used to distribute formula aid to schools. | Same as the Executive, but makes conforming changes in recognition of the temporary provisions in the House school funding plan (see EDUCD26 and EDUCD29). | Same as the Executive. |
| Establishes that the primary purpose of GRF ALIs 200502, Pupil Transportation, and 200550 Foundation Funding - All Students, other than specific set-asides, is to pay state formula aid obligations to public schools and state scholarship programs. Requires the DEW Director to seek approval from the OBM Director to transfer appropriations if necessary to meet state formula aid obligations. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Authorizes the payment of school operating funds in amounts substantially equal to those made in the prior year until changes to the school funding formulas take effect. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| EDUCD2 Adult Education Programs | | |
| Section: 265.260 | Section: 265.260 | Section: 265.260 |
| Requires a portion of GRF ALI 200572, Adult Education Programs, to be used to make payments for competency-based adult education (see EDUCD12). | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but delays payments made from GRF ALI 200572, Adult Education Programs, for the new competency-based educational program until FY 2027 (See EDUCD12). |

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| Requires career-technical planning districts (CTPDs) to reimburse first-time takers of a nationally recognized high school equivalency examination approved by DEW for application or examination fees in excess of \$40, up to a maximum reimbursement of \$80. Requires each CTPD to designate a site or sites where individuals may register and take an approved examination and to offer career counseling services for each individual that registers for the examination. Permits a portion of the ALI to reimburse the Department of Youth Services and the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction for individuals in these facilities who have taken the approved examination for the first time. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Permits DEW to encumber any unexpended funds in each fiscal year, which remain available for payment within two years of the fiscal year in which the funds were originally appropriated. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$7,083,000 in FY 2027 from GRF ALI 200572, Adult Education, to support the Aspire program, which supports adult basic and literacy education instructional programs. Requires that supported programs satisfy the state match and maintenance of effort requirements for the state-administered grant program. Authorizes funds to be used to support students that speak English as their second language. (FY 2026 funding for this purpose is provided under GRF ALI 235443, Aspire - State, in the Department of Higher Education budget (see BORCD12).) | Same as the House, but decreases the earmark to \$6,322,267 in FY 2027. |
| Requires a portion of the ALI to be used for program administration, technical assistance, support, research, and evaluation of adult education programs, including high school equivalency examinations approved by DEW. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| EDUCD80 Half-Mill Maintenance Equalization | | |
| Section: 265.270 Requires GRF ALI 200574, Half-Mill Maintenance Equalization, to be used to make payments under the Half- Mill Maintenance Equalization Program, which provides funds to equalize below average per-pupil tax revenues from the one-half mill levy required of districts to help pay for maintenance costs of new or renovated buildings financed through the Classroom Facilities Assistance Program. | Section: 265.270 Same as the Executive. | Section: 265.270 Same as the Executive, but requires DEW to prorate the payments if the appropriation is insufficient. |
| EDUCD64 Adaptive Sports Program | | |
| Section: 265.270 Requires GRF ALI 200576, Adaptive Sports Program, to be used by DEW, in collaboration with the Adaptive Sports Program of Ohio, to fund the following: (1) Adaptive sports programs in school districts across the state. (2) Intercollegiate adaptive athletics programs that provide opportunities for competitive wheelchair and adaptive sports to postsecondary students with disabilities. | Section: 265.270 Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: (1) Same as the Executive. (2) No provision. | Section: 265.270 Same as the House. (1) Same as the Executive. (2) No provision. |
| EDUCD104 Program and Project Support | | |
| No provision. (1) No provision. (2) No provision. | Section: 265.275 Makes the following earmarks to GRF ALI 200597, Program and Project Support: (1) \$1,250,000 in each fiscal year for the Financial Literacy and Workforce Readiness Programming Initiative (see EDUCD108). (2) \$400,000 in each fiscal year for the Girl Scout Councils of Ohio to support the Trailblazers in Training: Preparing Girls for Tomorrow's Workforce program. | No provision. (1) No provision. (2) No provision. |

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| (3) No provision. | (3) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for the National Inventors Hall of Fame to expand STEM summer learning opportunities for students in grades K-6. Requires the funds to support the enrollment of economically disadvantaged students at Camp Invention sites. | (3) No provision. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for the Stark Education Partnership to support the Stark County Career Connected Learning program. Requires the funds to assist participating Stark County schools in providing career counselors or career champions for all students and for the purchase and implementation of YouScience career assessments. | (4) No provision. |
| (5) No provision. | (5) \$150,000 in each fiscal year for the Ohio Valley Youth Network to support its Sycamore Youth Center Education Enrichment and Life Skills After Schools Program. | (5) No provision. |
| (6) No provision. | (6) \$50,000 in each fiscal year for Shoes 4 the Shoeless to provide shoes and socks to children in need. | (6) No provision. |
| (7) No provision. | (7) \$50,000 in each fiscal year for The Legacy Project of Stark to support personnel, materials, and program expansion costs associated with its school-based mentoring program. | (7) No provision. |
| (8) No provision. | (8) \$400,000 in FY 2026 for the Showers Family Foundation to support the high school education of students with multiple disabilities, including Autism and Down Syndrome. Requires the Foundation to provide a local match of the same amount to receive the state funds. | (8) No provision. |
| EDUCD65 Medicaid in Schools Program | | |
| Section: 265.280 | | |
| Requires that GRF ALI 657401, Medicaid in Schools Program, be used by DEW to support the Medicaid in Schools Program. | No provision. (Funding for this purpose is provided under GRF ALI 651425, Medicaid Program Support - State, in the Ohio Department of Medicaid budget (see MCDCD50).) | No provision. (Funding for this purpose is provided under GRF ALI 651425, Medicaid Program Support - State, in the Ohio Department of Medicaid budget (see MCDCD50).) |

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| EDUCD139 Education demonstration projects | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 265.287, 512.10 Requires Fund 5DA1 ALI 2006B1, Education Demonstration Projects, to be used to support grants for primary education-related demonstration projects. Requires DEW to develop application procedures and guidelines for awarding the grants and advertise for proposals from organizations with a demonstrated record of increased student achievement or improved test results. Requires DEW to begin distributing the grants by January 1, 2026. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$50,000,000 cash in FY 2026 from the GRF to the new Education Demonstration Projects Fund (Fund 5DA1). |
| EDUCD8 School District Solvency Assistance | | |
| Section: 265.290 Requires that Fund 5H30 ALI 200687, School District Solvency Assistance, be used to provide assistance and grants to school districts to enable them to remain solvent. Requires that assistance and grants be subject to approval of the Controlling Board. | Section: 265.290 Same as the Executive. | Section: 265.290 Same as the Executive. |
| Permits the OBM Director, upon the request of the DEW Director, to transfer cash into the School District Solvency Assistance Fund (Fund 5H30) in each fiscal year from the GRF or any funds used by DEW to maintain a sufficient cash balance in the fund. Appropriates any funds so transferred. Requires the OBM Director to notify the Controlling Board of any such transfers. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but requires Controlling Board approval before the OBM Director may transfer cash instead of requiring the OBM Director to notify the Controlling Board of any such transfers. |

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| EDUCD60 Foundation Funding - All Students and GRF cash transfer to Fund 5VS0 | | |
| Section: 265.300, 512.10 | Section: 265.300, 512.10 | Section: 265.300, 512.10 |
| Requires Fund 5VS0 ALI 200604, Foundation Funding - All Students, to be used in conjunction with GRF ALI 200550, Foundation Funding - All Students, and Fund 7017 ALI 200612, Foundation Funding - All Students, to distribute DPIA and the portions of the state share of the base cost attributable to student wellness and success. | Same as the Executive, but requires ALI 200604 to be used to distribute formula aid generally under the temporary provisions in the House school funding plan (see EDUCD26). | Same as the Executive. |
| Allows the OBM Director to transfer \$600,000,000 cash in each fiscal year from the GRF to the Foundation Funding - All Students Fund (Fund 5VS0). | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| EDUCD61 Public and Nonpublic Education Support | | |
| Section: 265.310 | Section: 265.310 | Section: 265.310 |
| Requires Fund 5Y00 ALI 200491, Public and Nonpublic Education Support, to be used in conjunction with GRF ALI 200550, Foundation Funding - All Students, to distribute formula aid to schools. | Same as the Executive, but makes conforming changes in recognition of the temporary provisions in the House school funding plan (see EDUCD26). | Same as the Executive. |
| EDUCD10 School Bus Safety | | |
| Section: 265.320 | Section: 265.320 | |
| Requires that Fund 7017 ALI 200413, School Bus Safety, be used to support a school bus safety grant program, as recommended by the Governor's School Bus Safety Working Group and in accordance with guidelines established by DEW. Requires specific safety features to be informed by the Working Group and in consultation with the Department of Public Safety. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Requires DEW to create an application for eligible applicants to request funds. Requires applicants to provide details on the funding amount, number of buses affected, and specific safety improvements. Requires DEW to apply a measure of local capacity in determining grant allocations and permits DEW to set minimum or maximum funding limits. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires eligible applicants to use school bus safety grant funds for repairs, replacements, or adding safety features to active buses, or for enhancements when purchasing new buses. Prohibits funds from being used for buses not owned by the applicant. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Defines "eligible applicant" as any of the following entities that provide transportation services: (1) a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district; (2) a community school; (3) a STEM school; (4) a county board of developmental disabilities; or (5) a chartered nonpublic school. | Same as the Executive, but adds educational service centers to the list of eligible applicants. | No provision. |
| EDUCD62 Foundation Funding - All Students - Lottery | | |
| Section: 265.330 | Section: 265.330 | Section: 265.330 |
| Requires Fund 7017 ALI 200612, Foundation Funding - All Students, to be used in conjunction with GRF ALI 200550, Foundation Funding - All Students, to distribute formula aid to schools. | Same as the Executive, but makes conforming changes in recognition of the temporary provisions in the House school funding plan (see EDUCD26). | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires DEW, with the approval of the OBM Director, to determine the monthly distribution schedules of these ALIs and requires DEW to make any necessary adjustments to the schedule with the approval of the OBM Director. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| EDUCD81 Quality Community and Independent STEM Schools Support | | |
| Section: 265.350 | Section: 265.350 | Section: 265.350 |
| Requires Fund 7017 ALI 200631, Quality Community and Independent STEM Schools Support, to be distributed for the Quality Community School Support and the Quality Independent STEM School Support programs (see EDUCD31). | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Authorizes, upon request of the Director of DEW and approval of the Controlling Board, the appropriation of additional amounts needed to support payments if the amount appropriated is insufficient. | Same as the Executive. | Replaces the Executive provision with a provision requiring DEW to prorate payments if the appropriation is insufficient. |
| EDUCD63 Lottery Profits Education Reserve Fund | | |
| Section: 265.370 | Section: 265.370 | Section: 265.370 |
| Creates the Lottery Profits Education Reserve Fund (Fund 7018) in the State Treasury and requires investment earnings of the fund to be credited to the fund. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but redirects investment earnings to the GRF (see OBMCD53). |
| Permits the OBM Director to transfer cash from Fund 7018 to the Lottery Profits Education Fund (Fund 7017) in each fiscal year. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the Ohio Lottery Commission Director, on July 15 of each fiscal year, to certify to the OBM Director the amount by which lottery profit transfers received by Fund 7017 exceeded \$1,440,000,000 in FY 2025 and \$1,462,000,000 in FY 2026, respectively. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but requires the Ohio Lottery Commission Director to certify the amount by which lottery profits transfers exceed \$1,465,138,202 in FY 2026. |
| Allows the OBM Director to transfer cash in excess of the amounts necessary to support appropriations in Fund 7017 from that fund to Fund 7018. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| EDUCD100 Student support and academic enrichment | | |
| | Section: 265.375 | Section: 265.375 |
| No provision. | Allows school districts, in accordance with state objectives and federal grant requirements, to use funds from FED Fund 3HI0 ALI 200634 to do the following: | Same as the House. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) Provide a well-rounded education, including emphasis on numeracy and the science of reading. | (1) Same as the House. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) Provide a safe and drug-free learning environment and healthy students through use of the "Success Sequence" as provided by Ohio Adolescent Health Centers. | (2) Same as the House. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) Promote the effective use of technology through use of the "Success Sequence" as provided by Ohio Adolescent Health Centers. | (3) Same as the House. |

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| SBECD2 State Board of Education membership | | |
| | R.C. 3301.01, 3301.02, 3301.03, and 3301.06; 3513.259 (repealed); Section 801.230; various other sections making conforming changes | |
| No provision. | Reduces State Board of Education (SBE) membership from eight members appointed by the Governor and 11 elected members to a total of five members appointed by the Governor. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Abolishes the offices of the elected SBE members upon expiration of their current terms or a vacancy in their offices and the offices of the first three appointed members whose terms expire or who vacate their offices. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Modifies the representation requirements for appointed SBE members to require at least one member to represent each of a rural, suburban, and urban school district, a community school, and a chartered nonpublic school. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Changes criteria for determining whether absences lead to a vacancy in SBE from two consecutive absences from regular SBE meetings for reasons that are declared insufficient by a vote of 12 members to three consecutive absences from regular meetings for any reason. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Eliminates all requirements regarding the election of SBE members. Fiscal effect: Decrease in SBE board member compensation costs reaching roughly \$50,000 annually once the SBE falls to five members. SBE members are paid \$32.02 per hour for the performance of official duties. In 2024, SBE board members received an average of about \$3,500 in compensation. SBE members also receive travel reimbursements, which will decrease to some degree as well. | No provision. |

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| SBECD7 | School district territory transfers | | R.C. 3311.242 |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Requires SBE to approve a proposed school district territory transfer if: |
| (1) No provision. | | (1) No provision. | (1) The territory is being transferred to an adjacent school district; |
| (2) No provision. | | (2) No provision. | (2) The district from which the territory is being transferred has received an overall performance rating of less than two stars for two or more consecutive school years; and |
| (3) No provision. | | (3) No provision. | (3) No party opposing the proposed transfer has presented to the SBE clear and convincing evidence that any information used to facilitate the transfer is incorrect or inaccurate. |
| | | | Fiscal effect: Some districts may gain territory and some may lose territory. May shift district tax revenues, expenditures, other resources, and indebtedness, and may affect state foundation aid. Fiscal effects will depend on the circumstances of the transfers and the affected districts. May increase the administrative costs of the affected districts and SBE to carry out clerical procedures related to a territory transfer. Currently, one school district, Jefferson Township Local School District in Montgomery County, meets the report card criteria based on the report cards for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years. |

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| SBECD5 | Computer science teacher licensure - waiver | R.C. 3313.6033, (codifying Section 733.61 of H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly), 3319.236 | R.C. 3313.6033, (codifying Section 733.61 of H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly), 3319.236 |
| | | Makes permanent an exception set to expire after the 2024-2025 school year that permits a licensed teacher who completes specified professional development to teach computer science without otherwise being licensed in that subject area. Fiscal effect: May provide public schools with a greater pool of individuals to teach computer science courses on an ongoing basis. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| SBECD6 | School counselor professional development in building trades | R.C. 3319.2213, (repealed) | |
| | | Eliminates law that requires: (1) SBE to enter into an agreement with a construction trade organization located in Ohio, such as affiliated construction trades (ACT) Ohio, or its successor organization, to develop a mandatory training program to educate school counselors on building and construction trades career pathways; and (2) each licensed school counselor serving students in grades 7-12 to complete four hours of that training every five years. Fiscal effect: None apparent. According to SBE, it has entered into a memorandum of understanding with Affiliated Construction Trades Ohio Foundation (ACT Ohio) to develop the training program. ACT Ohio bears all costs associated with the training. | No provision. |

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| SBECD4 Alternative Resident Educator License | R.C. 3319.263 | R.C. 3319.263 |
| No provision. | Eliminates the July 1, 2028, sunset date for the prohibition on the SBE limiting the subject areas for which an alternative resident educator license is issued. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| SBECD3 State Board of Education funding | R.C. 3319.51, 4743.05, Section 263.20 | R.C. 3319.51, 4743.05, Section 263.20 |
| No provision. | Abolishes the State Board of Education Licensure Fund (Fund 4L20). | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires SBE's operating expenses to be paid primarily from, and the license, certificate, or permit fees it collects to be paid into, the Occupational Licensing and Regulatory Fund (Fund 4K90). | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires SBE to establish license, certificate, or permit fee amounts that, along with any appropriations made by the General Assembly, will be enough to cover its annual estimated operating expenses, instead of just the cost of administering SBE's licensure system as under current law. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Transfers, on July 1, 2025, or as soon as possible thereafter, the cash balance of Fund 4L20 to Fund 4K90 and abolishes Fund 4L20. Requires the OBM Director to cancel any existing encumbrances against Fund 4L20 ALI 210600, Operating Expenses, and reestablish them against Fund 4K90 ALI 210602, Operating Expenses, and appropriates the reestablished encumbrance amounts. | Same as the House. |

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| | Fiscal effect: May provide greater financial stability for SBE, as Fund 4K90 serves as a shared operating fund for many occupational licensing and regulatory boards and commissions. Fund 4K90 is supported by license fees, fines, penalties, and other assessments deposited by the boards and commission that use the fund. In addition, shifts, from the GRF to Fund 4K90, \$2.0 million each fiscal year that the Executive budget appropriated for SBE's expenses associated with RAPBACK, a continuous criminal record monitoring service for Ohio educators. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| ELCCD3 | Campaign finance law | | R.C. 102.08, (enacted), 3517.01, 3517.08, 3517.10, 3517.102, 3517.105, 3517.106, 3517.107, 3517.1010 (enacted), 3517.1011, 3517.121, 3517.13, 3517.152 (3517.14), 3517.992 (3517.99), 3599.03, 3921.22, 4123.442, 4503.03; Section 525.50 |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Eliminates prohibitions against a corporation or labor organization making an independent expenditure regarding a candidate. |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Eliminates dollar limits on contributions to entities that make only independent expenditures. |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Prohibits a political action committee (PAC) or political contributing entity (PCE) that accepts a contribution from a corporation or labor organization from then making a contribution to any entity other than one that makes only independent expenditures. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | <p>Requires a corporation or labor organization that makes independent expenditures to report its expenditures in the same manner as other political entities by doing all of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Expanding and clarifying the definition of a PCE to include any entity that makes contributions or expenditures and that is not an individual, a campaign committee, a political party, a legislative campaign fund, or a PAC.- Allowing an unincorporated business to continue to make contributions in the names of its individual partners, owners, or members, instead of classifying the entity as a PCE.- Changing the definition of an independent expenditure to include any use of funds or anything of value for that purpose, meaning that a PCE that uses its own money instead of contributions to fund an independent expenditure must report the expenditure.- Clarifying that "independent expenditure" includes expenditures concerning ballot issues, as well as expenditures concerning candidates.- Making clear that all PCEs must comply with the continuing law that requires entities that engage in political advertising to report the expenditure and to identify themselves in the advertisement as the funding source. |
| No provision. | No provision. | <p>Allows a person who is not a U.S. citizen or national, but is a lawful permanent U.S. resident (green card holder), to make campaign contributions, expenditures, and independent expenditures for state and local candidates, but not ballot issues.</p> |

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| ELCCD2 | Abolish Ohio Elections Commission | R.C. | 109.02, 145.055, 145.99, 742.044, 742.99, 3307.074, 3307.99, 3309.074, 3309.99, 3501.05, 3501.11, 3513.04, 3513.05, 3513.10, 3513.261, 3517.01, 3517.08, 3517.081, 3517.102, 3517.109, 3517.1012, 3517.11, 3517.121, 3517.13, 3517.153 (3517.14), 3517.15, 3517.16, 3517.155 (3517.17), 3517.993 (3517.18), 3517.20, 3517.21, 3517.22, 3517.23, 3517.991 (reenacted), 3517.992 (3517.99), 5505.046, 5505.99, Section 525.50; Repealed: 3517.14, 3517.151, 3517.152, 3517.154, 3517.156, 3517.157, 3517.99, 3517.991 | R.C. | 109.02, 111.29 (enacted), 145.054, 145.055, 145.99, 742.043, 742.044, 742.99, 3307.073, 3307.074, 3307.99, 3309.073, 3309.074, 3309.99, 3501.05, 3501.11, 3513.04, 3513.05, 3513.10, 3513.261, 3517.01, 3517.08, 3517.081, 3517.102, 3517.109, 3517.1012, 3517.11, 3517.121, 3517.13, 3517.152 (3517.14), 3517.153 (3517.15), 3517.154 (3517.16), 3517.155 (3517.17), 3517.157 (3517.18), 3517.993 (3517.171), 3517.20, 3517.21, 3517.22, 3517.23, 3517.991 (reenacted), 3517.992 (3517.99), 5505.045, 5505.046, 5505.99, Repealed: 3517.14, 3517.151, 3517.152, 3517.154, 3517.156, 3517.157, 3517.99, 3517.991; Section 395.10, 525.50 |
| No provision. | | | Abolishes ELC as of January 1, 2026. Requires ELC, between the bill's effective date and January 1, 2026, to continue to hear the matters pending before it based on the current law requirements, but prohibits any new complaints from being filed with ELC during that time. Requires, instead, that complaints be filed with SOS or the board of elections, as applicable. | | Same as the House, but replaces the ELC with a five-member Ohio Election Integrity Commission, to be appointed by SOS and the leaders of the General Assembly. Sets the qualifications, terms of office, compensation of the members of the new Commission, and process for removing a member for cause. |
| No provision. | | | No provision. | | Requires the SOS to provide staff for the Ohio Election Integrity Commission. Transfers ELC's current staff to SOS instead of to the new Commission. |
| No provision. | | | Requires complaints regarding violations of the Campaign Finance Law to be heard by a hearing officer appointed by SOS or to be heard by a board of elections, depending on the violation, before any prosecution may commence. | | Replaces the House provision with one that gives the new Commission jurisdiction over the same campaign finance related offenses as ELC currently has, plus certain voting- and petition-related offenses. Requires all complaints to be filed with SOS, reviewed and heard by an SOS attorney, and disposed of by SOS, except in the case of a conflict of interest. |
| No provision. | | | No provision. | | Requires an attorney appointed by the new Commission to hear the matter if the subject of the complaint objects to SOS's determination within 14 days. |

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| No provision. | Changes several procedural requirements regarding administrative hearings of those complaints and the prosecutor to whom a violation may be referred, but generally retains the current administrative and criminal penalties. | Same as the House but allows SOS or the new Commission to dispose of a complaint as follows: (1) Find no violation and, if applicable, find the complaint frivolous; (2) find a violation and impose a fine of up to \$1,000 per occurrence; and (3) find a significant violation or repeated violations and refer the matter for prosecution. |
| No provision. | Transfers any matters pending before ELC as of January 1, 2026, to SOS or a board of elections (BOEs), as applicable, for disposition under the amendment. | Same as the House, but to only the SOS and not BOEs. |
| No provision. | Allows SOS to issue advisory opinions regarding the Campaign Finance Law and specifies that existing ELC opinions are considered SOS opinions unless and until they are amended or rescinded. | Replaces the House provision with one that instead transfers the authority to issue advisory opinions from the ELC to the Ohio Election Integrity Commission and additionally requires the Joint Legislative Ethics Committee to issue advisory opinions for campaign finance for General Assembly members and candidates (See ELC 3). |
| No provision. | Provides procedures for ELC to wind up its affairs and transfer its records, assets, and liabilities to SOS. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Removes all candidate filing fees credited to the Ohio Elections Commission Fund (see ELCCD1). | Replaces the House provision with one that transfers all candidate filing fees credited to the Ohio Elections Commission Fund to the Ohio Election Integrity Commission Fund (Fund 5CS1) (see ELCCD1). |
| No provision. | Transfers the cash balance of the Ohio Elections Commission Fund (Fund 4P20) to the Corporate and Uniform Commercial Code Filing Fund (Fund 5990) on January 1, 2026, or as soon as possible thereafter. Abolishes Fund 4P20 after the transfer is complete. | Same as the House, however transfers the cash balance of the Ohio Elections Commission Fund (Fund 4P20) to the Ohio Election Integrity Commission Fund (Fund 5CS1) on January 1, 2026, or as soon as possible thereafter. |
| No provision. | Cancels any existing encumbrances against Fund 4P20 ALI 051601, Operating Support, and reestablishes them against Fund 5990 ALI 050630, Elections Support Supplement, used by SOS. Appropriates the reestablished encumbrance amounts. | Same as the House, but instead reestablishes existing encumbrances against Fund 5CS1 ALI 050604, Ohio Election Integrity Commission, used by SOS. |

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| No provision. | <div>No provision.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: County Boards of Elections and the SOS will incur costs previously incurred by the ELC for complaints regarding violations of Campaign Finance Law.</div> | <div>Requires SOS to refer all past due fines imposed by ELC, SOS, or the new Commission to AGO for collection.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: The SOS will incur costs previously incurred by the ELC for complaints regarding violations of Campaign Finance Law. The bill appropriates \$250,000 in FY 2026 to SOS's Fund 5CS1 ALI 050604,Ohio Election Integrity Commission, to cover operating expenses.</div> |
| <div>ELCCD1Candidate filing fees</div> <div>R.C.3513.10</div> <div>Increases the candidate filing fees by \$5 for the following offices: (1) State Board of Education, (2) county and municipal court judge, (3) state legislators, (4) U.S. Representatives, (5) city and county elected officials.</div> <div>Increases the candidate filings fees by \$10 for: (1) statewide elected offices and (2) Court of Appeals and Court of Common Please judges.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Additional revenue gain of approximately \$10,000 over the biennium for the Elections Commission Fund (Fund 4P20).</div> | <div>R.C.3513.10</div> <div>Replaces the Executive provision with one that instead removes all candidate filing fees credited to the Elections Commission Fund (Fund 4P20). Removes additional candidate filing fees for the State Board of Education (see SBECD2) and county coroners (see LOCCD21) which are to be appointed rather than elected positions under the bill.</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: With the abolishment of ELC (see ELCCD2), ELC candidate filing fees paid to Fund 4P20 are repealed.</div> | <div>R.C.3513.10</div> <div>Same as the House, but replaces the provision that removes all ELC candidate filing fees with a provision that instead transfers ELC candidate filing fees, unchanged by the bill, from being paid to Fund 4P20 to the new Ohio Election Integrity Commission Fund (Fund 5CS1). Also restores additional candidate filing fees for the State Board of Education (see SBECD2).</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Candidate filing fees will flow to Fund 5CS1.</div> |

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| FCCCD16 | OFCC public notice, forms, and other changes | | | | |
| R.C. | 9.312, 9.331, 9.47, 123.10, 153.01, 153.07, 153.08, 153.09, 153.54, 1311.252 | R.C. | 9.312, 9.331, 123.10, 153.01, 153.07, 153.08, 153.09, 153.54, 1311.252, Repealed: R.C. 9.47 | R.C. | 9.312, 9.331, 123.10, 153.01, 153.07, 153.08, 153.09, 153.54, 1311.252, Repealed: R.C. 9.47 |
| Requires a state agency or political subdivision that finds a low bidder for contracts let by competitive bidding is not responsive or responsible, to send the bidder a notice electronically, permitting certified mail delivery only if an electronic method is not available (rather than by either method). | | Same as the Executive. | | Same as the Executive. | |
| Requires a public authority to advertise its intent to employ a construction manager by electronic means, and permits advertising in news media available in the county, (rather than requiring advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation and permitting electronic advertisement). | | Same as the Executive. | | Same as the Executive. | |
| Reduces the minimum advertisement period for contracts to employ a construction manager from 30 days to 14 days. | | Same as the Executive. | | Same as the Executive. | |
| Requires the public authority to give notice of the time and place where bids for public works contracts will be received by electronic means at least 14 days in advance, and permits the authority to publish the notice in other news media in the county where the work is to occur (rather than requiring publication in a newspaper at least eight days in advance). | | Same as the Executive. | | Same as the Executive. | |
| Requires copies of the plans, details, estimates of cost, and specifications to be available electronically or at OFCC's office (rather than just at OFCC's office). | | Same as the Executive. | | Same as the Executive, but requires copies of the plans, details, estimates of cost, and specifications to be available both electronically and at OFCC's office. | |
| Requires the advertisement for public works contracts, when the public authority rejects all bids and re-advertises, to be in such electronic media, rather than newspaper, as OFCC directs. | | Same as the Executive. | | Same as the Executive. | |
| Removes the requirement that a public authority file a notice of commencement in affidavit form. | | Same as the Executive. | | Same as the Executive. | |

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| Changes the frequency for receiving an updated certificate of compliance with affirmative action programs from once every 180 days to once every two years. Lengthens the validity of certificates of compliance (on which certain public works contracts with bidders are contingent) from 180 days to two years. | Replaces the Executive provision with one that eliminates the requirement that a person receive a certificate of compliance with affirmative action programs before bidding on certain public works contracts. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires a state agency director to enter in to a contract with the proper persons to address an exigency, when, at the request of a state agency, the OFCC Director issues a declaration of public exigency. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Permits, for public works contracts worth \$200,000 or more, a public authority to require an architect or engineer, in preparing plans, details, specifications, estimates, analyses, or other data to use a building information model system, as long as the system is based on a nationally recognized standard for building information models. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Permits a bidder for most contracts with the state or a political subdivision to file a bid guaranty in the form of an electronic verification through an electronic verification and security system, if the state or political subdivision accepts bids electronically. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: Increases opportunities for cost savings associated with administrative and operational efficiencies for public authorities. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| FCCCD14 Expedited processes for design-build firms and managers at risk | | |
| R.C. 9.334, 153.501, 153.693 | R.C. 9.334, 153.501, 153.693 | R.C. 9.334, 153.501, 153.693 |
| Establishes, for contracts between public authorities and construction managers at risk (CMRs) or design-build firms (DBFs), an expedited proposal and selection process for projects under \$4.0 million, adjusted biannually for the rate of inflation by OFCC. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but removes the requirement that OFCC adjust the \$4.0 million threshold amount biannually for the rate of inflation. |

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| Authorizes a public authority, for contracts under \$4.0 million, to require a CMR or DBF to submit an initial qualification proposal or statement, respectively, along with a pricing proposal, instead of sending them in separate rounds. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the public authority to have a pre-proposal meeting with any CMRs or DBFs who desire to jointly submit a statement or proposal and pricing proposal, at which the public authority must give the CMR or DBF a description of the project, including the scope and nature of the proposed services and potential technical approaches. | Same as the Executive, but clarifies that the public authority must evaluate the CMR or DBF’s initial proposals and rank and select candidates before evaluating the pricing proposals of the selected candidates. | Same as the House. |
| Exempts CMRs and DBFs from the requirement to submit a sealed bid to self-perform a portion of work before accepting and opening any bids for the same work when the public authority requests a guaranteed maximum price proposal due at the time of selection. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: Reduces the administrative workload for public authorities and may reduce the timeline for projects with total costs of less than \$4.0 million. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but the \$4.0 million threshold required for the expedited proposal and selection process for contracts between public authorities and construction managers at risk or design-build firms will not be increased beyond that amount. |
| FCCCD12 Controlling Board exemption R.C. 123.21 | | |
| Exempts from CEB approval competitively bid contracts made by OFCC for the following services: construction management services, professional design services, criteria architect or engineer services, design-build services, and newly created integrated project delivery services (see FCCCD11). | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Reduces OFCC’s administrative workload and may reduce, by several weeks, the timeline for certain projects. | | |

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| FCCCD9 | State funding of major sports facilities | | |
| R.C. | 123.28, 123.281, 123.282 | R.C. 123.28, 123.281, 715.016 | |
| Requires OFCC to administer the construction and renovation of major sports facilities and minor league sports facilities throughout Ohio for the economic benefit of the state, and to support youth sports education. | | Replaces the Executive provision with one that requires OFCC to administer the construction of major sports facilities that will be a part of transformational major sports facility mixed-use projects. | No provision (see OBMCD51). |
| Supports the facilities construction and renovation with sports gaming tax revenue under the newly created Sports Facilities Construction and Sports Education Fund (“fund”) (see TAXCD62). | | Replaces the Executive provision with one that supports the facilities construction with the authorization to issue and sell \$600,000,000 in bonds deposited in the Cultural and Sports Facilities Building Fund (Fund 7030) (see FCCCD17). | No provision (see OBMCD51). |
| Creates the seven-member Ohio Advisory Committee for Sports Facility Construction and Youth Sports Education ("committee") to evaluate and approve projects to be supported by the fund and administered by OFCC. | | No provision. | No provision (see OBMCD51). |
| Requires the committee to recommend policies and procedures for the administration of the fund for review and adoption by OFCC, prioritizing economic development through major sports facilities, major sports facility mixed-use projects and minor league sports facilities, youth sports education, and facilities that enable training in team or individual sports. | | No provision. | No provision (see OBMCD51). |
| Requires the Directors of DEW, ODPS, and ODH, and the ADJ to advise the committee on what skills, facilities, and programs are necessary for youth sports education, and to publish, as needed, standards for youth sports education for K-12 students. | | No provision. | No provision (see OBMCD51). |

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| No provision. | Requires 70% of the total initial estimated construction cost of the major sports facility from sources other than the state, with at least 50% of the total from the professional sports franchise that plans to use the facility. Conditions the remaining 30% from state funds if the General Assembly has specifically authorized or appropriated money for the project. | No provision (see OBMCD51). |
| No provision. | Requires specific conditions to be met if state bond proceeds are being used, including that the amount of increased state tax revenues is projected to be in excess of the total debt service of the state bonds for their initial term. | No provision (see OBMCD51). |
| No provision. | Establishes certain tax reporting requirements for the governmental agency that owns or has an ownership interest in the major sports facility or its site, every person who owns real property in a project district, and persons that collect transformational major sports facility mixed-use project district tax revenues. | No provision (see OBMCD51). |
| No provision. | Requires, if state bond proceeds are being used for the major sports facility, TOS to deposit the total major sports facility mixed-use project district state tax revenues into the major sports facility district fund, which the bill creates for the deposit of certain tax revenues attributable to the major sports facility mixed-use project district, to be used to pay debt service. | No provision (see OBMCD51). |

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| No provision. | Requires, if state bond proceeds are being used for the major sports facility, the professional sports franchise to deposit an amount equal to 8.33% of the award into an escrow account, to be used to pay any deficits between tax revenues collected and the total bond amount, after the bonds are matured, or if the lease expires. Permits the OBM Director to transfer funds from the Ohio Major Sports Facility District Fund to the Ohio Cultural Facilities Bond Service Fund, which the bill also creates to be held as trust funds pledged to the payment of bond service charges. | No provision (see OBMCD51). |
| No provision. | Authorizes the legislative authority of a municipal corporation located in a county with a population greater than 1,000,000 to declare one and only one area of the municipal corporation to be a transformational major sports facility mixed-use project district, and a public purpose, for the purpose of fostering and developing a major sports facility and economic development, if certain conditions are met. Permits only one such district within the municipal corporation. Allows the legislative authority of the municipal corporation to enlarge the territory of an existing transformational major sports facility mixed-use project district. | No provision (see OBMCD51). |
| No provision. | Requires, on or before the first day of each January and July beginning after the designation of a transformational major sports facility mixed-use project district, the fiscal officer (i.e. city auditor or village clerk or similar official) of a legislative authority where a district has been formed to certify a list of businesses located within the district to the Tax Commissioner. | No provision (see OBMCD51). |

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| Fiscal effect: OBM estimates that up to \$161.4 million in FY 2026 and up to \$167.4 million in FY 2027 will be transferred to the Sports Facilities Construction and Sports Education Fund. However the bill does not contain an appropriation for OFCC to operate the fund or program. | Fiscal effect: Eliminates the funding in the Executive version from sports gaming tax revenue. Instead, authorizes TOS to issue and sell bonds in the amount of up to \$600 million deposited to the credit of the Cultural and Sports Facilities Building Fund (Fund 7030) to pay the costs of the Cleveland Browns major sports facility stadium project in the City of Brook Park, in Cuyahoga County (see FCCCD17). To use those bonds, the bill requires, among other things, that the projected amount of increased state tax revenues to be greater than the total debt service of the state bonds for their initial term. Administrative costs may increase for the governmental agency that owns or has an ownership interest in the major sports facility or its site to comply with certain tax reporting requirements. Tax revenue may increase for a municipal corporation transformational that has a major sports facility mixed-use project district. | |
| FCCCD11 Integrated project delivery contracts | | |
| R.C. 153.01, 153.50, 153.502, 153.503, 153.65, 153.695 | R.C. 153.01, 153.50, 153.502, 153.503, 153.65, 153.695 | |
| Permits public authorities to enter into integrated project delivery (IPD) contracts with IPD contractors for capital projects. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires public authorities, for every IPD contract, to evaluate the statements of qualifications submitted by IPD contractors, and select at least three qualified IPD contractors (unless there are fewer than three qualified firms). | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires the public authority to provide certain information about the project to each selected IPD contractor. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires the public authority to evaluate the pricing proposal submitted by each selected firm and rank the selected firms based on the public authority's evaluation of the value of each firm's pricing proposal, considering each firm's proposed costs and qualifications. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Requires the public authority to enter into contract negotiations for IPD services with the IPD contractor that ranked highest. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires the public authority, if the public authority fails to negotiate a contract with the highest ranked contractor, to terminate the negotiations and move on to the second highest ranking contractor, and if that fails, the third, and so forth. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Permits the public authority, if these subsequent negotiations fail, to select additional IPD contractors to provide pricing proposals, or select an alternative delivery method for the project. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires IPD contractors to establish criteria to prequalify prospective bidders on subcontracts, subject to the approval of the public authority and consistent with the rules adopted by OFCC. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires the IPD contractor to identify at least three prospective prequalified bidders (unless less than three exist), verified by the public authority, then solicit proposals from each bidder, under an open book pricing method. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Clarifies that an IPD contractor is not required to award a subcontract to a low bidder. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires OFCC to adopt rules related to IPD contractors and subcontractors. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: May reduce the administrative workload of public authorities and the cost and timeline for certain larger projects. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |

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| FCCCD13 Indefinite delivery indefinite quantity contracts | | |
| R.C. 153.013 | | |
| Permits a public authority to enter into an indefinite delivery indefinite quantity (IDIQ) contract, which is a contract for an indefinite quantity, within stated limits, of supplies or services that will be delivered by the awarded bidder over a defined period, without CEB approval if the contract is (1) with a prequalified vendor, (2) awarded through a competitive bidding process, and (3) does not exceed \$1.0 million. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Permits OFCC to establish a list of prequalified vendors for IDIQ contracts and requires OFCC to adopt rules that establish objective prequalification criteria for vendors, a process for public authorities to use the list of pre-qualified vendors, and the form, terms, and conditions of IDIQ contracts. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: May reduce the administrative workload for public authorities and the timeline for projects with total costs of \$1.0 million or less. | | |
| FCCCD15 Public improvements contract retainage | | |
| R.C. 153.12, 153.13, 153.14, 153.63 | R.C. 153.12, 153.13, 153.14, 153.63 | R.C. 153.12, 153.13, 153.14, 153.63 |
| Requires a public authority's retainage amount on partial payments on a public improvements contract to be 4% or less for 100% of the contract, rather than 8% on the first 50%, and 0% on the second 50%, of the contract. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Prohibits contractors from paying subcontractors at a retainage rate lower than the retainage rate being paid to the contractor by the public authority. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Eliminates provisions of law requiring the public authority to deposit the retained amount in an escrow account. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires that funds retained on a public works contract be paid to the primary contractor within 30 days of substantial completion of the project, withholding only that amount reasonably necessary to assure final completion of it. |
| Clarifies that any retained funds and the interest accrued by the funds is property of the contractor and must be paid to the contractor no later than 30 days after the date of substantial completion of the work. | Same as the Executive. | Replaces the Executive provision with one that clarifies any retained withheld funds and interest accrued thereon be paid to the primary contractor no later than 30 days after the date of final completion of the project. |
| Fiscal effect: Public authorities will realize cost savings by paying fewer escrow fees. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| FCCCD10 Portion of basic project cost supplied by district | | |
| R.C. 3318.032 | R.C. 3318.032 | |
| Modifies the calculation of the portion of the basic project cost a school district must provide for its Classroom Facilities Assistance Program (CFAP) project from the greater of either (1) the required percentage based on its equity ranking or (2) an amount necessary to raise the school district's net bonded indebtedness to a prescribed level, to its portion being determined by only the required percentage based on its equity ranking. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires, for a district that opts to segment its classroom facilities project, its local share for the first segment to be calculated using the required percentage of the basic project, instead of the greater of either (1) the required percentage based on its equity ranking or (2) an amount necessary to raise the school district's net bonded indebtedness to a prescribed level. Requires that any future segment’s portion of the basic project cost use the same share as used in the first segment. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| <p>Fiscal effect: According to OFCC, only 13 CFAP projects to date have used the required level of indebtedness method to determine their local share, so OFCC expects the elimination of the net indebtedness method will affect only a small number of school districts in the future by not penalizing them for not having debt. OFCC anticipates that when qualifying for CFAP these school districts will have a lower local share than they otherwise would have had calculated under the current method of local share determination. In turn, state shares will likely be higher for these projects.</p> | <p>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</p> | |
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FCCCD19 Project Support

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| | Section: 287.20 | |
| No provision. | Requires Fund 7047 ALI 230647, Project Support, to be used by OFCC to support the construction or renovation of a school building as prescribed below. Reappropriates an amount equal to the available balance of ALI 230647 at the end of FY 2026 for the same purpose in FY 2027. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires OFCC to provide facilities funding to each district for which all of the following apply: (1) the district operates at least one school building in a county with a population of more than 100,000 people and at least one school building in another county with a population of less than 50,000 people; (2) the district's classroom facilities project was deferred or lapsed; and (3) the existing building included in the project for which the district applies for funding was originally constructed prior to June 30, 1925. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires school districts to apply for funding by December 31, 2025, in a form and manner prescribed by OFCC. Requires OFCC to calculate the amount of state funding using the percentage based on the district's most recent equity ranking, but prohibits the state share from being less than 90% of the cost of the project. Requires OFCC, if necessary, to proportionately reduce funding for each district so not to exceed the amount appropriated for this purpose. | No provision. |
| FCCCD17 Authorization to issue and sell bonds for the Cleveland Browns major sports facility stadium project | | |
| | Section: 287.80 | |
| No provision. | Authorizes TOS to issue and sell bonds in the amount of up to \$600,000,000 deposited in the Cultural and Sports Facilities Building Fund (Fund 7030) to pay the costs of the Cleveland Browns major sports facility stadium project in the City of Brook Park in Cuyahoga County. Fiscal effect: May increase GRF debt service costs on the general obligation bonds issued for the Cleveland Browns major sports facility stadium project for some period depending on the level of future bond issuances, the maturity of the bonds issued, and market conditions. To use those bonds, the bill requires, among other things, that the projected amount of increased state tax revenues to be greater than the total debt service of the state bonds for their initial term (see FCCCD9). | No provision. |
| FCCCD18 Career-Technical Planning District Construction Study Committee | | |
| | Section: 733.50 | |
| No provision. | Establishes a ten-member Career-Technical Planning District Construction Study Committee to examine and make recommendations for creating an equitable and sustained funding model within OFCC for lead districts to build, renovate, and maintain career-technical education facilities. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | <div>Requires, by June 30, 2026, the Committee to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly and dissolves it upon submission of the report.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Minimal.</div> | No provision. |

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| GOVCD3 Occupational license application processing time | | |
| R.C. 4798.08 | | |
| Allows the Common Sense Initiative Office (CSI) to examine any occupational license and require an occupational licensing board to report specified information regarding the occupational license's application processing time to CSI. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Allows CSI to establish an efficient application processing time for an occupational license reviewed by CSI. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires CSI, if an efficient application processing time is established, to direct the occupational licensing board to: (1) publish the established application processing time on the board's website; and (2) make available an electronic method for an applicant to request an application fee refund. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Allows an applicant to request an application fee refund if an occupational licensing board exceeds the established efficient application processing time with respect to a completed application. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires an occupational licensing board, on receipt of an application fee refund request, to: (1) refund the application fee to the extent permitted by law if the board exceeded the established time; and (2) inform CSI whether the refund request has been approved or denied. | No provision. | No provision. |
| States that an application fee refund in accordance with the provision has no bearing on the disposition of the underlying application. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Prohibits this provision from being construed to impair or otherwise affect the authority granted by law, regulation, or executive order to an occupational licensing board and does not create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the state, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person. Fiscal effect: Potential increase in administrative costs for CSI if it chooses to utilize its authority; potential increase in costs for an occupational licensing board to comply with CSI requirements if imposed; potential revenue loss if an occupational licensing board has to refund application fees. | No provision. | No provision. |
| GOVCD5 Education and Workforce Data Insights Board | | R.C. 6303.01, 6303.02, 6303.03, 6303.04, 6303.05 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Establishes the Education and Workforce Data Insights Board ("Board") within the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation to make the state's education and workforce data more useful, applicable, and beneficial to the state's citizens. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Sets the composition of the Board as consisting of not more than 15 members, including specified state agency directors, stakeholders appointed by the Governor and, if determined necessary by the Governor, members of the public with extensive experience in relevant topics. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the Board to meet at least quarterly in a public setting, to provide one week's advance notice of the meeting's date, time, and location, and to post meeting materials and, if possible, recordings to the Board's dedicated web site. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the Board to develop a vision, mission, and strategic plan, within 270 days of the section's effective date, and review at least once every 5 years. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Permits the Board to create a single, independent entity to implement its activities and objectives. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Permits the chairperson of the Board to create advisory committees to research or discuss specialized topics, solicit stakeholder feedback, complete projects, or generate recommendations for the full Board. Fiscal effect: Potential increase in costs for GOV to establish the Board and implement the specified requirements. |

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| DOHCD40 Sex recognition | R.C. 9.05 | R.C. 9.05 |
| No provision. | Establishes state policy recognizing only two sexes, male and female, which are not changeable and are grounded in fundamental and incontrovertible reality. | Same as the House. |
| DOHCD41 Medical Quality Assurance Fund | R.C. 113.78 | R.C. 113.78, 4731.256; Section 105.30, 620.40, 620.41 (amends section 14 of H.B. 238 of the 135th G.A.) |
| No provision. | Permits TOS to invest money from the Medical Quality Assurance Fund that exceeds the amount required to meet the Fund's current uses, which are directed by the General Assembly, by exercising the existing authority that applies to investing interim funds of the state. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires all investment earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund. | Same as the House, but abolishes the Fund on July 1, 2026 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the monitoring organization that is under contract with the State Medical Board to operate the Confidential Monitoring Program for impaired practitioners to create a foundation, which has the sole purpose of supporting monitoring programs that meet existing law criteria for approval. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the foundation to be created in collaboration with the Ohio State Medical Association and Ohio Hospital Association, including by requiring the three creating entities to establish a governing board consisting of one representative from each entity. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the Treasurer of State, within 30 days after the foundation is created, to transfer to the monitoring organization all unencumbered money from the Medical Quality Assurance Fund, which is a custodial fund consisting of money that was transferred to it by the Ohio Medical Quality Foundation. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates existing law provisions specifying other ways that money in the Fund could be used. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the monitoring organization, within 30 days of receiving the transferred funds, to submit the money to the newly created foundation. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the newly created foundation's governing board to meet annually to approve a plan for the disbursement of the foundation's funds. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires initial amounts to be disbursed by January 1, 2026, or 30 days after the foundation receives the money from the Medical Quality Assurance Fund, whichever is later. |
| | Fiscal effect: Depends on the amount invested and the return on those investments. | Fiscal effect: Minimal costs to MED to require the monitoring organization to implement these provisions as a condition of entering into and maintaining the contract. Any other state costs relating to the Fund will no longer be incurred once the transfer is complete. |
| DOHCD31 Prohibit flavored vapor products | | |
| R.C. 2927.02 | | |
| Prohibits giving away, selling, advertising, displaying, or marketing any "flavored electronic liquid," i.e., a solution containing nicotine that is designed or sold for use with an electronic smoking device and that has a "characterizing flavor" other than the taste or smell of tobacco. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: ODH may experience an increase in costs to ensure retailer compliance and investigate any complaints. | | |

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| DOHCD45 Type 1 diabetes information | | |
| | R.C. 3313.7118, 3314.03, 3326.11, and 3707.61 | |
| No provision. | Requires ODH to create informational materials on type 1 diabetes for parents, guardians, educators, and other persons having care or charge of children. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires public schools, community schools, STEM schools, and private schools that serve elementary school students to provide a paper or electronic copy of the informational materials to each student's parent or guardian. Fiscal effect: Potential minimal administrative costs to create informational materials. Schools may incur printing costs if paper copies are provided. | No provision. |
| DOHCD39 Eligibility for Program for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs | | |
| | R.C. 3701.021 | R.C. 3701.021 |
| No provision. | Expands eligibility for the Program for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs by increasing the maximum age of participants from 25 to 26. Fiscal effect: The bill increases GRF ALI 440505, Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs, by \$500,000 in FY 2026 for this purpose. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DOHCD42 Center for Community Health Worker Excellence | | |
| | R.C. 3701.0212, (repealed) | R.C. 3701.0212, (repealed) |
| No provision. | Abolishes the Board of Directors of the Center for Community Health Worker Excellence and abolishes the statutory authority for the Center as a public-private partnership Fiscal effect: The bill reduces GRF ALI 440485, Health Program Support, by \$2,500,000 in each fiscal year. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| DOHCD43 Rare Disease Advisory Council and reports | | |
| | R.C. 3701.051, (repealed) | R.C. 3701.051, 103.60 (repealed), 105.40; Section 701.100 |
| No provision. | Eliminates the requirement that the ODH Director produce a report on rare diseases in Ohio every two years. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Abolishes the Rare Disease Advisory Council effective December 31, 2025, and requires the Council to submit its final report to the General Assembly by that date. |
| | Fiscal effect: Potential reduction in administrative costs. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House, but there also may be a minimal reduction in costs to provide any administrative support to the Council or reimbursements for members. |
| DOHCD38 Save Our Sight Fund - health professional licensure | | |
| | R.C. 3701.21, 4743.12 | |
| No provision. | Requires the following licensing boards to ask an applicant for licensure or renewal if the applicant wishes to voluntarily contribute to the Save Our Sight Fund: NUR, PRX, State Board of Education, State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services, MED, and VPB. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires such a board to provide a method by which an applicant wishing to contribute may do so. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires all amounts collected to be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the Save Our Sight Fund (Fund 4V60). Fiscal effect: Potential increase in costs to impacted boards to adjust applications to accommodate voluntary contributions, including possible IT/eLicense changes. The bill increases DPF Fund 4V60 ALI 440641, Save Our Sight, by \$500,000 in each fiscal year. | No provision. |

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| DOHCD35 Genetic Services funds for abortion referral or counsel | | |
| | R.C. 3701.511 | R.C. 3701.511 |
| No provision. | Removes the exception allowing ODH Genetic Services funds to be used to counsel or refer for abortion in the case of a medical emergency. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DOHCD37 Abortion reporting changes | | |
| | R.C. 3701.79, 2919.171 | R.C. 3701.79, 2919.171 |
| No provision. | Requires ODH's public report providing statistics for all abortion reports from the previous calendar year to be issued by March 1, rather than September 30, of each year. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Specifies that the abortion report required to be completed by an attending physician applies to abortions performed by both surgical procedure and abortion-inducing drugs. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Clarifies that the abortion reports required to be completed for each abortion under existing law must include the pregnant woman's state of residence in addition to her zip code. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires the monthly and annual abortion reports filed by hospitals to include the total number of Ohio residents versus non-Ohio residents who have undergone an abortion and received postabortion care. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires ODH's annual report on abortion data from the previous year to be issued no later than March 1st (rather than October 1st) of each year and clarifies that the report must include the number performed on Ohio residents and the number performed on nonresidents. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires ODH to develop a public electronic dashboard to publish on a monthly basis abortion data that includes specified information. | Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | Changes three of the required age categories for monthly and annual abortion reports under current law to (1) under 16 years of age, rather than under 15, (2) 16 to 17, rather than 15 to 19, and (3) 18 to 24, rather than 20 to 25. Requires these age categories to also be applied to reports under the public dashboard. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires for monthly and annual abortion reports the inclusion of the total number of abortions performed on minors by each facility in the categories of under 16 years of age and 16 to 17 years of age. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires that the total number of previous abortions the woman has undergone and the total number of in-state versus out-of-state women who have abortions be reported by age category. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Potential increase in costs to ODH to develop a public electronic dashboard to publish monthly data regarding abortion. Potential minimal costs to public hospitals to accommodate reporting changes. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DOHCD23 Registration of vapor product retailers | | |
| R.C. 3701.842, 3701.841, 3701.843, 3701.844 | | |
| Requires persons engaged in selling vapor products from a place of business in Ohio to annually register with ODH. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Exempts from the registration requirement persons licensed under continuing law (1) in the business of trafficking cigarettes or (2) solely for vapor product distribution. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires initial applicants to provide ODH with a completed application form with specified information and to pay (1) a \$200 nonrefundable application fee, and (2) a \$200 annual registration fee for each place of business. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Allows existing certificates of registration to be renewed following payment of a \$200 annual registration fee. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Requires the ODH Director to deny, refuse to renew, suspend, or revoke a certificate of registration under certain circumstances. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Allows the ODH Director to impose a penalty of up to \$1,000 on a person who knowingly sells vapor products at retail without the required registration or who fails to display the registration. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Limits the penalty to \$100 for recently lapsed registrations and allows the ODH Director to waive all or part of a penalty for reasonable cause. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires all fees and fines collected in connection with the vapor product retailer registration to be deposited to the Tobacco Use Prevention Fund (Fund 5BX0) to be used for the administration of the program or for tobacco and nicotine prevention or cessation interventions. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: ODH will experience an increase in costs to register and regulate vapor product retailers, including upfront development and ongoing costs (ODH estimates \$500,000 in upfront costs in FY 2026). However, the registration fees and penalties established will partially offset these costs in initial years. ODH anticipates the program will eventually become self-sustaining. | | |
| DOHCD47 Medical certificate of death | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 3705.16, 4731.22 Clarifies that the coroner or medical examiner certifies the cause of death when a decedent dies as a result of criminal or other violent means, while an attending physician certifies the cause of death in all other circumstances. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Authorizes the physician who last examined or treated a decedent to certify the decedent's cause of death and complete and sign the medical certificate of death, but only in the case of a decedent who did not have an attending physician in charge of a patient's care for the illness or condition that resulted in the patient's death. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Extends the current law timeline by which a medical certificate of death must be completed and signed, from 48 hours after death to 48 hours after notice of the death. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Revises in the following ways existing law provisions that apply when a decedent's cause of death remains pending: |
| (1) No provision. | (1) No provision. | (1) Eliminates the authority of a coroner or medical examiner, when specifying on the medical certificate that the cause of death is pending, to sign the certificate by stamping it with a stamp of the coroner's or examiner's signature. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. | (2) Maintains the authority of a coroner or medical examiner to sign a medical certificate that specifies the cause of death as pending, but eliminates references to signing the certificate in the coroner's or examiner's own hand. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. | (3) Maintains provisions authorizing the coroner or medical examiner to sign any other medical certificate of death or supplementary medical certification, but eliminates the requirement that the signing be done in the coroner's or examiner's own hand. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) No provision. | (4) Requires any other medical certificate of death or supplementary medical certification to be signed by the coroner or medical examiner within 48 hours after determining the cause of death. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Establishes the failure to comply with the law governing medical certificates of death as a ground upon which MED may take disciplinary action against a physician. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Grants a coroner, medical examiner, or physician acting in good faith and upon reasonable belief immunity from civil liability and professional discipline for any act or omission in certifying the cause of death or in completing and signing the medical certificate of death. Fiscal effect: Potential costs to government-owned hospitals or county coroners to update policies. Potential increase in costs to MED to investigate any violations. |
| DOHCD36 Household sewage treatment system-soil and slope inspection | | |
| | R.C. 3718.02 | |
| No provision. | Prohibits the ODH Director from adopting rules requiring a soil evaluator or soil scientist to evaluate the soil type and slope with respect to a household sewage treatment system or a proposed household sewage treatment system. Fiscal effect: Some local health departments may charge fees for soil evaluation review; thus, LHDs could experience a decrease in costs to provide these reviews and a corresponding decrease in fee revenue. | No provision. |
| DOHCD49 Statistical methods for evaluating sewage treatment system compliance | | |
| | | R.C. 3718.02, 3718.04; Section 737.30 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the ODH Director, when adopting rules governing sewage treatment systems, to adopt rules that establish statistical methods for evaluating sewage treatment system compliance for a 12-inch soil depth credit relative to bacterial parameters that are derived from a minimum of 144 consecutive data points. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires such rules governing statistical methods for evaluating sewage treatment system compliance to be adopted within 90 days after the bill's effective date. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits the ODH Director from implementing or enforcing any special device approval or similar policy that imposes additional requirements or restrictions on a sewage treatment system or components of a system that combines the treatment of effluent with subsurface dispersal of treated effluent directly to the soil, sand bed, or gravel for any approval in effect as of December 31, 2020. Fiscal effect: Potential impact to local health departments depending how rules adopted differ from current practice. |
| DOHCD30 Bonds - nursing home entering operators | | |
| R.C. 3721.026 | | |
| Eliminates all references to “other financial security” in the law requiring certain nursing home entering operators to submit evidence to the ODH Director of a bond or other financial security. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | |

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| DOHCD28 Health care real estate investment trusts - hospitals and nursing homes | | |
| R.C. 3722.04, 3721.01, 3721.026, 3721.07, 3721.073, 3722.01, 3722.03, 3722.031, 3722.06, 3722.13 | | |
| Prohibits all of the following from leasing from a health care real estate investment trust the building or buildings in which a hospital is located or a nursing home is housed: (1) an applicant seeking an initial license to operate a hospital; (2) an applicant seeking an initial license to operate a nursing home; (3) the holder of a license to operate a hospital; (4) the holder of a license to operate a nursing home; (5) in the case of a change in a licensed hospital's owner, an applicant seeking a license to operate the hospital as its entering owner; (6) in the case of a change in a licensed nursing home's operator, an applicant seeking a license to operate the nursing home as its entering operator. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | |
| DOHCD29 Change of owner - hospitals | | |
| R.C. 3722.04, 3722.01, 3722.06 | R.C. 3722.04, 3722.01, 3722.06 | |
| Eliminates current law provisions requiring a hospital's new owner to apply to the ODH Director for a license transfer and replaces them with provisions establishing the following: (1) a process for an entering owner to apply for a license and (2) conditions that must be met before the Director issues the new license, including those requiring the disclosure of certain ownership interests in the hospital (mirrors existing law for nursing home changes of operator). | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |

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| DOHCD48 Facility fees | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div><div>R.C.3727.46</div><div>Prohibits, effective January 1, 2028, a primary care medical practice owned or operated by a hospital or hospital system from requiring a self-pay individual or third-party payor (excluding any governmental health plan) to pay a facility fee in connection with any primary care service provided to a patient at the practice, but only if the medical practice was owned or operated solely by physicians at the time of its purchase by the hospital or system and such purchase occurred after January 1, 2010.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Any government-owned hospitals that charge facility fees under these circumstances would realize a loss of facility fee revenues. Government health plans are excluded from the prohibition.</div></div> |
| DOHCD26 Lead abatement tax credit | | |
| <div><div>R.C.3742.50</div><div>Increases to \$50,000 (from \$10,000) the maximum amount of the tax credit that can be issued by the ODH Director for lead abatement.</div><div>Fiscal effect: May increase the amount of individual tax credits issued. However, current law limiting the total amount of tax credit certificates issued to \$5.0 million in a fiscal year remains unchanged.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.3742.50</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div></div> | <div>No provision.</div> |

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DOHCD32 Scope of environmental health specialists' practice

R.C. 3776.01

Removes the administration or enforcement of the hazardous waste law from the scope of practice of environmental health that an environmental health specialist or environmental health specialist in training may engage in.

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Same as the Executive.

No provision.

Fiscal effect: None.

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DOHCD5 Emergency Preparedness and Response

Section: 291.20

Requires GRF ALI 440477, Emergency Preparedness and Response, to be used to support public health emergency preparedness and response efforts.

Allows GRF ALI 440477 to also be used to support data infrastructure projects and other data analysis and analytics work.

No provision.

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No provision.

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Requires the OBM Director to transfer up to \$2,500,000 from Controlling Board Emergency Purposes/Contingencies Fund (Fund 5KM0) to the General Operations Fund (Fund 4700) in each fiscal year.

DOHCD6 Lupus Awareness

Section: 291.20

Requires GRF ALI 440481, Lupus Awareness, to be distributed to the Lupus Foundation of America, Greater Ohio Chapter, Inc., to operate a lupus education and awareness program.

No provision.

No provision.

DOHCD7 Chronic Disease, Injury Prevention and Drug Overdose

Section: 291.20

Makes the following earmarks in GRF ALI 440482, Chronic Disease, Injury Prevention and Drug Overdose:

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| (1) Up to \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year to be used, in consultation with the Department of Behavioral Health and the Governor's RecoveryOhio Initiative, to support the continuation of the Health Systems Comprehensive Care Initiative to enhance Ohio's response to the addiction crisis by creating a comprehensive system of care for patients who present in health systems with addiction; and | (1) Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to up to \$625,000 in FY 2026 and up to \$635,922 in FY 2027. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) Up to \$250,000 in each fiscal year to be used, in consultation with the Governor's RecoveryOhio Initiative, to support local health providers' harm reduction efforts to reduce overdose rates and deaths. | (2) Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to up to \$156,250 in FY 2026 and up to \$158,981 in FY 2027. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. | (3) \$1,200,000 in FY 2026 and \$200,000 in FY 2027 to be used to administer the Parkinson's disease registry and the stroke registry database. Requires ODH to develop the Parkinson's disease registry utilizing an existing public health population system managed under the Department. |
| Requires the remainder of GRF ALI 440482 to be used to support ODH's ongoing health improvement and wellness efforts, health promotion, and related activities. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| DOHCD8 Infectious Disease Prevention and Control | | |
| Section: 291.20 | | |
| Allows the ODH Director, in FY 2026, to certify to the OBM Director an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of GRF ALI 440483, Infectious Disease Prevention and Control, at the end of FY 2026 to be reappropriated to FY 2027. Reappropriates the amount certified to the same ALI for FY 2027. | No provision. | No provision. |
| DOHCD9 Health Program Support | | |
| Section: 291.20 | Section: 291.20 | Section: 291.20 |
| Makes the following earmarks in GRF ALI 440485, Health Program Support: | Same as the Executive, but with the following changes: | Same as the House, but with the following changes: |

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| (A) \$10,000,000 in each fiscal year to be used by ODH, in consultation with DEW, to support school-based health centers in high-need counties, as determined by the departments; | (A) Same as the Executive, but requires a school-based health center to obtain parental consent prior to providing services to a child, except in emergency situations, first aid, other unanticipated minor health care services, or health care services provided pursuant to a student's IEP or 504 plan. | (A) Same as the House, but (1) reduces the earmark to \$7,500,000 in each fiscal year, and (2) allows a legal guardian, grandparent acting as a caretaker, or other person authorized by law to consent to the child's medical care, in addition to a parent. |
| (B) \$125,000 in each fiscal year to be provided to Ohio Adolescent Health Centers to support sexual risk avoidance programs in schools; and | (B) Same as the Executive. | (B) Same as the Executive. |
| (C) \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to Ohio organizations providing certain services to Ohioans diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS). Requires these funds: | (C) Same as the Executive. | (C) Same as the Executive. |
| (1) To be distributed based on each awarded organization's identified Ohio county coverage and by prevalence rate of persons living with ALS using the Census Bureau's most recent population estimates. | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) Same as the Executive. |
| (2) To be used to support persons living with ALS and to provide various services. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) To be designated in service to Ohioans (prohibits funds be used for persons living outside of Ohio). | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) Same as the Executive. |
| (D) No provision. | (D) \$62,500 in each fiscal year to be provided to the Domestic Violence Project, Inc. to support the addition of a community educator position. | (D) No provision. |
| (E) No provision. | (E) \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year to be provided to Memorial Hospital for the Mid-Ohio Cardiovascular Health Improvement Initiative. | (E) No provision. |

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| (F) No provision. | (F) \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to hospitals and used to support graduate medical education residency slots for residents placed in family medicine or psychiatry fields. Requires ODH to establish requirements regarding the distribution of funds, including the requirement that funds are used to support residents placed in family medicine or psychiatry slots. | (F) Same as the House. |
| (G) No provision. | (G) Requires \$250,000 in FY 2026 to be used to provide fellowship stipends to Dayton Children's Hospital for pediatric therapy students interested in prioritized regional needs. | (G) No provision. |
| (H) No provision. | (H) No provision. | (H) \$300,000 in FY 2026 for the Transplant House of Cleveland to support organ transplant recipients and caregivers. |
| DOHCD11 Targeted Health Care Services - Over 21 | | |
| Section: 291.20 | Section: 291.20 | Section: 291.20 |
| Requires GRF ALI 440507, Targeted Health Care Services - Over 21, to be used to administer the Cystic Fibrosis Program and to implement the Hemophilia Insurance Premium Payment Program (HIPP). Requires that up to \$100,000 in each fiscal year in ALI 440507 be expended on HIPP. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires GRF ALI 440507 to also be used to: (1) cover services provided to adults over 21 with cystic fibrosis who are eligible for treatment under the Cystic Fibrosis Program; (2) provide essential medications; and (3) pay the copayments for drugs approved by ODH and covered by Medicare Part D that are dispensed to participants for the Cystic Fibrosis Program. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires ODH to expend all funds in GRF ALI 440507. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| DOHCD12 Lead Abatement | | |
| Section: 291.20 Requires ODH to distribute the following funds to local governments for projects that include lead hazard control and housing rehabilitation initiatives that expand ODH’s lead hazard control and prevention efforts: (1) GRF ALI 440530, Lead-Safe Home Fund Program; and (2) \$500,000 in each fiscal year in GRF ALI 440527, Lead Abatement. | Section: 291.20 Same as Executive, but (1) eliminates funding to GRF ALI 440530, Lead-Safe Home Fund Program; and (2) reduces the amount required to be used for these purposes in GRF ALI 440527, Lead Abatement, to \$250,000 in each fiscal year. | Section: 291.20 Same as the House. |
| DOHCD14 Youth Homelessness | | |
| Section: 291.20 No provision. | Section: 291.20 Earmarks \$250,000 in each fiscal year in GRF ALI 440672, Youth Homelessness, for the Star House for its Drop-In Centers and its Carol Stewart Village, or its other expansion projects, to provide services for homeless youth. | Section: 291.20 No provision. |
| Requires GRF ALI 440672, Youth Homelessness, to be used to address homelessness in youth and pregnant women by providing assertive outreach to provide stable housing, including recovery housing. | Same as the Executive, but requires the remainder of the ALI 440672 to be used for these purposes to account for the earmark above. | Same as the Executive. |
| No provision. | Prohibits the distribution of funds in ALI 440672 to youth shelters that promote or affirm social gender transition. | Same as the House. |
| DOHCD17 Genetics Services | | |
| Section: 291.20 Requires Fund 4D60 ALI 440608, Genetics Services, to be used to administer newborn screening and genetic disease programs. Prohibits funds from being used to counsel or refer for abortion, except in the case of a medical emergency. | Section: 291.20 Same as the Executive, but removes the exception allowing funds to be used to counsel or refer for abortion in the case of a medical emergency. | Section: 291.20 Same as the House. |

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| DOHCD19 Cash transfer to the Tobacco Use Prevention Fund | | |
| Section: 291.20 | | |
| Requires the OBM Director, on July 1, 2025, or as soon as possible thereafter, to transfer up to \$20,000,000 cash from the Pre-Securitization Tobacco Payments Fund (Fund 5LS0) to the Tobacco Use Prevention Fund (Fund 5BX0). | No provision. | No provision. |
| DOHCD34 Federal Public Health Programs | | |
| | Section: 291.20 | Section: 291.20 |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$7,800,000 in each fiscal year in Fund 3920 ALI 440618, Federal Public Health Programs, for Ohio Adolescent Health Centers. | Same as the House. |
| DOHCD21 Children’s Vision Services | | |
| Section: 291.30, 291.20 | Section: 291.30, 291.20 | |
| Requires ODH to establish and administer the Ohio Student Eye Exam Program (OhioSEE Program). | Same as the Executive. | No provision (see OBMCD50). |
| Permits vision care services to be provided to kindergarten through third grade students who fail vision screenings and lack access to follow-up care. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires ODH to focus on improving the percentage of vision care referrals completed, increasing student access to eye examinations, and providing necessary eyewear to eligible students. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires GRF ALI 440496, Children’s Vision Services, to be used to provide vision care services under the OhioSEE Program. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| DOHCD22 Children’s Dental Services | | |
| Section: 291.40, 291.20 | Section: 291.40, 291.20 | |
| Requires ODH to establish and administer the Children’s Dental Services Program. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Permits dental care services to be provided to a child who: (1) resides in an underserved area as determined by ODH; and (2) meets any other eligibility conditions established by ODH. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Permits dental care services under the program to be provided by deploying mobile dental units to schools and underserved areas. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires ODH to focus on increasing children’s access to dental care and helping to reduce the incidence of dental cavities among children. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires GRF ALI 440497, Children’s Dental Services, to be used to provide dental care services under the Children’s Dental Services Program. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| BORCD91 Contracts with online program managers R.C. 1713.03, 1713.032, 3333.0420 Defines a "contractual agreement" as a contract in which a state or private nonprofit institution of higher education grants an unaccredited online program manager input or authority on any of the following: (1) curriculum development, design, or maintenance; (2) student assessment and grading; (3) course assessment; (4) admissions requirements; (5) appointment of faculty; (6) faculty assessment; (7) decision to award course credit or credential; (8) institutional governance. Requires each state institution of higher education annually to report to the Chancellor of Higher Education each contractual agreement it entered into in that year. Authorizes the Chancellor to request that a state institution provide the Chancellor with all information concerning a contractual agreement, including a copy of the agreement. Permits the Chancellor to require that each state institution submit a contractual agreement to the Chancellor prior to the agreement's execution for a review to ensure compliance with the standards and procedures for academic program review. Requires each state institution to (1) maintain responsibility for and oversight of the academic program as specified in the Chancellor's standards and procedures for academic program approval, (2) ensure each academic program is offered in the manner approved by the Chancellor or formally request approval for a significant change to the previously approved program or approval of a new academic program, and (3) notify students which parties are providing instruction, recruitment, and other services under the agreement. | R.C. 1713.03, 1713.032, 3332.22, 3333.0420 Same as the Executive, but replaces "unaccredited online program manager" with "online program manager" and defines "online program manager" as a for-profit entity in a contractual agreement with a state or private nonprofit institution of higher education to develop or administer curriculum on behalf of the institution for online courses or programs. Replaces the topic in (2) with "student recruitment, assessment, and grading" for private nonprofit institutions and "student instruction" for state institutions and adds "(9) instruction" for private nonprofit institutions. Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. | R.C. 1713.03, 1713.032, 3332.22, 3333.0420 Replaces the House provision with one that defines "online program manager" as an entity that is not an institution of higher education that enters into an agreement with (1) a private nonprofit institution of higher education, (2) a for-profit career college or school, or (3) a state institution of higher education, to provide marketing and recruitment services and at least one additional service, including course design, technology, or faculty training, to support an online degree program. No provision. No provision. Replaces the Executive provision with one that requires state institutions of higher education, if they enter into a contract with an online program manager, to: (1) ensure the contract is in compliance with relevant program standards and requirements; (2) post on each of their online degree programs' web sites that it utilizes an online program manager for services; and (3) require each online program manager with which they contract to identify itself when providing services to students. |

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| Prohibits a state institution from entering a contractual agreement unless the agreement grants the Chancellor the authority to invalidate the agreement if it either was not approved by the Chancellor or is not compliant with the Chancellor's standards and procedures for academic program approval. Requires a state institution to offer each current student remediated instruction at no cost or a full refund If the Chancellor invalidates a contractual agreement. | Same as the Executive. | Replaces the Executive provision with one that prohibits state institutions of higher education from permitting an online program manager to control, make decisions regarding, administer, or disburse student financial aid. |
| Requires each private nonprofit institution to disclose on its annual report to the Chancellor any unaccredited online program managers it has contracted with to provide instruction to its students. | Same as the Executive, but replaces “unaccredited online program manager” with “online program manager” as defined above. | Replaces the House provision with one that requires each private nonprofit institution to disclose on its annual report to the Chancellor any contract entered with an online program manager. |
| Requires each private nonprofit institution of higher education annually to report to the Chancellor each contractual agreement it entered into in that year. Authorizes the Chancellor to request that an institution provide the Chancellor with all information concerning a contractual agreement, including a copy of the agreement. Requires a institution that intends to enter into a contractual agreement to submit appropriate documentation to the Chancellor and obtain approval before entering into the agreement. | Replaces the Executive provisions for private nonprofit institutions with ones that require those institutions, to the extent practicable, to endeavor to provide the Chancellor a notification of intent at least 30 days before entering into a contractual agreement. Requires, upon entering into a contractual agreement, an institution to immediately send a copy of it to the Chancellor and any other documentation requested by the Chancellor related to ensuring compliance with standards, rules, and laws. | No provision. |
| Requires each private nonprofit institution to (1) maintain responsibility for and oversight of the academic program as specified in the Chancellor's standards and procedures for academic program approval, (2) ensure each academic program is offered in the manner approved by the Chancellor or formally request approval for a significant change to the previously approved program or approval of a new academic program, and (3) notify students which parties are providing instruction, recruitment, and other services under the agreement. | No provision. | Replaces the Executive provision with one that requires private nonprofit institutions, if they enter into a contract with an online program manager, to: (1) ensure the contract is in compliance with relevant program standards and requirements; (2) post on each of their online degree programs' web sites that it utilizes an online program manager for services; and (3) require each online program manager with which they contract to identify itself when providing services to students. |

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| Prohibits a private nonprofit institution from entering a contractual agreement unless the agreement grants the Chancellor the authority to invalidate the agreement if it either was not approved by the Chancellor or is not compliant with the Chancellor's standards and procedures for academic program approval. Requires an institution to offer each current student remediated instruction at no cost or a full refund If the Chancellor invalidates a contractual agreement. | No provision. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the Chancellor to develop materials regarding the risks inherent in contractual agreements and implementation of such agreements that relate to compliance with standards, rules, and laws regarding program approval, including the consequences of offering an unapproved program. Requires a nonprofit institution to attest to its review of the materials prior to entering into a contractual agreement with an online program manager. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires a contractual agreement for private nonprofit institutions to include a provision that grants the institution the authority to invalidate the contract if the online program manager does not provide the curricula that align with the institution or school's approved program. | Replaces the House provision with one that prohibits private nonprofit institutions from permitting an online program manager to control, make decisions regarding, administer, or disburse student financial aid. |
| No provision. | Requires a private nonprofit institution to post on its website that it uses an online program manager. Specifies that contractual agreements for private nonprofit institutions are not subject to the public records law. | Replaces the House provision with one that exempts a contract between a private nonprofit college and an online program manager from the public records law. |
| No provision. | Requires a for-profit institution that holds a certificate of authorization from the Chancellor to comply with the same provisions as private nonprofit institutions for any program or degree it offers under that approval. | Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | Applies, generally, all of the Executive provisions in BORCD91 to for-profit career colleges and schools that hold a certificate of registration from or is authorized to offer a certificate, diploma, or degree under a certificate of authorization issued by the State Board of Career Colleges and Schools (SCR). Replaces the Chancellor with SCR, accordingly, where applicable. | Replaces the House provision with one that, generally, applies all of the Senate provisions in BORCD91 to for-profit career colleges and schools. |
| Fiscal effect: A state institution that enters into a contractual agreement will incur increased administrative costs. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| BORCD93 Higher education institution program review | | |
| R.C. 1713.041, 3333.074 | R.C. 1713.041, 3332.21, 3333.074 | R.C. 1713.041, 3332.21, 3333.074 |
| Requires each state and private nonprofit institution of higher education to annually submit the following information to the Chancellor: the institution's accreditation status, a plan to preserve student records indefinitely in case of closure, the results of any external degree program evaluations that occurred in the last year, and any other information requested by the Chancellor. | Same as the Executive, but requires each private for-profit career college or school to annually submit the same information to the State Board of Career Colleges and Schools (SCR) and the Chancellor. | Same as the House. |
| Requires each private nonprofit institution to submit a list of current degree programs offered in Ohio and the latest financial statement for the most recent fiscal year compiled by an independent certified public accountant. | Same as the Executive, but extends the requirements to each for-profit career college or school. | Same as the House. |
| Permits the Chancellor to rescind approval of a program or a private nonprofit institution’s authorization if an institution fails to submit the required information. | Same as the Executive, but authorizes SCR to rescind approval of a for-profit career college or school’s program or authorization if a school fails to submit the required information or if SCR and the Chancellor finds that the information submitted is insufficient. | Same as the House. |

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| Requires each institution to immediately notify the Chancellor if it is placed on special monitoring status by the federal government or an accrediting organization, receives preliminary or final accreditation findings, is under investigation by a government agency, fails to make specified payments, makes budget revisions resulting in substantially reduced ending fund balance or larger deficit, or becomes aware of significant negative variance between its annual budget and actual revenues or expenses projected at the end of the fiscal year. | Same as the Executive, but extends requirement to each for-profit career college or school to notify SCR and the Chancellor. | Same as the House. |
| Requires each state institution to notify the Chancellor if it has requested an advance of a state subsidy. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Exempts documents submitted to the Chancellor by state and private nonprofit institutions that are related to heightened reporting standards or special monitoring status, accreditation findings, or government agency investigations from public records requests until such time the document is released by the appropriate entity. | Same as the Executive, but extends exemption to documents submitted to SCR or the Chancellor by for-profit career colleges and schools. | Same as the House, but applies the exemption to only private nonprofit institutions of higher education. |
| Specifies that financial documents submitted to the Chancellor by a private nonprofit institution are not public records. | Same as the Executive, but additionally specifies that financial documents submitted to SCR or the Chancellor by for-profit career colleges or schools are not public records. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: Provides ODHE greater oversight for institutions that may be in financial distress. State institutions may incur an increase in administrative costs to meet the reporting and notification requirements. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but also provides SCR with additional oversight of for-profit career colleges or schools. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| BORCD119 Higher education data | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 3333.04 Permits the Chancellor to use data already submitted to the Higher Education Information (HEI) system and other public data exchanges if the information is materially consistent to fulfill reporting requirements. Fiscal effect: May reduce ODHE’s administrative workload. |
| BORCD85 Choose Ohio First Co-Op/Internship Program reporting | | |
| R.C. 3333.041 Eliminates the requirement for the Chancellor to annually report to the Governor and General Assembly the academic and economic impact of the Ohio Co-Op/Internship Program. Fiscal effect: ODHE may experience a slight reduction in administrative workload. | R.C. 3333.041 Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| BORCD118 Educator preparation metrics | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 3333.048 Makes the following changes to the metrics established by the Chancellor and required to be used in educator preparation programs: |
| (1) No provision. | (1) No provision. | (1) Requires coursework in evidence-based strategies for effective literacy instruction be aligned with the International Dyslexia Association's, or its successor organization's, Knowledge and Practice Standards for Teachers of Reading. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. | (2) Modifies language regarding clinical preparation for educators teaching reading, including assuring adherence to the Ohio Dyslexia Guidebook. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the Chancellor to post the summaries of literacy instruction strategies and practices in place for educator preparation programs on the Chancellor's publicly accessible website. |

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| | | Fiscal effect: The bill provides \$600,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 235585, Educator Preparation Programs, for ODHE’s administrative requirements for educator preparation programs (see BORCD54). |
| BORCD90 Attainment Goal 2025 replacement | | |
| R.C. 3333.0415 Replaces the outdated requirement that the Chancellor and DEW prepare an annual report regarding the progress the state is making in increasing the percentage of adults with a postsecondary credential to 65% by the year 2025 with one that requires the Chancellor, DEW, and OWT to establish the level of attainment necessary to achieve identified performance targets across a range of degrees and credentials. | R.C. 3333.0415 Same as the Executive, but requires the Chancellor, DEW, and OWT to establish the level of attainment necessary by December 31, 2025. | R.C. 3333.0415 Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but may shorten the timeframe in which ODHE, DEW, and OWT had anticipated to establish the level of attainment necessary. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| BORCD116 Eastern Gateway Community College records custodian | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 3333.053 Requires the Chancellor of Higher Education to serve indefinitely as the records custodian for Eastern Gateway Community College upon that college ceasing operations. Fiscal effect: ODHE's administrative costs may increase. |
| BORCD122 Governor’s Merit Scholarship residency requirement | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 3333.1210 Requires, beginning with first-time scholarships awarded for FY 2027, a student that accepts a Governor's Merit scholarship to commit to residing in Ohio for the three years immediately following the individual's graduation from college. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires each student to sign a promissory note payable to the state for the amount of Governor's Merit scholarships the student received in the event that the individual does not satisfy the residency requirement, disenrolls without graduating, or transfers to an institution of higher education in another state. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits the promissory note from taking immediate effect if an eligible student pursues a graduate degree out of state but moves back to Ohio after completion of the graduate degree and satisfies the residency requirement. |
| No provision. | No provision. | <p>Cancels the balance of the promissory note if the student completes the residency requirement, dies, or becomes totally and permanently disabled.</p> <p>Fiscal effect: May increase ODHE’s administrative costs to track scholarship recipients for three years beyond graduating from college. Scholarship expenditures may be offset, at least somewhat, from any repayments by recipients who do not satisfy the residency requirements. The bill appropriates \$47.0 million in FY 2026 and \$56.4 million in FY 2027 from GRF ALI 235530, Governor's Merit Scholarship, to support the program (see BORCD43).</p> |
| BORCD101 Rural Practice Incentive Program | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 3333.13 Qualifies attorneys who engage in the private practice of civil law in an underserved community for a minimum of 520 hours each service year to receive tuition and educational expense reimbursement through the Rural Practice Incentive Program. | R.C. 3333.13, 3333.131-3333.135 Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Clarifies the purpose of the Rural Practice Incentive Program (RPIP) is to provide loan repayment on behalf of attorneys who agree to employment or practice (rather than employment only) as service attorneys in underserved communities. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the requirement that any tuition, educational expenses, and room and board had to be incurred while a student was enrolled in a law school accredited by the ABA or an international equivalent to qualify for the program. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Changes the factors in determining the ratio for an underserved community to include only attorneys who have trust accounts in which to deposit client funds (IOLTA accounts) in the ratio and to change the ratio of those attorneys to the population in the county from 1:700 to 1:1,500. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Permits an individual enrolled in any other state or federally funded student loan repayment or debt forgiveness program that is not the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program or the John R. Justice Student Loan Repayment Program to apply for participation in RPIP. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the requirement that the Chancellor approve individuals for participation in the program in a manner that is proportionate to the number of different types of attorneys (county prosecutor, various types of public defender, etc.) who apply to the program. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Increases the window of eligibility for the program from having been admitted to the practice of law in the state for less than 8 years to less than 12 years. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires an individual to sign a promissory note payable to the state if the individual does not satisfy the service obligation outlined under the program and in the note, instead of permitting a contract for participation. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the amount payable to the state in the event the individual does not satisfy the service obligation to be the corresponding amount to the service obligation agreed upon in the promissory note (up to \$30,000 for a three-year service obligation and up to an additional \$20,000 for an additional fourth or fifth year of service). |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires an individual to remain employed as a service attorney within the underserved community for a duration specified in the promissory note. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the promissory note to include terms as prescribed by the Chancellor including the individual's length of service in the underserved community and the maximum amount the Chancellor will repay on behalf of the individual. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the requirement to include in the contract the number of weekly or yearly hours an attorney will be engaged in practice in the underserved community. |
| | Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$1.5 million in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 235533, Program and Project Support, to support the program (see BORCD44). | Fiscal effect: Same as the House, but may increase the number of individuals eligible to receive a loan repayment. The bill appropriates \$1.5 million in each fiscal year from Fund 5ZD0 ALI 235426, Rural Practice Incentive Program, to support the program (see BORCD123). |

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| BORCD115 FAFSA support team system | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 3333.303, (Repealed) Repeals the requirement that the Chancellor of Higher Education establish and administer a statewide system of regional FAFSA support teams to support public schools with FAFSA completion and college access programming. Fiscal effect: The bill eliminates GRF ALI 2355A1, FAFSA Support Teams, with proposed appropriations of \$1.0 million in each fiscal year (see BORCD59). |
| BORCD114 Scholarship Rules Advisory Committee repeal | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 3333.373, (Repealed) Abolishes the Scholarship Rules Advisory Committee, which provides recommendations to the Chancellor about rules, criteria, and guidelines necessary to implement the scholarship and certain fellowship programs. Fiscal effect: None. | R.C. 3333.373, (Repealed) Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| BORCD98 Campus Community Grant Program | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 3333.801, (Repealed) Repeals the Campus Community Grant Program, under which ODHE provides funding to institutionally sanctioned student organizations at institutions of higher education to support intergroup and interfaith outreach and cultural competency between institutionally sanctioned student organizations. Fiscal effect: The bill eliminates GRF ALI 2355A3, Campus Community Grant Program, with proposed appropriations of \$1.0 million in each fiscal year (see BORCD60). | R.C. 3333.801, (Repealed) Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| BORCD109 Ohio Higher Education Research Public Policy Consortium | | |
| | R.C. 3333.952 | |
| No provision. | Requires the Chancellor, in consultation with DEW, JFS, the Inter-University Council, the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, and other entities, to establish the Higher Education Public Policy Research Consortium to develop and maintain a biennial statewide research agenda that identifies key policy challenges and research priorities crucial to the state's future, drawing on input from policymakers, practitioners, and community stakeholders. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the Chancellor to do all of the following: | No provision. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) Award competitive grants of up to \$10,000 to faculty and post-graduate students whose research aligns with the biennial research agenda, with half of the grant to be disbursed upon grant approval and the remaining half released upon successful completion of the research and submission of the final report. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) Establish a clear rubric to evaluate proposed research projects that contains a peer-reviewed process, involving both academic experts and relevant practitioners. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) Manage the grant process and disseminate research findings through the ODHE's website, policy briefs, community forums, and annual presentations to the standing committees of each house of the general assembly that consider higher education legislation. | (3) No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$1.0 million in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 2355A4, Ohio Higher Education Public Policy Research Consortium, for the Chancellor to establish and administer the Consortium (see BORCD110). | |

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| BORCD92 Strategic Square Footage Reduction | | |
| R.C. 3333.96, 3334.11, 3334.12 | R.C. 3333.96, 3334.11 | R.C. 3333.96, 3334.11 |
| Requires the Chancellor, in consultation with OFCC, to administer and award revolving loans to state institutions of higher education that enable the voluntary reduction of physical square footage at their campuses. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the Chancellor and OFCC to establish: (1) procedures and forms to apply for a loan; (2) a competitive process for ranking applicants and awarding the loans, with priority given to state institutions whose general student population has decreased; (3) procedures and timelines for distributing the loans and collecting payments for the fund; and (4) procedures for each state institution to include in its application. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the Chancellor and OFCC to consider the following in making final awards: (1) the value of the facilities if sold or reallocated to serve other purposes; (2) the relative age and condition of the facilities to be deconstructed; (3) historical enrollment patterns as well as future enrollment projections; (4) the composition of classes offered in person versus in an online format; (5) the level of deferred maintenance; (6) the prior level of state investment; (7) the amount of annual operating expenses defrayed by eliminating the facilities; and (8) a report from OBM that details the extent and status of past capital budget funding for the project and the existence of any outstanding bonded debt derived from that support. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires each recipient institution annually to provide a summary of financial information regarding the loan. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires a state institution's board of trustees to adopt a resolution approving the demolition project prior to using the loan. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Requires any net proceeds received from any demolition, at the direction of the OBM Director, to be credited to funds in the state treasury or to accounts held by the state institution. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but requires any net proceeds to be credited to the Strategic Square Footage Reduction Fund (Fund 5JC1) instead of funds in the state treasury or to accounts held by the state institution. |
| Prohibits a state institution that receives a loan from constructing any new facility at the same time demolition is occurring. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires TOS, upon request by the Chancellor and approval by the OBM Director, to transfer funds from the Ohio Tuition Reserve Fund to the Strategic Square Footage Reduction Fund (Fund 5JC1) created by the bill. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires TOS, upon request by the Chancellor, to transfer the amount determined to be surplus, based on the Ohio Tuition Trust Fund’s annual actuarial soundness evaluation conducted under continuing law, to Fund 5JC1. Requires at least 5% of the surplus to remain in the Ohio Tuition Trust Fund. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$82.7 million in FY 2026 from Fund 5CJ1 ALI 2356A2, Strategic Square Footage Reduction, to support the loans. According to ODHE, the Ohio Tuition Reserve Fund, a sub-fund of the Ohio Tuition Trust Fund, currently has a balance of \$89.3 million. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| BORCD106 Centers for Civics, Culture, and Society and Workforce Development | | |
| | R.C. 3335.39, 3339.06, 3344.07, 3352.16, 3364.07 | R.C. 3335.39, 3339.06, 3344.07, 3352.16, 3364.07 |
| No provision. | Requires the director of each of the five centers (Cleveland State, Miami, Ohio State, Toledo, Wright State) for civics, culture, and society and workforce development to approve each center's courses that meet the university's general education requirements when overseeing, developing, and approving the center's curriculum. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Eliminates the requirement that centers be physically located in the following: | Same as the House, but makes the following changes: |

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| (1) No provision. | (1) Ohio State’s Salmon P. Chase Center for Civics, Culture, and Society in the College of Public Affairs. | (1) Same as the House. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. | (2) Toledo’s Institute of American Constitutional Thought and Leadership initially in the College of Law. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. | (3) Miami’s Center for Civics, Culture, and Society in the College of Arts and Sciences. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) No provision. | (4) Cleveland State’s Center for Civics, Culture, and Society in the Levin College of Public Affairs and Education. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires, instead, that each of the five universities provide adequate and appropriate space for its center as jointly determined by the center's director and either the university president or provost. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits each of the five universities from charging or assessing overhead or indirect fees or expenses to its center. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates requirements that center directors at Ohio State, Toledo, Miami, and Cleveland State consult with their respective university deans (currently only Wright State does not have this requirement). |
| Fiscal effect: Increase in administrative workload for each of the centers. Each center receives \$2.0 million in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 235533, Program and Project Support (see BORCD44). | | |
| Fiscal effect: Same as the House, but the center at Ohio State receives \$8.5 million in each fiscal year, the center at Toledo receives \$3.0 million in each fiscal year, and each of the other three centers receives \$2.0 million in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 235501, State Share of Instruction (see BORCD31). | | |
| BORCD89 Rules adopted by state institutions of higher education | | |
| R.C. 3345.033, 3345.14, 3345.57, 3345.69, Section 701.10 | | |
| Eliminates the requirement that the LSC Director publish rules adopted by a state institution of higher education in the electronic Administrative Code and the requirement that the state institution file a copy of the rule with JCARR. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Requires a state institution to annually submit an electronic copy of all effective rules to the Chancellor and the chairpersons of the committees that primarily deal with higher education in the Senate and House of Representatives. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Permits the chairpersons to hold a hearing and require a representative from the state institution to provide testimony regarding the rule, upon both receipt of a rule and failure to receive the rule. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Exempts rules posted on a state institution's website from review by JCARR and state law governing rules adopted by state agencies. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Minimal. | | |
| BORCD88 Guaranteed admission | | |
| R.C. 3345.06 | R.C. 3345.06 | R.C. 3345.06 |
| Guarantees admission to a state institution of higher education for each high school graduate in the top 10% of the graduate's graduating class. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Permits a state university to delay admission to its main campus and, instead, admit a student to a regional campus if the student does not meet the standards for unconditional admission. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Guarantees admission to the main campus of a state institution to each recipient of the Governor's Merit Scholarship (see BORCD43). | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but guarantees admission to the main campus of a state institution to each graduate in the top 5% of a high school graduating class, instead of each Governor's Merit Scholarship recipient, provided the recipient meets the application and acceptance deadlines for admission to the main campus. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODHE and DEW to identify a process to provide each state institution with information on students who are eligible for guaranteed admission. |

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| Fiscal effect: May increase enrollment at state institutions, which would increase tuition revenues as well as instructional costs. State institutions may gain or lose revenue from state share of instruction (SSI) formula payments depending on how the enrollment of these individuals changes the institution’s share of institutional outcome factors used in the formula. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but may increase administrative costs for ODHE and DEW to provide each state institution with information on all eligible students for guaranteed admission. |
| BORCD117 American civic literacy course exemptions | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 3345.382 Requires each board of trustees of a state institution of higher education to adopt a resolution specifying the conditions under which the institution's president or the president's designee may grant an exemption from the American civic literacy course requirement to a student who has completed at least three credit hours, or the equivalent, in a course in American history or American government. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Limits that exemption by requiring the course to include the study of the same documents required for the American civic literacy course and eliminating the exemption after the 2030-2031 academic year. Fiscal effect: Minimal. |
| BORCD107 Curricular approval process | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 3345.451 Grants the board of trustees of a state institution of higher education unilateral and ultimate authority to establish new academic programs, schools, colleges, institutes, departments, and centers at the institution. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Prohibits a board from delegating its authority to adopt a curricular approval process or to approve or reject academic programs. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires the board to adopt a curricular approval process for the establishment and modification of academic programs, curricula, courses, general education requirements, and degree programs. Requires that approval process to (1) grant the faculty senate, or a comparable representative body, the opportunity to provide advice on the establishment and modification of each of those subjects, (2) clarify that all faculty feedback and recommendations is advisory in nature, and (3) retain the board's final, overriding authority to establish or reject establishment or modification of any of those subjects. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the board to develop its initial curricular approval process within six months of the bill's effective date unless the institution's president grants a one-month extension, update its curricular approval process every five years, and submit each version of the process to the Chancellor. Fiscal effect: Minimal increase in administrative workload for state institutions of higher education. | No provision. |
| BORCD108 In-state undergraduate guaranteed tuition and fees | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 3345.48 Prohibits each state university from charging a guaranteed amount of tuition and fees to the cohort entering in the 2025-2026 or 2026-2027 academic year that is more than 3% above what was charged to the prior academic year's cohort. | R.C. 3345.48 Same as the House, but increases from 3% to 4% the amount that a state university may increase its guaranteed amount of tuition and fees over what was charged in the prior academic year for a cohort entering in the 2025-2026 or 2026-2027 academic year. |

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| No provision. | <div>No provision.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Under current law, each state university is prohibited from charging a guaranteed amount of tuition and fees to the cohort entering in the 2023-2024 or 2024-2025 academic year that is more than 3% above what was charged to the prior academic year’s cohort. Except for those two academic years, a state university is otherwise permitted under continuing law to increase its guaranteed tuition amounts by up to the sum of the average rate of inflation for the previous 36-month period and the percentage amount the General Assembly restrains increases on in-state undergraduate instructional and general fees for the applicable fiscal year. Therefore, if the amount calculated under continuing law will otherwise be greater than 3% in FY 2026 and FY 2027, state universities may forgo revenue for not being able to charge the higher guaranteed tuition rate.</div> | <div>Authorizes, for cohorts entering a state university beginning in the 2027-2028 academic year and cohorts thereafter, a state university to increase the percentage of the tuition and fees it may charge a cohort under the tuition guarantee program by either (1) the percentage amount the General Assembly restrains increases for the applicable fiscal year or, if the General Assembly does not set a limit on the increase, (2) the average rate of inflation, as measured by the Consumer Price Index, for the previous 36-month period, instead of the sum of both or no limit if the General Assembly does not enact a limit on the increase as under current law.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House, but may reduce the amount of revenue state universities may forego for not being able to charge a higher guaranteed tuition rate if the amount calculated under continuing law would otherwise be greater than 4% in FY 2026 and FY 2027. On the other hand, if a 4% increase in each fiscal year is higher than the amount calculated under continuing law state universities may experience an increase in revenues. Beginning in FY 2028, state universities may continue to forgo revenue assuming either the percentage amount the General Assembly restrains tuition and fee increases or the average rate of inflation for the previous 36-month period is lower than they could have charged otherwise under current law.</div> |
| BORCD121 Ohio Civics Board | | |
| No provision. | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C. 3345.58</div> <div>Establishes the Ohio Civics Board, consisting of the directors of the five centers (Cleveland State, Miami, Ohio State, Toledo, Wright State) for civics, culture, and society and</div> |

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| No provision. | No provision. | workforce development. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) No provision. | Requires the Board to do all of the following: |
| (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. | (1) Support the centers to more effectively pursue their missions. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. | (2) Aid voluntary cooperation of the centers. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) No provision. | (3) Advise the General Assembly and Chancellor on matters pertaining to civic education. |
| | | (4) Advise the General Assembly and Chancellor on curriculum development and standards at state institutions of higher education and public primary and secondary education providers, and on the operations of the centers. |
| (5) No provision. | (5) No provision. | (5) Assist the academic councils of the centers in fulfilling their statutory duties, including facilitating the selection process for directors. |
| (6) No provision. | (6) No provision. | (6) Establish an office and appoint and fix the compensation of any employees it hires. |
| (7) No provision. | (7) No provision. | (7) Annually appoint a chair and vice-chair. |
| (8) No provision. | (8) No provision. | (8) Meet at least twice per year. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires, by December 1 of each year, the Board to submit a report to the General Assembly and the Chancellor detailing the Board's activities, recommendations, and findings. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Permits the Board, in consultation with the Chancellor, to adopt rules as necessary to fulfill its requirements. |
| | | Fiscal effect: The Board will incur costs to establish an office, the extent of which will mostly depend on how many employees the Board hires. The center at Ohio State receives \$8.5 million in each fiscal year, the center at Toledo receives \$3.0 million in each fiscal year, and each of the other three centers receives \$2.0 million in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 235501, State Share of Instruction (see BORCD31). |

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| Requires each state and private nonprofit institution of higher education to annually provide the Chancellor with a plan to preserve student records indefinitely if the institution were to close. | Same as the Executive, but also requires each private for-profit career college and school to annually provide SCR a plan to preserve student records indefinitely if the college or school were to close. | Same as the House. |
| Authorizes the Chancellor to consult with the Higher Learning Commission, the State Board of Career Colleges and Schools (SCR), and other appropriate entities to establish plans, processes, and procedures for institutions and schools to provide indefinite access to student records. | Same as the Executive, but authorizes SCR to consult with the Chancellor, the Higher Learning Commission, and other appropriate entities for the same purpose for private for-profit career colleges and schools. | Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: Minimal increase in administrative costs for state institutions. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| BORCD95 State institutions under fiscal caution | | |
| R.C. 3345.721, 3345.71 | R.C. 3345.721, 3345.71 | R.C. 3345.721, 3345.71 |
| Requires the Chancellor, in consultation with OBM, to adopt rules that include: | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: |
| (1) Twelve criteria for determining when to review and, if necessary, declare a state institution under fiscal caution, including "an increase in the number of or a notable presence of third-party providers, which may include online program managers;" | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) Same as the Executive, but expands, from 12 to 18 items, the non-exhaustive list of criteria and replaces the criterion mentioned in the Executive column with "a substantial increase in the number of third-party service providers who are paid based on success." |
| (2) A requirement that a state institution on fiscal caution submit a financial recovery plan within a defined period after the declaration is made, that includes, but is not limited to, a number of projections, reviews, and analysis; | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive, but expands the non-exhaustive list of items that may be required as part of the financial recovery plan. |
| (3) A requirement that a state institution on fiscal caution submit a three-year forecast of revenues and expenditures; | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) Same as the Executive. |
| (4) A requirement that a state institution on fiscal caution consult with AUD regarding steps to bring the institution's financial accounting and reporting into compliance with AUD's requirements; | (4) Same as the Executive. | (4) Same as the Executive. |

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| (5) A requirement that a state institution submit regular reports for the duration of a fiscal caution; and | (5) Same as the Executive. | (5) Same as the Executive. |
| (6) Criteria for determining when to declare the termination of the fiscal caution of a state institution. | (6) Same as the Executive. | (6) Same as the Executive. |
| Permits the Chancellor to impose limitations on a state institution that fails to comply with requirements related to a fiscal caution or fails to take decisive action to improve the institution’s financial condition. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Permits the Chancellor, OBM, or AUD to conduct any audit or analysis necessary to assess the fiscal condition of any state university or college. |
| Fiscal effect: ODHE, OBM, and AUD may incur increased administrative costs in identifying and supporting institutions under fiscal distress. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| BORCD96 Fiscal integrity of state institutions of higher education | | |
| R.C. 3345.79 | R.C. 3345.79 | |
| Makes the following declarations: | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| (1) Requiring the fiscal integrity of state institutions is the public policy and a public purpose of the state; | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) The intent of the General Assembly to enact procedures, provide powers, and impose restrictions to assure fiscal integrity of state universities; and | (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) The failure of a state institution to meet its financial obligations adversely affects the health, safety, and welfare of students and other people of the state. | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) No provision. |
| Permits the Chancellor to make recommendations, and the Controlling Board to grant money from the catastrophic expenditures account to any state institution that suffers an unforeseen catastrophic event that severely depletes the institution's financial resources. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Fiscal effect: Expenditures made from the Controlling Board's Fund 5KM0 ALI 911614, Controlling Board Emergency Purposes/Contingencies, may increase depending on the number of state institutions receiving moneys under this condition. The bill appropriates \$25 million in each fiscal year from ALI 911614. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| BORCD87 Co-op internship programs at state institutions | | |
| R.C. 3345.83 | R.C. 3345.83 | R.C. 3345.83 |
| Requires, no later than the 2027-2028 academic year, each state institution of higher education to develop and implement a co-op internship program that aligns with JobsOhio's target economic sectors and connects students with Ohio-based employers to facilitate work-based learning opportunities related to the student's course of study. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the Chancellor to consult with JobsOhio to develop the goals, structure, and parameters of the program. | Same as the Executive, but adds any other appropriate stakeholders to JobsOhio as entities with whom the Chancellor must consult. | Same as the House. |
| Requires, beginning June 30th of the year following the program's implementation, and each year thereafter, each institution to report to the Chancellor the number of participating students, which employers are partnering with the institution, and how many participating students have received or accepted offers of employment after graduation as a direct result of the program. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: State institutions will incur administrative costs to develop and implement these programs. ODHE's administrative workload will increase to develop rules and create the goals, structure, and parameters of the program. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |

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| BORCD113 Accelerated College and Career Pathways Program | | |
| | R.C. 3345.88, 3333.97 | |
| No provision. | Establishes the Accelerated College and Career Pathways Program under which each state university must establish at least one accelerated 90-hour degree program that is aligned to an in-demand career area by the 2026-2027 academic year and each university must determine the number and types of accelerated degrees to be offered. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires each state university to (1) include accelerated 90-hour degree programs in course and program catalogues; (2) ensure that accelerated 90-hour degree programs are properly accredited and meet the requirements for reduced credit hour degree programs; (3) work collaboratively with local and regional business community partners to identify in-demand career areas during the development of accelerated 90-hour degree programs; and (4) report to the Chancellor on a number of specified items. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires each state university to develop, in consultation with local and regional primary and secondary education partners, model College Credit Plus (CCP) pathways that are aligned with the accelerated 90-hour degree programs offered by the state university and regional and state workforce needs. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires each public and participating nonpublic secondary school to include their developed CCP pathways in its CCP information for students and parents. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Prohibits the Chancellor from distributing SSI allocations to a state university in any fiscal year in which the university does not comply with its requirements under the program. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | <p>Requires the Chancellor to (1) determine and provide the criteria for approving accelerated 90-hour degree programs; (2) provide technical assistance to each state university during the development of accelerated 90-hour degree programs and aligned model CCP pathways; (3) identify how students can count credit earned in high school, a nontraditional training program, another state institution of higher education, or work experiences as part of the 90-hour degree programs at a state university; and (4) annually publish on ODHE's website each 90-hour degree program offered by a state university, the number of students participating in each 90-hour degree program, and the number of students that complete each 90-hour degree program.</p> <p>Fiscal effect: State universities and ODHE may incur increased administrative costs. State universities may experience some tuition and fee revenue loss for students that would have otherwise enrolled in a traditional 120-hour degree program. Any revenue loss could be offset, at least somewhat, by a proposed distribution of 5% of the university sector's traditional State Share of Instruction (SSI) funding under GRF ALI 235501, State Share of Instruction, based on enrollment in these programs (see BORCD112).</p> | No provision. |

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| BORCD104 College Credit Plus Program reporting | | |
| | R.C. 3365.15 | R.C. 3365.15 |
| No provision. | Eliminates the December 2023 sunset date on the requirement that the Chancellor submit an annual report on College Credit Plus Program outcomes. | Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: Minimal. | | |
| BORCD8 Mental Health Support | | |
| Section: 381.130 | | |
| Requires that GRF ALI 235419, Mental Health Support, be used to provide resources and support to address behavioral health needs at public and private, nonprofit universities and colleges. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires the Chancellor to use the funds to prioritize behavioral health services, including, but not limited to, expansion of telehealth options, increased awareness of telephone and text message care line services, expansion of certified peer educator programs, and direct aid to students who are unable to afford care. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires the Chancellor, in allocating funds under this ALI, to consider at least the following factors: (1) the relative severity of needs expressed and associated risks involved; (2) the extent to which funds awarded will increase campus-wide knowledge and awareness of available care options; (3) the extent to which funds awarded will increase access to, and availability of, care options; (4) the extent to which funds awarded will remove barriers to care options; and (5) the extent to which funds awarded will be leveraged to create long-term sustainability on campus and support collaborative, community-based programs and initiatives that can be sustained with community resources. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Permits the Chancellor to consult with the Department of Behavioral Health, RecoveryOhio, local and regional behavioral health providers, and other stakeholders as determined by the Chancellor to be appropriate when allocating funds under this ALI. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Prohibits an institution receiving funds under this ALI from (1) changing their mental health support services to shift the cost of those programs onto this one and (2) reducing their mental health support services below what they provided in the most recent academic year. | No provision. | No provision. |
| BORCD9 Ohio Work Ready Grant | | |
| Section: 381.160 | Section: 381.160 | Section: 381.160 |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$500,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 235425, Ohio Work Ready Grant, to be used to award grants under the AI Integration in Community Colleges Pilot Grant Program (see BORCD100). | No provision. |
| Requires that GRF ALI 235425, Ohio Work Ready Grant, be used to establish and operate the Ohio Work Ready Grant Program (see BORCD83). | Same as the Executive, but requires the remainder of the appropriation to be used for this purpose. | Same as the Executive. |
| BORCD100 AI Integration in Community Colleges Pilot Grant Program | | |
| | Section: 381.165 | |
| No provision. | Requires the Chancellor to establish the AI Integration in Community Colleges Pilot Grant Program to award five competitive grants of \$100,000 each in each fiscal year to community colleges to implement artificial intelligence (AI) initiatives. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the Chancellor to establish procedures and criteria for awarding the grants, giving preference to community colleges that show a strong commitment and track record to integrating AI into education, workforce development, and industry alignment. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Permits the funds to be used for: (1) integrating AI curriculum into credential programs; (2) establishing AI-based College Credit Plus Program offerings; (3) training faculty and staff on the uses of AI technologies relevant to local industry or state needs; (4) supporting students with practical AI skills through certifications and project-based learning; (5) purchasing AI hardware and software; (6) utilizing AI in streamlining administrative functions and student services; and (7) contracting with vendors to provide any or all of these services. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the Chancellor to monitor grant recipient performance and submit a report on the pilot program, upon its completion, to the General Assembly. Fiscal effect: The bill earmarks \$500,000 each fiscal year for the AI Integration in Community Colleges Pilot Grant Program from GRF ALI 235425, Ohio Work Ready Grant (see BORCD9). | No provision. |
| BORCD10 Appalachian New Economy Workforce Partnership Section: 381.180 Earmarks \$500,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 235428, Appalachian New Economy Workforce Partnership, to be allocated to the Mahoning Valley Innovation and Commercialization Center. Requires the remainder of the ALI be distributed to Ohio University's Voinovich School to continue an effort to link Appalachia to the new economy. Requires Ohio University to use the funds to lead in the development and implementation of initiatives in the areas of entrepreneurship, management, education, and technology. | Section: 381.180 Same as the Executive, but increases the earmark to \$625,000 in each fiscal year and renames the Commercialization Center as the Excellence Training Center at Youngstown State University. Same as the Executive. | Section: 381.180 No provision (see DEVCD72). Same as the Executive, but applies all of ALI 235428 for this purpose. |

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| BORCD11 Choose Ohio First Scholarship Section: 381.190 Requires that GRF ALI 235438, Choose Ohio First Scholarship, be used to operate the Choose Ohio First Scholarship Program. Authorizes, during each fiscal year, the transfer of cash, up to the certified amount of canceled prior-year encumbrances in ALI 235438, from the GRF to the Choose Ohio First Scholarship Reserve Fund (Fund 5PV0). | Section: 381.190 Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. | Section: 381.190 Same as the Executive. No provision. |
| BORCD12 Aspire Section: 381.200 Requires that GRF ALI 235443, Aspire, be used to support the Aspire program, which supports adult basic and literacy education instructional programs. Requires that supported programs satisfy the state match and maintenance of effort requirements for the state-administered grant program. Authorizes funds to be used to support students that speak English as their second language. | Section: 381.200 Same as the Executive, but limits the requirement that programs supported under ALI 235443 satisfy the state match and maintenance of effort requirements for the state-administered grant program to FY 2026 (FY 2027 funding for this purpose is provided under GRF ALI 200572, Adult Education Programs, in the Department of Education and Workforce budget (see EDUCD2).) | Section: 381.200 Same as the House. |
| BORCD13 Ohio Technical Centers (OTCs) Section: 381.210 Requires that GRF ALI 235444, Ohio Technical Centers, be used to support post- secondary adult career-technical education and makes the following earmarks: (1) up to 2.38% in each fiscal year for the Ohio Central School System. (2) up to \$48,000 in each fiscal year for assistance for OTCs. | Section: 381.210 Same as the Executive. (1) Same as the Executive. (2) Same as the Executive. | Section: 381.210 Same as the Executive. (1) Same as the Executive. (2) Same as the Executive. |

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| (3) up to \$3,000,000 in each fiscal year for OTCs that provide customized training and business consultation with matching local dollars, with preference to industries on the existing in-demand jobs list or in regionally emerging fields or local business and industries. Sets \$25,000 as the minimum for each OTC and requires a maximum amount to be determined by the Chancellor. | (3) Same as the Executive, but decreases the earmark to up to \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year. | (3) Same as the House. |
| Requires the remainder be distributed according to the OTC funding formula (see BORCD14). | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| BORCD14 Ohio Technical Centers funding formula | | |
| Section: 381.210 | Section: 381.210 | Section: 381.210 |
| Requires that GRF ALI 235444, Ohio Technical Centers, be used by the Chancellor to support post-secondary adult career-technical education. | Same as the Executive, but adds secondary students enrolling in OTC programs through a contract with a school district as being eligible to be counted in the OTC distribution formula supported by ALI 235444. | Same as the House. |
| Requires the Chancellor to provide coordination for OTCs through approval processes, data collection of program and student outcomes, and subsidy disbursements. Requires each OTC to report data to the Chancellor. Requires the Chancellor to exclude non-residents in the number of students eligible for state subsidy. Defines full-time equivalent (FTE) as completion of 450 hours. Requires the use of a three-year average in calculating the number of FTE students. Requires OTCs to operate with, or be an active candidate for, accreditation by an accreditor authorized by the U.S. Department of Education in order to continue to receive state subsidy. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Distributes the OTC formula allocation as follows: | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| (1) 25% based on each OTC's proportion of FTEs who complete a post-secondary technical workforce training program with a grade of C or better or pass if graded as pass/fail. | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) Same as the Executive. |
| (2) 20% based on each OTC's proportion of FTEs who complete 50% of a program of study. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) 50% based on each OTC's proportion of FTEs who find employment, enter military service, or enroll in additional post-secondary education and training. | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) Same as the Executive. |
| (4) 5% based on each OTC's proportion of FTEs who earn a credential from an industry recognized third party. | (4) Same as the Executive. | (4) Same as the Executive. |

BORCD103 Military and Veterans Offices

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| | 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. |
| No provision. | Makes the following earmarks from ALI 235450: | No provision. |
| (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. |
| (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. |

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| (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. |
| (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. |
| BORCD15 Area Health Education Centers | | |
| Section: 381.220 | Section: 381.220 | Section: 381.220 |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 235474, Area Health Education Centers, to be allocated to the Ohio Council for Home Care and Hospice (OCHCH) to establish and administer the Home Care and Hospice Workforce Program and requires the earmark to be used as follows: | No provision. |
| (1) No provision. | (1) \$500,000 in each fiscal year to provide competitive scholarships to nursing students in their last year of study, as follows: \$20,000 for RN and BSN students, \$10,000 for LPN to RN bridge students, and \$6,000 for LPN students. Requires OCHCH and the Chancellor to develop guidelines for the scholarships and an award process. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) \$400,000 in each fiscal year to provide competitive grants of \$20,000 for each nurse that receives training and mentoring during the first three months of employment at a home care agency. Requires OCHCH and the Chancellor to develop guidelines for the grants and an award process. | (2) No provision. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) \$100,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to administer the program. | (3) No provision. |

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| Requires that GRF ALI 235474, Area Health Education Centers, be used by the Chancellor to support the medical school regional area health education centers' educational programs and the Area Health Education Center Program. | Same as the Executive, but requires the remainder of the appropriation to be used for this purpose. | Same as the Executive. |
| BORCD16 Campus Security Support Program | | |
| Section: 381.220 Requires that GRF ALI 235475, Campus Security Support Program, be distributed by the Chancellor to institutionally sanctioned student organizations affiliated with communities that are at risk for increased threats of violent crime, terror attacks, hate crimes, or harassment to enhance security measures and increase student safety at institutions of higher education throughout the state. | Section: 381.220 Same as the Executive, but clarifies that the eligible institutionally sanctioned student organizations may be located on or off campus. | Section: 381.220 Same as the House. |
| Authorizes ODHE to use a portion of ALI 235475 to administer the program. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| BORCD99 Campus Security Support and Student Safety Grant Reports | | |
| No provision. | Section: 381.220 Requires, not later than July 1, 2026, the Chancellor to submit reports regarding the programs funded under GRF ALIs 235475, Campus Security Support Program (see BORCD16), and 235476, Campus Student Safety Grant Program (see BORCD17), to the chairpersons of the committees of each house that considers higher education legislation. | Section: 381.220 Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires each report to include, but not be limited to, information about award recipients and how funds have been spent under each program. Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| BORCD18 Campus Safety and Training | | |
| Section: 381.230 | Section: 381.230 | |
| Requires that GRF ALI 235492, Campus Safety and Training, be used by the Chancellor, in consultation with state and private nonprofit institutions of higher education, to continue to develop model best practices in line with emerging trends, research, and evidence-based training for preventing and responding to sexual violence on campus. Requires the Chancellor to convene higher education institutions in the training and implementation of best practices regarding campus sexual violence. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| BORCD111 SSI-Student success set-aside for universities | | |
| | Section: 381.240 | |
| No provision. | Reserves 5% of the amount earmarked for traditional SSI for universities in each fiscal year from ALI 235501 to support student success programs. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires half of the set-aside to be equally distributed among eligible universities with a main campus undergraduate enrollment comprised of at least 25% Pell eligible students with in-state residency and the remaining half to be allocated to those eligible universities in proportion to each university's share of the total statewide enrollment of undergraduate Pell eligible students. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the Chancellor, in calculating each university's percentage of Pell-eligible enrollments, to use the three-year average enrollment for the most recent completed three-year period that is practicable as determined by the Chancellor. | No provision. |

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| BORCD112 SSI-College Credit Plus (CCP) pathways and accelerated ninety-hour degree program set-aside for universities | | |
| | Section: 381.240 | |
| No provision. | Reserves 5% of the amount earmarked for traditional SSI for universities in each fiscal year from ALI 235501 to support CCP pathways and accelerated ninety-hour degree programs (see BORCD113). | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires this set-aside to be allocated to universities in proportion to each campus's share of the total statewide enrollment in CCP pathways and accelerated ninety-hour degree programs. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the Chancellor, in calculating the subsidy entitlements for enrollment in CCP pathways and accelerated ninety-hour degree programs, to weight students who are residents in any term of their studies by a factor of 1 and students identified as out-of-state during all terms of their studies who remain in Ohio at least one year after graduation, as calculated based on the three-year average in-state residency rate using unemployment wage data for out-of-state graduates at each institution, by a factor of 50%. Requires the Chancellor, in calculating each campus' CCP pathways and accelerated ninety-hour degree programs, to use the three-year average enrollment for the most recent completed three-year period that is practicable as determined by the Inter-University Council and the Chancellor. | No provision. |
| BORCD26 SSI-Course completions calculation for universities | | |
| Section: 381.240 | Section: 381.240 | Section: 381.240 |
| Requires that, in calculating course completion funding for universities, the Chancellor only use FTEs who successfully complete a course. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Requires that successful course completion FTE students defined as "at-risk" based on academic under-preparation or financial status are to be weighted by (1) institution-specific course completion indexes calculated based on the number of at-risk students enrolled during the prior three calendar years, and (2) statewide at-risk course completion weights determined by the difference between the percentage of traditional students completing the course and the percentage of at-risk students completing the course. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires that, except for Medical I and Medical II models, all models have their course completion earnings determined by multiplying per FTE curriculum model costs by model weights and by the average number of subsidy-eligible FTEs for the most recent three-year period as agreed to by IUC and the Chancellor. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires that the course completion earnings be calculated by dividing the amount earmarked for traditional SSI for universities in each fiscal year from ALI 235501, less the degree attainment funding, the doctoral set-aside, and the medical set-asides, by the sum of all universities' instructional costs. | Same as the Executive, but adds the student success set-aside and the College Credit Plus pathways and accelerated ninety-hour degree programs funding set-aside to the calculation for course completions (see BORCD111 and BORCD112). | Same as the Executive. |
| BORCD28 SSI-Capital component deduction | | |
| Section: 381.240 | Section: 381.240 | Section: 381.240 |
| Requires that, after all other adjustments have been made, a campus's SSI earnings be reduced by the amount, if any, by which debt service charged for that campus for capital budgets from the 126th G.A. and the 127th G.A. exceeds that campus's capital component earnings. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Requires that half of the sum of the total amounts of those deductions for the remainder of the program be transferred to GRF ALI 235552, Capital Component, in each fiscal year, except that the deduction and transfer may be reduced to the extent that ALI 235552 is sufficient to cover payments. | Same as the Executive. | Replaces the Executive provision with one that requires that the deducted amounts be transferred to GRF ALI 235552, Capital Component, in each fiscal year (effectively restoring the component's phase-out to its original completion at the end of FY 2029). |
| Requires, if the Chancellor determines that the transfer and deduction from ALI 235501 can be reduced, that the adjustments be completed proportionately to each institution's share of the total. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| BORCD31 SSI for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 | | |
| Section: 381.250 | Section: 381.250 | Section: 381.250 |
| Makes the following earmarks to GRF ALI 235501, State Share of Instruction: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: | Same as the House, but makes the following changes: |
| (1) Up to \$100,000,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to state institutions of higher education according to a formula devised by the Chancellor based on employment and wage outcomes of the graduates of each institution, using data from the U.S. Census Post-Secondary Employment Outcomes (PSEO) project. Requires the formula to use as factors the employment and earnings by the graduates of each institution, measured at the two-digit level of the Classification of Instructional Programs codes by the National Center for Education Statistics. | (1) Same as the Executive, but replaces the employment and wage outcomes-based distribution method with a tiered one that favors retention-based outcomes based on factors, including, but not limited to, the number of graduates employed by an Ohio-based employer and employment outcomes of the graduates of each college and university. Prioritizes, using data from the U.S. Census Post-Secondary Employment Outcomes project, graduates who are residents of the state and employed by an Ohio-based employer, followed by graduates who are employed by an Ohio-based employer but are not residents of the state and employment outcomes of the graduates of each institution. | (1) Same as the House. |
| (2) Up to \$10,000,000 in each fiscal year be distributed to state institutions of higher education according to a formula devised by the Chancellor that provides funding bonuses of \$10,000 per graduate for technician-aligned associate degrees, as determined by OWT, that are produced above a historical baseline of institutional production, as calculated by the Chancellor. | (2) Same as the Executive, but requires the Chancellor, in developing a formula for distribution of this earmark, to give priority to retention-based outcomes and count only graduates who are employed by an Ohio-based employer. | (2) Same as the House. |

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| Requires that for each of the earmarks in (1) and (2) that 76.8% of the set-aside be distributed to public universities and regional campuses and 23.2% be distributed to community colleges. | Same as the Executive, but removes the institutional sector percentage distribution for the earmark in (2). | Same as the House. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. | (3) \$8,500,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to The Ohio State University to support the Salmon P. Chase Center for Civics, Culture, and Society. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) No provision. | (4) \$3,000,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to the University of Toledo to support the Institute of American Constitutional Thought and Leadership. |
| (5) No provision. | (5) No provision. | (5) \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to Miami University to support a center for civics, culture, and society. |
| (6) No provision. | (6) No provision. | (6) \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to Cleveland State University to support a center for civics, culture, and society. |
| (7) No provision. | (7) No provision. | (7) \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to Wright State University to support a center for civics, culture, and workforce development. |
| (8) The remainder to be distributed through the traditional SSI formula, with (A) 76.8% of the total remaining allocation under ALI 235501 distributed to public universities and regional campuses and (B) 23.2% distributed to community colleges. Permits any institution that receives additional SSI subsidy from this set-aside compared to the prior year to use the additional distribution to provide need-based aid and counseling, support services, and workforce preparation services to its students. | (8) Same as the Executive. | (8) Same as the Executive, but makes the following earmark and redistributions under (A) and (B), respectively: |
| (A) No provision. | (A) No provision. | (A) Earmarks \$100,000,000 in FY 2027 of the traditional SSI formula for universities under the remainder amount from ALI 235501 to be distributed based on each university’s percent share of the traditional SSI formula for universities. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits the Chancellor from distributing funds from this earmark to a state university unless the university has fully complied with the following provisions of S.B. 1 of the 136th G.A. in the prior fiscal year: (1) completion of required trustee training provided by the Chancellor; (2) syllabus posting requirements; (3) incorporating specified statements into a statement of commitment; (4) adopting a policy containing specified requirements and prohibitions regarding diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI), intellectual diversity, and other concepts; (5) developing an American civic literacy course and requiring completion of the course beginning with students graduating in the spring semester of the 2029-2030 academic year; (6) establishing a written system of faculty evaluations; (7) adopting and periodically updating a post-tenure review policy; and (8) a prohibition on accepting gifts or donations from the People's Republic of China and other related prohibitions and requirements. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires each state university, by March 1, 2026, to submit a report demonstrating compliance with the above. Requires the House and Senate higher education committees, by March 31, 2026, to each determine whether a state university is in full compliance with the above and report that determination to OBM. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires CEB to consider the release of the earmarked FY 2027 funds only for compliant universities. Subjects the release of funds to CEB approval. Requires the earmarked FY 2027 funds to be distributed to compliant universities in monthly payments in the same manner as other SSI funds. Requires the Chancellor to reduce SSI payments for universities found noncompliant by the amount of the earmarked FY 2027 funds calculated for that university. |

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| (B) No provision. | (B) No provision. | (B) Redistributes the amount calculated for Eastern Gateway Community College under the traditional SSI formula for community colleges from the remainder amount from ALI 235501 as follows: (1) up to \$2,900,000 in FY 2026 for final close out costs of the college; (2) up to \$2,500,000 in FY 2026 to reimburse the Controlling Board Emergency Purposes/Contingencies Fund (Fund 5KM0); and (3) the remainder in each fiscal year to remain in the GRF. |
| BORCD32 Restriction on fee increases | | |
| Section: 381.260 | Section: 381.260 | Section: 381.260 |
| Requires, in FY 2026 and FY 2027, the boards of trustees of state institutions of higher education to restrain increases in in-state undergraduate instructional and general fees. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Authorizes, for academic years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027, each community college to increase its in-state undergraduate instructional and general fees by no more than \$5 per credit hour over what the college charged for the previous academic year. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but increases the authorized per credit hour increase from not more than \$5 per credit hour to not more than \$10 per credit hour. |
| Exempts the following fees from the above limits: (1) student health insurance, (2) fees for auxiliary goods or services provided to students at the cost incurred to the institution, (3) fees assessed to students as a pass-through for licensure and certification examinations, (4) fees in elective courses associated with travel experiences, (5) elective service charges, (6) fines, and (7) voluntary sales transactions. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Specifies that limitations do not apply to increases required to comply with institutional covenants related to obligations or to meet unfunded legal mandates or commitments made prior to the effective date of the section. Requires that any increases necessary to cover these covenants or other requirements be reported to the Controlling Board by the Chancellor. Authorizes the Chancellor, with Controlling Board approval, to modify any limitations to respond to exceptional circumstances. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Authorizes state universities offering undergraduate tuition guarantees to increase instructional and general fees under certain circumstances permitted under those programs. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| BORCD43 Governor's Merit Scholarship | | |
| Section: 381.400 | Section: 381.400 | Section: 381.400 |
| Requires that GRF ALI 235530, Governor's Merit Scholarship, be used to administer and award individual merit-based scholarships to eligible students, based on placement in their public or chartered nonpublic high school's graduating class at the end of their junior year, as determined by their high school using criteria established by the Chancellor in consultation with the DEW Director. Requires each high school to provide the information as requested by the Chancellor to determine scholarship eligibility. | Same as the Executive, but expands the scholarship to students enrolled in nonchartered nonpublic schools who meet the other criteria to receive a scholarship. | Same as the House. |
| Requires the Chancellor, to the extent that funds are sufficient to do so, to provide per-student awards of \$5,000 per academic year to eligible students determined to be in the top 5% of their graduating class at the end of their junior year. | Same as the Executive. | Replaces the Executive provision with one that requires the Chancellor to provide the following per-student awards for FY 2026 and FY 2027: |
| (1) No provision. | (1) No provision. | (1) \$5,000 per academic year to eligible students who first received a scholarship for the 2024-2025 academic year. |

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| (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. | (2) \$5,000 per academic year to eligible students who first receive a scholarship in the 2025-2026 academic year and who are in the top 5% of their graduating class. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. | (3) \$5,000 per academic year to eligible students who first receive a scholarship in the 2026-2027 academic year and who are in the top 2% of their graduating class. Requires the Chancellor to award a first-time scholarship to at least one eligible student per high school for the 2026- 2027 academic year. |
| Defines a "qualifying institution" as a (1) state or (2) private nonprofit institution of higher education. | Replaces the Executive provision with one that applies the program to state institutions and authorizes private nonprofit institutions to participate in each fiscal year. Conditions FY 2027 participation for private nonprofit institutions on whether they agree to admit any Ohio graduate of the 12th grade who is in the top 10% of a graduating class and sign a commitment to comply with certain requirements for state institutions in S.B. 1 of the 136th General Assembly (notwithstanding certain religious exemptions). Permits a student who received a scholarship prior to FY 2027 to continue receiving that scholarship, regardless of whether the private nonprofit institution the student attends is generally participating in the scholarship program for FY 2027. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires eligible students to receive an award for up to the equivalent of four academic years at a qualifying institution of higher education, contingent on satisfactory academic progress. | Same as the Executive, but applies the provision to all state institutions and those private nonprofit institutions that choose to participate in FY 2026 and, subject to the conditions mentioned above, in FY 2027. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Prohibits a qualifying higher education institution receiving funds under this program from either (1) changing their scholarship or financial aid programs to shift the cost of those programs onto this one or (2) reducing their level of merit-based financial aid below what they provided in the most recent academic year in the aggregate to all students or on a per-student basis. | Same as the Executive, but applies the provision to all state institutions and those private nonprofit institutions that choose to participate in FY 2026 and, subject to the conditions mentioned above, in FY 2027. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the Chancellor and DEW Director to determine eligibility for home-schooled high school graduates to provide them with a similar level of access to the scholarship. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Permits the Chancellor to establish guidelines to implement this program. | Same as the Executive, but prohibits the Chancellor from limiting the number of students receiving an award under ALI 235530 that may enroll at a qualifying institution. | Same as the House. |
| BORCD44 Program and Project Support | | |
| Section: 381.410 | Section: 381.410 | |
| Makes the following earmarks of GRF ALI 235533, Program and Project Support: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: | No provision. |
| (1) \$500,000 in each fiscal year to support the Ohio Aerospace Institute's Space Grant Consortium. | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) No provision (seeDEVCD72). |
| (2) \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to OSU to support the Salmon P. Chase Center for Civics, Culture, and Society (see BORCD45). | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) No provision (see BORCD31). |
| (3) \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to the University of Toledo to support the Institute of American Constitutional Thought and Leadership (see BORCD45). | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) No provision (see BORCD31). |
| (4) \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to Miami University to support a center for civics, culture, and society (see BORCD45). | (4) Same as the Executive. | (4) No provision (see BORCD31). |

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| (5) \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to Cleveland State University to support a center for civics, culture, and society (see BORCD45). | (5) Same as the Executive. | (5) No provision (see BORCD31). |
| (6) \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to Wright State University to support a center for civics, culture, and workforce development (see BORCD45). | (6) Same as the Executive. | (6) No provision (see BORCD31). |
| (7) \$14,000,000 in FY 2026 to be distributed to Miami University to establish the Ohio Institute for Quantum Computing Research, Talent, and Commercialization and an urban bridge to Cleveland. | (7) Same as the Executive. | (7) No provision. |
| (8) No provision. | (8) \$200,000 in each fiscal year to support the University of Dayton Statehouse Civic Scholars Program. | (8) No provision. |
| (9) No provision. | (9) \$935,000 in FY 2026 to support Ashland University's Military and Veterans Services program. | (9) No provision. |
| (10) No provision. | (10) \$800,000 in each fiscal year to support Cleveland State University’s wrestling programs. Requires, of the earmarked funds, that \$400,000 in each fiscal year be used to support its men's wrestling program and \$400,000 in each fiscal year be used to establish and maintain a women's wrestling program. | (10) No provision. |
| (11) No provision. | (11) \$350,000 in FY 2026 to Sinclair Community College for the purchase of equipment for manufacturing education in Ohio's correctional institutions. | (11) No provision. |
| (12) No provision. | (12) \$500,000 in each fiscal year to the Strategic Ohio Council on Higher Education to support the Ohio Intern Academy program. | (12) No provision. |
| (13) No provision. | (13) \$1,500,000 in each fiscal year to provide loan repayments on behalf of certain attorneys under the Rural Practice Incentive Program (see BORCD101). | (13) No provision (see BORCD101 and BORCD123). |

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| (14) No provision. | (14) \$750,000 in each fiscal year to be used by the Chancellor to continue support and expansion of the Clark County unmanned and general aviation STEM pilot programs in all Ohio counties. | (14) No provision (see DEVCD72). |
| (15) No provision. | (15) \$100,000 in FY 2026 for Ashland University's Ashbrook Center civics education K-12 teacher training and student learning initiative. | (15) No provision. |
| (16) No provision. | (16) \$50,000 in each fiscal year to be distributed to S.U.C.C.E.S.S. for Autism to expand an interprofessional pilot program for the purpose of training professionals in The S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Approach, a comprehensive neurodevelopmental learning model for all students. | (16) No provision (see DEVCD72). |
| BORCD45 Centers for Civics, Culture, and Society And Workforce Development Consultation | | |
| Section: 381.415 | Section: 381.415 | |
| Requires the Chancellor to consult with the directors, or the directors' designees, of the five centers (Cleveland State, Miami, Ohio State, Toledo, Wright State) for civics, culture, and society and workforce development to evaluate the extent to which the centers may be leveraged for the benefit of the entire state. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires, by March 31, 2026, the directors to prepare and submit to the Chancellor a summary of recommendations and a plan to achieve maximum statewide benefit including options to establish programming at other state institutions through seminars, lectures, student courses and assisting faculty with curriculum development or sharing of curriculum developed by the centers. Requires, in developing the plan and curriculum, the centers to seek to achieve the broadest geographic coverage possible. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Authorizes, effective July 1, 2026, the Chancellor to require the centers to engage in activities included in their summary of recommendations that are intended to benefit the entire state. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires each center to use a portion of its funding in each fiscal year to benefit the entire state and to report in its required annual report the percentage of its funds the center used to assist other universities and a summary of the specific types of services and benefits provided. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential increase in administrative workload for each of the five universities to consult with the Chancellor, prepare and submit plans, and use a portion of its funding in each fiscal year to benefit the entire state. Each center receives \$2.0 million in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 235533, Program and Project Support (see BORCD44). | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| BORCD48 Capital Component | | |
| Section: 381.450 | Section: 381.450 | Section: 381.450 |
| Requires that GRF ALI 235552, Capital Component, be used by the Chancellor to provide funding for prior commitments made pursuant to the state's former capital funding policy for state community colleges and universities under H.B. 748 of the 121st G.A. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires that the amounts provided from ALI 235552, including required transfers from GRF ALI 235501, State Share of Instruction (see BORCD28), in FY 2026 and FY 2027 cover the remaining obligations of the program, which will cease to exist on June 30, 2027. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires that ALI 235552 consist of: | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: |

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| <p>(1) Distributions to each campus for which the estimated campus debt service attributable to qualifying capital projects is less than the campus's formula-determined capital component allocation under the state's former capital funding policy. Requires that the amount of each campus's payment be determined by subtracting the former amount from the latter and that the campuses use these payments only for capital projects.</p> <p>(2) Transfers from ALI 235501, if necessary and after any adjustments made by the Chancellor, consisting of half of the amounts subtracted from each campus's SSI allocation the amount by which the estimated campus debt service attributable to qualifying capital projects for the remainder of the program exceeds the campus's formula-determined capital component allocation.</p> | <p>(1) Same as the Executive.</p> <p>(2) Same as the Executive.</p> | <p>(1) Same as the Executive.</p> <p>(2) Replaces the Executive provision with one that requires the Chancellor to subtract from each campus's SSI allocation in each fiscal year the amount by which the estimated campus debt service attributable to qualifying capital projects exceeds the campus's formula-determined capital component allocation and transfer appropriation equal to the sum of these amounts from ALI 235501 to this line item (effectively returning the component's phase-out to its original completion at the end of FY 2029).</p> |
| BORCD52 The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine Supplement | | |
| Section: 381.500 Requires GRF ALI 235569, The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine Supplement, to be distributed to the OSU College of Veterinary Medicine to provide supplemental support for education, research, and operations. | Section: 381.500 Same as the Executive. | Section: 381.500 Same as the Executive, but requires that ALI 235569 be used, instead, to increase enrollment of Ohio students, with the goal of having 70% of the students entering the college in the 2026-2027 academic year be Ohio students. |
| BORCD55 Co-Op Internship Program | | |
| Section: 381.530 Makes the following earmarks of GRF ALI 235591, Co-Op Internship Program: | Section: 381.530 Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes: | No provision. |
| (1) \$165,000 in each fiscal year to support the operations of Ohio University's Voinovich School. | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) \$75,000 in each fiscal year to support the Model United Nations Program at Wright State University. | (2) No provision. |

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| (3) No provision. | (3) \$75,000 in each fiscal year to support the operations of The Ohio State University's John Glenn College of Public Affairs. | (3) No provision. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) \$75,000 in each fiscal year to support the Bliss Institute of Applied Politics at the University of Akron. | (4) No provision. |
| (5) No provision. | (5) \$75,000 in each fiscal year to support the Center for Public Management and Regional Affairs at Miami University. | (5) No provision. |
| (6) No provision. | (6) \$75,000 in each fiscal year to support the Student Mentoring and Career Development Program at the Levin College Advancing Public Service Professionals at Cleveland State University. | (6) No provision. |
| (7) No provision. | (7) \$75,000 in each fiscal year to support the University of Cincinnati Internship Program. | (7) No provision. |
| (8) No provision. | (8) \$75,000 in each fiscal year to support the Kent State University Washington Program in National Issues. | (8) No provision. |
| (9) No provision. | (9) \$75,000 in each fiscal year to support the Kent State University Columbus Program. | (9) No provision. |
| (10) No provision. | (10) \$75,000 in each fiscal year to support the University of Toledo Urban Affairs Center. | (10) No provision. |
| (11) No provision. | (11) \$75,000 in each fiscal year to support the Shawnee State University Institute for Appalachian Public Policy. | (11) No provision. |
| (12) No provision. | (12) \$75,000 in each fiscal year to support the Bowling Green State University Center for Regional Development. | (12) No provision. |
| (13) No provision. | (13) \$75,000 in each fiscal year to support the Youngstown State University Initiative for Community and Regional Development. | (13) No provision. |

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| BORCD57 Rural University Program | | |
| Section: 381.550 Requires that GRF ALI 235598, Rural University Program, be used for the Rural University Program, a collaboration of BGSU, KSU, MUN, and OHU, that provides rural communities with economic development, public administration, and public health services. Requires that each of the four universities receive \$103,000 in each fiscal year to support their respective programs. | Section: 381.550 Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| BORCD59 FAFSA Support Teams | | |
| Section: 381.565 Requires that GRF ALI 2355A1, FAFSA Support Teams, be used to support the FAFSA support team statewide system. | Section: 381.565 Same as the Executive. | No provision (see BORCD115). |
| BORCD60 Campus Community Grant Program | | |
| Section: 381.565 Requires that GRF ALI 2355A3, Campus Community Grant Program, be used to support the Campus Community Grant Program. | No provision (see BORCD98). | No provision (see BORCD98). |
| BORCD110 Ohio Higher Education Public Policy Research Consortium | | |
| No provision. | Section: 381.565 Requires GRF ALI 2355A4, Ohio Higher Education Public Policy Research Consortium, to be used by the Chancellor to award competitive research grants under the Ohio Higher Education Public Policy Research Consortium (see BORCD109). | No provision. |
| No provision. | Authorizes the Chancellor to use \$150,000 in each fiscal year from ALI 2355A4 to establish and administer the Consortium. | No provision. |

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| BORCD65 Talent Ready Grant Program and GRF cash transfer to Fund 5NH0 | | |
| Section: 381.630, 512.10 | Section: 381.630, 512.10 | |
| Requires that Fund 5NH0 ALI 235517, Talent Ready Grant Program, be used by the Chancellor to administer the Talent Ready Grant program to support workforce credential and certificate programs under 30 credit hours at a community college or university regional campus or less than 900 clock hours at an OTC. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires that ALI 235517 do both of the following: | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| (1) Establish and operate workforce credential and certificate programs under 30 credit hours or less than 900 clock hours, as identified by OWT and the Chancellor. Requires that the Chancellor and OWT, when identifying programs as eligible for funding, review the top jobs list and prioritize programs that are particularly well-aligned with occupations determined to be most in-demand to meet statewide or regional workforce goals. Authorizes an eligible entity to submit a request to the Chancellor to consider adding a program to the list identified as eligible for funding by providing information and justification. | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) Provide additional support to short-term certificate programs determined to be eligible for funding, as identified by OWT and the Chancellor. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) No provision. |

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| Requires the Chancellor to allocate funds among eligible institutions in approximate proportion to each entity's share of eligible short-term certificate programs, while considering student enrollments, completions, past utilization of short-term certificate funding, and other factors. Requires, for purposes of allocating funds between community colleges, the Chancellor to allocate funding to each campus in proportion to each campus's share of the total sector's course completions for the most recent available year, as reported through the Higher Education Information system (HEI) student enrollment file, weighted by the instructional cost of subsidy models. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$20,000,000 cash in FY 2026 from the GRF to the OhioMeansJobs Workforce Development Revolving Loan Fund (Fund 5NH0) to support the program. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| BORCD66 Super RAPIDS Section: 381.635 Reappropriates an amount requested by the Chancellor, up to the available balance of Fund 5AH1 ALI 235688, Super RAPIDS, at the end of FY 2025 and FY 2026 to FY 2026 and 2027, respectively. | Section: 381.635 Same as the Executive. | Section: 381.635 Replaces the Executive provision with one that requires ALI 235688 be used by the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation (OWT) and the Chancellor to support collaborative projects among state institutions of higher education, OTCs, and other secondary and postsecondary education and workforce-related entities to strengthen education and training opportunities that maximize workforce development area in regions throughout the state (effectively restoring language to current temporary law). |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires these funds be used to support efforts that build capacity, remove employment and training barriers for prospective and unemployed workers, develop and strengthen business-led strategies in the impacted industries, and provide local guided solutions to employment for communities in economic transition. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the Chancellor and OWT to consult with DEV and other stakeholders as determined to be appropriate, to define Ohio regions and distribute these funds to those regions. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Permits a portion of the funds in each fiscal year to be used by OWT to meet urgent workforce development and job creation needs throughout the state. |
| BORCD123 Rural Practice Incentive Program and GRF cash transfer to Fund 5ZD0 | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 381.650, 512.10 Requires that Fund 5ZD0 ALI 235426, Rural Practice Incentive Program, be used to provide loan repayments on behalf of certain attorneys under the Rural Practice Incentive Program (see BORCD101). |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$3,000,000 cash in FY 2026 from the GRF to the Rural Practice Incentive Fund (Fund 5ZD0) to support the program. |
| BORCD76 College Credit Plus Program engagement and model pathways | | |
| Section: 381.720 Permits the Chancellor and DEW Director to take action as necessary to ensure that public colleges and universities and school districts are fully engaging and participating in the College Credit Plus (CCP) Program including publicly displaying program participation data by district and institution. | Section: 381.720 Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Requires the Chancellor and DEW Director, to work with public secondary schools and partnering public colleges and universities, as necessary, to encourage the establishment of CCP model pathways that prepare participants to successfully enter the workforce in certain fields. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires students enrolled under a statewide innovative waiver pathway to follow a model pathway, with priority given to pathways aligned with engineering technology and other fields essential to the superconductor industry. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential minimal increase in administrative costs for ODHE and DEW. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| BORCD79 General Education Requirements | | |
| Section: 381.750 | Section: 381.750 | Section: 381.750 |
| Requires, no later than December 31, 2025, a board of trustees of a state institution of higher education to formally review and evaluate the components of its institution's general education curriculum and adopt a resolution acknowledging the board's completion of that review. Requires each board to submit a copy of its resolution to the Chancellor. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but delays the provisions by one year (no later than December 31, 2026, rather than December 31, 2025). |
| Requires, no later than March 31, 2026, each board to formally evaluate its institution's general education curriculum to enhance content that furthers the state's post-secondary education attainment and workforce goals. Requires each board to adjust the curriculum in the following areas: (1) civics, culture, and society; (2) artificial intelligence, STEM, and computational thinking; (3) entrepreneurship and the principles of innovation; and, (4) workforce readiness. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but delays the provisions by one year (no later than March 31, 2027, rather than March 31, 2026). |

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| Requires, no later than June 30, 2026, each board to adopt a resolution summarizing changes to its institution's general education curriculum resulting from its evaluation process and to submit a copy of the resolution to the Chancellor. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but delays the provision by one year (no later than June 30, 2027, rather than June 30, 2026). |
| Requires the Chancellor to provide a copy of each of the resolutions submitted by institutions to the Governor, President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: Increase in administrative workload for each state institution of higher education to evaluate its general education requirements. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but delays the effects by one year. |
| BORCD80 Ohio Tech Talent Initiative | | |
| Section: 381.760 | Section: 381.760 | |
| Establishes the Ohio Tech Talent Initiative to promote, prioritize, and expand engineering technician education for engineering technology and other fields essential to the semiconductor and advanced manufacturing industries. Authorizes the Chancellor to determine the list of academic programs to be included, with OWT, based on the Classification of Instructional Program (CIP). | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires, for certain model and statewide innovative waiver pathways, the Chancellor and DEW Director, in conjunction with OWT, to jointly collaborate with public secondary schools and partnering public colleges and universities to establish, promote, and prioritize pathways that prepare participants to successfully enter the workforce in engineering technology and other fields essential to the semiconductor or advanced manufacturing industries. Requires the Chancellor and DEW Director to also leverage the one-year option credit articulation process for students enrolled in OTCs who complete a 900-hour program of study and obtain an industry-recognized credential. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Authorizes the Chancellor and DEV Director to use funds from the following operating and capital ALIs: (1) GRF ALI 235438, Choose Ohio First; (2) Fund 5NH0 ALI 235517, Ohio Work Ready Grant; (3) GRF ALI 235425, Ohio Work Ready Grant; (4) Fund 5YD0 ALI 235494, Second Chance Grant Program; (5) Fund 7034 ALI C23528, Workforce Based Training and Equipment; (6) GRF ALI 195556, TechCred Program; and, (7) other appropriation items as determined by the Chancellor and OWT. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Authorizes the Chancellor to require state and private institutions of higher education to establish a workforce-education partnership, and to require that each partnership specifically focus on engineering technology and other fields essential to the semiconductor and advanced manufacturing industries. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: ODHE may incur additional costs to administer the initiative. Any ALIs used to support the initiative will incur an increase in expenditures should the Chancellor and DEV Director choose to use them. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| BORCD124 Youngstown State University capital project changes | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 620.20, 620.21 (amends Section 207.37 of H.B. 2 of the 135th G.A.) Redirects a capital appropriation of \$700,000 from Fund 7034 ALI C34591, Penguin City Brewing Company Upgrade Project, to Fund 7034 ALI C34500, Basic Renovations, both under the budget of Youngstown State University. |

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| OHSCD5 OHC American Indian Burial Sites R.C. 149.3010, 149.43, 2909.05, 2927.11 Requires burial sites used by OHC for the repatriation of American Indian remains to have an easement, enforceable by OHC, to preserve the burial sites. Exempts records related to such burial sites from disclosure under the Ohio Public Records Act, and excludes them from the 75-year disclosure requirement. Includes such burial sites in the criminal offenses of desecration and vandalism. Fiscal effect: Minimal. | R.C. 149.3010, 149.43, 2909.05, 2927.11 Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | No provision. No provision. No provision. |
| OHSCD3 State Historical Grants Section: 297.20 Makes the following earmarks from GRF ALI 360508, State Historical Grants: (1) \$350,000 in each fiscal year for the Western Reserve Historical Society. (2) \$350,000 in each fiscal year for the Cincinnati Museum Center. (3) No provision. | Section: 297.20 Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes to the earmarks: (1) Same as the Executive. (2) Same as the Executive. (3) \$150,000 in FY 2026 for Wadsworth Area Historical Society and the preservation of the St. Mark's Episcopal Church located in Wadsworth, Ohio. | Section: 297.20 Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes to the earmarks: (1) Same as the Executive. (2) Same as the Executive. (3) No provision. |
| OHSCD4 Outreach and Partnership Section: 297.20 Earmarks \$1,819,085 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 360509, Outreach and Partnership, to be used for students and teachers to access the Ohio as America social studies curriculum in partnership with DEW. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Requires OHC to report the number of students, teachers, and schools using the curriculum to OBM quarterly. | No provision. | No provision. |
| OHSCD7 Ohio Commission for the U.S. Semiquincentennial | | |
| | Section: 297.20 | Section: 297.20 |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$250,000 in FY 2026 from GRF ALI 360401, Ohio Commission for the U.S. Semiquincentennial, for marketing and event operations for the America's River Roots Festival. | No provision. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires that GRF ALI 360401, Ohio Commission for the U.S. Semiquincentennial be used for grants across the state in support of the U.S. Semiquincentennial. |
| OHSCD8 Holocaust and Genocide Memorial and Education Commission | | |
| | Section: 297.20 | Section: 297.20 |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$125,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 360400, Holocaust and Genocide Memorial and Education Commission, for The Nancy and David Wolf Holocaust and Humanity Center. | Same as the House. |

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| INSCD2 | Health plan issuer payment method and disclosure requirements | | | | |
| R.C. | 3901.3815 | R.C. | 3901.3815 | R.C. | 3901.3815 |
| Requires a health plan issuer to offer all reasonably available methods of payment to a health care provider, including payment by check and electronic funds transfer. | | Same as the Executive. | | Replaces the Executive version with one that prohibits a health plan issuer from charging a health care provider a fee for delivering payment through check or electronic funds transfer, either directly or indirectly through an agent, affiliate, or third party contracted by the health plan issuer in connection with the method of payment. | |
| Prohibits a health plan issuer requiring payment by credit card. | | Same as the Executive. | | Replaces the Executive version with one that requires health plan issuers to allow providers to opt out of payment by credit card. | |
| Requires health plan issuers, if any available method has a fee, to notify the provider about the fee and disclose the amount of the fee, including clear instructions for selecting each payment method prior to initiating the first payment to the provider or upon changing the payment methods. | | Same as the Executive. | | Replaces the Executive version with one that requires a health plan issuer to disclose only those fees that are charged by the health plan issuer or by an agent, affiliate, or third party contracted by the health plan issuer in connection with a method of payment. | |
| Requires health plan issuers to implement requests to change a payment method within 30 business days. Prohibits health plan issuers from charging a fee for implementing a change to a health care provider's payment method. | | Same as the Executive. | | Replaces the Executive version with one that allows a health plan issuer to unilaterally change a provider's payment method if the health plan issuer has not generated a payment to the provider in more than one year. | |
| Applies the requirements to an entity subject to the insurance laws and rules of this state, or subject to the jurisdiction of the Superintendent of Insurance, that contracts, or offers to contract to provide, deliver, arrange for, pay for, or reimburse any of the costs of health care services under a health benefit plan, including a sickness and accident insurance company; a health insuring corporation; a fraternal benefit society; a self-funded multiple employer welfare arrangement; a nonfederal, government health plan; or a third party administrator. | | Same as the Executive. | | Same as the Executive. | |

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| No provision. | Requires a health plan issuer to offer at least one method of payment that does not require the health care provider to pay any associated fee. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| INSCD7 Ambulance reimbursement by health plan issuers | | R.C. 3902.51, 739.10 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Modifies one of the factors used to determine the minimum reimbursement rate that a health plan issuer must pay by default to an out-of-network ambulance for unanticipated and emergency care, specifically by increasing the Medicare-based factor to 250% (from 100%) of the Medicare payment amount. Fiscal effect: Potential increase costs to the state's and local government's health benefit plan expenditures. Under current law, unless the ambulance wishes to negotiate reimbursement, health insurers are required to reimburse the greatest of the following amounts to the ambulance for unanticipated and emergency out-of-network care: (1) the median amount the health plan issuer negotiated with in-network ambulance service in that geographic region; (2) the rate the health plan issuer pays for out-of-network services under the health benefit plan; or (3) the rate paid by Medicare for the service. |
| INSCD5 Reimbursement for services provided by certified registered nurse anesthetists | R.C. 3902.631 | |
| No provision. | Prohibits private insurers from varying the reimbursement rate for a covered service based on whether the service was provided by a certified registered nurse anesthetist or a physician. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | <div>Specifies that the provision does not prohibit an insurer from establishing varying reimbursement rates based on quality or performance measures.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: No direct fiscal effect to the state's and local governments' employee health benefit plans.</div> | No provision. |
| INSCD4Long-term care insurance continuing education requirements | R.C.3923.443 | R.C.3923.443 |
| No provision. | <div>Aligns the deadline for a long-term care insurance agent to complete the four hours of continuing education required by continuing law with the agent's two-year license renewal period, as opposed to the two-year period beginning January 1.</div> | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | <div>Makes selling, soliciting, or negotiating long-term care insurance before satisfying the continuing education requirement an unfair and deceptive practice in the business of insurance, in contrast to current law, under which simply failing to satisfy the continuing education requirement qualifies as such.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: None.</div> | <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |
| INSCD6Pharmacy benefit managers | R.C.3959.01, 3959.111, and 3959.121 | R.C.3959.01, 3959.111, and 3959.121 |
| No provision. | <div>Requires pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs), other than the state PBM, to reimburse Ohio-incorporated pharmacies that dispense a drug product for the "actual acquisition cost," i.e., the amount paid to the drug wholesaler, plus a minimum dispensing fee determined by the Superintendent of Insurance.</div> | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Prohibits a PBM from reimbursing an Ohio pharmacy less than the amount the PBM reimburses its affiliated pharmacies for providing the same drug product. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Allows an Ohio pharmacy to decline to provide a drug product if the pharmacy would be reimbursed less than the required amount. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Prohibits a PBM from retaliating against an Ohio pharmacy that reports an alleged violation of, or exercises a remedy under the provision by doing any of the following: (1) terminating or refusing to renew a contract without providing notice at least 90 days in advance; (2) increasing audits of the pharmacy without providing notice and a detailed description of the reason for the audits at least 90 days in advance; or (3) failing to comply with prompt pay laws. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Establishes a procedure by which an Ohio pharmacy may file a formal complaint against a PBM and the Superintendent may impose an administrative penalty of \$1,000 per day for each violation of the provision. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | <p>Allows the Superintendent to adopt rules to implement and administer the provision and exempts those rules from requirements, under continuing law, related to reducing regulatory restrictions.</p> <p>Fiscal effect: May increase Department of Insurance’s administrative cost, which may be offset by any penalties collected from any PBM that violates such prohibitions to be deposited into Fund 5540.</p> | <p>Same as the House, but specifies that the rules must be adopted in accordance with current law regarding the reduction of regulatory restrictions.</p> <p>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</p> |

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| JFSCD34 | Community Services Block Grant | | | | |
| R.C. | 122.66, 122.67, 122.68, 122.681, 122.69, 122.70, 122.701, 122.702, 5101.311, 5101.312, 5101.313, 5101.314, 5101.315, 5101.316, 5101.317, 5101.318, 121.22, 122.1710, 307.985, 2915.01, 3701.033, 5101.101; Section 525.20 | R.C. | 122.66, 122.67, 122.68, 122.681, 122.69, 122.70, 122.701, 122.702, 5101.311, 5101.312, 5101.313, 5101.314, 5101.315, 5101.316, 5101.317, 5101.318, 121.22, 122.1710, 307.985, 2915.01, 3701.033, 5101.101; Section 525.20 | R.C. | 122.66, 122.67, 122.68, 122.681, 122.69, 122.70, 122.701, 122.702 (repealed), 5101.311, 5101.312, 5101.313, 5101.314, 5101.315, 5101.316, 5101.317, 121.22, 122.1710, 307.985, 2915.01, 3701.033, 5101.101; Section 525.20 |
| Transfers the duties and powers to administer Community Service Block Grant funds from DEV to ODJFS. | | Same as the Executive. | | Same as the Executive. | |
| Modifies an existing requirement that the General Assembly conduct public hearings on Community Services Block Grant funds as required by federal law as follows: (1) removes the requirement that the hearings be conducted each year; and (2) removes the requirement that the hearings are to be on the proposed use and distribution of funds. | | Same as the Executive. | | Replaces the Executive provision with a provision that repeals the requirement that the General Assembly conduct these hearings. | |
| Requires that any business beginning before, but not completed by, July 1, 2027 within DEV that will be transferred with these programs must be completed in the same manner in ODJFS. | | Same as the Executive. | | Same as the Executive. | |
| Requires that by July 1, 2026, the DEV and ODJFS directors must develop a plan to implement the transfer of the programs’ duties and function, and the directors must enter a memorandum of understanding concerning the transfer. | | Same as the Executive. | | Same as the Executive. | |
| Permits DEV and ODJFS to jointly or separately enter into contracts with public or private entities for staff training and development to facilitate the transfer. | | Same as the Executive. | | Same as the Executive. | |

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| Requires that all employees associated with these programs are transferred from DEV to ODJFS with the same positions and benefits by July 1, 2027. Permits ODJFS to establish, change, and abolish positions, as well as to assign, reassign, classify, reclassify, transfer, reduce, promote, or demote all employees not subject to collective bargaining. Permits ODJFS (or DEV, in the case of an employee transferred outside of ODJFS) to assign or reassign an exempt employee to a bargaining unit classification. Excludes the transfer of programs and employees under this section and the reassignment of certain functions and duties from appropriate subjects of collective bargaining. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Permits ODJFS, with approval of OBM, to establish a retirement incentive plan for transferred employees. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires all rules, orders, and determinations made or undertaken by the transferred programs to continue in effect until ODJFS modifies or rescinds them. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires OBM to make budget and accounting changes to implement the transfer. Permits OBM to cancel or establish encumbrances or parts of encumbrances. Permits OBM to transfer appropriations between ODJFS and DEV. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: The budget appropriates \$32.0 million in new Fund 3L00 ALI 6006B8, Community Service Block Grant, in 2027, under ODJFS. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as Executive. |

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| JFSCD48 Unemployment Compensation Integrity Board | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 4141.08 Creates the Unemployment Compensation Integrity Board for the purpose of advising and consulting the ODJFS Director in the administration and enforcement of the Unemployment Compensation Law, including making recommendations to the ODJFS Director regarding proposed rules or public private partnerships. Fiscal effect: Minimal. |
| JFSCD15 Employer response to request for information | | |
| R.C. 4141.28 Reduces the time in which an employer must provide information requested by the ODJFS Director for the determination of the individual's right to unemployment benefits from ten working days after the request is sent to ten calendar days after the request is sent. Fiscal effect: None. | No provision. | No provision. |
| JFSCD32 Electric Partnership Plan Fund | | |
| R.C. 4928.51, 4928.66, 5117.07 Replaces the Universal Service Fund with the Electric Partnership Plan (EPP) Fund, which is to consist of all revenues remitted to the ODJFS Director (instead of the DEV Director as under current law), to provide funding for the low-income customer assistance program and the administrative costs of the low-income customer assistance programs and the consumer education program. | R.C. 4928.51, 4928.66, 5117.07 Same as the Executive. | R.C. 4928.51, 4928.66, 5117.07 Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes (1) requires all revenues to be remitted to the DEV Director (instead of ODJFS Director) and (2) removes the requirement that the EPP Fund be used to pay the administrative costs of the low-income customer assistance program. |

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| Requires the EPP fund to consist of (1) amounts allocated to each electric distribution utility (EDU) for consumer education programs and (2) any amount necessary to fund administrative costs of the low-income customer assistance programs. Fiscal effect: The budget appropriates \$176.2 million in new Fund 5M40 ALI 6006B2 Low Income Energy Assistance, in FY 2027, under ODJFS. | Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but removes the requirement that the EPP fund consist of any amount necessary to fund administrative costs of the low-income customer assistance programs. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but the funding is provided under DEV. |
| JFSCD31 Low-income customer assistance program administration | | |
| R.C. 4928.53, 4928.55, 4928.56, 4928.75, 4928.43; Section 525.20 | R.C. 4928.53, 4928.55, 4928.56, 4928.75, 4928.43; Section 525.20 | R.C. 4928.55, 4928.56, 4928.75, 4928.43; Section 525.20 |
| Transfers administration of the following programs from the DEV Director to the ODJFS Director beginning July 1, 2026: | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, with the following changes: |
| (1) Low-income customer assistance programs (These programs include various Home Energy Assistance Programs, Home Weatherization Program, and the Targeted Energy Efficiency and Weatherization Program). | (1) Same as the Executive. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) Consumer education program. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |
| (3) Electric Partnership Plan Fund (see JFSCD32). | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) No provision. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) No provision. | (4) Energy Efficiency and Weatherization Program. |
| Requires the ODJFS Director to submit a federal waiver request to expend 25% of federal low-income Home Energy Assistance Programs funds from the Home Energy Assistance Block Grants for weatherization services. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Requires that any business beginning before, but not completed by, July 1, 2027 within DEV that will be transferred with these programs must be completed in the same manner by ODJFS. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive (for the programs specified above). |
| Permits DEV and ODJFS to jointly or separately enter into contracts with public or private entities for staff training and development to facilitate the transfer. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive (for the programs specified above). |
| Requires that by July 1, 2026, the DEV and ODJFS directors must develop a plan to implement the transfer of the programs’ duties and function, and the directors must enter a memorandum of understanding concerning the transfer. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive (for the programs specified above). |
| Requires that all employees associated with these programs are transferred from DEV to ODJFS with the same positions and benefits by July 1, 2027. Permits ODJFS to establish, change, and abolish positions, as well as to assign, reassign, classify, reclassify, transfer, reduce, promote, or demote all employees not subject to collective bargaining. Permits ODJFS (or DEV, in the case of an employee transferred outside of ODJFS) to assign or reassign an exempt employee to a bargaining unit classification. Excludes the transfer of programs and employees under this section and the reassignment of certain functions and duties from appropriate subjects of collective bargaining. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive (for the programs specified above). |
| Permits ODJFS, with approval of OBM, to establish a retirement incentive plan for transferred employees. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive (for the programs specified above). |
| Requires all rules, orders, and determinations made or undertaken by the transferred programs to continue in effect until ODJFS modifies or rescinds them. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive (for the programs specified above). |

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| Requires OBM to make budget and accounting changes to implement the transfer. Permits OBM to cancel or establish encumbrances or parts of encumbrances. Permits OBM to transfer appropriations between ODJFS and DEV. Fiscal effect: The budget transfers funds to support these programs. | Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive (for the programs specified above). Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| JFSCD46 Public assistance benefits systems | | R.C. 5101.042 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODJFS to update the systems used to determine eligibility for public assistance benefits. Requires the updates to have a mechanism to allow information input by individual caseworkers to be tracked and audited. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires CDJFSs to provide caseworker training about improper determinations. Fiscal effect: ODJFS will have costs to update the systems. CDJFSs will have training costs that will vary based on the size of the county departments. |
| JFSCD49 SNAP EBT card hotline | | R.C. 5101.542 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODJFS to establish a process under its existing customer service hotline that allows SNAP participants to lock an EBT card that has been lost or stolen. Fiscal effect: Potential increase in administrative costs. |
| JFSCD47 SNAP high balance accounts | | R.C. 5101.543 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODJFS to periodically monitor the balances of SNAP accounts. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODJFS to take steps to determine if a SNAP account with a balance of more than \$5,000 is inactive, and if so, to identify the causes for the accruing balance. Fiscal effect: ODJFS may experience costs to investigate inactive accounts. |
| JFSCD36 Reporting changes in circumstances – SNAP benefits | | |
| | R.C. 5101.546 | |
| No provision. | Requires a household receiving SNAP benefits to report changes in circumstances that may affect eligibility for continued receipt of benefits to ODJFS within 30 days after the household becomes aware of the change. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Prohibits ODJFS from implementing simplified or quarterly reporting procedures for households receiving SNAP benefits Fiscal effect: Potential administrative costs depending on when households are currently required to report changes. | No provision. |
| JFSCD35 SNAP work requirement waivers and exemptions | | |
| | R.C. 5101.548 | R.C. 5101.548 |
| No provision. | Prohibits ODJFS from seeking, applying for, or renewing a waiver from the work requirements that apply to able-bodied adults without dependents receiving SNAP benefits. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Prohibits ODJFS from implementing a federal option under which it may grant exemptions from the SNAP work requirements that apply to able-bodied adults without dependents. | Same as the House, but with the following changes: |
| (1) No provision. | (1) No provision. | (1) Permits ODJFS to implement the federal option (1) if doing so is necessary to prevent a federal penalty and (2) to maintain compliance with federal rules governing SNAP. |

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| (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. | (2) Prohibits ODJFS from delegating the authority to waive work requirements or grant exemptions to CDJFSs. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. | (3) Requires ODJFS to notify the chairpersons of the committees with relevant jurisdiction in both the House and Senate when implementing the federal option. |
| | Fiscal effect: SNAP benefits are funded by the federal government, so any impacts will not be reflected in the budget. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| JFSCD40 | Exclusion of sugar-sweetened beverages from purchase under SNAP | |
| | R.C. 5101.549 | |
| No provision. | Requires the ODJFS Director to seek a waiver from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to exclude sugar-sweetened beverages as items that may be purchased in Ohio under SNAP. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the ODJFS Director to reapply for a waiver every year if it is not approved. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: There will be administrative costs for ODJFS to seek the waiver. If the waiver is accepted, there will also be costs to update the SNAP point-of-sale (POS) system and to notify recipients of changes. | |
| JFSCD44 | Notice of public assistance waiver or state plan amendment | |
| | | R.C. 5101.95 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the ODJFS Director to submit a copy of any public assistance waiver or state plan amendment at least 30 days before submission to the Speaker of the House, the Senate President, and the chairpersons of the relevant committees of the House and Senate. |
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| JFSCD43 ODJFS quarterly SNAP reporting | | R.C. 5101.98 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Regarding quarterly reports that ODJFS must submit to the General Assembly regarding SNAP under current law, requires ODJFS to include the following additional information: (1) The number of SNAP accounts with whole dollar transactions; (2) The number of electronic benefit transfer (EBT) cards reported lost and stolen, and the amount of funds that have been stolen through card skimming, card cloning, and similar fraudulent methods; (3) Any enhancements made to EBT cards during the quarter; and (4) EBT payment error rates. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODM to collaborate with ODJFS to provide any information ODM oversees that is required to be submitted as part of a quarterly report. Fiscal effect: There will be administrative costs for ODJFS to collect and compile additional information and for ODM to provide any information. |
| JFSCD1 County Administrative Funds | | |
| Section: 307.20 | Section: 307.20 | Section: 307.20 |
| Permits GRF ALI 600521, Family Assistance - Local, to be provided to CDJFSs to administer food assistance and disability assistance programs. | Same as the Executive, but requires, instead of permits, at least \$46,000,000 in each fiscal year in GRF ALI 600521, Family Assistance - Local, be provided to CDJFSs. | Same as the House, but requires "up to" \$46,000,000 in each fiscal year (rather than "at least" \$46,000,000 in each fiscal year) be used. |
| Requires an additional \$2,500,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 600521 to be provided to assist CDJFSs that submit an approved plan on increasing fraud prevention, early detection of fraud, and investigations on potential fraud that may be occurring in public assistance programs. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires GRF ALI 655522, Medicaid Program Support - Local, to be used by CDJFSs to administer the Medicaid Program and the State Children's Health Insurance Program. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Allows the ODJFS Director to request the OBM Director to transfer appropriations between (1) GRF ALI 600521, Family Assistance - Local and GRF ALI 655522, Medicaid Program Support - Local, and (2) GRF ALI 655523, Medicaid Program Support - Local Transportation and GRF ALI 655522. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| JFSCD39 Simon Kenton Council | | |
| | Section: 307.35 | |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$400,000 in each fiscal year in GRF ALI 600410, TANF State Maintenance of Effort, for the Simon Kenton Council for the administration of the ScoutReach program. Requires funds to be distributed in accordance with guidelines established for nonprofit educational and youth development programs. | No provision. (Moved to Fund 3V60 ALI 600689, TANF Block Grant. See JFSCD7.) |
| No provision. | Requires the Simon Kenton Council to submit an annual report to ODJFS detailing the program's expansion, impact, and financial expenditures. | No provision. (See JFSCD7.) |
| JFSCD3 Ohio Association of Food Banks | | |
| Section: 307.40 | Section: 307.40 | Section: 307.40 |
| Earmarks a total of up to \$22,050,000 in each fiscal year for the Ohio Association of Food Banks from GRF ALI 600410, TANF State Maintenance of Effort, Fund 4A80 ALI 600658, Public Assistance Activities, and Fund 3V60 ALI 600689, TANF Block Grant. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the earmark be used to purchase and distribute food products, support Innovative Summer Meals programs for children, provide SNAP outreach and free tax filling services, and provide capacity building equipment for food pantries and soup kitchens. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Requires the ODJFS Director to provide funds for the Ohio Association of Food Banks in an amount not less than \$24,550,000 in each fiscal year. States that this amount includes the \$22,050,000 in each fiscal year specified above. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but requires the ODJFS Director to provide funds in an amount "up to," instead of "not less than" \$24,550,000 in each fiscal year. |
| Requires ODJFS to count eligible nonfederal expenditures made by member food banks of the Ohio Association of Food Banks toward TANF maintenance of effort (MOE) requirements. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the ODJFS Director to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Association of Food Banks to carry out the requirements under this section. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| JFSCD7 TANF Block Grant | | |
| Section: 307.80 | Section: 307.80 | Section: 307.80 |
| Earmarks up to \$13,535,000 in each fiscal year in total from Fund 3V60 ALI 600689, TANF Block Grant, and GRF ALI 600410, TANF State Maintenance of Effort, to support programs or organizations that provide services that align with the mission and goals of the Governor's Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives (GOFBCI). | Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to \$13,410,000 and requires \$3,350,000 of the earmark to be distributed to five specified organizations (These organizations received standalone allocations previously. See entries below.). | Same as the House, but removes the requirement that \$3,350,000 of the earmark be distributed to five specified organizations. |
| Earmarks \$12,500,000 in each fiscal year in total from Fund 3V60 ALI 600689, TANF Block Grant, and GRF ALI 600410, TANF State Maintenance of Effort, for the Ohio Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs. Requires \$150,000 in each fiscal year of this allocation be provided to the Boys and Girls Club of Massillon. | Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to \$8,500,000 in each fiscal year. | Same as the House, but removes the requirement to provide not less than \$150,000 in each fiscal year to the Boys and Girls Club of Massillon. |
| Makes the following earmarks in Fund 3V60 ALI 600689, TANF Block Grant: | Same as the Executive, but with the following changes: | Same as the House, but with the following changes: |
| (1) \$3,750,000 in each fiscal year for the Children’s Hunger Alliance. | (1) Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to \$2,500,000 in each fiscal year. | (1) Same as the House. |
| (2) Up to \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year for the Ohio Community Action Training Organization. | (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. |

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| (3) Up to \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year to the Siemer Institute. | (3) Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year and moves the earmark under GOFBCI's allocation. | (3) No provision. |
| (4) Up to \$1,500,000 in each fiscal year to the Ohio Council of YWCAs. | (4) Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to \$750,000 in each fiscal year and moves the earmark under GOFBCI's allocation. | (4) No provision. |
| (5) \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Ohio. | (5) Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to \$500,000 in each fiscal year and moves the earmark under GOFBCI's allocation. | (5) No provision. |
| (6) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for the Toledo Seagate Foodbank. | (6) Same as the Executive. | (6) Same as the Executive. |
| (7) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for the Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services. | (7) No provision. | (7) No provision. |
| (8) \$200,000 in each fiscal year for Marriage Works! Ohio in Dayton. | (8) Same as the Executive, but reduces the earmark to \$100,000 in each fiscal year and moves the earmark under GOFBCI's allocation. | (8) No provision. |
| (9) No provision. | (9) \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year to the Independent Living Initiative under GOFBCI's allocation (The earmark is moved from Fund 3V62 ALI 830605, TANF Block Grant under DCY and reduced from \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year. see KIDCD20). | (9) No provision. |
| (10) No provision. | (10) \$100,000 in each fiscal year to Bethany House Services. | (10) No provision. |
| (11) No provision. | (11) \$57,500 in each fiscal year to the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northwest Ohio. Requires that \$20,000 in each fiscal year be used to provide programming to youth within Ohio state parks. | (11) No provision. |
| (12) No provision. | (12) \$500,000 in each fiscal year to Child Focus, Inc. | (12) No provision. |
| (13) No provision. | (13) \$150,000 in each fiscal year to Dads2B. | (13) No provision. |

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| (14) No provision. | (14) \$375,000 in each fiscal year to Foundry Row, Sail, Dream. | (14) Same as the House, but earmarks \$400,000 in FY 2026 only. |
| (15) No provision. | (15) \$250,000 in each fiscal year to OhioGuidestone. | (15) No provision. |
| (16) No provision. | (16) \$1,500,000 in each fiscal year to Open Doors Academy. | (16) Same as the House. |
| (17) No provision. | (17) \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year to Produce Perks. | (17) Same as the House. |
| (18) No provision. | (18) \$100,000 in each fiscal year to the Ohio YMCA to support day camps and before and after school programs to help students remove barriers to their learning. | (18) Same as the House. |
| (19) No provision. | (19) No provision. | (19) \$400,000 in each fiscal year to the Simon Kenton Council for the administration of the ScoutReach program. Requires funds to be distributed in accordance with guidelines established for nonprofit educational and youth development programs. Requires the Simon Kenton Council to submit an annual report to ODJFS detailing the program's expansion, impact, and financial expenditures. |
| (20) No provision. | (20) No provision. | (20) \$400,000 in each fiscal year to the Southside Life Station Food Pantry in Toledo. |
| (21) No provision. | (21) No provision. | (21) \$100,000 to the Country Neighbor Program. |
| (22) No provision. | (22) No provision. | (22) \$1,500,000 in each fiscal year to La Soupe. |
| (23) No provision. | (23) No provision. | (23) \$500,000 in each fiscal year for the African American Male Wellness Agency for the Uplift Her initiative. |
| JFSCD8 Program Operations Section: 307.90 Earmarks \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year in GRF ALI 600450, Program Operations, for the GRIT Program administered by ODJFS, in coordination with DEV and the Governor's Office of Appalachia. | Section: 307.90 Same as the Executive, but increases the amount earmarked to \$6,000,000 in each fiscal year. | Section: 307.90 Same as the Executive, but increases the amount earmarked to \$10,000,000 in each fiscal year. |

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| Requires the program to expand the qualified worker pipeline, remove barriers to fill local and remote jobs, and promote entrepreneurial endeavors in certain Appalachian regions. Requires funds to be used for specified activities, including establishing virtual workforce development centers and supportive resources, career development and training activities, and operating costs. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| JFSCD37 La Soupe | Section: 307.115 | |
| No provision. | Requires GRF ALI 600551, Job and Family Services Program Support, be provided to La Soupe to support and expand its core food security programs across Ohio. | No provision (see JFSCD7). |
| JFSCD45 Unemployment Compensation Fund | | Section: 307.117 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires that a portion of Fund 4A90 ALI 600607, Unemployment Compensation, in each fiscal year cover the financing costs for the acquisition, development, implementation, and integration of the Unemployment Insurance System. |
| JFSCD28 Temporary transfer to the Unemployment Compensation Special Administrative Fund | | |
| Section: 515.30 | Section: 515.30 | Section: 307.119 |
| Permits the OBM Director to transfer up to \$15,000,000 in FY 2026 from the Controlling Board Emergency Purposes/Contingencies Fund (Fund 5KM0) to the Unemployment Compensation Special Administrative Fund (Fund 4A90) to pay the costs of building and developing a new unemployment insurance information technology system. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but permits, instead, the OBM Director to transfer up to \$15,000,000 in FY 2026 from any fund used by ODJFS, other than General Revenue Funds, to Fund 4A90 to pay these costs. |
| Requires the OBM Director, before the end of FY 2027, upon the request of the ODJFS Director, to transfer cash equal to the amount previously transferred to Fund 4A90 (from Fund 5KM0 in FY 2026) from Fund 4A90 back to Fund 5KM0. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but requires the cash to be transferred back to the fund selected above instead of Fund 5KM0. |

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| <div>JFSCD27 Technology and customer service fee</div> <div>R.C. 4141.11, 4141.44</div> <div>Requires the ODJFS Director to collect a technology and customer service fee of no more than 0.15% of wages paid per covered employee from each contributory employer at the same time and in the same manner as employer contributions are collected under continuing law.</div> <div>Requires the ODJFS Director to collect a technology and customer service fee of no more than \$13.50 whenever a nonprofit organization, or group of such organizations, that has elected to reimburse the unemployment system files or renews a surety bond required under continuing law.</div> <div>Requires technology and customer service fees to be deposited into the Unemployment Compensation Special Administrative Fund (Fund 4A90).</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Increase in revenues deposited into Fund 4A90. In FY 2026, the OBM Director is permitted to transfer up to \$15.0 million from the Controlling Board Emergency Purposes/Contingencies Fund (Fund 5KM0) to Fund 4A90. Before the end of FY 2027, the OBM Director, at the request of the ODJFS Director, is required to transfer cash in an equal amount from Fund 4A90 to Fund 5MK0 to pay back the deposit (see JFSCD28). These transferred funds will help pay for initial costs before revenues are received.</div> | <div>Section: 741.10</div> <div>Same as the Executive, but limits the fee to the two-year period beginning on the provision's effective date.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but ODJFS will only collect fees for deposit into Fund 4A90 for two years.</div> | <div>Section: 741.10</div> <div>Same as the Executive, but changes the period during which the technology and customer service fee applies to December 31, 2025 to December 31, 2027.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but ODJFS will only collect fees for deposit into Fund 4A90 from December 31, 2025 to December 31, 2027. Additionally, the OBM Director is still permitted to transfer up to \$15,000,000 in FY 2026 to Fund 4A90, however, the transfer will be instead come from any non-GRF fund used by ODJFS. Before the end of FY 2027, the OBM Director, at the request of the ODJFS Director, is required to transfer cash in an equal amount from Fund 4A90 to the chosen fund to pay back the deposit.</div> |
| <div>JFSCD41 Public assistance employment analysis</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>Section: 751.140</div> <div>Requires ODJFS to conduct an analysis of the public assistance programs it administers to identify opportunities to (1) prioritize employment, (2) help recipients obtain meaningful employment, and (3) meet local workforce needs.</div> |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODJFS to develop a strategic plan to increase the number of individuals receiving public assistance benefits that are employed. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires, not later than July 1, 2026, ODJFS to submit a report to the General Assembly regarding the analysis and strategic plan described above. Fiscal effect: ODJFS will experience costs to conduct the analysis and develop a strategic plan. |

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| JCRCD3Restatement of principle of law or policy in rule | R.C.101.352, 121.93, 121.931 | R.C.101.352, 121.93, 121.931 |
| No provision. | Reduces, from 6 months to 3 months, the time in which an agency must begin the rule making process when the agency identifies a principle of law or policy that should be restated as a rule or is informed of such a principle or policy through a recommendation from JCARR. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Prohibits an agency that is in the process of adopting a rule restating a principle of law or policy from relying on the principle or policy while making the rule if either of the apply: | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | (1) The agency fails to file the rule in final form within one year after it determines rule-making is necessary or within one year after receiving a written recommendation from JCARR. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | (2) The agency notifies JCARR of the agency's intention to file a revised proposed rule. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| JCRCD5Recommendation of invalidating resolution | | R.C.106.021 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows JCARR to recommend to the General Assembly the adoption of a concurrent resolution to invalidate a proposed rule or revised proposed rule when both of the following apply: |
| No provision. | No provision. | (1) The agency proposing the rule or revised rule is subject to a continuing law requirement to reduce regulatory restrictions. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | (2) The proposed rule or revised proposed rule removes or replaces "shall," "must," "require," "shall not," "may not," "prohibit," or similar words but does not remove a regulatory restriction as defined by the amendment. Fiscal effect: Minimal. |
| JCRCD4 Reporting on regulatory restriction reductions | | R.C. 121.95, 121.951, Section 701.120 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires, not later than November 30, 2025, a state agency that must identify and reduce regulatory restrictions to prepare a report that does both of the following: (1) identifies the number of regulatory restrictions the agency actually eliminated or reduced, and (2) identifies the number of times the agency removed or replaced "shall," "must," "require," "shall not," "may not," "prohibit," or similar words in a portion of a rule and reported the removal or replacement as eliminating or reducing a regulatory restriction. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires such a state agency to transmit the report required by the amendment to JCARR for review and transmittal to the Speaker of the House and Senate President. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Does both of the following with respect to a continuing law requirement that specified state agencies identify and reduce regulatory restrictions in rules adopted by the agencies: (1) defines "regulatory restriction" as "any part of a rule that requires or prohibits an action," and (2) specifies that removing or replacing "shall," "must," "require," "shall not," "may not," "prohibit," or similar words in a portion of a rule does not eliminate a regulatory restriction unless the removal eliminates a requirement or prohibition from the rule. Fiscal effect: Minimal. |

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| JCRCD7 | Administrative rules containing regulatory restrictions | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 121.951, 121.953 Requires a state agency subject to continuing law requirements to reduce regulatory restrictions in administrative rules that has achieved its statutorily required reduction to eliminate one regulatory restriction for each new regulatory restriction the agency adopts. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows a state agency subject to a state-wide cap on regulatory restrictions in administrative rules that will take effect on July 1, 2025, to appear before JCARR to show cause why the agency should be permitted to adopt a rule that would cause the number of regulatory restrictions to exceed the cap. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows JCARR, by a majority vote, to authorize a state agency to adopt a rule containing a regulatory restriction notwithstanding the state-wide cap. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires JCARR to prepare an annual report summarizing all rules it has authorized a state agency to adopt notwithstanding the state-wide cap on regulatory restrictions and transmit it electronically to the Speaker of the House and the Senate President. Fiscal effect: Administrative cost increase for JCARR to complete the required annual report. |
| JCRCD6 | Review of principles and policies for restatement in rule | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 701.110 Requires state agencies with a continuing law duty to review their operations for principles of law and policies that should be restated in an administrative rule to complete a review and file a report with JCARR no later than November 30, 2025, instead of six months after the governor's term expires. Fiscal effect: Minimal. |

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| JMOCD2 | JMOC access to manage and view eligibility information and systems | R.C. | 103.416 | R.C. | 103.416 |
| No provision. | | Requires, by the beginning of October 2025, ODM, ODJFS, and CDJFSs to provide the JMOC Executive Director and staff of JMOC access to view information and systems used for determining eligibility for public assistance benefits, as well for billing, payments, and tracking for providers, and provide training to the JMOC Executive Director and staff to ensure proper understanding and interpretation of information viewed. | | Same as the House. | |
| No provision. | | Requires the JMOC Executive Director and staff to adhere to the same confidentiality standards that apply to staff of those departments when accessing information and data described above. | | Same as the House. | |
| | | Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. | |

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| JSCCD19 Payment for acting judges | | R.C. 1901.123, 1907.143 | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes the requirement that county or municipal courts submit quarterly requests to the Ohio Supreme Court for reimbursements of per diem compensation paid to acting judges. Fiscal effect: Minimal. | |
| JSCCD18 Courts - special projects funds | | R.C. 1901.26, 1907.24, 2303.201, and 2501.16 | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits special projects fees collected by municipal, county, common pleas, and appeals courts from being used for training or education that takes place outside of the state. Fiscal effect: None. | |
| JSCCD20 Municipal court clerks - pay | | R.C. 1901.31, Section 719.10 | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires elected municipal court clerks to be paid using the current law schedule for clerks of common pleas courts, according to the population of the court, beginning when a new term begins. Fiscal effect: Potential increase in municipal expenditures for court clerk salary increases dependent on population. | |

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| <div>JSCCD12Sealing juvenile court records</div> <div>R.C.2151.356</div> <div>Implements a balancing test that allows the juvenile court to seal any records pertaining to a juvenile if the court, after weighing the interests of the person in having the records sealed against the legitimate needs, if any, of the public to access those records, finds that the interests of a person in having the records sealed are not outweighed by any legitimate needs of the public to access those records.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Minimal.</div> | <div>R.C.2151.356</div> <div>Replaces the Executive with a balancing test for sealing that applies only if (1) a complaint is filed against a delinquent child, an unruly child, or a juvenile traffic offender and the court dismisses the complaint, or finds the person to not be a delinquent child, an unruly child, or a juvenile traffic offender; or (2) a person has been adjudicated an unruly child and is 18 years or older is not under the jurisdiction of the court in relation to a complaint alleging the person to be a delinquent child; and requires that the interests of a person in having the records sealed are not substantially outweighed by any legitimate governmental needs to maintain those records.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |
| <div>JSCCD14Criminal and probate dockets</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C.2303.12</div> <div>Requires the clerk of courts to make criminal and probate dockets available online.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Increased administrative expenses to any clerk of courts office that does not currently make criminal and probate dockets available online.</div> | <div>R.C.2303.12, 2101.11</div> <div>Same as the House, but states that the general docket of the probate court be made available on the clerk of court's website not later than 18 months after the bill's effective date.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |
| <div>JSCCD17Reduce fees for computerization fund</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C.2303.201</div> <div>Reduces current law fees that the clerk of courts is permitted to charge for the efficient operation of the court when additional funds are required to computerize the court, to make available computerized legal research services, or to do both, when a court of common pleas fails to make civil dockets available online as follows:</div> | <div>R.C.2303.201</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> |

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| No provision. | (a) The fee for filing certain causes of action or appeal from up to \$6 to up to \$3. | (a) Same as the House. |
| No provision. | (b) The fee for filing certain causes of action or appeal, on the filing, docketing, and endorsing of each certificate of judgment, or on the docketing and indexing of each aid in execution or petition to vacate, revive, or modify a judgment from up to \$20 to up to \$10. | (b) Same as the House. |
| No provision. | (c) The fee for other services from up to \$1 to up to \$.50 | (c) Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Delays the effective date of this provision for six months after the bill's 90-day effective date. Fiscal effect: Potential reduction in fee revenue deposited to the county treasurer for any clerk of courts that charges these fees for a court of common pleas which does not make civil dockets available online. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| JSCCD15 Clerk of the court of common pleas | R.C. 2303.26 | R.C. 2303.26 |
| No provision. | Requires clerks of the courts of common pleas to determine and implement the best means and methods for storing, maintaining, and retrieving all papers delivered to the clerk. Fiscal effect: None. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| JSCCD16 Alford pleas | R.C. 2929.12, 2929.15 and 2929.25 | |
| No provision. | Prohibits a court from imposing a requirement that an offender admit guilt as any condition of a sentence or a community control sanction. Fiscal effect: None. | No provision. |

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| <div>JSCCD13 Sealing and expungement</div> <div>R.C. 2953.32</div> <div>Removes a reference to the statute allowing sealing and expunging of official records in which a person is found not guilty, proceedings are dismissed, a grand jury no bill is entered, or a pardon is granted, from the statute listing conviction records that cannot be sealed or expunged.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: None.</div> | <div>R.C. 2953.32</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |
| <div>JSCCD3 Ohio Courts Technology Initiative</div> <div>Section: 317.20</div> <div>Requires GRF ALI 005409, Ohio Courts Technology Initiative, to be used to fund an initiative by the Supreme Court to facilitate:</div> <div>(a) Exchange of information and warehousing of data by and between courts and other justice system partners through the maintenance of an Ohio Courts Network.</div> <div>(b) Delivery of technology services to courts statewide, including the provision of hardware, software, and the development and implementation of educational and training programs for judges and court personnel.</div> <div>(c) Operation of the Commission on Technology and the Courts for the promulgation of statewide rules, policies, and uniform standards, and to aid in the orderly adoption and comprehensive use of technology in Ohio courts.</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>Section: 317.20</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>(a) Same as the Executive.</div> <div>(b) Same as the Executive.</div> <div>(c) Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Makes elected and appointed clerks of the courts of common pleas, in addition to Ohio courts, eligible for grant funding under the Ohio Courts Technology Initiative.</div> | <div>Section: 317.20</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>(a) Same as the Executive.</div> <div>(b) No provision.</div> <div>(c) No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> |

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| LECCD1 Cash Transfers to the Lake Erie Protection Fund | | |
| Section: 319.20 | Section: 319.20 | Section: 319.20 |
| Permits the OBM Director to transfer up to \$25,000 in each fiscal year from each of the following funds to the Lake Erie Protection Fund (Fund 4C00): | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| (a) Environmental Protection Fund (Fund 5BC0) used by Ohio EPA. | (a) Same as the Executive. | (a) Same as the Executive. |
| (b) Pesticide, Fertilizer and Lime Fund (Fund 6690) used by AGR. | (b) Same as the Executive. | (b) Same as the Executive. |
| (c) General Operations Fund (Fund 4700) used by DOH. | (c) Same as the Executive. | (c) Same as the Executive. |
| (d) Program Support Fund (Fund 1570) used by DNR. | (d) Same as the Executive. | (d) Same as the Executive. |
| (e) Highway Operating Fund (Fund 7002) used by ODOT. | (e) Same as the Executive. | (e) No provision. |
| (f) Supportive Services Fund (Fund 1350) used by DEV. | (f) Same as the Executive. | (f) Same as the Executive. |
| Permits Fund 4C00 to accept contributions and transfers made to the fund. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| LSCCD7 Format for bills and resolutions | | R.C. 101.53 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Transfers from LSC's administrative rule to statute the required formats for presenting changes in bills and resolutions. Fiscal effect: None. |
| LSCCD8 LSC administrative rule duties and Register of Ohio Fund abolishment | | R.C. 103.05, 103.051, 111.15, 119.04, Repealed: 103.053, 103.054 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Transfers from administrative rule to statute LSC's duty to publish and update a Rule Drafting Manual, for the purpose of maintaining a uniform Ohio Administrative Code, for state agencies to use when drafting and filing rules. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Updates statute to reflect LSC procedures used under the current electronic rule filing system, replacing references to the previous paper-based system. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Abolishes the Register of Ohio Fund. Fiscal effect: None. |
| LSCCD6 Correctional Institution Inspection Committee | R.C. 103.71, Repealed and recodified: R.C. 103.72, 103.73 | R.C. 103.71, Repealed and recodified: R.C. 103.72, 103.73 |
| No provision. | Requires the Correctional Institution Inspection Committee (CIIC) to select from its membership a chairperson and a vice-chairperson within 60 days after the commencement of the first regular session of each general assembly. Requires a majority vote of members to select chairperson, vice-chairperson, and secretary. | Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | Requires a Senate member to be the chairperson and a House member to be the vice-chairperson during the first regular session of a general assembly and a House member to be the chairperson and a Senate member to be the vice-chairperson during the second regular session of the general assembly. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Re-codifies several provisions within CIIC Law. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| LIBCD6 | Public library boards of trustees | R.C. 3375.15, 3375.22, 3375.30 | R.C. 3375.15, 3375.22, 3375.30 |
| No provision. | | Reduces from seven to four years the terms of office of board of trustee members of a school district free public library, county library district, or regional library district appointed after the bill's effective date. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | | Modifies the terms of office for the first members appointed to the board of trustees of a county library district created after the bill's effective date as follows: | Same as the House. |
| (1) No provision. | | (1) The terms of the three trustees appointed by court of common pleas judges must expire in two, three, and four years respectively, instead of two, four, and six years as under current law; and | (1) Same as the House. |
| (2) No provision. | | (2) The terms of the four trustees appointed by the board of county commissioners must expire in one, two, three, and four years respectively, instead of one, three, five, and seven years as under current law. | (2) Same as the House. |
| | | Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| LIBCD5 | Library material related to sexual orientation or gender identity | R.C. 3375.47 | R.C. 3375.47 |
| No provision. | | Requires a public library to place material related to sexual orientation or gender identity or expression in a portion of the library that is not primarily open to the view of minors. | Same as the House. |
| | | Fiscal effect: Potential costs to public libraries to identify and relocate the restricted materials. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| LIBCD1 | Ohioana Library Association | | |
| Section: | 325.20 | Section: 325.20 | Section: 325.20 |
| Earmarks \$191,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 350401, Ohioana Library Association, for the operating expenses of the Martha Kinney Cooper Ohioana Library Association. | | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but changes the ALI to Fund 5CW1 ALI 350608, Ohioana Library Association. |

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| Requires the remainder of the line item to be used to pay the rental expenses of the Ohioana Library Association. | | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but changes the ALI to Fund 5CW1 ALI 350608, Ohioana Library Association. |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$310,516 cash in each fiscal year from the Public Library Fund (Fund 7065) to the new Ohioana Library Association Fund (Fund 5CW1). |
| LIBCD2 | Regional Library Systems | | |
| Section: 325.20 | | Section: 325.20 | Section: 325.20 |
| Requires GRF ALI 350502, Regional Library Systems, to be used to support regional library systems. | | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but changes the ALI to Fund 5CX1 ALI 350609, Regional Library Systems. |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$494,000 cash in each fiscal year from the Public Library Fund (Fund 7065) to the new Regional Library Systems Fund (Fund 5CX1). |
| LIBCD3 | Ohio Public Library Information Network (OPLIN) | | |
| Section: 325.20 | | Section: 325.20, 512.10 | Section: 325.20 |
| Requires Fund 4S40 ALI 350604, Ohio Public Library Information Network, to be used for an information telecommunications network linking public libraries and any others participating in OPLIN. Permits the OPLIN Board of Trustees to make decisions regarding use of the funds. | | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the OPLIN Board to research and assist or advise local libraries on emerging technologies and methods that may be effective means to control access to obscene and illegal materials. Requires the OPLIN Director to provide reports on such efforts within ten days on request by the Governor and leadership of the General Assembly. | | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires OPLIN, INFOhio, and OhioLINK to coordinate with each other in and contribute funds in an equitable manner to the purchase of electronic databases for their respective users. | | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$3,689,788 cash in each fiscal year from the Public Library Fund (Fund 7065) to the OPLIN Technology Fund (Fund 4S40). | Same as the Executive, but requires the cash transfers to be made from the GRF. | Same as the Executive. |
| LIBCD4 Library for the Blind | | |
| Section: 325.20 | Section: 325.20 | Section: 325.20 |
| Requires Fund 5GB0 ALI 350605, Library for the Blind, to be used for the statewide Talking Book Program to assist the blind and disabled. | Same as the Executive, but changes the ALI to GRF ALI 350512, Library for the Blind. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$1,274,194 cash in each fiscal year from the Public Library Fund (Fund 7065) to the Library for the Blind Fund (Fund 5GB0). | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| LIBCD7 Transfer to State Library Operating Expenses Fund | | Section: 325.20 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$4,527,036 cash in FY 2026 and \$4,527,474 cash in FY 2027 from the Public Library Fund (Fund 7065) to the new State Library Operating Expenses Fund (Fund 5CZ1). |

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| <div><div>LOTCD2</div><div>Operating Expenses</div><div>Section: 329.20</div><div>Authorizes CEB, upon request, to approve additional expenditures for LOT operating expenses, up to a maximum of 10% of anticipated total revenue from the sale of lottery products. Appropriates additional expenditures approved by CEB.</div></div> | <div><div>Section: 329.20</div><div>Same as the Executive, but limits additional expenditures that may be approved by CEB for LOT operating expenses to 10% of the appropriation amount for that fiscal year.</div></div> | <div><div>Section: 329.20</div><div>Same as the House.</div></div> |
| <div><div>LOTCD5</div><div>Responsible Gambling</div><div>Section: 329.20</div><div>Authorizes the LOT director, if revenue exceeds the amount appropriated for ALI 950605, Responsible Gambling, to certify that excess amount to the OBM Director, and authorizes the OBM Director to transfer up to that amount to the Responsible Gambling Services Fund (Fund 5T90). Appropriates the additional amounts approved by the OBM Director.</div></div> | <div><div>No provision.</div></div> | <div><div>No provision.</div></div> |
| <div><div>LOTCD7</div><div>Transfers to the Lottery Profits Education Fund</div><div>Section: 329.20</div><div>Specifies that the estimated revenues available for transfer from the State Lottery Fund (Fund 7044) to the Lottery Profits Education Fund (Fund 7017) is \$1,462,000,000 in FY 2026 and \$1,467,000,000 in FY 2027. Requires that the transfers be administered as the law directs.</div></div> | <div><div>Section: 329.20</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div></div> | <div><div>Section: 329.20</div><div>Same as the Executive, but increases the estimated revenues available for transfer to \$1,465,138,202 in FY 2026 and \$1,471,729,884 in FY 2027.</div></div> |

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| <u>Eligibility</u> | | |
| MCDCD40 Hospital presumptive eligibility | | |
| | R.C. 5163.102 | |
| No provision. | By January 1, 2026, requires ODM to submit a waiver request to CMS to eliminate mandatory Medicaid hospital presumptive eligibility and limit presumptive eligibility determinations to only pregnant women and children. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires that the waiver request include a program by which ODM sets presumptive eligibility standards for qualified hospitals and establishes penalties for failure to meet them. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires ODM to submit a new waiver request within 24 months of any denial or waiver withdrawal. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Prohibits ODM from designating itself as a qualified health entity for presumptive eligibility determinations or any other purpose not expressly authorized by state or federal law. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Not later than 90 days after receiving waiver approval from CMS, requires the Auditor of State to conduct an audit to ensure compliance with these requirements. Fiscal effect: ODM will incur administrative expenses to prepare and apply for the specified waiver. Conditional on waiver approval, ODM and the Auditor of State would incur expenses related to the subsequent audit. Also conditional on waiver approval, ODM may then experience decreases in service costs if fewer individuals receive coverage as a result of the new presumptive eligibility procedures. | No provision. |

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| MCDCD73 Medicaid Group VIII eligibility redeterminations | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 5163.11</div> <div>To the extent permissible under federal law, requires ODM to conduct eligibility redeterminations for Group VIII enrollees every six months.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Potential for increased administrative costs if increased redeterminations are permitted, and potential for service savings if increased redeterminations are permitted and lead to higher disenrollment.</div> |
| MCDCD47 Medicaid change in circumstances eligibility verification | | |
| No provision. | <div>R.C. 5163.50</div> <div>Requires ODM or its designee, not later than 30 days after the bill's effective date, to begin utilizing third-party data sources and systems to conduct eligibility change in circumstances checks for all Medicaid recipients at least quarterly; details the types of data sources and systems against which eligibility must be verified.</div> | <div>R.C. 5163.50</div> <div>Replaces House provision with one that requires ODM to issue one or more requests for information relating to Medicaid eligibility data and operations, to identify and assess systems and solutions that may be able to improve or augment the management, efficiency, frequency, and accuracy of Medicaid eligibility determinations and processing.</div> |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODM to consider augmenting existing vendor arrangements relating to processing and managing Medicaid eligibility cases, as described above. |
| No provision. | Requires ODM to disenroll individuals found to be no longer eligible for Medicaid benefits. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires ODM to submit a report to the JMOC Executive Director not later than December 31, 2025, and every six months thereafter, detailing verification efforts and any findings of fraud, waste, and abuse in the Medicaid program. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Permits ODM to employ a similar process for determining whether members of the expansion eligibility group (Group VIII) are complying with any established work and community engagement requirements. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Authorizes Medicaid providers to employ similar processes to verify an individual's eligibility for Medicaid benefits. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Specifies that any third-party vendor expenses incurred from the required verification are contingent on validated cost savings realized by ODM. Fiscal effect: Third-party costs and validated savings may offset. Dependent on outcome of the program, ODM may experience further administrative costs, and/or experience service savings. | Replaces House provision with one that authorizes ODM to procure one or more vendors to implement any solutions identified as cost effective and feasible, and specifies that any vendor compensation is performance based. Fiscal effect: Dependent on outcome of the program, ODM may experience further administrative costs, and/or experience service savings. |
| MCD41 Continuous Medicaid enrollment for children | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 5166.45, (Repealed) Eliminates a provision of law that requires ODM to seek approval to provide continuous Medicaid enrollment for Medicaid-eligible children from birth through age three. Fiscal effect: Possible service cost savings. | R.C. 5166.45, (Repealed) Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| MCD58 Group VIII transition plan | | |
| No provision. | Section: 333.360 If, during FY 2026 or FY 2027, the FMAP for the Medicaid Group VIII is set below 90%, requires ODM to establish a phased transition plan to assist individuals who are no longer Medicaid eligible by redirecting them to private insurance subsidies or charity care programs that provide medical assistance. (See OBMCD32). | Section: 333.360 Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Permits the ODM Director to establish a temporary hospital assessment and/or federally qualified health center assessment and federally qualified health center look-alike assessment to offset the cost of uncompensated care that may result from providing medical care to former members of Group VIII. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | <div>If the ODM Director establishes such a temporary hospital assessment and/or federally qualified health center assessment and federally qualified health center look-alike assessment, permits the Director to request Controlling Board approval of transfers and increases of appropriations as necessary to implement the assessment(s). Appropriates any approved amounts.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Savings would be highly variable, and dependent on whether FMAP will be set below 90%, and in this contingent scenario, whether the ODM Director does or does not establish a temporary hospital assessment.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Savings would be highly variable, and dependent on whether FMAP will be set below 90%.</div> |
| <u>Nursing Facilities</u> | | |
| MCD65 Private room incentive payments | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 126.021, 5162.138, 5165.158 | No provision. |
| | Regarding the private room incentive rate paid to nursing facilities for private occupancy rooms, removes: (1) outdated terms related to the initial CMS approval and ODM initial application process, and (2) a provision permitting ODM to deny an application if expenditures on the private room payments are projected to exceed \$160 million in a fiscal year. | |
| No provision. | Instead, (1) permits ODM to deny an application if the application would cause the total number of private rooms in the state to exceed 15,000 and (2) prohibits ODM from paying the private room incentive payment rate for more than 15,000 rooms. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | <p>Beginning in 2026, requires ODM to submit a quarterly report to JMOC about the number of private rooms in Ohio nursing facilities, including the total number of licensed private beds and the number of those beds that are occupied by Medicaid residents, and requires the information in that report to be included in the Medicaid caseload and expenditures report.</p> <p>Fiscal effect: Depending on number of approved private rooms as of the effective date, possible service savings if spending is further below the previous cap. Possible administrative costs related to reporting requirements.</p> | No provision. |
| MCD64 Medicaid personal needs allowance | | |
| No provision. | <p>R.C. 5163.33</p> <p>Increases the minimum Medicaid personal needs allowance from \$50 to \$75 for individuals and from \$100 to \$150 for married couples.</p> <p>Fiscal effect: Although the Executive did not change the minimum, it included appropriations to administratively increase the allowance for individuals to \$100 and for couples to \$200 beginning in 2026. The House decreases GRF ALI 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, by \$5,475,000 (\$1,581,728 state share) in FY 2026 and \$21,900,000 (\$6,230,550 state share) in FY 2027.</p> | No provision. |

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| MCDCD79 Nursing facility direct care costs and case-mix scores | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 5165.19</div> <div>Provides for calculating a nursing facility's rate for direct care costs for the first half of FY 2026, by adding a multiplier to each facility's cost per case mix score, until ODM's next rebasing takes effect.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Costs will depend on changes in nursing facility's direct care costs since last adjustment of direct care costs. Corresponding language in MCDCD36 states the implementation is intended to be budget neutral.</div> |
| MCDCD59 Nursing facility dialysis services rate add-on | | |
| No provision. | <div>Section: 333.263</div> <div>For FY 2026 and FY 2027, requires ODM to provide a rate add-on of \$110 per treatment for dialysis services provided in a nursing facility to an individual enrolled in the Medicaid program.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Increases GRF ALI 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, by \$700,000 (\$194,600 state share) in FY 2026 and \$1,400,000 (\$386,260 state share) in FY 2027.</div> | <div>Section: 333.263</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |
| MCDCD36 Gradual implementation of PDPM to calculate nursing facility direct care rates | | |
| <div>Section: 333.280</div> <div>Provides for a gradual implementation of the patient driven payment model (PDPM) for calculating nursing facility case mix scores.</div> <div>Specifies that the case mix score for the first half of FY 2026 is a facility's quarterly case mix score from July 1, 2025. Further specifies that the direct care rate will be adjusted by one third on January 1, 2026, and by two thirds at the beginning of FY 2027, before being determined by its case mix scores set in statute going forward.</div> | <div>Section: 333.280</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>Section: 333.280</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Replaces Executive provisions by making a facility's case mix score for the first half of FY 2026 either the score under the standard formula or the semi-annual score determined for the semi-annual period beginning on July 1, 2025.</div> |

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| Specifies that the direct care rate will be adjusted by one third on January 1, 2026, and by two thirds at the beginning of FY 2027, before being determined by its case mix scores set in statute going forward. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODM to submit a quarterly report outlining its progress on the transition to the PDPM for nursing facility case mix scores to the chairpersons and ranking members of the Medicaid committees in the House of Representatives and the Senate. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Clarifies that it is the intent of the gradual implementation of PDPM and the direct care rate changes to be budget neutral during the biennium. |
| Fiscal effect: As the implementation of the PDPM is made gradual, ODM will have cost increases or decreases gradually scaled in through the end of FY 2027. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| Provider Payment Rates | | |
| MCDCD67 Medicaid reimbursement of rapid whole genome sequencing | | |
| | R.C. 5164.093 | R.C. 5164.093 |
| No provision. | Requires the ODM Director to provide Medicaid reimbursement for rapid whole genome sequencing to infants under one year old with complex or acute unexplained illnesses. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Increases GRF ALI 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, by \$300,000 (\$83,400 state share) in FY 2026 and by \$300,000 (\$82,770 state share) in FY 2027 to fund this coverage. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| MCDCD26 Medicaid payment rates for community behavioral health services | | |
| Section: 333.170 | | |
| Permits ODM to establish Medicaid payment rates for community behavioral health services provided during FY 2026 and FY 2027 that exceed authorized rates paid for the services under the Medicare Program. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Specifies that this provision does not apply to community behavioral health services provided by hospitals, nursing facilities, and intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Any impact will depend on whether ODM chooses to pay these amounts. If ODM chooses to pay higher amounts, this would lead to cost increases. | | |
| <u>Medicaid Providers</u> | | |
| MCDCD66 Transfer agreements with freestanding birthing centers | | |
| | R.C. 3722.15 | |
| No provision. | Requires a hospital with a maternity unit that accepts Medicaid to enter into a transfer agreement with any freestanding birthing center located within a 30 mile radius that requests one, and requires the freestanding birthing center to file a copy of the transfer agreement with the ODH Director. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: Possible service cost increases due to increased access to medical care services. | |
| MCDCD62 Doula services | | |
| | R.C. 5164.071 | |
| No provision. | Limits Medicaid coverage of doula services to the six counties with the most infant deaths. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: Possible service savings due to smaller pool of potential service recipients. | |

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| MCD8CD8 340B grantees | | |
| R.C. 5167.01, 5167.123, 3902.70, and 4729.49 | | R.C. 5167.01, 5167.123, 3902.70, and 4729.49 |
| Regarding the interaction between Medicaid MCOs, third-party administrators, and 340B covered entities, removes certain hospitals from the list of entities included as a 340B covered entity for purposes of these interactions and instead refers to these entities as 340B grantees. | No provision. | Same as the Executive, but also includes pharmacies under contract with a 340B grantee (including pharmacies under contract with qualifying FQHC's) as eligible to dispense drugs on behalf of the 340B grantee. |
| Modifies a prohibition against a contract between a Medicaid MCO, third-party administrator, and 340B grantee to prohibit including a payment rate for a prescribed drug provided by a 340B grantee that is less than the payment rate for health care providers that are not 340B grantees (instead of a payment rate for a prescribed drug that is less than the national average drug acquisition cost for the drug or wholesale acquisition cost for the drug). | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires a Medicaid MCO or third-party administrator to provide a payment rate for all prescribed drugs obtained through the federal 340B drug pricing program by providers that are not 340B grantees that is equal to the payment rate for those drugs under the Medicaid state plan. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Specifies that payments made under payment rates specified in a contract between Medicaid MCOs, third-party administrators, and a 340B grantee are subject to audit by ODM. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Fiscal effect: The program changes would be expected to increase drug rebate revenues received in FY 2027 by \$95,211,545. As a result, DPF appropriations are increased, and conditional on being expended on Medicaid services, will earn corresponding federal match. These DPF and federal appropriation increases correspond with GRF state and federal appropriation decreases. | | |
| <u>Special Programs</u> | | |
| MCDCD60 Medicaid fraud restitution | | |
| No provision. | <div><div>R.C.2913.401</div><div>Permits a court to order restitution of 200% of the amount paid for Medicaid services provided for a person found guilty of Medicaid eligibility fraud.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Possible increased revenue for ODM.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.2913.401</div><div>Same as the House.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div></div> |
| MCDCD11 Medicaid buy-in for workers with disabilities program premiums | | |
| <div><div>R.C.5162.133, 5163.091, 5163.093, 5163.094, 5163.098</div><div>Eliminates the requirement that individuals whose income exceeds 150% FPL pay an annual premium as a condition of qualifying for the Medicaid buy-in for workers with disabilities program.</div><div>No provision.</div><div>Fiscal effect: ODM will no longer realize revenues from the premiums that used to be paid by individuals with incomes sufficiently above the FPL.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.5162.133, 5163.091, 5163.093, 5163.094, 5163.098</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div><div>When determining eligibility for the Medicaid buy-in for workers with disabilities program or the Ohio WorkAbility program, requires that \$20,000 of an individual's unearned income be disregarded.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, and additionally ODM could experience an increase in individuals eligible for the program due to the unearned income disregard.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.5162.133, 5163.091, 5163.093, 5163.094, 5163.098</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div><div>No provision.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div></div> |

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| MCD7 Requirements for certain Medicaid state directed payment programs | | |
| R.C. 5162.25 | R.C. 5162.25 | R.C. 5162.25 |
| Establishes conditions that must be satisfied upon the creation of a Medicaid state directed payment program that is funded in a manner other than by ODM or the hospital franchise fee program. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires a state directed payment program to comply with federal regulations for such programs. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Generally limits state directed payment programs that are not funded by ODM or the hospital franchise fee program to those established for hospital providers and services or professional services provided by hospitals, and to one state directed payment program per identified provider class, unless otherwise determined by the ODM Director. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires that any hospital provider contract related to a state directed payment program be executed not later than October 1 preceding the first fiscal year of a biennium. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but additionally specifies that the October 1 requirement applies for any preprint effective for a rating period beginning on or after January 1, 2027. |
| Specifies that the ODM Director is not required to establish a state directed payment program if there is no available or sufficient federal or local funding to sustain the program. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but also prohibits ODM from providing state funds for a state directed payment program, and specifically requires ODM to terminate or refuse to establish a state directed payment program if the federal government restricts or limits the availability of federal funds to support state directed payment programs or otherwise requires the state to utilize GRF as a condition of establishing a state directed payment program. |
| No provision. | Requires that any new directed payment program be approved by the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee before it is established. | Replaces the House provision with one that prohibits the Medicaid Director from establishing more than 50 state directed payment programs during a fiscal biennium. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires each entity participating in a state directed payment program to enter into an agreement with ODM to specify that the agreement governing the program is contingent upon the OBM Director certifying there is a balance in the appropriation used to support state directed payment programs not already obligated to pay existing obligations. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits ODM from using more than 2% of funds received to support a state directed payment program (including federal funds) for the administration of state directed payment programs, and further prohibits ODM from using more than 2% of funds received to support a state directed payment program (including federal funds) for the administration of ODM and the Medicaid program. |
| Fiscal effect: The non-federal share of such a program will be funded by specific assessments rather than the GRF. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Decreases each of GRF ALI 651425, Medicaid Program Support - State, and FED ALI 651624, Medicaid Program Support - Federal, by \$4,988,212 in FY 2026 and by \$12,000,000 in FY 2027. |

MCDCD33 MyCare Ohio expansion

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| Section: 333.250 | R.C. 5164.91, 5167.01, 5167.03, Section 333.250 | R.C. 5164.91, 5167.01, 5167.03, Section 333.250 |
| Requires the ODM Director to continue, during FY 2026 and FY 2027, to expand the Integrated Care Delivery System (ICDS) (known as "MyCare Ohio"), or its successor program, to all Ohio counties. | Same as the Executive, but also specifically authorizes the ODM Director to establish an ICDS successor program if the Director terminates the ICDS. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires ODM to establish requirements for care management and coordination of waiver services, subject to certain requirements (such as employing area agencies on aging to be the coordinators of those services) unless requested by the waiver participant or ODM determines that the performance of the area agency on aging does not meet program requirements. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| No provision. | With respect to the ICDS or the ICDS successor program, requires the Director to allow participants the choice to enroll in Medicare coordination only dual special needs plans offered by entities that do not participate in the ICDS or the ICDS successor program, and requires the Director to approve Medicaid provider contracts to entities not selected to participate in either program and allow those entities to enroll dual eligible individuals and program participants. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Federal approval would be required prior to fiscal effects occurring. Post expansion of the MyCare program, there may be cost shifting due to increased MyCare enrollment. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| MCD42 Medicaid waiver for reentry services | | |
| | R.C. 5166.50 | |
| No provision. | Requires ODM to establish a Medicaid waiver component to do both of the following: | No provision. |
| No provision. | (1) Provide mental health, behavioral health, and substance use disorder services to Medicaid-eligible inmates who are within 90 days of release. | No provision. |
| No provision. | (2) Provide a thirty-day supply of prescription medication at the time of release, including medication administered by injection. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Also establishes a timeline for the implementation of the waiver component. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: ODM will likely incur both administrative and service expenses related to the new required services and coverages. | |

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| MCD61 Medicaid audit of Medicaid MCOs | | |
| No provision. | <div><div>R.C. 5167.25</div><div>Requires ODM to conduct an annual financial audit of each Medicaid MCO and submit a report to the General Assembly and JMOC concerning these audits.</div><div>Fiscal effect: ODM will incur annual administrative expenses to conduct the audits.</div></div> | No provision. |
| MCD50 Medicaid in schools program | | |
| No provision. | <div><div>Section: 333.15</div><div>Earmarks \$349,925 in each of GRF ALI 651425, Medicaid Program Support - State, and FED Fund 3F00 ALI 651624, Medicaid Program Support - Federal, in FY 2026 and \$358,362 in each of the same line items in FY 2027 to be used by ODM to support the Medicaid in Schools Program.</div><div>Fiscal effect: The program is to be moved from DEW to MCD (see EDUCD65). ALIs 651425 and 651624 are increased by the earmarked amounts in each fiscal year, and FED ALI 651655, is decreased by \$349,925 in FY 2026 and \$358,362 in FY 2027 to accommodate this move.</div></div> | <div><div>Section: 333.15</div><div>Same as the House.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div></div> |
| MCD69 State directed payment program for Bon Secours Mercy Health | | |
| No provision. | <div><div>Section: 333.86</div><div>Earmarks \$16,000,000 in FY 2026 and \$32,000,000 in FY 2027 of Fund 5AN0 ALI 651686, State Directed Payment Program, as well as \$41,100,000 in FY 2026 and \$82,300,000 in FY 2027 of Fund 3F00 ALI 651623, Medicaid Services - Federal, for supporting a state directed payment program for Bon Secours Mercy Health health system locations in Ohio.</div></div> | No provision. |

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| MCD35 HCBS direct care worker wages | | |
| Section: 333.270 Requires ODM, jointly with ODA and DODD, to collect data from providers regarding the wages paid to direct care workers under the Medicaid home and community-based waiver components administered by each agency. Requires ODM to compile and submit to the Governor an annual report on this data. Fiscal effect: The departments will likely incur administrative costs to collect, compile, and submit the data and report. | Section: 333.270 Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Section: 333.270 Same as the Executive, but additionally requires that the report be submitted to (1) the President and Minority Leader of the Senate, (2) the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House, and (3) the chairpersons of the Medicaid committees in both the House and Senate. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| MCD37 Rural (Southern) Ohio Hospital Tax Pilot Program and Assessments | | |
| Section: 333.290, 333.300 Permits the ODM Director to establish the Rural Southern Ohio Hospital Tax Pilot Program for directed payments to rural southern Ohio hospitals. Establishes requirements that a hospital must satisfy in order to participate in the pilot program. Specifies that hospitals located in Fayette, Greene, Highland, Hocking, Muskingum, Perry, Pike, Ross, and Scioto Counties may participate in the program. Permits counties in which the pilot program is to operate to establish a local hospital assessment to provide the nonfederal share of Medicaid payments made under the pilot program. Permits counties in which the pilot program is to operate that have two or fewer hospitals to establish a multi-county funding district for the purposes of this program. | Section: 333.290, 333.300 Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. | Section: 333.290, 333.300 Replaces the Executive provision with one that changes the program name to the Rural Ohio Hospital Tax Pilot Program, and targets the program to rural Ohio hospitals. Replaces the Executive provision with one which permits any rural hospital or critical access hospital enrolled in the Medicaid program to participate in the program. Same as the Executive, but clarifies hospitals in these counties qualify as rural hospitals under the program and adds Washington County to the list. Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive, but specifies that a county must have two or fewer rural hospitals to be eligible to establish a multi-county district. |

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| Fiscal effect: The non-federal share of the program will be funded by assessments on local hospitals, so would not affect the GRF. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| MCDCD43 Medicaid Workforce development study | Section: 751.20 | |
| No provision. | Requires ODM to conduct a comprehensive study on the feasibility, legality, and potential cost savings of establishing a Medicaid waiver component that establishes work requirements for Medicaid recipients and includes additional supplemental workforce development requirements. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the ODM Director, by September 1, 2026, to prepare and submit a report to the Governor, House Speaker, Senate President, and chairpersons of the House and Senate finance committees detailing ODM's findings and any policy recommendations. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs. | |
| General | | |
| MCDCD57 JMOC projected medical inflation rate | R.C. 103.414 | |
| No provision. | Requires the ODM Director to enter into a data sharing agreement between JMOC's Executive Director, JMOC's actuary, and ODM, and additionally make ODM staff and actuaries readily available to JMOC and the JMOC actuary to assist in the determination of the projected medical inflation rate for a fiscal biennium. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the ODM Director to provide any information requested by JMOC, JMOC's Executive Director, or the actuary in a timely manner and in accordance with any deadlines established by JMOC, in the same role as an auditee when being audited by the Auditor of State. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | <div>Prohibits the ODM Director, an employee of ODM, and any entity under contract with ODM from hindering, obstructing, or interfering with JMOC, JMOC's Executive Director, or the actuary in determining the projected medical inflation rate.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs.</div> | No provision. |
| MCD56 ODM file sharing with JMOC actuary | | |
| No provision. | <div>R.C. 103.417, 103.41</div> <div>Requires ODM, beginning on October 1, 2025, and every six months thereafter, to share specified information files from the six-month period immediately preceding the date of submission with the JMOC contracted actuary.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs.</div> | No provision. |
| MCD52 Medicaid separate GRF appropriation items | | |
| No provision. | <div>R.C. 126.024</div> <div>Requires the OBM Director, in consultation with the ODM Director, to request and propose multiple Medicaid Health Care Services GRF ALIs in subsequent state budgets.</div> | <div>R.C. 126.024</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> |
| No provision. | <div>Specifies that, at a minimum, a separate GRF ALI be proposed for each of the following Medicaid services: (1) services provided under the care management system; (2) nursing facility services; (3) hospital services; (4) behavioral health services; (5) services provided under Medicaid waiver components administered by DOA; (6) prescription drug services; (7) physician services; (8) services provided under the Ohio home care waiver program; and (9) any other Medicaid health care services that the directors determine should have its own GRF ALI.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs.</div> | <div>Same as the House, and additionally adds (10) services provided under Medicaid waiver components administered by the Department of Developmental Disabilities; and (11) services provided under the Medicaid OhioRISE waiver, to the list of services that should receive separate ALIs.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs.</div> |

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| MCDCD77 340B reporting requirements - nonprofit hospitals | | |
| | | R.C. 3701.88 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Imposes reporting requirements on nonprofit hospitals participating in the federal 340B Drug Pricing Program. Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs. |
| MCDCD70 Assisting end-stage renal disease patients | | |
| | | R.C. 5160.25 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODM to do all of the following with regard to individuals with end-stage renal disease: |
| No provision. | No provision. | (1) Evaluate Medicare application requirements and review state policies and procedures related to patients who are 65 years of age or younger that have end-stage renal disease. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (2) Review and identify whether there exist Medicare eligibility gaps for such individuals. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (3) Take steps to address any identified eligibility gaps to improve patient access to Medicare benefits. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (4) Develop a process to assist those individuals to apply for Medicare benefits. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODM to, no later than September 1, 2026, submit a report to the General Assembly detailing its findings, including whether it is feasible to assist patients with end-stage renal disease apply for Medicare. Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs, and potential service savings if any care burden is shifted to Medicare. |
| MCDCD44 Residential facilities | | |
| | R.C. 5160.53 | |
| No provision. | Requires ODM to publish a directory of all residential facilities licensed by DBH on ODM's web site. Fiscal effect: Minimal administrative costs. | No provision (See MHACD39). |

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| MCD72 Legislative notice of Medicaid amendments and waivers | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 5162.08, 5166.03 Requires ODM to provide notice to JMOC and the House and Senate Medicaid committees before seeking an amendment to the Medicaid state plan or a Medicaid waiver that would (1) expand Medicaid coverage to any additional individuals or class of individuals or (2) increase any net costs to the state. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODM to provide the above-mentioned committees with updates regarding the status of any amendment or waiver, and to seek input from the committees to design any amendment or waiver. |
| No provision. | No provision. | When submitting an 1115 Medicaid waiver under continuing law, requires the ODM Director to confirm to the Speaker of the House and Senate President that the above requirements have been satisfied. Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs. |
| MCD71 Medicaid reports regarding fraud, waste, and abuse | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 5162.132, 5101.98 Modifies existing reporting by ODM on fraud, waste, and abuse within the Medicaid program by doing the following: |
| No provision. | No provision. | (1) Requiring ODM to include data concerning improper payments and expenditures in the Medicaid program related to fraud, waste, and abuse for the most recently concluded state fiscal year. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (2) Requiring ODM (rather than JFS) to report payment errors and confirmed cases of intentional program violations within the Medicaid program. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | (3) Requiring that the report be submitted to JMOC and the chairs and ranking members of the House and Senate committees with jurisdiction over Medicaid and published on ODM's website. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (4) Removing a requirement that copies of ODM's existing report on its efforts to minimize fraud, waste, and abuse be made available to the public on request. Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs. |
| MCDCD49 ODM quarterly Medicaid statement of expenditures form | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 5162.14 Requires the ODM Director to immediately provide notice to (1) the House Speaker and Senate President, (2) the JMOC Executive Director, and (3) the relevant chairpersons of the relevant standing committees in both the House and Senate if CMS takes certain actions related to the Quarterly Medicaid Statement of Expenditures Form (CMS-64 Form) submitted by ODM, including if CMS determines the form has a variance of 8% or more. Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs. | No provision. |
| MCDCD55 Medicaid administrative reporting to JMOC | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 5162.17 Requires ODM to submit a report to JMOC and the JMOC Executive Director on September 1 of each year that provides specified details about state agencies' budgeted, actual, and forecasted number of full-time equivalent employees and related expenditures. Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs. | No provision. |

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| MCD74 Presumptive eligibility error rate quarterly report | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 5163.104 Requires ODM to submit a quarterly report to the General Assembly detailing the presumptive eligibility error rate for the previous quarter. Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs. |
| MCD3 Exemption from adjudication | | |
| R.C. 5164.38 Exempts ODM from being required to conduct an adjudication in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, and subjects providers to existing reconsideration procedures instead, under the following circumstances: (1) When a Medicaid provider agreement requires the provider to hold a license, permit, or certificate and it is inactive by any means or has been surrendered, withdrawn, retired, or otherwise restricted. (2) When a provider's application for a provider agreement is denied or the provider agreement is terminated or not revalidated because a license, permit, or certificate is inactive by any means. Fiscal effect: Potential decreases in administrative costs, due to the exemption from conducting adjudications. | R.C. 5164.38 Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | No provision. No provision. No provision. |
| MCD48 Electronic visit verification system | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 5164.451 Establishes duties on, and grants authority to, ODM, DODD, Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs), and other entities in the event the ODM Director establishes an electronic visit verification (EVV) system in rule, including the following: | No provision. |

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| No provision. | (1) Requires ODM and DODD to provide education and technical assistance to Medicaid providers to aid them in complying with the EVV system. | No provision. |
| No provision. | (2) Requires ODM, DODD, a Medicaid MCO, or other authorized entity to notify a Medicaid provider that a claim is not supported by information in the EVV system and offer the provider opportunity to review and correct the claim in the system. | No provision. |
| No provision. | (3) Prohibits ODM, DODD, a Medicaid MCO, or other entity from denying a claim that is not supported by information in the EVV system. | No provision. |
| No provision. | (4) Authorizes ODM, DODD, a Medicaid MCO, or other authorized entity to conduct a post-payment audit or review to consider information in the EVV system as part of its audit or review protocol, but prohibits an audit or review based solely on information in the EVV system. | No provision. |
| No provision. | (5) Prohibits the EVV system from exceeding minimum requirements specified in federal law. Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs to comply with the provisions, and possible service savings if the EVV is implemented and leads to increased recoveries in accordance with these changes. | No provision. |
| MCD53 Automatic enrollment in Medicaid MCO plan | | |
| | R.C. 5167.03 | |
| No provision. | Permits individuals participating in the Medicaid program to enroll in the Medicaid MCO plan of their choosing. | No provision. |
| No provision. | If an individual does not select a Medicaid MCO plan in which to enroll, requires ODM to randomly assign the individual to a Medicaid MCO plan without giving preference to a specific MCO plan or group of plans. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires ODM to notify the General Assembly, the JMOC Executive Director, and the Auditor of State within 30 days if it determines that it can not satisfy the above requirements, and include an explanation as to why the requirements cannot be satisfied. Fiscal effect: Minimal. | No provision. |
| MCDCD78 Medicaid managed care financial dashboard | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 5167.09 Requires ODM to include both of the following on its managed care financial dashboard: (1) actuarial metrics for annual and quarterly cost reports for specified Medicaid eligibility populations, and (2) quarterly and annual composite per member per month category of service reports for specified services for each Medicaid MCO. Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs. |
| MCDCD46 Medicaid MCO data cross checks | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 5167.104 Under the terms of a contract entered into between ODM and a Medicaid MCO, requires the MCO to conduct internal cross checks of its data systems for specified information related to Medicaid enrollees assigned to the MCO. | R.C. 5167.104, Section 751.120 No provision. |
| No provision. | No provision. Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs. | Requires ODM to conduct a request for information to establish the feasibility of requiring Medicaid MCOs to conduct internal data cross checks. Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs. |

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| MCDCD29 Public assistance for eligibility determinations | | |
| Section: 333.200 Permits up to \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 655522, Medicaid Program Support - Local, in ODJFS, to be distributed based on performance criteria established by ODM. Allows performance-based amounts and transfer approval criteria to include application and renewal timeliness and accuracy. | No provision. | Section: 333.200 Same as the Executive. |
| MCDCD51 Re-establish prior authorization under Medicaid | | |
| No provision. | Section: 751.60 Requires ODM to resume the prior authorization requirements for drugs, tests and diagnostic procedures, and medical procedures under the Medicaid program that were in effect at the end of FY 2024. Fiscal effect: ODM may experience administrative costs to resume the requirements, and may experience service savings if fewer drugs, tests, and procedures are approved as a result of the requirements. | No provision. |
| MCDCD63 Private insurance outreach program | | |
| No provision. | Section: 751.80 During FY 2027, requires ODM to establish an outreach program to assist Medicaid recipients to obtain private insurance. Fiscal effect: Possible administrative costs. | Section: 751.80 Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| MCDCD75 Monitoring of federal Medicaid changes | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 751.111 Requires ODM to monitor and track legislative enactments from the 119th Congress, including any federal policy changes related to the Medicaid program. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | If ODM identifies federal legislative or policy changes, requires ODM to conduct a feasibility study regarding implementation of those changes. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODM to prepare and submit a report to JMOC related to its findings and recommendations that result from any feasibility study conducted. |
| <u>Appropriation Language</u> | | |
| MCDCD45 Diversity equity and inclusion | | |
| | Section: 333.12 | Section: 333.12 |
| No provision. | To the extent permitted by federal law, prohibits Medicaid funds from being used for diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Excludes funds used to provide access to the community for Medicaid recipients with intellectual and developmental disabilities from this prohibition. | Same as the House. |
| MCDCD68 Social gender transition | | |
| | Section: 333.13 | Section: 333.13 |
| No provision. | To the extent permitted by federal law, prohibits the distribution of Medicaid funds to provide mental health services that promote or affirm social gender transition. | Same as the House. |
| MCDCD17 Deposits to the State Directed Payment Program Fund | | |
| Section: 333.85 | Section: 333.85 | Section: 333.85 |
| Requires transfers made for the Hospital Directed Payment Program to be deposited into the State Directed Payment Program Fund (Fund 5AN0). | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Provides that the state share of the program comes from these transfers, and that the federal share comes from Fund 3F00 ALI 651623, Medicaid Services - Federal. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| Permits the OBM Director to transfer any cash remaining in the Health Care/Medicaid Support and Recoveries Fund (Fund 5DL0) at the end of FY 2025 attributable to the Hospital Directed Payment Program to Fund 5AN0 to be used for the Hospital Directed Payment Program. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| If receipts credited to Fund 5AN0 exceed the amounts appropriated from the fund, permits the ODM Director to seek Controlling Board approval for excess expenditures, and both directs the OBM Director to adjust the federal appropriations in Fund 3F00 ALI 651623, Medicaid Services - Federal, and appropriates any approved amounts and associated adjustments. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| For the provision above, notwithstands existing law capping Controlling Board releases of amounts greater than one-half of one per cent of the GRF appropriations for a given fiscal year. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires the ODM Director to terminate the Hospital Directed Payment Program if funds available are insufficient to operate the program. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Permits the ODM Director to certify to the OBM Director additional amounts needed to support any authorized State Directed Payment Programs, and directs the OBM Director to increase DPF ALI 651686, State Directed Payment Program, and caps the appropriation increase to \$300,000,000 in FY 2026 and \$850,000,000 in FY 2027. Authorizes the OBM Director to adjust the corresponding federal share in FED ALI 651623, Medicaid Services - Federal, and appropriates any adjusted amounts. |

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| MCDCD18 Deposits to the Health Care/Medicaid Support and Recoveries Fund | | |
| Section: 333.90 Requires the ODM Director to deposit into the Health Care/Medicaid Services Support and Recoveries Fund (Fund 5DL0), \$2,500,000 cash in each fiscal year from the first installment of assessments and intergovernmental transfers made under HCAP. | No provision. | Section: 333.90 Same as the Executive. |
| MCDCD19 Cash transfers from the Health Care/Medicaid Support and Recoveries Fund to the Behavioral Healthcare Fund | | |
| Section: 333.100 Permits the OBM Director, upon request of the ODM Director, to transfer up to \$3,200,000 cash in each fiscal year from the Health Care/Medicaid Support and Recoveries Fund (Fund 5DL0) to the Behavioral Healthcare Fund (Fund 5AU0). Requires any transferred funds be used to support Centers of Excellence and related activities. Appropriates any transferred funds. | Section: 333.100 Same as the Executive, but changes the transfer amount to up to \$2,200,000 cash in each fiscal year. Same as the Executive. | Section: 333.100 Same as the House. Same as the Executive. |
| MCDCD27 Home and community based services appropriations - state | | |
| Section: 333.180 Permits the OBM Director to authorize additional expenditures in Fund 5HC8 ALIs 651698, MCD Home and Community Based Services, 653698, DDD Home and Community Based Services, 652698, MHA Home and Community Based Services, 655698, JFS Home and Community Based Services, 659698, BOR Home and Community Based Services, and 656698, AGE Home and Community Based Services, conditional on the additional expenditures being offset by equal expenditure reductions in another of these identified ALIs. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Stipulates that any additional expenditures be used in accordance with federal rules and comply with ODM's Medicaid state plan approved by the federal government. Appropriates any additional expenditures. | No provision. | No provision. |
| MCDCD28 Home and community based services appropriations - federal | | |
| Section: 333.190 | | |
| Permits the OBM Director to authorize additional expenditures in Fund 3HC8 ALIs 651699, MCD Home and Community Based Services – Federal, 653699, DDD Home and Community Based Services – Federal, 652699, MHA Home and Community Based Services – Federal, 655699, JFS Home and Community Based Services – Federal, and 659699, BOR Home and Community Based Services - Federal, and 656699, AGE Home and Community Based Services – Federal, conditional on the additional expenditures being offset by equal expenditure reductions in another of these identified line items. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Stipulates that any additional expenditures be used in accordance with federal rules and comply with ODM's Medicaid state plan approved by the federal government. Appropriates any additional expenditures. | No provision. | No provision. |
| MCDCD30 Cash transfers from Franchise Permit Fee Fund to the Department of Health and the Department of Aging | | |
| Section: 333.210 | Section: 333.210 | Section: 333.210 |
| Permits the OBM Director, upon the request of the ODM Director, to transfer cash in each fiscal year from the Nursing Home Franchise Fee Fund (Fund 5R20) to the following funds: | Same as the Executive, but makes the following change: | Same as the House. |
| \$5,000,000 to the Quality, Monitoring, and Inspection Fund (Fund 5B50) used by ODH; | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| \$11,885,000 to the Ombudsman Support Fund (Fund 5BA0) used by ODA. | Same as the Executive, but changes the permitted transfer amount to \$9,300,000. | Same as the House. |

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| Requires DOH and ODA to each submit a report at the end of each fiscal year on spending activities to OBM. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| MCDCD34 Increasing children's access to vision and dental services | | |
| Section: 333.260 | Section: 333.260 | Section: 333.260 |
| Permits the OBM Director, upon the request of the ODM Director, to transfer up to \$7,000,000 appropriation in each fiscal year from appropriation item 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, to appropriation items in the DOH. | Same as the Executive, but caps the maximum transfer amount at \$4,660,000 in FY 2026 and \$4,295,000 in FY 2027. | Same as the House. |
| Requires this appropriation be used to support public health programs or the provision of certain services, including preventive care and other interventions, to improve the health of low-income children. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Earmarks up to \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year to increase children's access to vision care and up to \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year to increase children's access to dental care. | Same as the Executive, but reduce the vision earmark to \$2,660,000 in FY 2026 and \$2,295,000 in FY 2027. | Same as the House. |
| Permits ODM to transfer federal reimbursement for these expenditures and appropriates the transferred amounts. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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| MEDCD1 Summary Suspensions | | R.C. 4730.25, 4731.22, 4759.07, 4760.13, 4761.09, 4762.13, 4772.20, 4774.13, and 4778.14 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Revises in the following ways the law authorizing - in limited circumstances - MED to issue summary suspensions against its license holders: |
| (1) No provision. | (1) No provision. | (1) Eliminates provisions specifying that an order is not subject to suspension by a court before MED issues its final adjudicative order and, instead, specifies the following: (a) that a summary suspension is not a final appealable order and is not an adjudication that may be appealed under the Administrative Procedure Act and (b) that once a final adjudicative order has been issued, any party adversely affected by it may file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. | (2) Eliminates provisions specifying that the period during which a summary suspension is in effect applies unless reversed on appeal. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. | (3) In the case of acupuncturists, anesthesiologist assistants, certified mental health assistants, genetic counselors, and radiologist assistants, extends to 75 days (from 60) the number of days by which the Medical Board must issue its final adjudicative order after its hearing regarding the summary suspension. (The 75-day timeline corresponds with that for other practitioners regulated by the Board.) |
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| MEDCD2 Certified Mental Health Assistants | | R.C. 4731.2210, 4772.20, 4772.21, 4772.23, 4772.99; conforming changes in various sections |
| No provision. | No provision. | Revises the statutes governing certified mental health assistants (CMHAs) to correspond with recently enacted statutory changes regarding other professions under MED's jurisdiction, including: |
| (1) No provision. | (1) No provision. | (1) Authorizing MED to recommend a CHMA's license be suspended without a prior hearing if MED receives verifiable information that the CMHA has been charged with a felony and the conduct charged constitutes grounds for MED disciplinary action. |
| (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. | (2) Requiring CMHAs that have reasonable cause to suspect that a licensee of MED has committed or participated in criminal conduct or sexual misconduct to report that information to MED. |
| (3) No provision. | (3) No provision. | (3) Requires licensees to self-report criminal charges regarding criminal conduct, sexual misconduct, or any conduct involving the use of a motor vehicle while under the influence of drugs or alcohol. |
| (4) No provision. | (4) No provision. | (4) Shortening to 30 days (from 60) the time in which health facilities must report various CMHA conduct to MED. |
| (5) No provision. | (5) No provision. | (5) Authorizing MED to require CMHAs subject to probationary orders related to sexual misconduct or patient harm to provide a written disclosure to each patient, the patient's guardian, or a key third party. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Adjusts the statutory expression of criminal penalties that are to be imposed for violations of various MED statutes in a manner that follows standard bill drafting conventions for those types of penalties. |
| | | Fiscal effect: Minimal. |

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| DNRCD34 Prohibition against using H2Ohio Fund for land or conservation easement purchases | | |
| | R.C. 126.60 | R.C. 126.60 |
| No provision. | Prohibits money in the H2Ohio Fund from being used to purchase land or a conservation easement. | Replaces the House provision with one that limits the amount of money from the H2Ohio Fund that may be used by ODNR to purchase land or conservation easements or to issue grants for such purposes to \$2.5 million in any fiscal year. |
| DNRCD26 State oil and gas lease | | |
| | R.C. 155.33, 155.34 | R.C. 155.33, 155.34 |
| No provision. | Requires the standard oil and gas lease used by state agencies to include an option to extend the primary term of the lease for an additional five instead of three years by tendering to the state agency the same bonus paid when first entering into the lease. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires the standard lease also to include specific provisions governing the payment of rentals and bonus amounts; tolling of the lease term; and deferments. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the standard oil and gas lease used by state agencies to include a shut-in provision, which is a lease term that allows the lessee to maintain the lease by making specified "shut-in" royalty payments on a well even if well production is halted. |
| | Fiscal effect: The effect on revenue deposited to the State Land Royalty Fund would depend on any differences between a specific lease and the market rate at the time a lease extension is optioned. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| DNRCD29 Oil and gas - bids and leases for exploration on state-owned land | | |
| | R.C. 155.33, 155.34 | R.C. 155.33, 155.34 |
| No provision. | Requires a state agency, when entering into a lease with a person for the exploration and development of oil and gas on state-owned land, to fully execute the lease within 30 days after the Oil and Gas Land Management Commission selects the person with the highest and best bid. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Prohibits a state agency and the Commission from requiring any additional fee that is not specifically authorized or required from a person bidding or entering into a lease to explore and develop oil and gas on state-owned land. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Allows the person so bidding to offer an extra gross landowner royalty in addition to the required 1/8 gross landowner royalty amount and any proposed lease bonus. Fiscal effect: None. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DNRCD37 ODNR contracts with local government for services | | |
| | | R.C. 1501.022 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODNR to enter into a contract with municipal corporations and townships to reimburse them for expenses incurred for providing emergency response services, garbage and debris removal services, snow removal services, and any other service requested by the ODNR Director on state park land or at facilities owned or managed by ODNR. |

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| DNRCD41 Local consent prior to ODNR altering a historical site | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 1501.023 Prohibits ODNR from physically working on or altering an oil and gas historical site without the consent of every member of all of the following entities: the board of county commissioners of the county in which the historical site is located, the historical society of the county in which the historical site is located, and the Oil and Gas Technical Advisory Council. Fiscal effect: None. |
| DNRCD28 ODNR dredging operations | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 1501.46 Provides that, in circumstances in which ODNR conducts, or contracts with a third party to conduct, dredging operations in the waters of the state, no license, registration, or certification is required for an individual to operate the dredging equipment or watercraft associated with such operations. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Prohibits any state agency from imposing licensing, registration, or certification requirements on an individual for the operation of such dredging equipment or watercraft. Fiscal effect: None. | No provision. |

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| DNRCD27 Oil and Gas Resolution and Remediation Fund | | |
| | R.C. 1509.02, 1509.07, 1509.071, 1509.075, 1509.38 | R.C. 1509.02, 1509.07, 1509.071, 1509.075, 1509.38 |
| No provision. | Creates the Oil and Gas Resolution and Remediation Fund (OGRRF) as a custodial fund, and requires the Chief of the Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management to use money in the OGRRF to plug orphaned wells in accordance with current law. Authorizes the Chief to use the OGRRF for expenses that are critical and necessary for the protection of human health and safety and the environment related to oil and gas production. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires the State Treasurer, at the beginning of each fiscal year, to transfer the amount of money in the Oil and Gas Well Fund (Fund 5180) that is in excess of the total amount appropriated to it for that fiscal year to the OGRRF. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires the \$50 filing fee for an exempt domestic well or exempt Mississippian well (that may be filed in lieu of posting a surety bond) to be deposited into the OGRRF. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Specifies that the OGRRF must consist of those transfers, the filing fee discussed above, and any funds collected by the Chief from the issuance of corrective action orders. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires interest earned on the OGRRF to be reserved for use by the ODNR Director for any ODNR-related purpose, subject to the written approval of the Technical Advisory Council on Oil and Gas. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires the Treasurer to make disbursements (other than interest earnings) from the OGRRF on a quarterly basis, on order of the Chief. | Same as the House. |

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| | Fiscal effect: The provision significantly increases the amount of money available for plugging orphaned and abandoned wells and addressing emergent health and human safety issues related to oil and gas wells. As of March 24, 2025 Fund 5180 had a cash balance of more than \$246.9 million. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DNRCD18 Oil and gas orders - appeals and procedures | | |
| R.C. 1509.03, 1509.36, 1509.221 | | R.C. 1509.03, 1509.36, 1509.221 |
| Replaces the requirement that all orders issued and notices given by the Chief of the Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management be in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Law with a requirement that the Chief adopt rules to establish procedures for providing notice under the Oil and Gas Law and serving the Chief's orders and compliance notices. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires a person appealing an order of the Chief or a rule adopted by the Chief to appeal first to the Oil and Gas Commission, with the right to appeal to the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas, instead of having the choice between appealing to either the Commission or a court of common pleas as in current law. | No provision. | No provision. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows the Oil and Gas Commission to decide an appeal of an order of the Chief of the Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management or a rule adopted by the Chief without a hearing when, in its judgment, it is appropriate to do so. |
| Fiscal effect: Courts of common pleas no longer hear initial appeals, although the Franklin County Court will still hear appeals of Commission decisions. | | Fiscal effect: In cases where the Commission decides and appeal without a hearing, there would be some administrative cost savings. |

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| DNRCD25 Permit to plug and abandon - fee elimination | | |
| | R.C. 1509.13, 1509.071 | R.C. 1509.13, 1509.071 |
| No provision. | Eliminates the \$250 permit fee generally required to be paid when applying for a permit to plug and abandon any oil and gas well. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Minimal loss of revenue deposited to the credit of the Oil and Gas Well Fund (Fund 5180). | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DNRCD20 Division of Water Resources | | |
| R.C. 1521.16, 1521.23, 1522.12 | R.C. 1521.16, 1521.23, 1522.12 | |
| Establishes annual fees for a facility required to register to withdraw waters of the state, to be deposited into the Water Management Fund (Fund 5160), based on the daily withdrawal capacity of the facility as follows: \$75 (100,000 to 249,999 gallons); \$100 (250,000 to 499,999); \$150 (500,000 to 999,999); \$250 (1,000,000 to 9,999,999); \$550 (10,000,000 to 49,999,999); and \$1,050 (50,000,000 or more). | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Increases the application fee for a consumptive use permit for a facility withdrawing water in the Ohio River Basin or in the Lake Erie Basin resulting in a new or increased consumptive use of more than an average of two million gallons per day in any 30-day period from \$1,000 to \$5,000. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Increase in revenue to Fun 5160, although due to the small annual fees and the relatively few number of users affected by the changes to the consumptive use permit fee, these changes appear unlikely to have a significant fiscal effect. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| DNRCD39 Feral swine | | |
| | | R.C. 1531.01 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Modifies the definition of feral swine as follows: |

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| No provision. | No provision. | (1) Clarifies that a wild boar or feral swine is a hog, boar, or pig that appears to be untamed, undomesticated, or in a wild state. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (2) Excludes a domesticated pig that is legally confined or held in captivity from the definitions provisions that include the members of the family suidae. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (3) Includes a wild pig, wild hog, feral hog, or feral pig that appears contained in a licenses wild animal hunting preserve or wholly enclosed preserve for hunting or trapping. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (4) Corrects a misspelling of the word "tayassuidae." |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | |
| DNRCD24 Hunting on family land | R.C. 1533.10, 1533.11, 1533.111 | R.C. 1533.10, 1533.11, 1533.111 |
| No provision. | Allows a resident landowner's parents to hunt and trap on the landowner's property without obtaining a hunting license, deer permit, wild turkey permit, or fur taker permit. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Allows a resident landowner's grandchildren under 18 to hunt and trap on the landowner's property without obtaining a deer permit, wild turkey permit, or fur taker permit. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Clarifies that, for both in-state and out-of-state residents who own land in Ohio, the landowner's spouse may hunt deer or wild turkey and hunt or trap fur-bearing animals on that property without a deer, wild turkey, or fur taker permit. |
| Fiscal effect: Revenue loss to the Wildlife Fund (Fund 7015) will depend on the volume of foregone license sales; loss could be more than minimal. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| DNRCD38 Rules governing preventing ice on state park's water | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div><div>R.C.1546.04</div><div>Prohibits the Chief of the Division of Parks and Watercraft from levying a fee for the issuance of a permit for preventing or limiting ice formation on the surface of water that is located in a state park on property owned or managed by the Division.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Applications for permits for aeration devices that limit the formation of ice require a \$50 fee. This prohibition will result in a small loss of revenue deposited to the credit of the State Park Fund (Fund 5120).</div></div> |
| DNRCD14 Watercraft fees | | |
| <div><div>R.C.1546.01, 1547.531, 1547.54</div><div>Makes the following changes effective January 1, 2027:</div><div>Defines "e-foil," "jetboard," and "racing shell" and removes "rowing skull" from the definition of rowboat. Applies the \$30 triennial registration fee for a class A watercraft to e-foils and jetboards. Exempts e-foils and jetboards from the requirement that watercraft operated by power, sail, or other mechanical or electrical means of propulsion be registered by length.</div><div>Requires that the triennial registration fees for watercraft be adjusted for inflation, not to exceed the percentage by which the CPI-U has changed since January 1, 1994, rounded to the nearest whole dollar.</div><div>Applies the \$12 (numbered craft) or \$17 (unnumbered craft) triennial registration fee for a watercraft to kayaks, inflatable watercraft meeting the definition of paddlecraft, or any other watercraft propelled solely by human muscular effort.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.1547.54</div><div>Same as the Executive, but makes the following changes:</div><div>No provision.</div><div>No provision.</div><div>No provision.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.1547.54</div><div>Same as the House.</div><div>Same as the House.</div><div>Same as the House.</div><div>Same as the House.</div></div> |

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| Allows a registration certificate that must be on a watercraft to be in physical or digital form. Allows a person operating a kayak, canoe, rowboat, or inflatable watercraft that has not been numbered and that is stopped by law enforcement to present a registration certificate in physical or digital form. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the House. |
| Increases the additional writing fee for any watercraft registration certificate from \$3 to \$5. Increases the additional writing fee for a temporary watercraft registration from \$3 to \$5. | No provision. | Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: Taken together these changes will result in an increase in revenue deposited to the credit of the Waterways Safety Fund (Fund 7086), potentially reaching a million dollars or more per year. | Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DNRCD17 Division of Mineral Resources Management examinations | | |
| R.C. 1561.13, 1561.16, 1561.46, 1561.48 Repealed: 1561.18, 1561.21, 1561.22 | R.C. 1561.13, 1561.16, 1561.23, 1561.46, 1561.48 Repealed: 1561.18, 1561.21, 1561.22 | |
| Requires the Chief of the Division of Mineral Resources Management to provide examinations for persons seeking certificates as mine forepersons, forepersons, mine electricians, and surface mine blasters as needed instead of providing them quarterly or more often under current law. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Repeals provisions of Ohio's mine and quarry law that specify the qualifications for: (1) fire bosses, (2) shot firers, and (3) forepersons of surface maintenance facilities, and repeals the requirement that the Chief conduct examinations for these positions. | Same as the Executive, but also removes a requirement for the Chief to issue examination certificates for the affected positions. | No provision. |
| Repeals the requirement that public notice be given announcing the time and place for upcoming examinations. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential slight reduction in administrative costs for the Division. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |

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| DNRCD13 Oil and gas severance tax allocation R.C. 5749.02 Increases the percentage of oil and gas severance taxes credited to the Geological Mapping Fund (Fund 5110), from 10% to 14%, and decreases the percentage to the Oil and Gas Well Fund (Fund 5180), from 90% to 86%. Fiscal effect: An increase of roughly \$2.0 million per year for Fund 5110 with a corresponding decrease for Fund 5180. | R.C. 5749.02 Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| DNRCD1 Program Support Fund Section: 343.20 Requires the ODNR Director to determine each ODNR division's payments into the Program Support Fund (Fund 1570) based on administrative ease and uniform application in compliance with federal grant requirements. Allows the Director to include direct cost charges for specific services provided. Requires payments to Fund 1570 to be made using intrastate transfer voucher. | Section: 343.20 Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| DNRCD32 Special Projects No provision. (1) No provision. (2) No provision. | Section: 343.20 Makes the following earmarks of GRF ALI 725520, Special Projects: (1) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for improvements at Mosquito Lake State Park. (2) \$100,000 in each fiscal year to support Ohio Education Programs at Aullwood Audubon Center and Farm and Grange Insurance Audubon Center. | No provision. No provision. No provision. |

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| DNRCD35 Parks and Recreation | | |
| | Section: 343.20 | Section: 343.20 |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$150,000 in each fiscal year under GRF ALI 730321, Parks and Recreation, for Canalway Partners to support the 2027 bicentennial recognition of the Ohio & Erie Canal. | No provision. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires Fund 5BJ1 ALI 7256A6, Parks and Recreation, to be used in conjunction with GRF ALI 730321, Parks and Recreation, to support the Division of Parks and Watercraft. |
| DNRCD31 Waterways Improvement and the cash transfer from the GRF | | |
| | Section: 343.30, 512.10 | Section: 343.30 |
| No provision. | Requires the ODNR Director to consult with the Loramie Watershed Association to identify portions of Lake Loramie that are negatively affected by hard pan sediment and hard clay debris. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$250,000 each fiscal year under Fund 7086 ALI 725414, Waterways Improvement, for the DNR Director to contract with a third-party vendor for channel excavation and the removal of hard pan sediment and hard clay debris at Lake Loramie. | Same as the House but changes the funding source to GRF ALI 730321, Parks and Recreation. |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$172,000 in FY 2026 under Fund 7086 ALI 725414, Waterways Improvement, for channel excavation and removal of sediment at Grand Lake St. Marys. | Same as the House but changes the funding source to GRF ALI 730321, Parks and Recreation. |
| No provision. | Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$1,922,000 cash in FY 2026 and \$1,250,000 cash in FY 2027 from the GRF to the Waterways Safety Fund (Fund 7086). | No provision. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Earmarks \$250,000 in FY 2026 to support the Indian lake Watershed Project under GRF ALI 730321, Parks and Recreation. |

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| DNRCD36 Capital project earmark changes | | Section: 620.20, 620.21 (amends section 373.15 of H.B. 2 of the 135th G.A.) |
| No provision. | No provision. | Redirects capital earmarks under Fund 7035 ALI, C725E2, Local Parks, Recreation, and Conservation Projects: \$750,000 from the Scranton Trail Project to the Detroit Shoreway Project and \$350,000 from the Diver Riverfront Trailhead to Dover Riverfront Park Improvements. |

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| AUDCD9 | AOS duties | | R.C. 9.35, 117.11, 117.38, 117.44, 149.10, 149.30, 169.13, 306.43, 308.13, 317.20, 319.04, 321.03, 323.611, 501.09, 501.11, 507.12, 703.34, 733.81, 735.05, 749.31, 1533.13, 3313.27, 3314.011, 3314.038, 3314.08, 3315.18, 3315.181, 3317.035, 3318.051, 3318.48, 3326.51, 3328.16, 3345.591, 3375.39, 3375.92, 3381.11, 3709.15, 3717.071, 5117.12, 5310.06, 5705.12, 5705.121, 5705.28, 5705.29, 5923.30, 5705.38, 6101.55; R.C. 117.113, 117.251, 117.441, 117.51, 501.03, 3314.50, 4115.31, 4115.32, 4115.33, 4115.34, 4115.35, 4115.36 (repealed) |
| No provision. | | No provision. | The bill makes various changes to laws related to AOS, as follows: |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Makes subject to audit any books and records that are both maintained by public officials and contracted out for electronic data processing or computer services. Removes the requirement that the parties give “satisfactory assurance” to AOS that affected records will be subject to audit as under current law. |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Repeals a redundant provision requiring the AOS to audit each science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) school every fiscal year. |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Eliminates the AOS's duty to audit a school district serving as a STEM school sponsoring district for compliance with STEM school financing requirements. |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Repeals a provision requiring the AOS to make a notation on an audit report for a county treasurer’s office if the treasurer invested at least 10% of the county’s money in eligible institutions. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the annual financial report filed by public offices under continuing law to include budgetary comparison information as required by the applicable reporting framework or as prescribed by the AOS. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes the requirement for the AOS to operate a fiduciary training program annually for members and employees of state boards and commissions. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Transfers custodian responsibility for Ohio’s public land records from the AOS to the OHS. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires executive agencies to receive pre-approval from the AOS for internally produced or independently produced audit reports. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Changes an erroneous reference in the Unclaimed Funds Law from AOS to OBM, which is responsible for paying unclaimed funds held by the state to the owner. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires county auditors, township fiscal officers, and municipal fiscal officers to retain documentation of required completed initial and continuing education courses. Additionally requires the AOS to audit for compliance with the continuing education requirements. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates AOS's duty to adopt rules for verifying the completion of initial education programs and continuing education courses for individuals elected or appointed to the office of township fiscal officer, duty to issue a certificate of completion for such programs and courses, and duty to issue "failure to complete" notices for such programs and courses. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the AOS's duty to adopt rules for verifying the completion of initial education programs and continuing education courses for fiscal officers, duty to issue a certificate of completion for such programs and courses, and duty to issue "failure to complete" notices for such programs and courses. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the County Auditors Association of Ohio, rather than the AOS, to issue notices to county auditors who have not completed the required coursework. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires township and municipal fiscal officers’ continuing education to include knowledge about bulletins or other information published by the AOS and any other subject deemed appropriate by the AOS. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes the AOS from the process for a county to have sectional indexes made. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Transfers, from the AOS to DAS, the responsibility to issue deeds for property that was originally appropriated by Congress for the support of schools and ministerial purposes. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes the requirement that AOS prescribe the form/manner of records that clerks, fiscal officers, and other agents must keep related to certain wildlife/hunting/fishing permits and licenses. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires DEW instead of AOS to require the fiscal officer of a community school or college-preparatory boarding school to execute a bond. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes AOS as a recipient of an annual report submitted by community schools about students who live in a children’s residential center. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes the requirement for a community school’s governing authority to file a bond or submit a written guarantee of payment for audit costs. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the requirement that the DEW consult the AOS in reducing certain amounts payable to certain community schools. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the Director of DEW and AOS's duty to jointly establish a method for auditing certain community schools. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the Director of DEW, AOS, and Governor's duty to jointly make recommendations to the General Assembly for legislative changes to assure fiscal and academic accountability for certain community schools. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes the authority of the AOS to (1) alter the formula used to calculate the amount a school district must deposit into their Capital and Maintenance Fund and (2) designate alternative sources of revenue a school district can deposit the fund. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires a school district, rather than AOS, to notify DEW when the school district transfers the required deposit for certain projects. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes the requirement that the AOS issue a finding for recovery against a school district when funds are overdue to the FCC. Instead, requires FCC to certify the amount to the AGO for collection. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes the AOS or their representative as an alternate person responsible for counting all remaining money, bonds, and other securities of a library's or board of education's fiscal officer. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the requirement that each subdivision and school library district budget include additional information prescribed by AOS. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows the AOS full discretion in selecting which school districts to audit for enrollment information. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the requirement that school district appropriation measures be in the form prescribed by AOS after consultation with the Tax Commissioner. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes the requirement for the AOS to consult TAX when political subdivisions request approval to create a new fund under Ohio’s Tax Levy Law. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Changes the AOS's duty to audit certain safeguards implemented by state institutions of higher education from a minimum of four performance audits each biennium to at least once every two fiscal years. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes the authority of AGR and DOH to ask AOS to audit retail food establishment license fees or food service operation license fees charged by a local board of health. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes the requirement for DEV to consult with AOS when preparing reports about the impact of the prohibition against discontinuing heating services on the number of uncollectible and past due residential accounts. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes AOS and SOS from the process for investing money received by the courts for the assurance fund. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes AOS from the process of filing an action against an officer of the organized militia who cannot properly account for property/money in the officer’s possession. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the judges that preside over conservancy districts, instead of the AOS, to consider approvals for modifying the form of the annual levy portion of a conservancy district’s assessment record. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes outdated provisions from the Revised Code related to the now-abolished State Committee for the Purchase of Products and Services by Persons with Severe Disabilities. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the ability of the head of a department, board, commission, or district authority entitled to participate in any appropriation or revenue of a subdivision to file an estimate of contemplated revenue and expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year on a form prescribed by AOS. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the requirement that a tax budget present certain information in such detail as prescribed by AOS. Fiscal effect: Minimal. |
| AUDCD11 ODOT audits | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 117.12, 117.56, Section 125.23 Repeals a provision recently enacted via the Transportation Budget scheduled to take effect in October that would have allowed AOS to access the records of ODOT during an audit. |
| AUDCD10 Audit costs for medical assistance programs and recipients | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 5160.23, (repealed) Eliminates AOS's responsibility to pay for audit costs related to audits of medical assistance programs or individual medical assistance recipients. Fiscal effect: Reduces costs incurred by the AOS and shifts these costs to the audited entities. |
| AUDCD2 Performance Audits | | |
| Section: 223.20 Requires that GRF ALI 070402, Performance Audits, be used to support costs for providing performance audits for local governments, school districts, state agencies, and colleges and universities that are not recovered through charges, including certain costs not recoverable under federal guidelines. | Section: 223.20 Same as the Executive. | Section: 223.20, 701.90 Same as the Executive. |

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| No provision. | Earmarks up to \$500,000 in FY 2026 under GRF ALI 070402, Performance Audits, to conduct a performance audit of indigent defense services within Ohio. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires the AOS to review the challenges of the delivery of indigent defense services, including, but not limited to the costs, accounting, and payment processes of the Office of the Ohio Public Defender and at least five counties that represent each of the various indigent defense delivery methods in the state. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires the audit to be completed and a report submitted to the President and Minority Leader of the Senate and to the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives by August 1, 2026. | Same as the House, but requires the performance audit report on indigent defense services to be submitted by January 1, 2027. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the AOS to conduct a performance audit of the PUCO, including a review of the Ohio Power Siting Board, by May 1, 2027. |
| AUDCD7 State audit of Medicaid Next Generation system | Section: 751.70 | Section: 751.70 |
| No provision. | Requires the AOS, by December 31, 2027, to conduct a performance audit and fiscal audit of ODM's next generation system. Requires the AOS to examine nine specified components of the system. | Same as the House, but requires only one audit that is both a performance and a fiscal audit with one accompanying audit report instead of two. |
| No provision. | Requires the Auditor to submit a copy of the audit reports to the Executive Director of JMOC. Fiscal effect: Additional costs for AOS to conduct the performance audit. | Same as the House, but requires the submission only of the single audit report. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| <div><div>AIRCD4</div><div>Revolving Loan Fund Bond Issuance Authority</div><div>R.C.3706.04, 3706.042</div><div>Allows OAQDA to receive loans of federal funds from any federal agency and grants and loans of federal funds from not-for profit entities to be pledged for the construction of air quality projects or for air quality facility research and development. Allows OAQDA to issue revenue bonds and notes and to place the proceeds in the Air Quality Revolving Loan Fund created by the bill to be used to carry out OAQDA powers and duties.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Potential increase in funds received from grants or federal loans and amount of revenue bonds or notes issued by OAQDA. Potential gain in revenue from assessments, for certain municipalities, townships, or special improvement districts, to be used for payments of OAQDA revenue bonds or notes.</div></div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |
| <div><div>AIRCD2</div><div>Solar Generation Fund rider</div><div>R.C.3706.46</div><div>Changes the annual amount of revenue that must be collected from retail electric customers for the Solar Generation Fund (SGF) from \$20 million to an amount determined by the OAQDA as sufficient for the disbursements from the SGF and administrative costs. Accelerates the termination of this charge from FY 2028 to FY 2026 unless additional revenues are necessary to credit owners or operators of qualifying solar resources.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Changes revenue collected annually from retail electric customers for the Solar Generation Fund from \$20 million to an amount, likely less than \$20 million, determined by OAQDA. Reduces amounts collected by \$20 million in 2026 and 2027.</div></div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |

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| CDPCD6 | Prevention Services | | |
| R.C. | 4758.01, 4758.44, 4758.45, 4758.02, 4758.10, 4758.20-4758.23, 4758.60, 4758.61 | R.C. 4758.01, 4758.44, 4758.45, 4758.02, 4758.10, 4758.20-4758.23, 4758.60, 4758.61 | |
| Changes the credentialing of prevention specialists and prevention consultants from certification to licensure. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Modifies the definition of "prevention services" and requires OCDP to adopt standards for the practice of prevention services. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: There would be administrative and possible IT costs to make this adjustment. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| CDPCD5 | Peer supporters | | |
| R.C. | 4758.02, 4758.04, 4758.20, 4758.21, 4758.49, 4758.491, 4758.65, 4758.651, 4758.70, 4758.80, 4743.09, 4757.41, 4758.22, 4758.23,4758.30, 4757.31, 4758.36, 4758.99; Section 747.10 | R.C. 4758.02, 4758.04, 4758.20, 4758.21, 4758.49, 4758.491, 4758.65, 4758.651, 4758.70, 4758.80, 4743.09, 4757.41, 4758.22, 4758.23,4758.30, 4757.31, 4758.36, 4758.99; Section 747.10 | |
| Transfers the responsibility of certifying peer recovery supporters, youth peer supporters, and family peer supporters from DBH to ODCP. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires all peer supporters to: hold a high school diploma, the equivalent of a high school diploma, or a higher degree; complete training; pass an examination; and agree to follow a code of ethics. Establishes age and other requirements for each category of peer supporter. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires peer supporters to be supervised by specified professionals. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Establishes a peer support supervisor endorsement, which must be obtained by a peer supporter or other chemical dependency professional in order to serve as a supervisor. Establishes the requirements that must be met to obtain this endorsement. | | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Requires other mental health professionals who may supervise peer supporters to complete training requirements established by OCDP rule. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Permits peer supporters to provide telehealth services. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Prohibits peer supporters from engaging in the practice of substance use disorder counseling or prevention services. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Prohibits an individual from representing themselves as a peer supporter without holding certification beginning one year after the provision's 90-day effective date. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Permits individuals who are certified as peer recovery supporters, youth peer supporters, and family peer supporters by DBH on the provision's 90-day effective date to apply to OCDP to delay the certificate's expiration. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Prohibits OCDP from establishing fees for online learning courses for peer supporters administered by DBH. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Increase in costs, including one-time costs due to eLicense enhancements and other necessary updates for this transition and ongoing costs to issue certificates and regulate these professionals. The budget establishes funding of approximately \$292,500 in FY 2026 and \$30,000 in FY 2027 in new Fund 5CF1 ALI 930600, which consists of ISTV transfers from DBH, to support initial costs. Ongoing costs may be partially offset by licensure fee revenue collected. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| CDPCD13 Board membership | | |
| R.C. 4758.10, 4758.11, 4758.13; Section 747.01 | R.C. 4758.10, 4758.11, 4758.13; Section 747.01 | R.C. 4758.10, 4758.13 |
| Adds a chemical dependency counselor assistant and an individual who is a peer recovery supporter, youth peer supporter, or family peer supporter as a Board member. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Replaces the Board member who is a physician with experience practicing in a field related to chemical dependency counseling with a specified health care worker or counselor who is employed or contracted by a community addiction services provider or community mental health services provider. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Increases to nine (from seven) the number of members who must be present to constitute a quorum. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the existing law requirements that (1) not more than half of OCDP's Board be of the same gender and (2) at least two voting members be of African, Native American, Hispanic, or Asian descent. |
| Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: None. |
| CDPCD1 Approval of education programs | | |
| R.C. 4758.21, 4758.20, 4758.28 | R.C. 4758.21, 4758.20, 4758.28 | |
| Requires OCDP to approve education programs that may be completed for initial licenses, certificates, and endorsements, including degree and certificate training programs offered by accredited educational institutions and other training programs selected by OCDP, in addition to the OCDP's current duty to approve continuing education courses for renewals. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Extends OCDP's duty to establish fees and adopt rules to its duties relating to the approval of additional education programs. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: There would be increased administrative costs. However, OCDP can establish fees to help offset these costs. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |

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| CDPCD2 Disciplinary fines | | |
| R.C. 4758.20, 4758.30 | R.C. 4758.20, 4758.30 | |
| Permits OCDP to impose fines as a form of professional disciplinary action against its license, certificate, and endorsement holders. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires OCDP to adopt rules establishing a graduated system of fines, based on the scope and severity of violations and history of compliance, with a maximum fine of \$500 per incident. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential revenue increase. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| CDPCD7 Chemical dependency counselor assistants | | |
| R.C. 4758.20, 4758.22, 4758.26, 4758.27, 4758.43, 4758.51, Repealed: 4758.52 | R.C. 4758.20, 4758.22, 4758.26, 4758.27, 4758.43, 4758.51, Repealed: 4758.52 | |
| Requires an individual seeking a chemical dependency counselor assistant certification to be at least age 18 and hold a high school diploma, a certificate of high school equivalence, or a higher degree. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Changes the designation that applies to the first certification that is received to practice as a chemical dependency counselor assistant from "initial" to "preliminary." Eliminates existing requirements for this certification, and instead, requires OCDP to establish the standards by rule. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Prohibits OCDP from renewing or restoring a chemical dependency counselor assistant preliminary certificate. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| CDPCD4 Criminal records checks | | |
| R.C. 4758.24, 4758.20, 4776.01, 4776.20 | R.C. 4758.24, 4758.20, 4776.01, 4776.20 | |
| Requires applicants for licensure, certification, or endorsement from OCDP to undergo a criminal records check. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Requires OCDP to adopt rules regarding criminal records checks. Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| CDPCD9 Applications R.C. 4758.35, 4758.39, 4758.40, 4758.44, 4758.45 Requires applicants for licensure, certification, or endorsement from OCDP to submit an application in the manner OCDP prescribes, in place of the current requirement to file a written form. Clarifies that certain applicants for licensure, certification, or endorsement from OCDP must hold a required degree "or higher," as opposed to holding "at least" that degree as in current law. Fiscal effect: None. | R.C. 4758.35, 4758.39, 4758.40, 4758.44, 4758.45 Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | R.C. 4758.35, 4758.39, 4758.40, 4758.44, 4758.45 Same as the Executive. No provision. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| CDPCD10 Work or internship experience R.C. 4758.41, 4758.42 Clarifies that work or internship experience for a license as an independent chemical dependency counselor-clinical supervisor or a chemical dependency counselor III must include services provided for substance use disorder treatment within a scope of practice to perform such services. Fiscal effect: None. | R.C. 4758.41, 4758.42 Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | No provision |

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| CDPCD12 Referrals | | |
| R.C. 4758.44, 4758.55-4758.57, 4758.59, 4758.62-4758.64 | R.C. 4758.44, 4758.55-4758.57, 4758.59, 4758.62-4758.64 | |
| Eliminates the authority of an independent chemical dependency counselor-clinical supervisor, independent chemical dependency counselor, chemical dependency counselor III, chemical dependency counselor II, or chemical dependency counselor assistant to refer individuals with non-chemical dependency conditions to appropriate sources of help. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Eliminates the authority of an independent chemical dependency counselor, chemical dependency counselor III, chemical dependency counselor II, or gambling disorder endorsement holder to refer individuals with other gambling conditions to appropriate sources of help. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |

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| EPACD23 Title V and synthetic minor adjacent facilities | | |
| | R.C. 3704.011 | |
| No provision. | Prohibits Ohio EPA from requiring a single Title V permit or a single synthetic minor facility operating permit for adjacent facilities owned and operated by the same person, if both of the following apply: | No provision. |
| No provision. | (1) At least one of the adjacent facilities is involved in aerospace manufacturing or rework that is subject to specified emission standards. | (1) No provision. |
| No provision. | (2) The adjacent facilities are or will be located in a county with a population between 390,000 and 395,000. | (2) No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires Ohio EPA to issue a variance from any law, rule, or policy requiring adjacent facilities to operate under a single Title V permit or a single synthetic minor facility operating permit. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Minimal. | | |
| EPACD19 Community air monitoring | | |
| | R.C. 3704.03, 3704.01, 3704.031, 3704.09, 3704.111, and 3704.112 | |
| No provision. | Establishes requirements governing community air monitoring, which is any measurement or quantification of emissions or ambient air concentrations of an air contaminant other than via monitoring stations and monitors installed and operated in accordance with state or federal law. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Prohibits Ohio EPA from imposing community air monitoring on an air contaminant source owner or air operator for sources where no specific monitoring requirement is otherwise specified in law, unless otherwise agreed to by the owner or air operator and Ohio EPA. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Prohibits Ohio EPA from requiring an applicant for a permit for an air contaminant source to conduct community air monitoring prior to the issuance or renewal of a permit or a variance, except pursuant to federal requirements. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Prohibits data produced from community air monitoring from being used as evidence, or disclosed or disseminated by Ohio EPA, a local air pollution control authority, or any person, to support either of the following for violations of or noncompliance with any federal or state air pollution regulation: (a) a fine, penalty, or notice of violation against any person; or (b) an administrative, regulatory, or judicial enforcement action, lawsuit, or proceeding. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Prohibits data produced from community air monitoring from being considered or relied upon by Ohio EPA or a local air pollution control authority in any rulemaking action, or in any action relating to the issuance of an installation permit or operating permit unless such consideration or reliance is requested by the air contaminant source owner or operator. Fiscal effect: Minimal. | No provision. |
| EPACD26 Air nuisance rule | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 3704.0310 Requires Ohio EPA to remove any air nuisance rule from the federally required national ambient air quality standards state implementation plan. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits Ohio EPA from including an air nuisance rule in the state implementation plan or relying on an air nuisance rule to implement or enforce ambient air quality standards adopted pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act (on and after the effective date of the bill). Fiscal effect: Potential increase in administrative expenses to remove rules. |

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EPACD4 **E-check program contract extension**

R.C. 3704.14

Extends the motor vehicle inspection and maintenance program (E-Check) in counties where this program is federally mandated.

Authorizes Ohio EPA to request DAS to extend the existing contract with the contractor that conducts the program beginning July 1, 2025, for a period of up to 24 months.

Authorizes Ohio EPA Director to request DAS to extend the contract beginning July 1, 2027 for an additional 24 months until June 30, 2029.

Requires the decentralized motor vehicle inspection and maintenance program contract to achieve "an equivalent amount of emissions reductions" as the centralized program authorized by the contract specified above, rather than "at least the same emissions reductions" as the centralized contract as in current law.

No provision.

Fiscal effect: None. This program is a requirement that was developed as part of the federally approved State Implementation Plan (SIP) and compliance with the federal Clean Air Act so as to avoid the loss of federal funding and possible sanctions.

R.C. 3704.14

Same as the Executive.

Same as the Executive.

No provision.

Same as the Executive.

Requires the Ohio EPA Director to immediately discontinue the E-check program and take any actions necessary to effectuate its termination if the USEPA determines that it is not necessary for Ohio or any area of Ohio to comply with the federal Clean Air Act.

Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but discontinuation of the program could result in decreased GRF expenditures of about \$13.0 million per year.

R.C. 3704.14

Same as the Executive.

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No provision.

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Fiscal effect: Same as the House.

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| EPACD17 Administration of solid waste and C&DD fees | | |
| R.C. 3714.07, 3714.073 | | |
| Imposes the revised and reallocated fee structure (as discussed in EPACD15) that applies to the transfer and disposal of solid waste to construction and demolition debris (C&DD) that is transferred or disposed of at a solid waste transfer facility or solid waste disposal facility. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Eliminates the requirement that solid waste facilities collect C&DD disposal fees on the disposal of C&DD at such facilities. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Revises the remittance procedures for fees collected on the disposal of C&DD and asbestos or asbestos-containing material at a C&DD facility as follows: | No provision. | No provision. |
| (a) Allows a board of health and the Ohio EPA Director to enter into an agreement for Ohio EPA to collect C&DD disposal fees on behalf of the board. | (a) No provision. | (a) No provision. |
| (b) Requires a municipal corporation, township, or county that appropriates money from C&DD disposal fees to mail a certified copy of the ordinance or resolution providing for the appropriation to the Ohio EPA Director in addition to the applicable board of health as in current law. | (b) No provision. | (b) No provision. |

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Fiscal effect: Reduction in C&DD fees collected at solid waste facilities and distributed to local boards of health and the following state funds: Solid Waste Fund (Fund 4K30), Recycling and Litter Prevention Fund (Fund 5320) used by Ohio EPA, and Soil and Water Conservation District Assistance Fund (Fund 5BV0) used by AGR. Increase in Solid waste fees collected at solid waste facilities and distributed to local boards of health and the following state funds: Hazardous Waste Facility Management Fund (Fund 5030), Hazardous Waste Clean-Up Fund (Fund 5050), Environmental Protection Fund (Fund 5BC0), National Priority List Remedial Support Fund (Fund 5YY0), Recycling and Litter Prevention Fund (Fund 5320), Environmental Protection Remediation Fund (Fund 5410) used by Ohio EPA, and Soil and Water Conservation District Assistance Fund (Fund 5BV0) used by AGR.

EPACD16 Solid waste - community impact analysis and meetings

R.C. 3734.05

Requires a person proposing to open a new solid waste facility or to modify an existing solid waste facility, when making an application for a permit, to submit with the application a community impact analysis that both evaluates the impact of the proposed solid waste disposal facility on the local economy and considers mitigation measures to minimize adverse impact on the host community.

R.C. 3734.05

No provision.

R.C. 3734.05

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| Requires the applicant to maintain a publicly accessible website (to include the permit application and supporting documents, the community impact analysis, and public involvement information), provide public notices and hold meetings, maintain and distribute transcripts, and hold a public community involvement session on the application within the county in which the solid waste facility is located or within a contiguous county. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Allows the Ohio EPA Director to give notification of the public hearing regarding a solid waste facility permit application or infectious waste treatment facility permit application either via newspaper publication or publication on the Ohio EPA website instead of only in a newspaper as in current law. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential decrease in administrative expenditures when publishing notices on Ohio EPA website rather than in a newspaper publication. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| EPACD14 Environmental Protection Remediation Fund | | |
| R.C. 3734.281, 3734.283 | | |
| Permits the Ohio EPA Director, through employees or contractors, to enter upon land when performing a remediation at a facility or location where money from the Environmental Protection Remediation Fund (Fund 5410) may be spent for various purposes, such as performing sampling and monitoring and abating or preventing air or water pollution or soil contamination. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Permits money collected from judgments brought under the air pollution control law to be deposited to the Environmental Protection Remediation Fund (Fund 5410). | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential increase in revenue deposited to Fund 5410 from judgments brought under the air pollution control law. | | |

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| EPACD13 EPA fees | | |
| R.C. 3734.57, 3734.901, 3745.11 | R.C. 3734.57, 3745.11 | R.C. 3734.57, 3745.11 |
| Makes permanent the following Ohio EPA fees that are scheduled to expire between June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2026: | Same as the Executive, but removes the provisions that would have made permanent all of the fees enumerated in (a) through (j) and, instead, extends the current sunset of those fees by two years: | Same as the House, but makes the annual emissions fees for synthetic minor facilities permanent: |
| (a) The fees levied on the transfer or disposal of solid waste. | (a) Same as the Executive. | (a) Same as the Executive. |
| (b) The annual emissions fees for synthetic minor facilities. | (b) Same as the Executive. | (b) Same as the Executive. |
| (c) Application fees for plan approvals for wastewater treatment works under the Water Pollution Control Law. | (c) Same as the Executive. | (c) Same as the Executive. |
| (d) The annual discharge fees for holders of a National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits issued under the Water Pollution Control Law. | (d) Same as the Executive. | (d) Same as the Executive. |
| (e) The annual surcharge paid by NPDES permit holders that are major dischargers. | (e) Same as the Executive. | (e) Same as the Executive. |
| (f) The initial and renewal license fees for public water system licenses issued under the Safe Drinking Water Law. | (f) Same as the Executive. | (f) Same as the Executive. |
| (g) The fee for plan approvals for public water supply systems under the Safe Drinking Water Law. | (g) Same as the Executive. | (g) Same as the Executive. |
| (h) The fees for state certification of laboratories and laboratory personnel for purposes of the Safe Drinking Water Law. | (h) Same as the Executive. | (h) Same as the Executive. |
| (i) The application and examination fees for certification as operators of water supply systems or wastewater systems under the Safe Drinking Water Law or the Water Pollution Control Law. | (i) Same as the Executive. | (i) Same as the Executive. |
| (j) The application fees for permits, variances, and plan approvals under the Water Pollution Control Law and the Safe Drinking Water Law. | (j) Same as the Executive. | (j) Same as the Executive. |

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| <p>Fiscal effect: The fee extensions will preserve annual revenues of \$91.4 million allocated for use by Ohio EPA and AGR as follows: \$365,000 for the Clean Air - Non Title V Fund (Fund 4K20), \$14.2 million for the Solid Waste Fund (Fund 4K30), \$9.0 million for the Surface Water Protection Fund (Fund 4K40), \$7.0 million for the Drinking Water Protection Fund (Fund 4K50), \$1.7 million for the Hazardous Waste Facility Management Fund (Fund 5030), \$9.5 million for the Hazardous Waste Clean-Up Fund (Fund 5050), \$44.4 million for the Environmental Protection Fund (Fund 5BC0), and \$1.3 million for the National Priority List Remedial Support Fund (Fund 5YY0) used by Ohio EPA; and \$3.9 million for the Soil and Water Conservation District Assistance Fund (Fund 5BV0) used by AGR. Other provisions modify the allocation of solid waste disposal fees and reduce the Ohio EPA portion by \$7.1 million annually, redirecting that amount for use by local boards of health.</p> | <p>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but extends the annual revenue streams for the affected state funds until they are subject to sunset on June 30, 2028.</p> | <p>Fiscal effect: Same as the House, but extends the annual revenue the Clean Air - Non Title V Fund (Fund 4K20) permanently.</p> |
| <p>EPACD15 Solid waste and C&DD fees</p> <p>R.C. 3734.57</p> <p>Modifies fees totaling \$4.75 a ton on solid waste transfer and disposal as follows:</p> <p>Reduces a 71¢ per ton fee to 55¢ per ton and allocates the proceeds as follows: (a) 9¢ per ton, rather than 11¢ per ton, to the Hazardous Waste Facility Management Fund (Fund 5030), and (b) 46¢ per ton, rather than 60¢ per ton, to the Hazardous Waste Clean-Up Fund (Fund 5050).</p> | <p>No provision.</p> <p>No provision.</p> | <p>No provision.</p> <p>No provision.</p> |

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| Increases a 90¢ per ton fee to \$1.35 per ton and allocates the proceeds as follows: (a) 90¢ per ton, as currently allocated, to the Solid Waste Fund (Fund 4K30), and (b) a new 45¢ per ton allocation to be transmitted to the approved board of health of the health district in which the facility that collects the fee is located. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Reduces, from \$2.81 per ton to \$2.15 per ton, the fee that is deposited in the Environmental Protection Fund (Fund 5BC0). | No provision. | No provision. |
| Reduces, from 8¢ per ton to 6¢ per ton, the fee that is deposited in the National Priority List Remedial Support Fund (Fund 5YY0). | No provision. | No provision. |
| Allocates the remaining portion of the \$4.75 a ton fee as follows: (a) 18¢ per ton to the Recycling and Litter Prevention Fund (Fund 5320) (new allocation), (b) 21¢ per ton to the Environmental Protection Remediation Fund (Fund 5410) (new allocation), and (c) 25¢ per ton fee that is used to provide assistance to soil and water conservation districts (current allocation unchanged). | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: The fee reallocations will reduce annual revenues from \$71.0 million to \$63.9 million allocated for use by Ohio EPA as follows: \$947,000 to Fund 5YY0, \$1.4 million to Fund 5030, \$2.8 million to Fund 5320, \$3.3 million to Fund 5410, \$7.3 million to Fund 5050, \$14.2 million to Fund 4K30, and \$44.4 million to Fund 5BC0, and \$6.6 million to local boards of health. The 25¢ portion of the fee deposited to Soil and Water Conservation District Assistance Fund (Fund 5BV0) and used by AGR is unaffected. Local boards of health will see a collective revenue increase of \$7.1 million annually. | | |

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| EPACD8 Removing solid waste or construction and demolition debris | | |
| R.C. 3734.85 | | |
| Permits the Ohio EPA Director to take various actions regarding accumulations of solid waste and construction and demolition debris (C&DD) in the same manner that the Director may take those actions regarding scrap tires including: | No provision. | No provision. |
| (a) Issuing an order to the responsible person directing that person to remove the accumulation of solid waste or C&DD from a premises and transport the removed material to the proper facility; | (a) No provision. | (a) No provision. |
| (b) Taking actions to remove and manage the solid waste or C&DD such as transporting the removed material to the proper facility if the recipient fails to comply with the removal order; and | (b) No provision. | (b) No provision. |
| (c) Collecting costs incurred by Ohio EPA for conducting the removal action by having a lien placed on the property where the accumulation of solid waste or C&DD was removed or requesting the Attorney General to bring a civil action against the proper person. | (c) No provision. | (c) No provision. |
| Modifies the enforcement and removal action priority list for scrap tires in current law to account for actions concerning solid waste or C&DD. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Exempts a property owner from liability for scrap tire removal costs, and prohibits a lien from being placed on the property, for the removal of at least 100 scrap tires aggregated from multiple properties when collected during an Ohio EPA-approved community cleanup event. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| <p>Exempts a county, municipal corporation, township, or county land reutilization corporation from liability for scrap tire removal costs, and prohibits a lien from being placed on the property, for the removal of up to 10,000 scrap tires, or more at the Ohio EPA Director's discretion, when scrap tires were placed on the property prior to acquisition.</p> <p>Fiscal effect: Potential increase in expenditures to perform solid waste and C&DD removal offset by permitted cost recovery.</p> | <p>No provision.</p> | <p>No provision.</p> |
| <p>EPACD24 Scrap Tire Fees</p> <p>R.C. 3734.901</p> <p>Makes permanent the 50¢ per tire fee deposited into the Scrap Tire Management Fund which is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2026.</p> <p>Makes permanent the 50¢ per tire fee deposited into the Soil and Water Conservation District Assistance Fund which is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2026.</p> <p>Fiscal effect: Retains annual revenues of \$8.0 million: \$4.0 million to the Scrap Tire Management Fund (Fund 4R50) used by Ohio EPA, and \$4.0 million to Soil and Water Conservation District Assistance Fund (Fund 5BV0) used by AGR.</p> | <p>R.C. 3734.901</p> <p>Same as the Executive, but removes the provisions that would have made permanent the fee and, instead, extends the current sunset until June 30, 2028.</p> <p>Same as the Executive, but removes the provisions that would have made permanent the fee and, instead, extends the current sunset until June 30, 2041.</p> <p>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</p> | <p>R.C. 3734.901</p> <p>Same as the House.</p> <p>Same as the House, but extends the current sunset until June 30, 2028.</p> <p>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</p> |
| <p>EPACD3 Ohio EPA Division of Air Pollution Control - fee increases</p> <p>R.C. 3745.11</p> <p>Establishes an annual fee in addition to existing emission-based annual fees as follows:</p> | <p>R.C. 3745.11</p> <p>Same as the Executive, but alters the additional annual fee as follows:</p> | <p>R.C. 3745.11</p> <p>Same as the Executive.</p> |

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| (a) \$5,000 charged to Title V air pollution control permit holders. | (a) Same as the Executive, but changes the amount of the fee to \$5,000 multiplied by the total tons of regulated pollutants emitted from the air contaminant source in the previous calendar year divided by 100. | (a) Same as the Executive. |
| (b) \$5,000 charged to synthetic minor facilities. | (b) Same as the Executive, but changes the amount of the fee to \$5,000 multiplied by the total tons of regulated pollutants emitted from the facility in the previous calendar year divided by 100. | (b) Same as the Executive. |
| Increases fees related to Ohio EPA's air pollution control program, including fees for facility permits to install and annual fees that are based on total air pollution emissions or emission capacity by 50%. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: Increased annual fee revenue of \$2.6 million to Fund 4T30 from new annual fee, and \$6.0 million to Fund 4K20 from new and increased fees. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but revenues deposited to Fund 4K20 from new fees will depend on the amount of pollutants emitted. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| EPACD5 Public water supply system fees | | |
| R.C. 3745.11 | R.C. 3745.11 | |
| Allows the Ohio EPA Director to adopt rules permitting the current administrative service fee for political subdivisions or investor-owned public utilities that enter into certain connection or distribution agreements with the Ohio EPA to be charged to any entity applying for a public water supply system plan approval for either extensions of distribution facilities or increases in the number of service connections, instead of the current fee of \$150 + 0.35% of the estimated project cost. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential decrease in the amount of fee revenue for plan approvals deposited to Fund 4K50. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |

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| EPACD22 Wastewater treatment works plan approval fee | | |
| R.C. 3745.11 | | |
| Increases the fee for a person applying for a wastewater treatment works plan approval from \$100 +.65% of the estimated project cost to \$100 +.65% of the estimated project cost plus \$100 +.2% of the estimated project cost, but retains the \$15,000 cap for this fee. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: The increased wastewater treatment works plan approval fee will increase annual revenues deposited to Fund 4K40 by \$3.0 million or less due to the fee cap. | | |
| EPACD27 Ohio Environmental Education Fund Advisory Council | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 3745.21 |
| | | Eliminates a position on the Ohio Environmental Education Fund Advisory Council for a member of the Senate. |
| | | Fiscal effect: Minimal. |
| EPACD25 State Emergency Response Commission | | |
| R.C. 3750.02 | R.C. 3750.02 | R.C. 3750.02 |
| Adds the DAS Director to the Emergency Response Commission as an ex officio member. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| No provision. | Replaces the chairs of the respective standing committees primarily responsible for considering environmental issues as nonvoting members of the commission with a House member appointed by the House Speaker and a Senate member appointed by the Senate President. | Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |

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| <div>EPACD11 Proposed filling of an isolated wetland mitigation</div> <div>R.C. 6111.02, 6111.022, 6111.023, 6111.024, 6111.025, 6111.027</div> <div>Replaces the current preferred order for mitigating the proposed filling of an isolated wetland that is subject to level 1, 2, or 3 review with the following preferred order: (1) Purchasing credits at an approved wetland mitigation bank; (2) Purchasing credits at an approved in-lieu mitigation program; and (3) Constructing individual mitigation projects.</div> <div>Allows a deviation from the preferred order if the Ohio EPA Director determines, or the applicant demonstrates, that the size or quality of the impacted resource or the lack of available mitigation credits necessitates a change in that order.</div> <div>Requires Ohio EPA Director to adopt rules governing the approval and use of wetland mitigation banks and in-lieu fee mitigation programs.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Potential increase in administrative expenditures to adopt rules governing the approval and use of wetland mitigation banks and in-lieu fee mitigation programs.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> |
| <div>EPACD12 Isolated wetland levels 2 and 3 review</div> <div>R.C. 6111.023, 6111.024</div> <div>Requires information that must be submitted to Ohio EPA for purposes of level 2 or 3 review of a proposed filling of isolated wetlands to include a listing of all waters on site and the proposed buffers on avoided resources.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: None.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |

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| EPACD28 Cash transfer to the Auto Emissions Test Fund from the Scrap Tire Management Fund | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 277.20 Permits OBM, at the request of the Ohio EPA, and with approval of the CEB, to transfer up to \$1,400,000 in each fiscal year to the Auto Emissions Test Fund (Fund 5BY0) from the Scrap Tire Management Fund (Fund 4R50). |
| EPACD18 E-check review and report | | |
| No provision. | Section: 737.10 Requires the Ohio EPA Director to conduct a review to assess whether the current E-check program is necessary and to evaluate the impact of weather patterns over northeast Ohio on emissions and air quality. | Section: 737.10 Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires the Ohio EPA, within 18 months of the effective date of the bill, to compile the findings of the annual review into a report, submit the report to the General Assembly, and make the report available to the public on Ohio EPA's website. Fiscal effect: Increased administrative costs to Ohio EPA to conduct assessments and report findings. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| REPCD7 | Public office compensation advisory commission | <div><div>R.C.101.56, 101.561</div><div>No provision.</div><div>No provision.</div></div> | <div><div>No provision.</div><div>No provision.</div></div> |
| REPCD6 | Sunset Review Committee | <div><div>R.C.101.84</div><div>No provision.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.101.84</div><div>Same as the House.</div></div> |
| REPCD5 | Governor's Office of Faith-based and Community Initiatives Advisory Board | <div><div>R.C.107.12</div><div>No provision.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.107.12</div><div>Same as the House.</div></div> |

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| No provision. | | Requires that the member of the Senate be the chair during the first regular session of a General Assembly and the member of the House be the chair during the second regular session of the General Assembly. | Same as the House. |
| REPCD4 | Abolition of committees, commissions, task forces with legislative appointees | | |
| | | R.C. 5123.603, 5165.261, 101.38 (all repealed), Section 620.30 (repeals sections 335.20 and 757.60 of H.B. 33 of the 135th G.A.), Section 630.20 (repeals section 5 of S.B. 202 of the 134th G.A.) | R.C. 5165.261, 5165.261, 101.38 (all repealed), Section 620.30 (repeals sections 335.20 and 757.60 of H.B. 33 of the 135th G.A.), Section 630.20 (repeals section 5 of S.B. 202 of the 134th G.A.) |
| No provision. | | Abolishes the following committees and boards: (1) Joint Committee to Examine the Activities of the State's Protection and Advocacy System and Client Assistance Program; (2) Joint Committee on Property Tax Review and Reform; (3) Legacy Pain Management Study Committee; (4) Nursing Facility Payment Commission; (5) Ohio Cystic Fibrosis Legislative Task Force; and (6) Task Force on Bail. | Same as the House, except does not abolish the Joint Committee in (1). |
| REPCD8 | Expanding gaming opportunities | | |
| | | Section: 737.20 | |
| No provision. | | Requires, by December 31, 2025, the General Assembly to determine a manner of expanding gaming opportunities in Ohio. | No provision. |

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| PWCCD12 State Capital Improvement Program - small villages and townships | | |
| | | R.C. 164.08, Sections, 620.20 and 620.21 (amends section 243.10 of H.B. 2 of the 135th General Assembly) |
| No provision. | No provision. | Increases the allocation small villages and townships receive from obligations under the State Capital Improvement Program from 10% to 12%. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires that up to \$10 million in FY 2026 of the set aside for villages and townships under the State Capital Improvement Program (SCIP) be used for projects for townships with populations in the unincorporated areas of the township of less than five thousand persons. Fiscal effect: H.B. 2 of the 135th General Assembly appropriated \$400,000,000 for the biennium under Fund 7038 ALI C15000, Local Public Infrastructure, and \$100,000,000 for the biennium under Fund 7040 ALI C15030, Revolving Loan. |
| PWCCD6 Conservation General Obligation Bond Debt Service | | |
| | Section: 377.20 | Section: 377.20 |
| No provision. | Requires GRF ALI 150904, Conservation General Obligation Bond Debt Service, to be used to pay all debt service and related financing costs during the biennium on obligations issued for the Clean Ohio Conservation Program. | Same as the House. |
| PWCCD7 Infrastructure Improvement General Obligation Bond Debt Service | | |
| | Section: 377.20 | Section: 377.20 |
| No provision. | Requires GRF ALI 150907, Infrastructure Improvement General Obligation Bond Debt Service, to be used to pay all debt service and related financing costs during the biennium for obligations issued for the State Capital Improvement Program. | Same as the House. |

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| PWCCD8 Clean Ohio Conservation - Operating | | |
| No provision. | Section: 377.20 Requires that Fund 7056 ALI 150403, Clean Ohio Conservation Operating, be used to administer the Clean Ohio Conservation Program. | Section: 377.20 Same as the House. |
| PWCCD9 State Capital Improvement Program Operating Expenses | | |
| No provision. | Section: 377.20 Requires that Fund 7038 ALI 150321, State Capital Improvement Program - Operating Expenses, be used to administer the State Capital Improvement Program. | Section: 377.20 Same as the House. |
| PWCCD10 District Administration Costs | | |
| No provision. | Section: 377.20 Authorizes OPWC to use the proceeds of the Capital Improvements Fund (Fund 7038) and the Local Transportation Improvement Fund (Fund 7052) for a District Administration Costs Program, which covers the administrative costs incurred by the 19 individual District Public Works Integrating Committees (DPWICs) for distributing SCIP and LTIP funding. Permits no more than \$1,235,000 in each fiscal year to be made available for reimbursement and allows each DPWIC to receive up to \$65,000 in each fiscal year for this purpose. | Section: 377.20 Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires PWC to define allowable costs for the program, and specifies that indirect costs, elected official salaries and benefits, and project-specific costs are not allowable. Requires DPWICs to approve such costs in order to participate in the program. | Same as the House. |

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| PWCCD11 Natural Resource Assistance Council Administration Costs | | |
| No provision. | Section: 377.20 Authorizes OPWC to use the proceeds of the Clean Ohio Conservation Fund (Fund 7056) for a District Administration Costs Program to cover administrative costs incurred by Natural Resource Assistance Councils (NRACs). Allows any of the 19 NRACs to receive up to \$15,000 in each fiscal year for these costs. | Section: 377.20 Same as the House. |

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| <div>SENCD6Occupational licensing board review - board composition</div> | | <div>R.C.101.63, 101.65</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>Requires the standing committees that review occupational licensing boards under continuing law to consider whether the number of board members is appropriate based on the board's workload and the number of occupational licenses issued by the board.</div> <div>Requires the standing committees to attempt to ensure that each board it reviews consists of not fewer than five members and not more than nine members.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Minimal.</div> |
| <div>SENCD4Federal notices</div> | | <div>R.C.121.16</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>Requires state agencies to inform the Senate President and House Speaker, not later than 10 days after receiving notice, that (a) a state agency's program is or may be out of compliance with federal requirements, or (b) there is a reduction or modification to the agency's federal funding.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Minimal.</div> |
| <div>SENCD3Joint Legislative Committee on Adoption Promotion and Support</div> | | <div>R.C.2919.19, Repealed: 2919.1910</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>Abolishes the Joint Legislative Committee on Adoption Promotion and Support.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Minimal.</div> |

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| SENCD2 | Legislative Committee on the Sustainability of the Developmental Disabilities Service System | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 751.130 Requires four appointed members of the General Assembly, in collaboration with specified stakeholders, to develop a System Efficiency and Sustainability Plan for Ohio's developmental disability service system. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the Committee to submit the plan to JMOC and the General Assembly by June 30, 2026, after which the committee ceases to exist. Fiscal effect: Minimal. |

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| DVMCD1 Televet veterinary services | | R.C. 4741.04, and 4741.041 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Generally allows a licensed veterinarian to conduct veterinary telehealth services if: |
| No provision. | No provision. | (1) The veterinarian obtains the informed consent from the client, including an acknowledgement that the standards of care equally apply to in-person and telehealth visits. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (2) The veterinarian provides the client with the veterinarian's name and contact information and secures an alternate means of contacting the client if the telehealth visit is interrupted. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (3) Before conducting an evaluation of a patient via a telehealth visit, the veterinarian advises the client concerning certain information, including that the veterinarian may ultimately recommend an in-person visit. |
| No provision. | No provision. | States that, for veterinary telehealth services, the practice of veterinary medicine occurs in the state in which the patient is located. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Generally prohibits a licensed veterinarian whose client is raising livestock for human food products from using telehealth services unless the veterinarian has previously established a veterinary-client-relationship in person with the livestock. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows, however, a licensed veterinarian whose client is raising livestock for human food products to conduct tele-advice before establishing a veterinary-client-relationship in person. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Allows a licensed veterinarian to prescribe drugs or medications after establishing a veterinary-client-patient relationship via telehealth services with several provisos, including that the veterinarian may issue an initial prescription for up to 14 days and, after a subsequent telehealth visit, one refill for up to 14 days. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows for an examination of a patient in real time via telehealth services to be one of the factors that determine whether a veterinary-client-patient relationship exists and that the veterinarian has demonstrated knowledge of a patient. |
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| OODCD3 Brain Injury Section: 353.20 Requires GRF ALI 415431, Brain Injury, be provided to The Ohio State University College of Medicine to support the Brain Injury Program. No provision. | Section: 353.20 Same as the Executive, but earmarks \$500,000 in each fiscal year instead of requiring the entire GRF ALI 415431 to be used for this purpose. Requires the remainder of ALI 415431 to be provided to the Brain Injury Association of Ohio for direct services and supports for brain injury survivors and caregivers. | Section: 353.20 Same as the House, but decreases the earmark to \$450,000 in each fiscal year. Same as the House. |
| OODCD8 Services for Individuals with Disabilities No provision. | No provision. | Section: 353.20 Earmarks up to \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 415506, Services for Individuals with Disabilities, to be used by OOD, in collaboration with DEW, to build capacity to deliver a regional system of training, support, coordination, and direct service for secondary transition services for students with disabilities beginning at age 14. (See EDUCD93). |
| OODCD7 DeafBlind Fund No provision. | Section: 353.20 Requires GRF ALI 415515, DeafBlind Fund, to be distributed to the Columbus Speech and Hearing Center for the recruitment and training of support service providers and to connect support service providers with DeafBlind individuals. | Section: 353.20 Same as the House. |

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| <div><div>PENCD3</div><div>PERS law enforcement and public safety officers</div></div> <div><div>R.C.</div><div>145.01, 145.334</div></div> <div><p>Includes in the PERS law enforcement and public safety divisions a PERS member who, after the bill's effective date, becomes employed full time as a state fire marshal (SFM) law enforcement officer.</p><p>Allows a PERS member who, on the bill's effective date, is employed as an SFM law enforcement officer to elect to participate in the PERS law enforcement (PERS-LE) or PERS public safety (PERS-PS) division, rather than regular PERS), for the member's future service.</p><p>Causes a PERS member who is employed full time by the SFM Fire and Explosion Investigation Bureau to be considered an SFM law enforcement officer if the following apply: (1) the SFM has appointed the member as an assistant fire marshal and designated the person to act as a law enforcement officer (a) for purposes of investigating fires and explosions in Ohio and arresting, or causing arrest, and charging a person with arson or a similar offense as a result of an investigation, and (b) to enforce criminal prohibitions relating to fire safety and fireworks; and (2) the SFM has appointed the member as a SFM law enforcement officer and the member has received a certificate attesting to satisfactory completion of the peace officer basic training program for arrest power purposes.</p></div> | <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> |
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Fiscal effect: Increases SFM's employer contribution costs paid to PERS. There are currently 30 eligible SFM employees. In calendar year (CY) 2025, public employers contribute 14% of employee payroll for each employee under the OPERS regular division and 18.1% of payroll for each employee under the PERS-PS or PERS-LE division. Allowing both a new SFM’s law enforcement officer and reclassifying an OPERS member who is employed as a full-time as SFM law enforcement officer to elect from the OPERS regular division to PERS-PS or PERS- LE division would increase the required OPERS employer contribution by the difference, 4.1% of the associated payroll.

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| PENCD5 | Precinct election officials excluded from PERS | | R.C. | 145.012 | R.C. | 145.012 |
| No provision. | | | | Excludes from PERS membership a person whose only service as a public employee is, and who receives any compensation for service during a calendar year as, a precinct election official. | | Same as the House, but further excludes any service as a precinct election official from PERS membership. |
| | | | | Fiscal effect: Reduces employer contribution costs for county boards of elections by excluding most (i.e., any person not currently a PERS member) precinct election officials (PEOs) from PERS membership. Under current law, only PEOs earning below \$600 in a calendar year (\$1,000 during years with multiple primary and general elections) are excluded. | | Fiscal effect: Excludes all precinct election officials (PEOs) from PERS membership, which reduces employer contribution costs for county boards of elections by a greater amount than the House provision. |

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| PENCD6 | Ohio Public Employees Deferred Compensation Program | |
| | R.C. 145.091, 148.02, 148.021, Section 525.40 | R.C. 145.091, 148.02, 148.021, Section 525.40 |
| No provision. | Transfers the administration of the Ohio Public Employees Deferred Compensation Program from the Ohio Public Employees Deferred Compensation Board to the PERS Board. | Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | Includes the standard transfer language and abolishes the Ohio Public Employees Deferred Compensation Board on the transfer provision's effective date. | Same as the House. |
| PENCD4 Alternative retirement plan election or provider change | R.C. 3305.05, 3305.053, Section 820.100 | R.C. 3305.05, 3305.053, Section 820.100 |
| No provision. | Permits a public college or university to allow an academic or administrative employee who elects to participate in an alternative retirement plan to sign the election or a form to change providers by electronic signature, beginning one year after the effective date. Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| PENCD8 STRS and SERS employee contributions | | R.C. 3307.27, 3309.47 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits a school district board of education from paying employee contributions to STRS on behalf of a superintendent employed by the school district or to SERS on behalf of a treasurer employed by the school district. Fiscal effect: Reduces certain school districts' costs related to retirement contributions on behalf of certain school superintendents and treasurers. Currently, employees must contribute 14% of an employee's payroll into STRS or 10% into SERS, but some employers make the current employee contribution on behalf of an employee. |
| PENCD7 Exclusion of persons providing school health services from SERS membership | | R.C. 3309.011 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Excludes from SERS membership any person who is employed by a private employer that has contracted with a school district to provide school health services to a child with a disability. Fiscal effect: None. |

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| <div><div><div>PENCD1</div><div>Police and Fire Death Benefit Fund</div></div><div><div>Section: 361.20</div><div>Requires TOS to disburse quarterly the funds provided in GRF ALI 090575, Police and Fire Death Benefits, to the Board of Trustees of the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F), which serves as trustee of the Ohio Public Safety Officers Death Benefit Fund. Requires TOS to certify such amounts quarterly to the OBM Director.</div><div>Temporarily removes a requirement that a person who has OP&F service credit and is a PERS law enforcement officer be in the active service of a police or fire department to purchase credit in OP&F for service under PERS, STRS, or SERS or have credit for that service transferred to OP&F.</div></div></div> | <div><div><div>Section: 361.20</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div></div><div><div>No provision.</div></div></div> | <div><div><div>Section: 361.20</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div></div><div><div>No provision.</div></div></div> |
| <div><div><div>PENCD2</div><div>PERS members - OP&F service credit</div></div><div><div>Section: 701.20</div><div>Temporarily allows certain PERS members to transfer or purchase certain OP&F service credit even if the member does not have more PERS service credit than the credit to be transferred or purchased.</div><div>Fiscal effect: No direct fiscal effect on the state or local governments.</div></div></div> | <div><div><div>No provision.</div></div></div> | <div><div><div>No provision.</div></div></div> |

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| PRXCD6 | Pharmacy technician registration and fees | | |
| R.C. | 4729.901, 4729.902, 4729.921 | R.C. 4729.901, 4729.902, 4729.921 | R.C. 4729.901, 4729.902, 4729.921 |
| Increases the following fees that apply to pharmacy technicians: | | Same as the Executive, but makes the following change. | Same as the House. |
| (a) from \$50 to \$65 the fee for initial registration as a registered pharmacy technician or certified pharmacy technician. | | (a) Same as the Executive. | (a) Same as the Executive. |
| (b) from \$25 to \$65 per year the fee for the renewal of registration as a registered pharmacy technician or certified pharmacy technician. (By Board rule, the current registration period is two years.) | | (b) Same as the Executive, but codifies the current rule's biennial registration cycle. | (b) Same as the House. |
| (c) from \$25 to \$40 the fee for registration as a pharmacy technician trainee. | | (c) Same as the Executive. | (c) Same as the Executive. |
| Extends to 18 months from one year the time period specified in statute that a pharmacy technician trainee's registration remains valid. (By Board rule, the current time period is already 18 months.) | | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: Increase in biennial fee revenue of more than \$750,000 deposited to the Occupational Licensing Fund (Fund 4K90). | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |

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| PUBCD2 County reimbursement - Indigent Defense Support | | |
| Section: 371.20 | Section: 371.20 | Section: 371.20 |
| Requires that GRF ALI 019501, County Reimbursement, be used to reimburse counties for the costs of operating county public defender offices, joint county public defender offices and county appointed counsel systems, the counties' costs and expenses of conducting the defense in capital cases, the counties' costs and expenses of appointed counsel, and any other costs to provide legal representation to indigent persons. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Caps reimbursement of county costs at an hourly rate not to exceed \$75 per hour, except in capital cases which are reimbursed at an hourly rate not to exceed \$140 per hour. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| PUBCD5 Cash Transfer from the General Revenue Fund to the Legal Aid Fund | | |
| Section: 371.20 | Section: 371.20 | |
| Requires the OBM Director on July 1 of each fiscal year, to transfer \$1,000,000 cash from the GRF to the Legal Aid Fund (Fund 5740). Requires that this cash be distributed by the Ohio Access to Justice Foundation to Ohio's civil legal aid societies for the following: | Same as Executive. | No provision. |
| (1) \$500,000 in each fiscal year for the sole purpose of providing legal services for economically disadvantaged individuals and families seeking assistance with legal issues arising as a result of substance abuse disorders. | Same as Executive. | No provision. |
| (2) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for the sole purpose of providing legal services for veterans. | Same as Executive. | No provision. |
| Prohibits any of the money to be used for administrative costs. | Same as Executive. | No provision. |

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| PUBCD8 Northwest Regional Hub pilot program Section: 371.30 Creates the Northwest Regional Hub pilot program to allow Allen, Hardin, and Putnam counties to participate in an alternative management system for indigent defense that is primarily managed by OPD, with a portion of cases managed by court-appointed counsel. Requires OPD to assume responsibility for representation of indigent persons to the extent that representation is not provided by outside counsel in accordance with R.C. 120.33 if a county elects to become part of the Northwest Regional Hub and transfer indigent defense services to OPD. Requires OPD to provide direct representation to indigent defendants in not more than 80% of indigent defense cases. Provides for withdrawal procedures for participating counties, including holding public meetings and providing notice to the local bar association, every judge serving in the county, county prosecutor, county public defender, and every attorney who is on the court's roster for appointment to provide indigent defense. Provides that when a county transfers indigent defense services to OPD and the transferring county operates a county public defender office at the time of the transfer, the employees of the transferring county public defender may be transferred to employees of the OPD as OPD determines necessary for successful implementation of the pilot, to the extent possible, with no loss of service credit. | Section: 371.30 Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. | Section: 371.30 Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Same as the Executive. Replaces the Executive provision with language stating that an employee of a transferring county public defender may be appointed as an employee of the OPD as the OPD determines to be necessary, rather than being transferred to being such an employee of OPD, thus eliminating the possible transfer of service credit. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Permits OPD to consult with DAS on matters pertaining to the appointment of the necessary personnel including assigning those employees to a position classification, step placement and vacation and longevity credit, as well as state benefit coverage. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Specifies that actions taken by the OPD and the DAS pursuant to the bill's Northwest Regional Hub pilot program are not subject to appeal to the State Personnel Board of Review. |
| Authorizes the pilot to operate during the FY 2026-FY 2027 biennium. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| PUBCD9 Task Force to Study Ohio's Indigent Defense System - abolishment | | |
| No provision. | <div>Section: 630.10, (repeals Section 6 of H.B. 150 of the 134th G.A.)</div> <div>Abolishes the Task Force to Study Ohio's Indigent Defense System (originally established by Section 6 of H.B. 150 of the 134th G.A.)</div> <div>Fiscal effect: None; the task force was required to issue its recommendations to the General Assembly by April 3, 2024.</div> | <div>Section: 630.10, (repeals Section 6 of H.B. 150 of the 134th G.A.)</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |

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| DPSCD40 Representation for sworn officers in criminal complaints | | |
| R.C. 109.872 | R.C. 109.872 | |
| Allows the Governor or the Governor’s designee, at their discretion, to approve legal representation for a sworn employee as described below. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Allows a sworn employee who was involved in a use of force incident that resulted in physical harm or death to another individual to apply for legal representation if the use of force was within the scope of that employee’s official duties. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires the sworn employee’s appointing authority to pay the costs of that representation. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Defines “sworn employee” as: | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| (a) Enforcement agents appointed to enforce Ohio’s liquor laws and rules regulating the use of supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP) benefits (i.e. Ohio Investigative Unit); | (a) Same as the Executive. | (a) No provision. |
| (b) The Superintendent and troopers of the Ohio State Highway Patrol; | (b) Same as the Executive. | (b) No provision. |
| (c) Special police officers of the Ohio State Highway Patrol; and | (c) Same as the Executive. | (c) No provision. |
| (d) Other employees of any department, agency, or board of this state who are under the executive branch and ultimately report to the Governor and are authorized to investigate, execute the laws of the state, protect public safety, or enforce the laws of this state as part of their job duties. | (d) Same as the Executive. | (d) No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential increase in costs for a sworn employee’s appointing authority if legal representation is requested and approved. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |

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| DPSCD28 Objections to Registrar of Motor Vehicles orders | | |
| R.C. 119.062 | | |
| Changes the deadline for an appeal of an order of the Registrar of Motor Vehicles from within 15 days of the "date of service" of the order as in current law to within 15 days of the order's mailing date to the party. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Changes the deadline for an objection to a report and recommendation issued after an adjudication hearing concerning an order of the Registrar from within 10 days of the "date of service" of the report on the objecting party as in current law to within 15 days of the report's mailing date to the objecting party. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Negligible. | | |
| DPSCD66 Motor vehicle financial products | | |
| | | R.C. 1310.251, 1317.05, 3905.426, 4509.06, 4509.70 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Exempts "excess wear and use waivers," i.e., contracts that nullify fees that might otherwise be owed at the end of a motor vehicle lease agreement for driving too many miles or damaging the vehicle, from state insurance laws. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits conditioning terms of a motor vehicle lease on the consumer's payment for an excess wear and use waiver. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Expands the existing insurance law exemption for motor vehicle "debt cancellation or debt suspension products" to include products that provide a financial benefit for the purchase of a new vehicle. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Limits the current requirement that debt cancellation or debt suspension products be listed as a specific good when invoiced to the consumer as "optional" products that are not a condition of the sale. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Exempts optional debt cancellation or debt suspension products from state law limitations on interest and finance charges. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Expands the types of agreements that qualify as "ancillary product protection contracts" and, thus, are exempted from state insurance laws, to include certain contracts that protect against lease-end charges, vehicle value protection agreements, and contracts involving under-speed vehicles. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires providers of "vehicle value protection agreements," i.e., agreements that provide a benefit to the purchaser when a vehicle is lost, stolen, damaged, obsolete, or diminished in value, to allow a 30-day period for the contract holder to cancel the agreement so long as no benefits have been paid. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Establishes procedures and requirements for contract providers that seek to cancel a vehicle value protection agreement. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires insurance agents to take certain actions to confirm that a person seeking automobile insurance through the Ohio Assigned Risk Insurance Plan is unable to secure coverage through private insurers. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Expands who may report a driver or owner of a motor vehicle involved in an accident to the BMV for failure to maintain financial responsibility to include any person who suffers injury or property damage, as opposed to only persons who are also drivers of a vehicle involved in the accident. Fiscal effect: Potential administrative cost for the Department of Insurance to ensure that insurers doing business in the state comply with the requirements. |

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| DPSCD72 “Ohio Natural Energy Foundation” license plate | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 4501.21</div> <div>Authorizes the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to pay contributions previously received for the Ohio Oil and Gas Energy Education Foundation and the Ohio Natural Energy Institute, which received contributions for the “Ohio Natural Energy Foundation” license plate, to the Ohio Natural Energy Foundation (the organization required to receive the contributions under current law).</div> <div>Fiscal effect: None.</div> |
| DPSCD78 “National Council of Negro Women” license plate | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 4501.21, 4503.579</div> <div>Requires the Registrar to pay the contributions for the “National Council of Negro Women” license plate, which under current law are required to be paid to the National Council of Negro Women, Incorporated, to the Ohio State Coalition-National Council of Negro Women, Incorporated.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: None.</div> |
| DPSCD69 Deputy registrar/BMV service fee | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 4503.038</div> <div>Increases from \$5 to \$8 the service fee charged by the BMV and deputy registrars and requires the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to modify the prorated multi-year registration service fee to account for the increase.</div> |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div></div> <div>Allocates the increased portion of the service fee retained by the Registrar to be used exclusively for the State Highway Patrol.</div> |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div></div> <div>Removes references to the Registrar adopting rules associated with the service fees.</div> |

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| | | Fiscal effect: Potential revenue increase of up to \$46.8 million or more annually (based on 15,609,416 transactions posted by deputy registrars in CY 2024) to be retained by deputy registrars or, if the transaction is made online or otherwise performed by the BMV, credited to the Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0) to be used for the State Highway Patrol. |
| DPSCD36 Additional motor vehicle registration and renewal fees | | |
| R.C. 4503.10 | R.C. 4503.10 | R.C. 4503.10 |
| Increases the additional annual motor vehicle registration and renewal fees (used for ODPS’s costs to administer and enforce the motor vehicles and traffic laws) by \$10, beginning January 1, 2026, as follows: (1) from \$11 to \$21 for noncommercial vehicles, and (2) from \$30 to \$40 for non-apportioned commercial vehicles. | Same as the Executive, but reduces the amount of the increase to \$5 for each fee: (1) from \$11 to \$16 for noncommercial vehicles, and (2) from \$30 to \$35 for non-apportioned commercial vehicles. | Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential revenue gain of around \$125 million (\$119.5 million for non-commercial vehicles and \$5.5 million for non-apportioned commercial vehicles) annually for the Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0), which receives the additional registration and renewal fees. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but reduces the potential revenue gain to around \$62.5 million (\$59.75 million for non-commercial vehicles and \$2.75 million for nonapportioned commercial vehicles). | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DPSCD41 Online motor vehicle registrations | | |
| R.C. 4503.102 | R.C. 4503.102 | R.C. 4503.102 |
| Authorizes a person to apply for an initial registration and a transfer of registration for a motor vehicle through the online system established by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles, similar to registration renewals under current law. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| Requires the Registrar or deputy registrar to verify and authenticate any associated documents submitted electronically with those registrations. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |

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Allocates the service fee to whoever verifies and authenticates the documents and the postage costs to whoever mails the certificate of registration and associated license plates to the applicant.

Fiscal effect: Potential shifting of workload and related service fee revenue from deputy registrars to the BMV for initial registration and transfer of registration transactions conducted online instead of in-person depending on which entity performs the verification and authentication duties; potentially results in administrative efficiencies related to initial vehicle registrations by allowing them to take place electronically in addition to in-person.

Same as the Executive.

Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.

Replaces the Executive provision regarding service fees with a provision that requires all service fees collected from initial or transfer of registrations by electronic means to be deposited into the Public Safety - Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0).

Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but requires all collected service fees to be credited to the Public Safety - Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0) rather than being split according to which entity performs the verification and authentication duties.

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| DPSCD33 Financial responsibility statement | | |
| R.C. 4503.20 | | |
| Removes the following requirements regarding the proof of financial responsibility statement provided at the time of motor vehicle registration: (1) that the person registering the motor vehicle separately sign the statement; (2) that the person be given and sign a separate form listing the penalties for failure to have proof of financial responsibility; and (3) that a motor vehicle dealer obtain the separate signatures and forward them to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles when registering the vehicle on behalf of a purchaser or lessor. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None; streamlines the vehicle registration process. | | |
| DPSCD73 Registration fees for veterans with service-connected disability | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 4503.41 |
| | | Expands which disabled veterans are exempt from paying motor vehicle registration and service fees by providing exempt status for a veteran who has a service-connected disability that is compensated at 100% by the U.S. Veterans Administration in the same manner as if the veteran has a disability rating of 100%. |
| | | Fiscal effect: Potential minimal decrease in annual motor vehicle registration and service fees collected by the BMV and deputy registrars. (In FFY 2023, there were 28,944 veterans in Ohio with a 100% service-connected disability rating; the number of those who own a motor vehicle and/or have a disability rating of 100% is indeterminate). |

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| <div>DPSCD31 “Blackout” license plates</div> <div>R.C. 4503.511, Section 820.80</div> <div>Allows the Registrar of Motor Vehicles, effective January 1, 2026, to issue “Blackout” license plates, which have a black background with white lettering and do not display the slogan "Birthplace of Aviation" or county identification stickers.</div> <div>Requires a \$20 contribution for issuance of the license plate and a \$10 BMV administration fee, both credited to the Public Safety - Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0).</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Potential minimal increase for the BMV to produce and issue blackout license plates to be offset by the \$10 BMV fee; gain of \$20 for Fund 5TM0 for each “Blackout” license plate issued or renewed.</div> | <div>R.C. 4503.511, Section 820.80</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Same as the Executive, but increases the required contribution for the "Blackout" license plate to \$40.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but increases the potential gain to \$40 for Fund 5TM0 for each “Blackout” license plate issued or renewed.</div> | <div></div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div></div> |
| <div>DPSCD74 Motor vehicle certificate of title application</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div></div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C. 4505.07</div> <div>Allows an applicant for a motor vehicle certificate of title to use the last four digits of the applicant's social security number, instead of the applicant’s social security number or employer identification number, if the application is for either of the following: (1) a salvage certificate for an owner-retained vehicle or (2) a transfer of title to an insurance company or a nonprofit corporation.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Minimal.</div> |

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| <div><div>DPSCD20</div><div>Certificate of title fee increase</div><div>R.C. 4505.09, 4519.59, Section 820.80</div><div>Increases by \$3 (from \$15 to \$18) beginning January 1, 2026, the general certificate of title fee required for most motor vehicles, all-purpose vehicles, and off-highway motorcycles and allocates the increase to the Security, Investigations, and Policing Fund (Fund 8400), which is used by the Ohio State Highway Patrol for certain security and investigation operations.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Potential revenue gain of up to \$16.1 million or more annually (based on 5,379,301 certificates of title issued in CY 2023) for Fund 8400.</div></div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div><div>R.C. 4505.09, 4519.59</div><div>Replaces the Executive provision with a provision that: (1) increases the certificate of title fee by \$5 (from \$15 to \$20), if a board of county commissioners adopts a resolution authorizing the increase and (2) allocates the \$5 increase to the clerk of a court of common pleas who processes the certificate of title, when a board of county commissioners adopts the authorizing resolution.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Potential revenue gain of up to \$27.6 million or more annually (based on 5,511,293 certificates of title issued in CY 2024) for clerks of a court of common pleas statewide.</div></div> |
| <div><div>DPSCD71</div><div>Automated Title Processing Board membership</div><div>No provision.</div></div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div><div>R.C. 4505.09</div><div>Adds the following members to the Automated Title Processing Board: (1) the President of the Ohio Automobile Dealers Association, or the President's representative, and (2) a third clerk of court of common pleas, appointed by the Governor.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Minimal; board members serve without compensation but are reimbursed for travel and other necessary expenses incurred in the conduct of their official duties.</div></div> |

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| DPSCD75 Hazardous materials endorsement | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 4506.131 Authorizes issuance of a hazardous materials endorsement for a CDL driver who is 18 to 20 years old, provided: (1) the driver only transports hazardous materials within Ohio and (2) the driver meets all other federal and state requirements for the endorsement. Fiscal effect: Minimal. |
| DPSCD17 Seat belt usage as primary offense | | |
| R.C. 4507.05, 4507.071, 4511.043, 4511.81, 4513.263, 307.515, 733.40, 2152.21, 4501.11, 4513.35, 5503.04 | | |
| Makes the following offenses primary offenses, rather than a secondary offenses as under current law: | No provision. | No provision. |
| Failure to wear a properly adjusted seat belt as either the operator or front-seat passenger of an automobile; | No provision. | No provision. |
| Failure to properly secure a child in the appropriate booster seat or seat belt, according to the child's age, weight, height, and manufacturer's instructions; | No provision. | No provision. |
| Failure for all passengers to wear a seat belt in a motor vehicle driven by an operator who has a learner's permit or a probationary driver's license. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential minimal increase in costs to adjudicate violations and sanction offenders. Potential gain in fine revenue. | | |
| DPSCD61 Driver training requirements | | |
| | R.C. 4507.21, 4508.02 | |
| No provision. | Requires all individuals under 21, instead of under 18, to complete the full driver's education course and 50 hours of practice driving with an eligible adult in order to obtain an initial driver's license. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Modifies the abbreviated driver training course for adults to apply to individuals 21 and older. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Authorizes a beginning driver to complete the driver education course at any point while holding a valid temporary instruction permit, which is valid for one year after issuance. Fiscal effect: Potential increase in administrative work for the BMV to ensure that driver’s license applicants between the ages of 18 and 21 have completed the driver education course and practice driving requirements prior to issuing an initial driver’s license. | No provision. |
| DPSCD29 Expedited Ohio credential | | |
| R.C. 4507.41, Section 820.80 | R.C. 4507.41, Section 820.80 | |
| Allows the Registrar of Motor Vehicles, beginning January 1, 2026, to offer an expedited process for issuing an Ohio credential, such as a driver's license, commercial driver's license, or identification card. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires a \$100 administration fee for expedited issuance in addition to regular fees, taxes, and mailing costs, and requires the administration fee and mailing costs be credited to the Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0). | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Authorizes the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to adopt rules to implement the expedited credentials program and exempts those rules from the law governing regulatory restrictions. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential minimal one-time and ongoing increase in administrative costs for the BMV to implement an expedited credentials program and to issue expedited credentials; offset by the \$100 administration fee and applicable mailing costs imposed to obtain an expedited credential. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |

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| DPSCD39 Driver training in schools grant program | | |
| R.C. 4508.023 | | |
| Creates the Driver Training in Schools Grant Program and authorizes ODPS to administer and distribute grants to schools to provide driver training courses approved by the ODPS Director. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Makes schools eligible for grants under the program regardless of whether the school develops and provides its own driver training course or contracts with a private third party to develop and provide a driver training course. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Authorizes ODPS to adopt rules for the purpose of implementing and administering the grant program. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential increase in costs for ODPS to establish and administer the grant program; funding for the grant program is supported by the Adult Use Tax Fund (Fund QG18). | | |
| DPSCD18 Ignition interlock device violations | | |
| R.C. 4510.01, 4510.13, 4510.46 | | |
| Adds two circumstances that constitute an ignition interlock device violation for purposes of extending a driver's license suspension or requiring additional continuous alcohol monitoring for an OVI offender: | No provision. | No provision. |
| (1) The ignition interlock device detects the presence of alcohol in the offender's breath in a concentration above the preset level during operation of the vehicle, but after the device allowed the vehicle to start; and | (1) No provision. | (1) No provision. |
| (2) The driver fails to provide a deep-lung breath sample or similar method sample in the amount of time required by the device during operation of the vehicle, but after the device allowed the vehicle to start. | (2) No provision. | (2) No provision. |

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| Fiscal effect: Minimal, if the county indigent driver’s interlock and alcohol monitoring fund is used to pay for additional monitoring. | | |
| DPSCD24 Restricted license: ignition interlock device designation | | |
| R.C. 4510.022, 4510.13, 4510.07 | | |
| Authorizes the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to include a code, in addition to the printed statement under current law, on a restricted license indicating that the licensee is prohibited from operating a motor vehicle that is not equipped with a certified ignition interlock device. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential minimal increase in costs if the Registrar chooses to include a code on restricted licenses. | | |
| DPSCD19 Distracted Driving: failure to control a vehicle | | |
| R.C. 4511.202, 4511.991 | | |
| Adds failure to control a vehicle to the list of offenses for which additional fines may be imposed if a person violates such an offense while distracted. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential gain in fine revenue retained by the county or credited to the Security, Investigations, and Policing Fund (Fund 8400) if the offender was cited by the Ohio State Highway Patrol. | | |
| DPSCD65 Move Over Law changes: vehicles in distress | | |
| | | R.C. 4511.213 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits knowingly failing to change lanes or to proceed with caution around a stationary vehicle that is in distress and makes a violation a minor misdemeanor. |
| No provision. | No provision. | States that the offense does not constitute a criminal record, and that the offender is not required to report it for purposes of applications related to employment, licensure, or other rights or privileges. |

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| DPSCD62 Vehicles towed by law enforcement | R.C. 4513.60, 4513.61, 4513.66 | |
| No provision. | Requires a victim whose motor vehicle was towed by order of law enforcement to pay the costs of the related towing and storage of that motor vehicle in order to retrieve it. Fiscal effect: Potential revenue increase for towing and storage facilities. | No provision. |
| DPSCD64 Trailers excluded from the Motor Vehicle Dealer Law | R.C. 4517.01 | R.C. 4517.01 |
| No provision. | Excludes trailers from the Motor Vehicle Dealers Law, except for fifth wheel trailers, park trailers, travel trailers, tent-type fold-out camping trailers, or semitrailers. Fiscal effect: Potential minimal decrease in administrative costs for the BMV related to licensing certain trailers; corresponding loss in dealer licensing fee revenue. (Licensing fees for new and used motor vehicle dealers consist of a \$50 permit fee, a \$50.25 master plate fee (plus \$10.25 for each additional plate), and \$150 for the Title Defect Recision Fund (Fund 4Y70), used by AGO.) | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DPSCD68 Warranty and recall compensation for franchisees and indemnification | | R.C. 4517.52, 4517.521 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires a motor vehicle franchisor to compensate its motor vehicle franchisees for the parts and labor related to diagnosing warranty and recall obligations. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Lowers the time frame from 90 days to 60 days surrounding a repair for which a franchisor may request additional documentation related to the rate for specified repair orders. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires a franchisor to compensate franchisees for: (1) a part or component provided at reduced cost in addition to those provided at no cost, related to warranty and recall repairs; (2) costs related to certain rental vehicles, even if the rental vehicle does not match the line-make, size, or category of vehicle that was originally promised to the customer; (3) at least 1.25% of the average trade-in cost of a used motor vehicle that is the subject of a stop-sale or do-not-drive order when the parts and remedy required to make the necessary repairs take more than 30 days to be provided. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Establishes parameters and exceptions for the franchisor's compensation of a franchisee related to the used motor vehicles under stop-sale or do-not-drive orders. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Exempts franchisors and franchisees that deal in recreational vehicles from all of the above provisions. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Indemnifies a franchisee when a franchisor designates motor vehicle features or equipment as optional. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | |
| DPSCD59 Nuclear power plant security | R.C. 4749.01 | R.C. 4749.01 |
| No provision. | Exempts commercial nuclear power plant security providers approved under the federal law regulating nuclear power facilities from having to obtain an Ohio license to engage in the business of security services while protecting the plant and nuclear material from threats, thefts, and sabotage. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Potential minimal loss in license fee revenue credited to he Private Investigator and Security Guard Provider Fund (Fund 5B90), which is used to pay the operating expenses associated with licensing and regulating Ohio’s private investigator and security guard providers. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| DPSCD63 Emergency service provider "retired" designation | | |
| | R.C. 4765.11, 4765.55 | |
| No provision. | Requires the State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services to establish procedures by which a first responder, EMT, paramedic, firefighter, or fire safety inspector may designate themselves as "retired" in the Board's records. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Exempts Board rules establishing the retirement designation procedures from continuing law requirements that the Board reduce regulatory restrictions in rules it adopts. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Minimal. | | |
| DPSCD30 Tobacco sales and enforcement agents | | |
| R.C. 5502.14 | | |
| Authorizes enforcement agents employed by ODPS to enforce the law governing the unlawful distribution of cigarettes, other tobacco products, and alternative nicotine products on the premises of a licensed retail dealer of cigarettes or on any other premises where a violation of that law is occurring. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None; clarifies existing authority. | | |

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| <div>DPSCD70</div> <div>Workers' compensation - personnel providing intrastate mutual assistance or aid</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C. 5502.29, 5502.41</div> <div>Makes personnel rendering intrastate mutual assistance or aid outside their respective political subdivisions employees of the Ohio Emergency Management Agency for purposes of the Workers' Compensation Law if such assistance or aid is rendered under either of the following: (1) a mutual assistance or aid agreement or (2) the Ohio Intrastate Mutual Aid Compact.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Minimal.</div> |
| <div>DPSCD21</div> <div>Emergency management compact immunity</div> <div>R.C. 5502.30</div> <div>Applies the immunity provision of the Emergency Management Assistance Compact, which currently applies only to an employee of a political subdivision rendering aid in another state, to any person deployed by an emergency management agency to render aid in another state, including: (1) an employee of a political subdivision or a nonprofit organization or (2) a paid or unpaid volunteer or health care worker of a for-profit or nonprofit organization.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Minimal.</div> | <div>R.C. 5502.30</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |
| <div>DPSCD60</div> <div>Ohio Mortuary Operational Response Team</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>Section: 373.10, 373.20</div> <div>Earmarks \$75,000 of GRF ALI 765401, Emergency Medical Services Operating, in each fiscal year for distribution to the Ohio Mortuary Operational Response Team headquarters in Montgomery County for maintenance and training.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |

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| DPSCD76 Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 373.10, 373.20 Requires Fund 5TZ0 ALI 761683, Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center, be used to support the Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center in conjunction with GRF ALI 761411, Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center. |
| DPSCD1 Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement | | |
| Section: 373.20 Earmarks the following in each fiscal year for GRF ALI 761403, Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement: | Section: 373.20 Same as the Executive. | Section: 373.20, 373.10 Same as the Executive, but requires DPF Fund 5TZ0 ALI 761682, Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement to be used in conjunction with GRF ALI 761403, Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement, to support the RecoveryOhio Initiative, and modifies the earmarks so that DPF Fund 5TZ0 ALI 761682, Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement may also be used. |
| (1) Up to \$2,900,000 to be used to support local law enforcement narcotics task forces that focus on cartel trafficking interdiction. Requires the interdiction task forces to be designated Ohio Organized Crime Commission task forces subject to approval and supervision of the Commission. Permits the money to also be used to provide funding to local law enforcement agencies, by the Commission for task force-related equipment purchases, and for operating expenses of the Office of Criminal Justice Services related to the narcotics interdiction task force program. | (1) Same as the Executive, but increases the earmark to up to \$3,400,000. | (1) Same as the House. |
| (2) Up to \$2,500,000 for narcotics task forces in order to build new and strengthen existing partnerships with local law enforcement, for local law enforcement agencies, and for operating expenses of the Office of Criminal Justice Services related to the Ohio narcotics task force program. | (2) Same as the Executive. | (2) Same as the Executive. |

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| (3) Up to \$600,000 to be used to partner with the DAS Office of Information Technology to enhance and maintain a uniform records management and data intelligence system, and provide case management, collaboration, data sharing, and data analytics tools for Ohio narcotics task forces and law enforcement agencies. | (3) Same as the Executive. | (3) Same as the Executive. |
| DPSCD2 Local Disaster Assistance Section: 373.20 Reappropriates the available balance of GRF ALI 763511, Local Disaster Assistance, at the end of FY 2025 and FY 2026, respectively, to the following fiscal year, for the April 17, 2018, and April 8, 2019, Major Disaster Declarations. | No provision. | No provision. |
| DPSCD3 Security Grants Section: 373.30 Requires GRF ALI 763513, Security Grants, be used to make competitive grants of up to \$100,000 to nonprofit organizations, houses of worship, chartered nonpublic schools, and licensed preschools for the following: (a) eligible security improvements to protect against acts of terrorism; (b) resource officers, special duty police officers, and licensed armed security guards; (c) lease or purchase of qualified security equipment; (d) placing qualified equipment at alternative locations; and (e) coordinated training. No provision. | Section: 373.30 Same as the Executive. No provision. | Section: 373.30 Same as the Executive, but (1) requires the grants be used over a two-year period and increases the amount from \$100,000 to \$125,000, (2) includes services performed by ODOT related to line of sight security needs as an eligible security improvement under (a), (3) includes training or recommissioning of retired officers and military service members who are transitioning to a civilian career as an eligible use of grant funds under (b), and (4) adds costs authorized under previous grants, in addition to the costs outlined under (a) through (e) under the Executive column. Permits certain nonprofit organizations that serve a broad community or area to receive grants to provide antiterrorism services throughout their regions. Permits multiple nonprofit organizations that are located at the same address to receive separate grants under certain conditions. |

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| Requires the Ohio EMA to administer and award the grants, as well as establish procedures and forms by which applicants may apply for a grant, a competitive process for ranking applicants and awarding the grants, and procedures for distributing grants. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but allows the Ohio EMA to prioritize up to \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year for innovative community-public safety partnerships with certain eligible grantees. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Permits the Ohio EMA to use up to 2.5% of the total amount appropriated to administer the program and specifies that a portion of that amount may be used to pay costs incurred by ODPS to provide security-related or specialized assistance in reviewing vulnerability assessments and prioritizing grant applications. |
| Requires the Ohio EMA to post information about the grants and application process on its website. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| No provision. | Allows the Ohio EMA to use up to \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year for community police partnerships that focus on collaboration, increased efficiencies, or otherwise assisting both a nonprofit organization and one or more law enforcement, emergency management, or homeland security agencies to serve and protect at-risk nonprofit organizations. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Earmarks \$300,000 of GRF ALI 763513, Security Grants, in FY 2026 to award competitive grants to chartered nonpublic schools for school resource officer or special duty officer programs, with preference given to institutions that can show a high risk of terror attack. |
| Reappropriates the available balance of GRF ALI 763513, Security Grants, at the end of FY 2025 and FY 2026, respectively, to the following fiscal year. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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DPSCD4 Justice Program Services

Section: 373.30

Earmarks the following amounts from GRF ALI 768425, Justice Program Services, for use by the Office of Criminal Justice Services:

- (1) Up to \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year to administer and distribute grants to state and local law enforcement agencies for body-worn camera programs.
- (2) Up to \$4,531,000 in each fiscal year to support anti-human trafficking efforts in the areas of prosecution, victim services to specifically include assistance for child victims, and priorities of the Governor’s Ohio Human Trafficking Task Force.
- (3) Up to \$4,000,000 in each fiscal year to administer and distribute grants to local law enforcement agencies to assist local communities in reducing and preventing crime through crime reduction strategies, including overtime, equipment, technical assistance, and analytical support to implement such strategies.
- (4) Up to \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year for grants to state and local law enforcement to conduct investigations on sexual assault kit testing results and related expenditures.

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| (5) Up to \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year to support state and local law enforcement agencies in the recruitment, hiring, and training of qualified individuals to serve as peace officers; to support state and local first responder agencies in mental, physical, and emotional wellness; and to administer and distribute grants to state and local first responder agencies to assist in recruitment, retention, and wellness of their workforce. | (5) Same as the Executive, but increases the earmark to \$1,500,000 and requires \$500,000 of that amount in each fiscal year be distributed as follows: (1) \$150,000 for First Responders' Bridge to pay for their programs supporting first responders suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, depression, anxiety, and other mental health conditions; (2) \$150,000 to Save A Warrior Foundation to pay for their programs supporting first responders suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, depression, anxiety, and other mental health conditions; and (3) \$200,000 for Tri-State Peer Support Program to pay the administrative costs of providing peer support and mental health services for first responders and related program development. | (5) Same as the House. |
| (6) Up to \$200,000 in each fiscal year for the purposes of implementing recommendations of the Governor's Warrant Task Force. | (6) Same as the Executive. | (6) Same as the Executive. |
| (7) No provision. | (7) Up to \$1,200,000 in each fiscal year to competitively procure, directly from the manufacturer, a commercial off-the-shelf, completely in canal hearing protection product with a minimum noise reduction rating of 25 decibels and a maximum output of 80 decibels, to protect the hearing of law enforcement officers. Of that amount in each fiscal year, \$200,000 is required to be used to make the hearing protection available to the Ohio State Highway Patrol and up to \$1,000,000 is required to be used to make the hearing protection available to any law enforcement agency in the state on a first-come, first-served basis. | (7) No provision. |

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| DPSCD5 Driver training in schools grant program | | |
| Section: 373.30 | | |
| Requires Fund QG18 ALI 769639, Safe Driving Program, be used by ODPS, in consultation with DEW, to administer the driver training in schools grant program established in R.C. 4508.023. | No provision. | No provision. |
| DPSCD9 Cash transfers to the Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund – Shipley upgrades | | |
| Section: 373.50 | | |
| Permits the OBM Director, pursuant to a plan submitted by the ODPS Director or as otherwise determined by the OBM Director and upon approval of CEB, to make appropriate cash transfers on a pro-rata basis from other funds used by ODPS, excluding the Public Safety Building Fund (Fund 7025), to the Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0) in order to reimburse expenditures for capital upgrades to the Shipley Building. | No provision. | No provision. |
| DPSCD13 State Disaster Relief | | |
| Section: 373.50 | Section: 373.50 | Section: 373.50, 373.10 |
| Permits the State Disaster Relief Fund (Fund 5330) to be used for the following purposes: | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| (a) To accept transfers of cash or appropriations from CEB ALIs for Ohio Emergency Management Agency (Ohio EMA) disaster response and disaster program management costs. | (a) Same as the Executive. | (a) Same as the Executive. |
| (b) To accept transfers of cash or appropriations from CEB ALIs for Ohio EMA recovery and mitigation program match costs to reimburse eligible local governments and private nonprofit organizations for disaster-related costs. | (b) Same as the Executive. | (b) Same as the Executive. |

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| (c) To accept transfers of cash or appropriations from CEB ALLs to cover costs incurred and to reimburse government entities for Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) missions. | (c) Same as the Executive. | (c) Same as the Executive. |
| (d) To accept disaster-related reimbursement from federal, state, and local governments. Permits the OBM Director to transfer cash from reimbursements received by Fund 5330 to other state funds from which transfers were originally approved by CEB. | (d) Same as the Executive. | (d) Same as the Executive. |
| (e) To accept transfers of cash or appropriations from CEB ALLs to fund the State Disaster Relief Program, for disasters qualifying for the program by written authorization of the Governor, and the State Individual Assistance Program for disasters that have been declared by the federal Small Business Administration and that qualify for the program by written authorization of the Governor. | (e) Same as the Executive. | (e) Same as the Executive. |
| Permits Fund 5330 to accept, hold, administer and expend any cash received from a gift, donation, bequest, devise or contribution. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$1,000,000 cash in each fiscal year from the Controlling Board Emergency Purposes/Contingencies Fund (Fund 5KM0) to Fund 5330. |
| DPSCD42 GRF cash transfer to the eWarrant Local Integration Fund | | |
| Section: 512.10 | Section: 512.10 | |
| Permits the OBM Director to transfer \$4,000,000 cash in FY 2026 from the GRF to the eWarrant Local Integration Fund (Fund 5AZ1). | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| DPSCD77 Classic motor vehicle auction temporary exemption | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 745.10 Creates a temporary exemption (until August 1, 2026) from the Motor Vehicle Sales Laws relating to auctions for a person who auctions classic motor vehicles at an auction that meets certain parameters. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the auction host to apply to and obtain permission from the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to host the auction. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the auction host to ensure that the vehicles auctioned have a valid Ohio certificate of title, that certain records about the vehicles are kept, and that the Registrar of Motor Vehicles can inspect those records. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the auction host to use an auction firm to conduct the auction and prohibits using a nonresident individual who has been granted a one-auction license by AGR. |
| | | Fiscal effect: Minimal. |

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| PUCCD15 Next Generation 9-1-1 access fee allocation | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 128.54 Revises the next generation 9-1-1 access fee allocation by: (1) increasing the allocation to the 9-1-1 Government Assistance Fund from 72% to 81.33%; (2) reducing the allocations to the 9-1-1 Administrative Fund from 1% to .67%, to the 9-1-1 Program Fund from 2% to 1.33%, and to the Next Generation 9-1-1 Fund from 25% to 16.67%. Fiscal effect: No effect on the overall fee revenue. The total appropriation for the four 9-1-1 fund related ALIs amounts to \$50.2 million in FY 2026 and \$47.3 million in FY 2027. |
| PUCCD2 Rehearing request | | |
| R.C. 4903.10 Stipulates that a final order issued by PUCO is affirmed by operation of law if PUCO does not affirm, abrogate, or modify the original order within 150 days of the date it granted a rehearing request. Fiscal effect: None. | R.C. 4903.10 Same as the Executive, except the deadline is reduced from 150 days to 90 days. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | R.C. 4903.10 Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |

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| <div><div>PUCCD6</div><div>Electric light company</div><div>R.C.4905.03</div><div>Excludes a facility for the production of electricity from being an "electric light company" in the public utilities law if it is located on a customer-generator's premises or, for mercantile customers, within the certified territory of the electric utility providing service to the mercantile customer, operates in parallel with the electric utility's transmission and distribution facilities, and is primarily intended to offset part or all of the customer-generator's or mercantile customer's electricity requirements.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Potential savings in PUCO's administrative costs through decreased regulatory oversight and compliance requirements.</div></div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |
| <div><div>PUCCD14</div><div>Electric distribution utility behind the meter electric generation service</div></div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div><div>R.C.4905.311</div><div>Allows an EDU to supply behind the meter electric generation service if an application for any behind the meter electric generation facilities intended to be used to supply such service was filed with PUCO under former law no later than March 31, 2025.</div><div>Fiscal effect: None.</div></div> |
| <div><div>PUCCD17</div><div>Power Siting Board written report</div></div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div><div>R.C.4906.07</div><div>Reduces the time within which the chairperson of the Power Siting Board (PSB) must submit a written report to PSB and the applicant from not less than fifteen days prior to the date the application is set for a hearing to not less than five days prior to that hearing date.</div><div>Fiscal effect: None.</div></div> |

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| PUCCD11 Boat trailer exemption | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 4921.01, 4923.01 Exempts, from the definitions of "motor vehicle" and "for-hire motor carrier", any trailer used exclusively to transport a single boat between a place of storage and a marina, or a place that is in or around a marina, not more than 10 miles apart, and that is drawn or towed no faster than 25 mph. The boat trailer cannot exceed 26,001 pounds to qualify for the exemption. Fiscal effect: Minimal. Under current law, boat trailers pay \$20 to \$30 per year in intrastate motor carrier vehicle fees. |
| PUCCD9 Broadband internet access service exempt from regulation | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 4927.01, 4927.22, Section 820.20 Exempts broadband internet access service from PUCO regulation. | R.C. 4927.01, 4927.22, Section 820.20 Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Prohibits a state agency, commission, or political subdivision from enacting, adopting, or enforcing any provision having the force or effect of law that regulates or has the effect of regulating broadband internet access service. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Provides that the above prohibition does not (1) restrict any authority delegated to PUCO or any state agency to administer a state or federal grant program; or (2) restrict the application of a law relating to consumer protection and fair competition concerning broadband internet access service. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Provides that the prohibition against the regulation of broadband internet access service does not restrict the authority of a political subdivision to manage access to and use of any public way or public rights-of-way. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the prohibition against a political subdivision enacting a law or regulation governing the entry of any broadband internet access service. |

| Public Utilities Commission of Ohio | | Main Operating Appropriations Bill H.B. 96 | |
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| | | Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| PUCCD4 | Net metering systems | | |
| R.C. | 4928.01, 4928.67 | | |
| Modifies the definition of "net metering system" to include facilities that use fully dispatchable green energy as fuel and facilities not located on the customer-generator's premises but within the certified territory of the electric utility serving a mercantile customer. | | No provision. | No provision. |
| Requires mercantile customers with off-site net metering systems to be billed for the net electricity supplied by the utility if the electricity provided exceeds the electricity generated and fed back by the customer-generator during the billing period, and for distribution and transmission services for all electricity used, according to the rates and charges in the utility's tariffs. | | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential increase in administrative costs to regulate modified net metering systems. | | | |
| PUCCD5 | Competitive retail electric service state policy | | |
| R.C. | 4928.02 | | |
| Modifies the existing competitive retail electric service state policy by encouraging the development of customer-sited generation and expanding the current policy to ensure that a customer-generator or owner can market and deliver the electricity it produces to apply to marketing and delivering that electricity through power purchase agreements or other contractual agreements. | | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | | |

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| PUCCD8 Publicly available EV charging stations | R.C. 4933.51, 4933.53, 4933.54, 4933.55, 4933.57, 4933.59 | |
| No provision. | Prohibits an electric distribution utility (EDU) from owning or operating a publicly available electric vehicle (EV) charging station, with certain exceptions regarding EDU funding, EDU affiliate or subsidiary ownership/operation, and EDU ownership in an area of last resort. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Establishes requirements and procedures regarding EDU ownership of a publicly available EV charging station in an area of last resort. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Permits any person to notify PUCO of intent to provide a publicly available EV charging station within a ten-mile radius of the EDU-proposed location, and that it intends to request make-ready infrastructure from the EDU. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Prohibits EDU revenues for providing electric distribution service from, directly or indirectly, subsidizing investments in the ownership or operation of EV charging stations, with certain exceptions. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | |
| PUCCD16 CRES supplier variable rate contract cross reference fix | | R.C. 4928.102 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Corrects a cross referencing error in the law imposing certain requirements when a competitive retail electric service supplier offers a residential or small commercial customer a contract that converts to a variable rate. |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | |

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| <p>PUCCD3 Customer sited green energy resource</p> <p>R.C. 4928.47</p> <p>Allows an electric distribution utility to enter into an agreement with a mercantile customer or group of mercantile customers to construct a customer sited "green energy resource" in Ohio (in addition to customer sited renewable energy resources allowed under current law).</p> <p>Fiscal effect: Potential indirect revenue increases as the inclusion of natural gas in green energy resources could boost development, leading to higher tax revenue.</p> | <p>No provision.</p> | <p>No provision.</p> |
| <p>PUCCD7 Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) Rider creation and Universal Service Rider repeal</p> <p>R.C. 4928.52, 4928.53, 4928.54, 4928.542, 4928.543, 4928.544, 4928.545</p> <p>Replaces the Universal Service rider with the Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) rider on retail electric distribution rates as determined by PUCO.</p> <p>Requires the PIPP rider to recover the prudently incurred costs of providing the PIPP program for each electric distribution utility (EDU), the EDUs' allocated shares for funding the low-income customer assistance programs administered by ODJFS, according to each electric distribution utility's annual distribution service revenues, and any amount necessary to fund administrative costs of the low-income customer assistance programs.</p> <p>Requires each EDU's allocation to include a separately designated allocation equal to the EDU's share of an amount not to exceed \$15 million annually for funding the consumer education program and requires each EDU to remit to ODJFS the EDU's allocated share for the consumer education program and its administrative costs of the low-income customer assistance programs by June 30 each year.</p> | <p>R.C. 4928.52, 4928.53, 4928.54, 4928.542, 4928.543, 4928.544, 4928.545</p> <p>Same as the Executive.</p> <p>Same as the Executive.</p> <p>Same as the Executive.</p> | <p>No provision.</p> <p>No provision.</p> <p>No provision.</p> |

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| Requires PUCO to administer the PIPP rider and perform periodic audits of each EDU's PIPP rider, and requires PUCO to adopt rules for the administration of the PIPP rider and to cooperate with, and provide assistance to, the ODJFS Director regarding low-income customer assistance program administration. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Requires PUCO (instead of DEV) to establish a competitive procurement process for the supply of competitive retail electric service for PIPP program customers and to aggregate program customers for this purpose. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential increase in costs for ODJFS and PUCO and potential decrease in costs for DEV, both likely minimal. The Universal Service Fund (Fund 5M40) collected over \$357 million in FY 2024. Costs for agencies for this purpose are reimbursed by the PIPP rider, paid by electric consumers. Potential minimal change in costs of electricity for the state and local governments as ratepayers. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| PUCCD13 Heat maps | | R.C. 4928.86 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Specifies that each public utility, rather than "entity," that owns or control a transmission facility in Ohio, and is not a regional transmission organization, must create a heat map that includes certain information. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Repeals provisions of law that explicitly exempt municipally-owned electric utilities and electric cooperatives from the requirement that public utilities create a heat map. Fiscal effect: Potential administrative costs for local governments that operate municipal electric utilities or electric cooperatives due to newly imposed heat map requirements. |

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| PUCCD10 Rural electric company and energy company tangible personal property tax | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 5727.111 Clarifies a provision of recently enacted utility legislation relating to the tangible personal property tax assessment rate for a rural electric company's or energy company's new, repowered, or converted taxable production and new energy conversion equipment. Fiscal effect: None. |

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| <div><div>RACCD1</div><div>Penalties imposed by State Racing Commission</div><div>R.C. 3769.03</div><div>Increases, from \$10,000 to \$50,000, the maximum fine that RAC may impose on a person who violates a RAC rule or order. Allows RAC to fine a violator an additional amount to cover RAC's costs incurred in hearing the matter.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Potential increase of tens or hundreds of thousands of dollars to the Racing Commission Operating Fund (5650).</div></div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |
| <div><div>RACCD2</div><div>Penalties imposed by horse racing stewards and judges</div><div>R.C. 3769.091</div><div>Increases, from \$1,000 to \$50,000, the maximum fine that a horse racing steward or judge may impose on a person who violates a rule or order of RAC. If the violator appeals a penalty imposed by a steward or judge, and RAC determines that a violation occurred, allows RAC to fine the violator an additional amount to cover RAC's costs incurred in hearing the appeal.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Potential increase of tens or hundreds of thousands of dollars to the Racing Commission Operating Fund (5650).</div></div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |

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| <div><div>DRCCD9Confidentiality of victim statements</div><div>R.C.149.43, 2967.12</div><div>Exempts written and oral statements provided by a victim or victim's representative to DRC in connection with the pendency of any pardon, commutation, or parole are confidential and privileged statements, from the public records law, and are not subject to subpoena or discovery.</div><div>Prohibits those victim statements from being admissible in evidence in any action.</div><div>Fiscal effect: None.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.149.43, 2967.12</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div></div> | <div><div>No provision.</div><div>No provision.</div></div> |
| <div><div>DRCCD10Records related to incarcerated people and supervisees</div><div>R.C.149.43, 5120.21</div><div>Expressly states that records pertaining to inmates committed to DRC and persons under Adult Parole Authority supervision are not public records, except for the following: (1) name, (2) criminal convictions, (3) photograph, (4) supervision status including current and past place of incarceration, (5) and disciplinary history.</div><div>Fiscal effect: This appears to clarify current practice, thus there would be no fiscal impact.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.149.43, 5120.21</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div></div> | <div><div>No provision.</div></div> |
| <div><div>DRCCD6Illegal conveyance of certain items into government facilities</div><div>R.C.2921.36</div><div>Increases the penalty for illegal conveyance of a communications device onto the grounds of a specified governmental facility from a first degree misdemeanor to a fifth degree felony, and the penalty for a repeat violation from a fifth degree felony to a third degree felony.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.2921.36</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div></div> | <div><div>No provision.</div></div> |

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| Makes the penalty for illegal conveyance of a communications device onto the grounds of a specified governmental facility a third degree felony if the offender is a DRC or DYS employee, and requires the court to impose a mandatory prison term. | Same as the Executive, but additionally applies these penalties to offenders who are contractors or employees of contractors providing services to DRC or DYS. | No provision. |
| Requires the court to impose a mandatory prison term if a DYS employee is guilty of illegal conveyance of a weapon onto the grounds of a detention facility, in addition to a DRC employee as under current law. | Same as the Executive, but additionally applies this penalty to offenders who are contractors or employees of contractors providing services to DRC or DYS. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the court to impose a mandatory prison term if a contractor or employee of a contractor providing services to DRC or DYS is guilty of illegal conveyance of drugs of abuse onto the grounds of a specified governmental facility, in addition to a DRC or DYS employee as under current law. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential increase in costs for DRC if longer sentences are served. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | |
| DRCCD21 Body cavity and strip searches | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 2933.32, 4743.10 Prohibits a court or other person from ordering a medical practitioner, or a medical practitioner from otherwise being required, to perform any medical procedure that is inconsistent with the practitioner's expert medical opinion. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Expands a medical practitioner's, health care institution's, or health care payer's ability to decline to perform, participate in, or pay for any health care service which violates the practitioner's, institution's, or payer's conscience as informed by the moral, ethical, or religious beliefs or principles held by the practitioner, institution, or payer, to include when the procedure is ordered by a court. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Modifies the definition of "body cavity search," such that it no longer specifies that the search occurs while the person is detained or arrested for the alleged commission of a misdemeanor or traffic offense. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes consideration of the prior conviction record of a person to be searched from what constitutes allowable probable cause for a law enforcement officer to consider before conducting a search. Fiscal effect: None. |
| DRCCD23 Intervention in lieu of conviction placement in a community-based correctional facility | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 2951.041 Allows for a judge that has determined an offender to have violated an "intervention in lieu of conviction" plan to place the offender under the general control and supervision of a community-based correctional facility. Fiscal effect: None; this provision largely codifies a temporary law provision that is set to expire on October 15, 2025. |
| DRCCD20 Reentry housing near schools | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 2967.14, 2967.26, 2967.271, 5120.035 Prohibits DRC's Division of Parole and Community Services from licensing a halfway house, reentry center, or community residential center that operates within 500 feet of a school or child care center. Fiscal effect: Minimal. | No provision. |
| DRCCD16 Frederick Douglass Project for Justice | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 5120.039, Section 383.20 Requires DRC to permit the Frederick Douglass Project for Justice to operate in all prisons. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Earmarks \$350,000 in FY 2026 and \$150,000 in FY 2027 from GRF ALI 506321, Institution Education Services, for direct distribution to the Frederick Douglass Project for Justice to operate in all prisons. | No provision. |
| DRCCD22 Population and cost impact statement for legislative bill | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 5120.51</div> <div>Changes the threshold for when DRC must prepare a population and cost impact statement for a bill introduced in the General Assembly, requiring the impact statement if the DRC Director determines the bill is likely to have more than a “de minimis” impact, instead of a “significant impact” as stated in current law, on the population or operating cost of any or all state correctional institutions under DRC.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Potential administrative cost increases for DRC if additional impact statements are prepared as a result.</div> |
| DRCCD18 Health care coverage for a deceased correction officer's spouse | | |
| | R.C. 5120.85 | R.C. 5120.85 |
| No provision. | Requires the DAS Director, on receiving notice from the DRC Director that a correction officer was killed in the line of duty, to enroll the deceased officer's surviving spouse in any health benefits offered to state employees. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires DRC to pay DAS for the full cost of a surviving spouse's health benefits, including any administrative costs. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires a surviving spouse to apply to DAS for health care coverage after being approved for death benefits from the Ohio Public Safety Officers Death Benefit Fund. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Makes a surviving spouse who is a state employee ineligible for a health benefit through the fund. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Specifies that receiving a health benefit does not make the surviving spouse a state employee. | Same as the House. |

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| | Fiscal effect: Increases DRC’s costs associated with health insurance benefits. The costs would depend on the number of such surviving spouses who would enroll in the plans, including premiums and administrative costs charged by the plans. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DRCCD15 Mandatory drug screening | | |
| | R.C. 5145.32 | R.C. 5145.32 |
| No provision. | Requires every officer, employee, contractor, or employee of a contractor who is entering the grounds of a state correctional institution be subject to screening to prevent the conveyance of drugs of abuse into the institution. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Costs will depend on the extent to which DRC subjects officers, employees, and contractors to drug screenings under current practice and whether new procedures would need to be adopted to comply with this requirement. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| DRCCD19 Analytics Platform Pilot | | |
| | Section: 383.20 | |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 under GRF ALI 501321, Institutional Operations, to be used by DRC to procure a software analytics platform to establish a pilot program to transcribe and analyze all inmate phone calls to increase the security and safety of DRC facilities. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the procured analytics platform to be accessible to all law enforcement agencies in this state to support criminal investigations. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires CIIC to approve the location of the pilot program. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires DRC to submit a report of its findings from the pilot program to CIIC by December 31, 2026. | No provision. |

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DRCCD13 Felony offense cost reimbursements

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| No provision. | <div>Section: 383.20</div> <div>Earmarks \$250,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 501321, Institutional Operations, for reimbursements to counties (prosecuting attorney, indigent defense counsel, the court of common pleas, the clerk of the court of common pleas, and the sheriff) for their costs incurred in the prosecution of felonies that occur on the grounds of state correctional institutions operated by DRC.</div> | No provision. |
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DRCCD17 Local Jail Grants

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| No provision. | <div>Section: 383.30</div> <div>Requires DRC to use Fund 5ZQ0 ALI 501505, Local Jail Grants, to provide grants for county jail construction and renovation projects.</div> | <div>Section: 383.30</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> |
| No provision. | <div>Requires DRC to accept and review applications and designate the projects involving the construction and renovation of county jails.</div> | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | <div>Continues a funding formula, using property tax and sales tax data, by which the neediest counties may receive state assistance in constructing or renovating jail facilities, in which TAX conducts a financial ranking of all counties.</div> | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Continues guidelines that (1) require DRC, upon receiving the final rankings, to select a number of counties among the lowest ranking counties and invite the selected counties to apply for assistance, (2) require DRC, upon the application of a county so invited, to proceed with a needs assessment, (3) permit DRC to approve a project only if the project conforms to existing jail facilities standards and keeps with the needs of the county as determined by the needs assessment, (4) specify that a county's portion of the basic project cost is to be 1% of the basic project cost times the percentile in which the county ranks according to the funding formula, and (5) prohibit a county's or counties' share of the basic project cost from being above 75%. | Replaces the governing guidelines by requiring DRC to target county jails that have the greatest need for construction or renovation work, and projects that would improve substantially the condition, safety, and operational ability of the jail, and benefit jails that are, or will be, used by multiple counties. |
| No provision. | Allows DRC to establish guidelines for multicounty project applications. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires DRC to award the funds to selected counties no later than July 1, 2027. | Same as the House. |
| DRCCD11 Madison county land conveyance | | |
| No provision. | Section: 701.40 Authorizes the conveyance of certain state-owned land and improvements in Madison County under the jurisdiction of DRC to Madison County through a negotiated purchase agreement, or, if the grantee does not complete the purchase within the time period provided in the agreement, any reasonable method of sale to determine an alternate grantee willing to complete the purchase within three years after the effective date of this provision. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the proceeds from the conveyance to be deposited into the GRF. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | <div>Establishes requirements regarding how the land is to be advertised and sold, including that DAS pay all advertising costs incidental to the sale of the real estate, and the grantee pay all other costs associated with the purchase, closing, and conveyance of the real estate.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: One-time revenue gain to the GRF.</div> | No provision. |
| DRCCD12 DRC food service- Ross Correctional Institution | | |
| No provision. | <div>Section: 751.50</div> <div>Requires DRC to create a pilot program in the Ross Correctional Institution that ensures that no private entity provides food service in that institution and instead requires the institution utilize state employees to oversee meals and food service, to extent that the pilot program does not conflict with existing contracts.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Increased operational costs compared to contractual agreement.</div> | No provision. |

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| RDFCD2 | Public Library Fund allocations | | |
| R.C. | 131.51, Section 387.20 | R.C. 131.51 | R.C. 131.51 |
| Increases the Public Library Fund (PLF; Fund 7065) shares of monthly GRF tax revenue from 1.7% to 1.75%. | | Replaces the Executive provision with one under which the PLF receives, instead of a share of monthly GRF tax revenue, a monthly cash transfer from the GRF in an amount equal to 1/12 of the total PLF appropriation for the fiscal year. | Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: The Executive estimates additional transfers from the GRF to PLF of \$15 million in FY 2026 and \$16 million in FY 2027. Total appropriations are \$531,700,000 in FY 2026 and \$549,100,000 in FY 2027 in Fund 7065 ALI 110965, Public Library Fund. | | Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$490,000,000 in FY 2026 and \$500,000,000 to PLF ALI 110965, Public Library Fund. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. (For PLF transfers out, see LIBCD1, LIBCD2, LIBCD3, LIBCD4, and LIBCD7.) |
| RDFCD11 | Homestead exemptions: increase and expansion | | |
| No provision. | | No provision. | R.C. 323.152, 4503.065, Sections 387.10, 757.130 Increases the reduction amount of the standard property tax homestead exemption from \$28,000 to \$32,000 and of the enhanced homestead exemptions for disabled veterans and the surviving spouse of a public service officer killed in the line of duty from \$56,000 to \$59,000. |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Increases the income threshold to qualify for the standard homestead exemption from \$40,000 to \$42,500 for property taxes generally payable in calendar year 2026. |
| No provision. | | No provision. | Suspends the annual inflation adjustments TAX is required to make to the income threshold and reduction amounts for tax years 2025 and 2026 (or tax years 2026 and 2027 for manufactured home taxes). |

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| | | Fiscal effect: Increases GRF spending by \$18.1 million in FY 2026 and \$30.2 million in FY 2027. The bill increases appropriation item GRF ALI 110908, Property Tax Reimbursement – Local Government, by \$6,300,000 in FY 2026 and \$10,600,000 in FY 2027, and increases GRF ALI 200903, Property Tax Reimbursement – Education, by \$11,800,000 in FY 2026 and \$19,600,000 in FY 2027. |
| RDFCD10 Local government fund reductions for traffic cameras | | |
| | R.C. 5747.502 | R.C. 5747.502 |
| No provision. | <div>Terminates local government fund reductions for townships and counties that previously employed traffic cameras to issue citations.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Three townships would otherwise see their LGF amounts reduced in FY 2026 and years thereafter by roughly \$15 million, based on their traffic camera fines collected through FY 2025. Townships and counties were prohibited from employing traffic cameras under H.B. 54, the transportation budget of the 136th GA.</div> | <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |

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| SOSCD11 Elections statistics | | R.C. 111.12 Eliminates the requirement that the SOS compile and publish the Ohio election statistics and the official roster of federal, state, county, township, and municipal officers biennially. Fiscal effect: Reduces costs to the SOS by approximately \$200,000 over the biennium, paid from Fund 5990 ALI 050603, Business Services Operating Expenses. |
| SOSCD16 Board of Elections Fund | | R.C. 111.27 Renames the Board of Elections Reimbursement and Education Fund to Board of Elections Fund (Fund 5FG0) in the state treasury. Allows the SOS to provide advancements, subject to recoupment, to boards of elections using money from Fund 5FG0, in addition to providing reimbursements for specified costs, such as running statewide special elections, as well as training and educational programs for members and employees of boards of elections. Fiscal effect: Expands the uses of Fund 5FG0, which is supported by cash transfers authorized by the Controlling Board. |
| SOSCD14 State Board of Education and school district members nominated by primary election | | R.C. 3311.053, 3501.01, 3505.03, 3505.04, 3513.05, 3513.052, and 3513.19; 3513.254, 3513.255, 3513.256 and 3513.259 (repealed); Section 735.10 Requires candidates for (1) State Board of Education, (2) school district board of education, or (3) educational service center governing board to be nominated by primary election or, for an independent candidate, by nominating petition. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires candidates for those offices to appear on the general election ballot with a political party designation along with other partisan offices. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires these offices to be treated as partisan offices under the Election Law for all other purposes, such as filling vacancies on the ballot. Fiscal effect: Adds additional races to primary ballots in some cases, which may result in some additional costs for county boards of elections. Minimal increase in revenue for candidate filing fees. |
| SOSCD15 Election Integrity Unit | | |
| | | R.C. 3501.05, 3501.055 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Creates the Election Integrity Unit in the Office of the Secretary of State. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the Unit to investigate alleged violations of the Election Law upon receiving complaints from the public or on its own initiative. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows the Unit to administer oaths, issue subpoenas, summon witnesses, compel the production of evidence, and hold hearings. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the Unit to submit annual reports of its activities to the Governor and the General Assembly. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires prosecuting authorities, within one year of receiving a referral, to either prosecute the violation, request additional evidence from the Unit, or decline to prosecute via a written statement. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Permits the Unit to refer a case to the AGO if the prosecuting authority declines to prosecute the violation and send a written statement explaining why. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | If the prosecuting authority requests additional evidence from the Unit, requires the Unit to respond to the request within 90 days. | |
| No provision. | No provision. | If the Unit provides additional evidence, gives the prosecuting authority 180 days to prosecute or decline to prosecute via written statement; if the prosecuting authority does neither, permits the Unit to refer the case to the AGO. | |
| | | Fiscal effect: Minimal. | |
| SOSCD12 Campaign spending by foreign nationals | | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 3517.121 Allows a person who is not a U.S. citizen or national, but is a lawful permanent U.S. resident (green card holder), to make campaign contributions, expenditures, and independent expenditures for state and local candidates, but not ballot issues. | |
| SOSCD3 Board of Voting Systems Examiners | | | |
| Section: 395.20 | Section: 395.20 | Section: 395.20 | |
| Requires Fund 4S80 ALI 050610, Board of Voting Machine Examiners, to be used for the services and expenses of the members of the Board of Voting Machine Examiners and for other expenses that are authorized to be paid from Fund 4S80. Requires that unused money be returned to the person or entity submitting equipment for examination. Permits the SOS to request that the OBM Director approve additional expenditures if necessary, and appropriates the additional amounts approved. | Same as the Executive. | Same as the Executive, but corrects references to the previously named Board of Voting Machine Examiners to reflect its current name, the Board of Voting Systems Examiners. | |

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| <u>Personal Income Tax</u> | | | | |
| TAXCD77 | Film and theater production and capital improvement tax credits | | | |
| | R.C. | 122.85, , 122.852 (repealed), 5726.59 (repealed), 5726.98, 5747.67 (repealed), 5747.98, 5751.55 (repealed), and 5751.98 | R.C. | 122.85, , 122.852 (repealed), 5726.59 (repealed), 5726.98, 5747.67 (repealed), 5747.98, 5751.55 (repealed), and 5751.98, Section 757.140 |
| No provision. | | Increases the amount of film and Broadway theater production tax credits that DEV may award from \$50 million to \$75 million per fiscal year. | | No provision. |
| No provision. | | Repeals the film and theater capital improvement tax credit, which currently has a \$25 million per fiscal year maximum with an option to transfer allowed amounts for award as film and theater production tax credits. | | Same as the House, but allows film and theater capital improvement tax credits awarded prior to the bill's effective date to be claimed in the same manner as under current law. |
| No provision. | | No provision. | | Allows companies that "present" a Broadway theatrical production to qualify for the state's film and theater production tax credit. (Currently, the credit is only allowed for "production" companies.) |
| No provision. | | No provision. | | Allows an investment intent letter to be used as documentation that shows an applicant for the film and theater production tax credit has secured funding equal to at least 50% of its total production budget. |
| No provision. | | No provision. | | Prohibits the award of the film and theater production tax credit after FY 2027 unless specifically authorized by an act of the General Assembly. |
| | | Fiscal effect: Likely revenue neutral. | | Fiscal effect: The repeal of the film and theater capital improvement tax credit will likely increase GRF tax revenue plausibly beginning in FY 2027 |

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| TAXCD102 Small business investment credit | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div><div>R.C.122.86</div><div>Establishes November 3, 2025, as the last date for investments to qualify for the small business investment tax credit but retains the 60-day application period for the small business investment tax credit, which essentially sunsets the award of new credits on January 2, 2026.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Potential increase in tax revenue beginning in FY 2028, as no new small business investment ("InvestOhio") tax credits would be awarded for investments made after November 3, 2025, and accounting for the two-year holding period required to claim the credit.</div></div> |
| TAXCD100 Income tax: homeownership savings account funds | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div><div>R.C.135.70, 5747.01, Section 801.330</div><div>Modifies the eligible costs that the proceeds of a homeownership savings account can be spent on by requiring that any transfer of funds between accounts at different financial institutions be made between accounts owned by the same person, and by allowing an account owner to withdraw funds if they are later redeposited into the same or another homeownership savings account of the owner within 90 days.</div><div>Limits the amount an account owner is required to add back on the owner's state income tax return for amounts spent for ineligible expenses to only the extent of the amount the owner previously deducted plus amounts deposited by other contributors to the account. Applies this provision retrospectively back to taxable year 2024 and temporarily allows the filing of amended returns to claim any refunds.</div></div> |
| No provision. | No provision. | |

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| | | Fiscal effect: Potentially reduces state income tax revenue by limiting add-backs on non-qualified withdrawals and allowing amended returns for tax year 2024 onward. | |
| TAXCD84 | Historic rehabilitation tax credit | | |
| | R.C. 149.311 | R.C. 149.311 | |
| No provision. | Prohibits DEV from using building vacancy or underutilization as part of the criteria for awarding historic rehabilitation tax credits. Increases the percentage of rehabilitation costs a certificate owner may claim as a credit from 25% to 35% for a project that is not located in a municipality with a population of at least 300,000. | Same as the House. | |
| | Fiscal effect: Potentially decreases insurance tax, financial institution tax, and income tax receipts, depending on the additional amount of credits issued. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. | |
| TAXCD105 | Tax withholding: gambling winnings | | |
| | | R.C. 3770.075, 5747.063 | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates a requirement that a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor give the Tax Commissioner a copy of each patron's IRS Form W-2G regarding gambling winnings. | |
| | | Fiscal effect: None. | |
| TAXCD80 | Pregnancy resource center donations | | |
| | R.C. 5747.01, Section 801.20 | | |
| No provision. | Authorizes a personal income tax deduction for contributions, up to \$750 per year, to a pregnancy resource center that meets certain criteria. | No provision. | |
| | Fiscal effect: Decreases PIT receipts by approximately \$900,000 annually beginning in FY 2026. | | |

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| TAXCD83 Educator expenses tax deduction | | |
| No provision. | <div><div>R.C. 5747.01, Section 801.20</div><div>Increases the maximum amount, from \$250 to \$300 per tax year, a qualifying Ohio educator may deduct from their state income for certain expenses relating to professional development courses aligned with the curriculum in which the educator provides instruction, or the books, supplies, computer equipment, or supplemental materials used by the eligible educator in the classroom.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Decreases income tax receipts by roughly \$55,000 per year beginning in FY 2026.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C. 5747.01, Section 801.20</div><div>Same as the House.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div></div> |
| TAXCD101 Income tax exemption and commercial activity tax exclusion for pre-1972 trusts | | |
| No provision. | <div><div>No provision.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C. 5747.01, 5751.01, Section 801.250</div><div>Eliminates a provision that allowed certain trusts created before 1972 to elect whether to be subject to income tax or commercial activity tax (CAT). Instead, starting in 2026, subjects such trusts to income tax and excludes them from the CAT.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Potential increase in GRF tax revenue of \$7.7 million in FY 2027, as certain trusts previously subject to the commercial activity tax would instead be subject to the personal income tax.</div></div> |

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| TAXCD121 Income tax deduction: military pay | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div><div>R.C.5747.01, 801.20</div><div>In statute that authorizes the state personal income deduction for military pay and allowances received during active duty, replaces the specific listing of different branches of military services with a general term of “uniformed services.”</div><div>Fiscal effect: The exemption will reduce state income tax receipts on behalf of the military pay and allowances received for active duty service in any military service branch added in the future, as well as the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the Public Health Service.</div></div> |
| TAXCD103 State income tax: rate reduction, joint filer credit and personal exemption, withholding adjustments | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div><div>R.C.5747.02, 5747.025, 5747.05, Section 757.120</div><div>Phases down the state income tax to a flat rate of 2.75% over two years. For tax year 2025, reduces the top bracket rate (income over \$100,000) from 3.5% to 3.125%, while retaining the 2.75% rate for income between \$26,050 and \$100,000. For tax year 2026, further reduces the top bracket rate so that a flat 2.75% rate applies to all income over \$26,050.</div></div> |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div><div></div><div>Reduces the tax due on all taxpayers' first \$26,050 of income by \$18.69 for taxpayers with an income of \$26,051 to \$100,000 in 2025. In 2026, further reduces the amount due by \$10 for taxpayers with an income of \$26,051 to \$100,000 and by \$28.69 for taxpayers with an income of more than \$100,000, which effectively creates a single tax bracket of \$332 plus 2.75% of income above \$26,050.</div></div> |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div><div></div><div>Suspends the inflation indexing of both the income tax brackets and of personal exemption amounts in tax year 2025 and 2026.</div></div> |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Limits eligibility, in 2025, for both the joint filer income tax credit and personal, spousal, and dependent exemptions to taxpayers with a modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) of \$750,000 or less. In 2026, further reduces eligibility to taxpayers with a MAGI of \$500,000 or less. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires TAX to adjust employer withholding tables as a result of the income tax rate changes, but limit its adjustment such that no more than \$100 million of GRF revenue is forgone in FY 2026 and no more than \$215 million is forgone in FY 2027. Fiscal effect: Revenue losses of about \$529 million in FY 2026 and \$1,146 million in FY 2027, of which \$100 million in FY 2026 and \$215 million in FY 2027 is attributable to reductions in withholding tables. Of the total revenue loss, the GRF would bear 96.6% under current law, with the remaining revenue loss split equally between the Local Government Fund (LGF) and the Public Library Fund (PLF). |
| TAXCD61 Refundable income tax credit for dependents under age 7 | | |
| R.C. 5747.051, 5747.08, 5747.98, Section 801.30 | | |
| Authorizes, beginning in TY 2025, a refundable income tax credit of up to \$1,000 for each of a taxpayer's dependents aged 6 or under for taxpayers with a modified Ohio adjusted gross income (MAGI) of at least \$2,500, but no more than \$94,000 for spouses filing jointly, \$56,500 for spouses filing separately, and \$69,000 for all other taxpayers. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Establishes a credit phase-out income threshold of \$75,000 for spouses filing jointly, \$37,500 for spouses filing separately, and \$50,000 for all other taxpayers. | No provision. | No provision. |

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| Calculates an eligible taxpayer’s credit as follows: (1) For taxpayers below the phase-out threshold: the lesser of \$1,000 or 5% x (the taxpayer’s MAGI – \$2,500) and (2) For taxpayers above the phase-out threshold: \$1,000 – 5% of (the taxpayer’s MAGI, rounded up to the nearest \$1,000 – the phase-out threshold). Fiscal effect: The executive budget proposal estimates the GRF tax revenue loss from this provision at \$450.0 million in FY 2026 and \$440.0 million in FY 2027. | No provision. | No provision. |
| TAXCD42 Income tax: withholding of gambling winnings R.C. 5747.062, 5747.063, 5747.064, Section 801.120 Reduces the withholding rate on lottery, video lottery, sports gaming, and casino winnings income from 4% to 3.5%. Fiscal effect: No direct fiscal effect because the taxpayer's liability is unchanged. The reduction from 4% to 3.5% keeps pace with reductions to Ohio's top marginal income tax rate. | R.C. 5747.062, 5747.063, 5747.064, Section 801.120 Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | R.C. 5747.062, 5747.063, 5747.064, Section 801.120 Same as the Executive except the withholding rate is 3.125% for the remainder of 2025 and 2.75% in future years. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| TAXCD44 Income tax withholding from retirement benefits R.C. 5747.071, Section 801.130 Authorizes retirement systems and plans to withhold school district income taxes and non-state retirement plans to withhold income taxes from a retiree's benefits. Fiscal effect: None. | R.C. 5747.071, Section 801.130 Same as the Executive. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | R.C. 5747.071, Section 801.130 Same as the Executive, but changes the application date from January 1, 2026, to January 1, 2027 and limits the Tax Commissioner's rulemaking authority to retirement plans. Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |

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| TAXCD86 Education tax credits | | |
| | R.C. 5747.08, 5747.72, 5747.75 (repealed), 5747.98; Section 820.80 | |
| No provision. | Increases the home school expense tax credit by changing the maximum amount of educational expenses the credit can cover, from \$250 per return to \$250 per qualifying student. Disallows the credit from being claimed on the basis of expenses paid from an educational savings account (ESA). | No provision. |
| No provision. | Repeals a personal income tax credit for tuition paid to a nonchartered nonpublic school, beginning in 2026 (the bill creates educational savings accounts for students attending a nonchartered nonpublic school; see EDUCD118). Fiscal effect: The combined fiscal effect of modifying the home school expense credit and repealing the tax credit for tuition paid to a nonchartered, nonpublic school is an annual revenue loss of roughly \$0.7 million beginning in FY 2026. | No provision. |
| TAXCD53 Penalty and interest for estimated tax underpayments | | |
| R.C. 5747.09, 5747.43, Section 801.40 | R.C. 5747.09, 5747.43, Section 801.40 | R.C. 5747.09, 5747.43, Section 801.40 |
| Allows the tax commissioner to abate (refund or forgive) penalties and interest charged for failure to pay sufficient estimated state, school district, or certain pass-through entity income taxes. | Same as the Executive, but clarifies that an income, school district income, or pass-through entity composite tax penalty is imposed at the Tax Commissioner's discretion. | Same as the House. |
| Fiscal effect: May reduce payments for penalty and interest charges collected by TAX, at the discretion of the commissioner, potentially decreasing state revenue by up to \$4 million or more per year. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |

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TAXCD112 Income tax refund garnishment for private judgment debts

No provision.

No provision.

R.C. 5747.124

Requires TAX to apply income tax refunds to debts arising from civil lawsuits if the person owed files an order of garnishment of property, other than personal earnings with TAX. Excludes government entities from the definition of "judgment creditor" and clarifies the priority of debts to the government over debts to private judgment creditors.

No provision.

No provision.

Requires TAX to charge a fee of \$15 to each creditor seeking application of a person's tax refund to the debt they owe.

Fiscal effect: Fees imposed on the creditor may be sufficient to pay for any increase in TAX's administrative costs associated with the requirements.

TAXCD74 Pass-through entity taxation

No provision.

R.C. 5747.38, 5747.39; Sections 757.60 and 801.180

Allows pass-through entities that pay an elective tax designed to circumvent the federal cap on credits for state and local taxes (SALT) paid and a combined tax paid on behalf of multiple investors to claim certain refundable credits available to the entities' owners when calculating the elective tax due.

R.C. 5747.38, 5747.39; Sections 757.60 and 801.180

Same as the House.

No provision.

Changes the calculation of tax credits allowed to an investor in a pass-through entity that pays the elective SALT limit work around tax or that files a composite return for its investors from the investor's proportionate share of the tax paid by the entity to the lesser of that amount or the proportionate share of the tax actually due, and states that this modification only clarifies the law and does not change it.

Same as the House.

Fiscal effect: None.

Fiscal effect: Same as the House.

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| TAXCD109 Income tax campaign contribution credit | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 5747.98, 5747.29 (repealed)</div> <div>Repeals, effective January 1, 2026, the income tax credit of up to \$50 (or \$100 for joint filers) for contributions to certain state political candidates.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Potential increase in GRF tax revenue of \$1.6 million in FY 2027.</div> |
| <u>Sales and Use Taxes</u> | | |
| TAXCD117 Sales and use tax: data center exemption | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 122.175</div> <div>Disallows, beginning October 1, 2025, the Tax Credit Authority from entering into an agreement to award a sales and use tax exemption to a computer data center for sales of certain tangible personal property used in the center.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Potential increase in GRF tax revenue of up to \$20 million in FY 2027; however, the actual increase may be lower if additional exemptions are approved before the October 1, 2025, as companies may accelerate applications to qualify under current law.</div> |
| TAXCD115 Port authority agreements to provide sales tax exemptions | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 4582.61, 4582.72, 5739.02</div> <div>Prohibits port authorities from entering into agreements for non-public entities that allow the private party to benefit from the sales tax exemption on construction materials without first obtaining county commissioner approval, if the project is located outside the port authority's territorial jurisdiction.</div> |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Excludes construction contracts between port authorities and private entities from the sales tax exemption for construction materials purchased for government buildings if the required approval has not been obtained. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits a port authority from entering into a capital leaseback agreement for a project located outside the port authority' territorial jurisdiction without approval from the board of county commissioners in which the applicable property is located or, if the applicable property is located in more than one county, from each board of county commissioners of each county in which the development is located. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Defines "capital leaseback agreement" to mean the sale or transfer of property by a port authority to another person contemporaneously followed by the leasing of the property to the port authority. Fiscal effect: Potential increase in state and local sales tax revenue by limiting exemptions for construction materials to projects approved by county commissioners. |
| TAXCD114 Sales tax exemptions | | R.C. 5739.01, 5739.011, 5739.02, 5739.03; and Section 801.260, 801.270 |
| No provision. | No provision. | (1) Repeals, beginning January 1, 2026, the sales and use tax exemption for sales of newspapers. |
| No provision. | No provision. | (2) Repeals, beginning January 1, 2026, the sales and use tax exemption for rental payments for motor vehicles provided to the owner or lessee of a motor vehicle that is being repaired or serviced, where the payments are reimbursed by the service provider. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | (3) Repeals, beginning January 1, 2026, the sales and use tax exemption for the transfer of all copyrighted motion picture films, including those transferred for use solely for advertising. | |
| No provision. | No provision. | (4) Repeals, beginning January 1, 2026, the sales and use tax exemption for the following: (1) Sales of refrigerated food vending machines. (2) Sales of advertising material or catalogs that price and describe property offered for retail sale. (3) Purchases by direct marketing vendors of items that are used in printing advertising material and equipment primarily used to accept orders. | |
| No provision. | No provision. | (5) Repeals, beginning January 1, 2026, the sales and use tax exemption for sales of machinery, equipment, and material used in the production for sale of printed material. | |
| No provision. | No provision. | (6) Eliminates, beginning January 1, 2026, a sales tax exemption for sales of digital audio on juke boxes and similar devices in commercial establishments. | |
| No provision. | No provision. | (7) Repeals, beginning January 1, 2026, a sales and use tax exemption for the sales of telecommunications services that are used directly and primarily to perform the functions of a qualified call center. | |
| No provision. | No provision. | (8) Repeals, beginning January 1, 2026, the sales and use tax exemption for tangible personal property used in acquiring, formatting, editing, storing, and disseminating data or information by electronic publishing. | |
| No provision. | No provision. | (9) Repeals, beginning January 1, 2026, the 25% refund of sales and use taxes provided to providers of electronic information services. | |
| | | Fiscal effect: Potential increase in GRF revenue by roughly \$100 million in FY 2026 and \$210 million in FY 2027. | |

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| TAXCD122 Sales tax: casual sale definition | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 5739.01, Section 801.270</div> <div>Clarifies the definition of casual sale for sales tax in the following ways: (1) explicitly includes both in-person and online sales; and (2) only excludes sales by an auctioneer made at the auctioneers' physical permanent place of business, not sales made online. (Current law authorizes a sales and use tax exemption for certain items sold at a casual sale, which is, in general, a sale of used items sold by either the user or an auctioneer.)</div> |
| TAXCD12 Sales tax on nonresident purchases of watercraft | | |
| <div>R.C. 5739.027</div> <div>Requires that, when a nonresident purchases a watercraft or outboard motor in Ohio and intends to remove the property out of state, the sales tax due on the transaction equals 6%.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Undetermined decrease in tax revenue from the state and permissive (local) sales and use tax. Currently, the purchaser pays the lesser of the tax due (a) in the county of purchase or (b) in the location to which the property will be removed.</div> | No provision. | No provision. |
| TAXCD113 Sales and use tax: vendor discount cap | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 5739.12, Section 801.240</div> <div>Beginning January 1, 2026, caps the prompt payment sales and use tax vendor discount at \$750 per vendor's license per month covered by the return. Exempts remittances from the sale of motor vehicles from the cap; the discount for such sales still equals 0.75% of the amount due on the return.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Potential increase in GRF tax revenue by about \$10 million in FY 2026 and \$20 million in FY 2027.</div> |

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| TAXCD75 County sales tax refunds | | |
| | R.C. 5739.132, Section 801.170 | R.C. 5739.132, Section 801.170 |
| No provision. | Eliminates interest on refunds of county sales and use tax on and after the bill's 90-day effective date, but continues to allow interest for refunds of state and transit authority taxes. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Potential minimal revenue gains for county sales and use tax. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| TAXCD16 Sales and use tax: criminal penalties | | |
| R.C. 5739.99 | | |
| Modifies sales and use tax criminal fraud and licensure offenses and penalties by classifying offenses to the closest classified misdemeanors based on their current penalties and applying more severe charges against repeat offenders. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential increase in revenue from penalties. May also deter tax evasion by repeat offenders. | | |
| Commercial Activity Tax | | |
| TAXCD24 CAT credit for net operating losses | | |
| R.C. 5751.53, 5751.98 | | R.C. 5751.53, 5751.98 |
| Converts a commercial activity tax (CAT) credit for certain net operating losses accrued under the defunct corporation franchise tax from a refundable to a nonrefundable credit after calendar year 2029. | No provision. | Same as the Executive. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential short-term revenue gain after 2029 by preventing up to an estimated \$200 million in refundable credits from being issued in 2030. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. |
| Cigarette Taxes | | |

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| TAXCD29 Cigarette and tobacco products tax increase | | |
| R.C. 5743.01, 5743.02, 5743.025, 5743.05, 5743.32, 5743.51, 5743.62, 5743.63, Section 801.80 | | |
| Increases the state cigarette tax from \$1.60 to \$3.10 per pack, the state tax on other tobacco products from 17% to 42% of the wholesale price (with the rate for little cigars rising from 37% to 42%), and the maximum tax on premium cigars from 64 cents to \$1.58 per cigar, beginning October 1, 2025. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Increases the tax rate on nicotine-based vapor products, from 10 cents to 20 cents per milliliter (liquid) or gram (non-liquid) of product, beginning October 1, 2025. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Modifies the tax discount that cigarette dealers receive as a commission for affixing tax stamps to cigarette packs, from 1.8% of the stamps' face value to 3 cents per stamp. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: According to the executive proposal, the net effect of the policies is to increase GRF revenue by \$434 million in FY 2026 and \$463 million in FY 2027. | | |
| TAXCD79 County arts cigarette tax | | |
| | R.C. 5743.021 | R.C. 5743.021 |
| No provision. | Expands the authority to levy a county cigarette tax for the benefit of an arts and cultural district to Summit County. | Same as the House, but expands the authority to levy a county cigarette tax for the benefit of an arts and cultural district to Hamilton County. |
| | Fiscal effect: The net fiscal effect will depend on the tax rate levied by the county commissioners. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| TAXCD28 | Tobacco products and vapor tax: prompt-payment discount | | |
| | R.C. 5743.52, 5743.62, Section 801.140 | | |
| | Discontinues, beginning in 2026, the discount of 2.5% of the amount of tax due provided to distributors of tobacco products or vapor products who timely file and pay their excise tax. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Revenue gains to the GRF of approximately \$1.5 million in FY 2026, and \$3.0 million annually starting in FY 2027. | | | |
| TAXCD17 | Cigarette, tobacco, and vapor tax: criminal penalties | | |
| | R.C. 5743.99 | | |
| | Increases the penalty for a repeat violation of engaging in cigarette, tobacco product, or vapor product commerce without holding a TAX license, from a fourth degree to third degree misdemeanor. | No provision. | No provision. |
| Fiscal effect: Potential increase in revenue from penalties. | | | |
| Other Taxation Provisions | | | |
| TAXCD120 | County sin taxes | | |
| | | | R.C. 9.681, 307.673, 307.696, 307.697, 3381.17, 4301.421, 5743.024, 5743.323, 5743.511, 5743.52, 5743.521, 5743.54, 5743.55, 5743.56, 5743.57, 5743.59, 5743.60, 5743.62, 5743.621 5743.63, 5743.631, and 5743.64; Section 801.320 |
| | No provision. | No provision. | Authorizes Cuyahoga County to expand its existing liquor, alcohol, and cigarette taxes, and levy a new tax on vapor and other tobacco products, to finance sports facilities, subject to voter approval of the tax expansion. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Increases or sets the rate limit on each tax as follows: (1) 32 cents per gallon for beer (up from 16 cents); (2) 48 cents per gallon for cider (up from 24 cents); (3) 64 cents per gallon for wine and mixed beverages (up from 32 cents); (4) \$6 per gallon of liquor (up from \$3); (5) 9 cents per pack of cigarettes (up from 4.5 cents); (6) 0.85% for other tobacco products; (7) 1.85% for little cigars; and (8) 0.05 cents per 1/10 of a gram or milliliter for vapor products. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the newly authorized taxes to be equally divided among the major league sports facilities existing in the county during the period that the taxes are levied. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows the newly authorized taxes to cover more than 50% of the total costs of a sports facility and to contribute to the project for more than 20 years, unlike existing alcohol and tobacco taxes upon which those limitations are imposed. Fiscal effect: If approved by voters, Cuyahoga county would be able generate additional tax revenue to finance sports facilities. |
| TAXCD87 Transformational mixed use development tax credits | | |
| | R.C. 122.09 | R.C. 122.09 |
| No provision. | Removes the June 30, 2025 sunset date for the transformational mixed use development (TMUD) tax credit program, and continues to allow the award of up to \$100 million in credits per fiscal year in FY 2026 and years thereafter. | Replaces the House version with one that increases the annual cap for TMUD tax credit awards from \$100 million to \$150 million, beginning in FY 2026. Prohibits the award of the credit after FY 2027 unless specifically authorized by an act of the General Assembly. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Transfers responsibility for reviewing and approving TMUD applications from the Ohio Tax Credit Authority to DEV. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows the amount of previously awarded TMUD tax credits subsequently rescinded to be available for award again in the fiscal year following rescission. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Increases the reserved amount of credits for TMUD projects located more than 10 miles from a major city from \$20 million, as under current law, to \$50 million plus one-third of any tax credits previously awarded but rescinded in the prior fiscal year. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Increases the maximum amount of credits for TMUD projects within 10 miles of a major city each fiscal year from \$80 million, as under current law, to \$100 million plus two-thirds of any tax credits previously awarded but rescinded in the prior fiscal year and any amount reserved but not awarded for projects located more than ten miles from a major city. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Reduces the maximum amount of tax credit that can be awarded for a single project from \$40 million to \$20 million. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Expands costs eligible to be considered when determining credit amounts to include due diligence costs and construction hard and soft costs paid in connection with the project, and architectural and engineering fees and due diligence costs incurred before the project is certified by DEV. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the option for a portion of a project completed in phases to be considered transformational mixed use project so long as all phases together meet the definitional requirements. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Replaces the current considerations for ranking applications which look to return on investment, considered according to projected tax collections against tax credits, economic impact, impact on physical features, and project timelines. The modified ranking system utilizes a point scale based on physical scope of projects, distribution of uses across projects, government approvals, local support, committed financing, lease or purchase commitments from end users, walkability, retail and restaurant sales to be generated, payroll to be generated, and taxes to be generated. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the economic analysis completed for application ranking and credit calculation to exclude previously completed and future phases of a development and exclude consideration of any impact on the surrounding area. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows persons with contracts to purchase project sites conditioned on the provisional award of a TMUD tax credit to apply for the award as if they owned the property. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Changes the mix and number of uses required in the definition of "transformational mixed use development" from some combination of retail, office, residential, recreation, structured parking and other similar uses to at least two uses from office, residential, hotel and hospitality, recreation, and retail, which may include restaurants. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Disqualifies a party from being considered to have contributed capital to a TMUD project without receiving anything in return. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Increases projected payroll, which may be used as an alternative to a building size requirement for projects seeking TMUD credits within 10 miles of major cities, from \$4 million to \$5 million. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Makes several changes to required application materials for TMUD certification by: (1) Modifying the plans and drawings expected in a TMUD certification application; (2) Requiring proposed project budgets, which are already required to be submitted with applications, to include an estimate of hard costs and to be organized by line item; (3) Requiring viable financial plans showing at least 51% committed funding and a strategy for obtaining any remaining funding as a new application requirement; (4) Requiring projected economic impact assessments, which are already required with applications, to project the "direct" economic impact and be prepared by an economic impact consultant with experience performing economic impact studies in Ohio and reviewed by an independent third party reviewer retained by DEV; and (5) Adding a standard to evaluate currently required evidence that a project will not be completed without the award of tax credits. Specifically, establishing that if any portion of the applicant's project has already closed on construction financing or commenced construction, excluding brownfield remediation and demolition, the applicant cannot demonstrate that the project will not be completed and is ineligible for a credit. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits a TMUD tax credit from being awarded in an amount greater than that applied for as a result of certification of actual development costs. Under continuing law, a credit amount may be reduced after cost certification. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Reduces the number of credit calculation methods to one, which results in a credit for property owners that is the lesser of the amount preliminarily approved or 10% of actual eligible expenditures. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Changes the credit amount calculation method by excluding any consideration or calculation of the project's impact beyond the project site. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the ability of an insurance company that contributes capital to a project to apply for a transformational mixed use development (TMUD) tax credit. As a result, only the property owner may apply. (Current law sets the credit amount for insurance companies that contribute capital to 10% of the capital contributions.) |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Makes several changes to the law regarding the initial issuance, sale, or transfer of TMUD credits: (1) Eliminates a requirement that credits be sold to raise capital for a project, allowing them to be sold for any purpose; (2) Allows credits to be sold by insurance companies that invest in a TMUD, as opposed to current law which only allows TMUD property owners to sell credits; (3) Allows credits to be sold more than once; (4) Eliminates a requirement that the appropriate state agency be notified when the right to claim credits is transferred or sold; (5) Expands, for credits approved after the effective date, the taxes TMUD tax credits may be claimed against to include the financial institutions tax and the income tax and eliminates a requirement that only insurance companies may claim TMUD tax credits. Credits approved before that date can still only be claimed against taxes on foreign and domestic insurance companies; (6) Allows applications for certification as a transformational mixed use development project to identify financial institutions and other persons, apart from property owners and insurance companies, that should be awarded tax credit certificates and allows a subsequent direct award to those persons; (7) Generally gives tax credit certificate holders an additional year within which to begin claiming the credits; and (8) Requires DEV to certify information about issued TMUD tax credit certificates to the Tax Commissioner, currently information is certified only to INS. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Excludes projects located in a municipal corporation with a population of between 15,000 and 20,000 and that contains or is located within 2,000 feet of a NASA research facility and an airport with at least two runways that are each at least 9,000 feet from eligibility for the transformational mixed use development tax credit. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Excludes expenditures made before certification as a TMUD credit eligible project from being considered eligible expenditures upon which a tax credit may be calculated. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Excludes any economic impact existing before certification of a project as TMUD tax credit eligible from inclusion in the required projection of increased economic impact. |
| | Fiscal effect: The provision reduces domestic and foreign insurance tax revenues up to \$100 million per year, depending on the amount of TMUD tax credits awarded after FY 2025. The credit is nonrefundable and transferable. The Ohio Tax Credit Authority (TCA) only issues a tax credit certificate after completion of a certified TMUD project. Construction must begin within 12 months of the date a project is certified by the TCA. Previously, the TCA approved the \$100 million in tax credits in the middle of a fiscal year, and the construction timeline for most mixed-use development projects was generally more than one year. If these patterns continue for prospective projects, it is plausible that the associated state tax revenue losses would not begin until FY 2028. | Fiscal effect: The provision reduces future domestic and foreign insurance tax revenues up to \$300 million total, depending on the amount of TMUD tax credits awarded in FY 2026 and FY 2027. It is plausible that the associated state tax revenue losses would not begin until FY 2028. |
| TAXCD118 Opportunity zone investment tax credit | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 122.84, 5725.38, 5726.61, 5729.21, and 5747.86 Increases the amount of such credits DEV may award in FY 2026 and 2027, from \$25 million to \$50 million per fiscal year. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires excess funds from the first year of the fiscal biennium to be carried forward to the second year. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows credits issued in the July application round each year to be claimed for the preceding year with the filing of an amended return or an original return. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Shortens the application period for the credit, from 22 days to seven days. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Limits the total amount that can be issued for a single project to \$5 million. Defines an "investment," for purposes of the tax credit, as money from any source other than grant funds that is invested to improve property located in an Ohio opportunity zone with the expectation of receiving a profit. | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits the award of the credit after FY 2027 unless specifically authorized by an act of the General Assembly. Fiscal effect: Decreases state tax revenues by \$25 million per year during the FY 2026-FY 2027 biennium. | |
| TAXCD51 Increase historic building rehabilitation tax credit cap | | | |
| R.C. 149.311 | R.C. 149.311 | R.C. 149.311 | |
| Permanently increases the annual cap on the Ohio historic building preservation tax credit from \$60 million to \$120 million per fiscal year. | Same as the Executive, but decreases annual cap from \$120 to \$90 million. | No provision. | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits the award of the credit after FY 2027 unless specifically authorized by an act of the General Assembly. | |
| Fiscal effect: Additional state revenue losses depend on the amount of historic building preservation tax credits awarded. Previously, the cap was temporarily increased by the same amount for FY 2023 and FY 2024. | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive except annual tax loss limited to \$90 million. | Fiscal effect: Plausibly beginning in FY 2029, increases state tax revenues by up to \$60 million per year after the credit award authorization sunsets at the end of FY 2027. | |
| TAXCD52 Tax credit for historic owner-occupied property rehabilitation | | | |
| R.C. 149.311, 149.312, 5747.08, 5747.761, 5747.98 | | | |
| Authorizes a refundable income tax credit, up to \$120,000 per project, to reimburse 25% of qualified expenditures incurred by an owner-occupant to rehabilitate historic residential property. Caps the amount of credits that may be awarded in a fiscal year to \$10 million. | No provision. | No provision. | |
| Fiscal effect: Reduction in tax liability up to \$10 million per year. | | | |

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| TAXCD73 Municipal income tax military pay exemption | R.C. 718.01, Section 801.190 | R.C. 718.01, Section 801.190 |
| No provision. | Clarifies that pay to members of the United States Space Force may be deducted from municipal income tax as part of an existing deduction for military pay. Fiscal effect: Potential statewide municipal income tax revenue loss of roughly \$388,000 per year, if such pay is not currently deducted. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| TAXCD119 Municipal net profit tax: extended due date | | R.C. 718.05, 718.85 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows a taxpayer with an unextended federal income tax return due date, that falls after the regular municipal income tax due date of the fifteenth day of the fourth month following the end of the taxpayer's taxable year, to file on or before the later federal income tax return due date applies to returns required to be filed on or after January 1, 2026. Fiscal effect: Potential minimal loss to municipalities. |
| TAXCD72 Municipal income tax: refund and assessment periods | R.C. 718.12, 718.19, 718.90, and 718.91 | R.C. 718.12, 718.19, 718.90, and 718.91 |
| No provision. | Allows a taxpayer who received a valid extension of the tax return due date to file a municipal income tax refund claim within three years after that extended due date. | Same as the House, but uniformly applies the provision to within three years after (i) the date of the overpayment or (ii) the date the return was due, including any valid extension, whichever is later. Specifies that the later due date is for the return to which the overpayment relates. |
| No provision. | Applies the same date commencement to the three-year deadline for tax administrators or the Tax Commissioner to make municipal income tax assessments. Fiscal effect: Potential minimal loss to municipalities. Current law requires such a filing within three years of the date the tax was originally due or paid, whichever is later. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| TAXCD111 Income tax check-off: pet spaying and neutering | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 955.201, 955.202 and 5747.113</div> <div>Authorizes an income tax refund designation ("check-off") to assist low-income individuals in spaying and neutering their pets.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: May increase revenue to be used for assisting low-income individuals in spaying and neutering their pets.</div> |
| TAXCD71 Replacement tire fee: eliminate 4% discount | | |
| <div>R.C. 3734.904, Section 801.110</div> <div>Effective January 1, 2026, eliminates the 4% discount for wholesale distributors of replacement tires or retail dealers who timely file and pay the replacement tire fee administered by TAX.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Increases fee revenue to the Scrap Tire Management Fund (Fund 4R50) used by EPA and the Soil and Water Conservation District Assistance Fund (Fund 5BV0) used by AGR.</div> | <div>R.C. 3734.904, Section 801.110</div> <div>Same as the Executive.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |
| TAXCD20 Adult use marijuana excise tax: rate and distribution | | |
| <div>R.C. 3780.02, 3780.03, 3780.10, 3780.18 (repealed), 3780.19 (repealed), 3780.22, 3780.23, 3780.25, 3780.26, 3780.30, Section 801.60</div> <div>Increases the rate of the excise tax on adult use marijuana, beginning on July 1, 2025, from 10% to 20%.</div> <div>Imposes a 20% excise tax on the illegal sale of marijuana by an unlicensed seller.</div> | <div>R.C. 3780.02, 3780.03, 3780.10, 3780.18 (repealed), 3780.19 (repealed), 3780.22, 3780.23 (repealed), 3780.25, 3780.26, 3780.30, Section 801.60</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>Same as the Executive, but lowers the rate to 10%.</div> | <div>R.C. 3780.02, 3780.03, 3780.10, 3780.18 (repealed), 3780.19 (repealed), 3780.22, 3780.23 (repealed), 3780.25, 3780.26, 3780.30, Sections 387.20, 509.10, and 801.60</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> |

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| Repeals current law’s tax revenue distributions (36% to the state Cannabis Social Equity and Jobs Fund, 36% to the Host Community Cannabis Fund, 25% to the state Substance Abuse and Addiction Fund, and 3% to COM and TAX for administration purposes) and reallocates revenue from the tax to substance abuse prevention, treatment, and recovery programs, the 9-8-8 suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline, county jail grant programs, training of peace officers and troopers, construction and renovation of such training facilities, local drug task forces, safe driver programs, Ohio investigative unit operations, Ohio poison control programs and laboratory testing, and temporarily to the AGO for administering requests for expungements. Limits some allocations for these purposes and directs any remaining receipts to the GRF. | Same as the Executive on repealing current law’s tax revenue distributions, but reallocates revenues from the tax all to the GRF except distributing 20% of tax revenue, for five years, to the Host Community Cannabis Fund to be distributed to municipalities and townships that have at least one adult-use dispensary or a location for which a provisional dispensary license is issued before July 1, 2025. | Same as the House. |
| Repeals the authority of a municipal corporation or township to prohibit or limit the number of adult use cannabis cultivators, processors, or dispensaries within the municipal corporation or township's territory. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires Fund 7106 ALI 110659, Host Community Cannabis Payments, to be used to make payments to municipal corporations and townships under (E) (1) of R.C. 3780.22. Transfers \$20,000,000 cash from the Adult Use Tax Fund (Fund QG18) to the Host Community Cannabis Fund (Fund 7106) on July 1, 2025. Transfers the remaining cash balance of Fund QG18 at the end of FY 2025 from Fund QG18 to the GRF. |
| Fiscal effect: The Executive estimates an increase of \$86.8 million in FY 2026 and \$175.7 million in FY 2027 in adult use marijuana tax revenue. | Fiscal effect: Approximately \$95.6 million in FY 2026 and \$156.2 million in FY 2027 of adult use marijuana tax would be allocated to the GRF while the Host Community Cannabis Fund would receive about \$23.9 million in FY 2026 and \$39.1 million in FY 2027. | Fiscal effect: Same revenue distribution as the House, but also includes an appropriation for FY 2026 for Host Community Cannabis Payments |

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| TAXCD76 State recovery of refunded local taxes | | R.C. 5703.052 | | R.C. 5703.052 | |
| No provision. | | Extends, from three to six years, the maximum length of time over which TAX may recover amounts of refunded taxes from state-administered taxes levied by local subdivisions. | | Same as the House. | |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | Fiscal effect: Potential revenue gains for certain taxes. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. | |
| TAXCD11 Electronic tax filing and payments | | R.C. 5703.059, 5747.42 | | | |
| Grants the Tax Commissioner blanket authority to require electronic tax filing and payment without, in the absence of specific statutory authority, first adopting rules to that effect. | | Same as the Executive. | | No provision. | |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | | | |
| TAXCD33 Electronic records inspection | | R.C. 5703.19 | | | |
| Requires taxpayers to provide records for inspection by TAX in an electronic format if the records are kept in such a format. | | Same as the Executive. | | No provision. | |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | | | |
| TAXCD60 Tax refund adjustment notices | | R.C. 5703.70 | | | |
| Permits the Tax Commissioner to electronically notify, as an alternative to ordinary mail notice, a person applying for a tax refund if the amount to be refunded is less than what the person requested, but only if the person consents to electronic notice. | | Same as the Executive. | | No provision. | |
| Fiscal effect: None. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | | | |

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| TAXCD15 Tax penalty abatement | | | | | |
| R.C. | 5703.901, 128.99, 718.89, 3734.904, 3734.907, 3769.088, 4305.13, 4305.131, 5703.261-5703.263, 5726.03, 5726.21, 5727.08, 5727.25, 5727.26, 5727.60, 5727.82, 5727.83, 5727.89, 5728.09, 5728.10, 5733.022, 5733.062, 5735.062, 5735.12, 5735.121, 5736.05, 5739.032, 5739.102, 5739.12, 5739.122, 5739.124, 5739.133, 5741.121, 5741.122, 5743.051, 5743.081, 5743.082, 5743.51, 5743.56, 5745.041, 5745.08, 5747.072, 5747.082, 5747.15, 5747.44, 5749.06, 5749.15, 5751.06, 5751.07, 5753.05 | R.C. | 5703.901, 128.99, 718.89, 3734.904, 3734.907, 3769.088, 4305.13, 4305.131, 5703.261-5703.263, 5726.03, 5726.21, 5727.08, 5727.25, 5727.26, 5727.60, 5727.82, 5727.83, 5727.89, 5728.09, 5728.10, 5733.022, 5733.062, 5735.062, 5735.12, 5735.121, 5736.05, 5739.032, 5739.102, 5739.12, 5739.122, 5739.124, 5739.133, 5741.121, 5741.122, 5743.051, 5743.081, 5743.082, 5743.51, 5743.56, 5745.041, 5745.08, 5747.072, 5747.082, 5747.15, 5747.44, 5749.06, 5749.15, 5751.06, 5751.07, 5753.05 | | |
| Grants the Tax Commissioner general authority to abate, i.e., refund or forgive, penalties charged to taxpayers. Eliminates specific authority in law for abatement of penalties charged on specific taxes. | | Same as the Executive. | | No provision. | |
| Fiscal effect: May result in undetermined revenue losses from certain penalties and charges. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | | | |
| TAXCD56 Collection of petroleum activity tax license fees | | | | | |
| R.C. | 5736.09, Section 757.30 | R.C. | 5736.09, Section 757.30 | | |
| Allows TAX to issue assessments to collect unpaid petroleum activity tax (PAT) licensing fees. | | Same as the Executive. | | No provision. | |
| Fiscal effect: May increase revenue to TAX, dependent on the amount of outstanding PAT licensing fees. Current law only allows TAX to issue PAT assessments for unpaid taxes. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive. | | | |

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| <div>TAXCD93Special lodging tax extension</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C.5739.09</div> <div>Authorizes Fairfield County commissioners to renew a special lodging tax levied to finance a municipal educational and cultural facility for up to 15 additional years at a time. Currently, the tax is scheduled to expire in 2028 and cannot be extended further.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Estimated to raise more than \$200,000 per year for Fairfield County, beginning in CY 2028.</div> | <div>R.C.5739.09</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |
| <div>TAXCD94Lodging tax: Ashtabula County convention facility</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C.5739.09</div> <div>Requires Ashtabula County to repeal a 2% special lodging tax used to fund the costs of a convention center.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Ashtabula County lodging tax collections will likely decline by approximately \$600,000 per fiscal year.</div> |
| <div>TAXCD96County Lodging Taxes</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C.5739.09</div> <div>Allows a board of county commissioners to increase the rate of its general lodging tax by not more than 1%, so long as the total rate does not exceed 5%, to fund public safety services in a designated resort area.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: May increase lodging tax collections by up to \$1 million per year in applicable counties that increase their tax rate.</div> |

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| <div>TAXCD95 Lodging taxes: convention and visitors' bureau</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div><div>R.C. 5739.092</div><div>Authorizes additional purposes for which a convention and visitors' bureau (CVB) in a county with a population of less than 100,000 with annual lodging tax collections of greater than \$500,000 may spend county lodging taxes to include funding public safety services or economic development or infrastructure projects that impact tourism.</div><div>Fiscal effect: No revenue effect on existing lodging taxes.</div></div> |
| <div>TAXCD97 Resort area tax</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> | <div><div>R.C. 5739.101</div><div>Allows municipalities and townships to increase resort area taxes to 2% or 2.5% if approved by electors.</div><div>Fiscal effect: May increase resort area tax collections for municipalities and townships.</div></div> |
| <div>TAXCD38 Municipal utility income tax: late payment penalty</div> <div><div>R.C. 5745.08</div><div>Expands the discretionary penalty on late estimated payments of the municipal income tax on electric light and local exchange telephone companies to cover underpayments, and changes the penalty from twice the amount of interest charged on the delinquent payment to 15% of the amount of unpaid tax.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Potentially increases or decreases amount of penalties received depending on the amount of unpaid taxes and the applicable short-term interest rate.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C. 5745.08</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.</div></div> | <div>No provision.</div> |

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| <div><div>TAXCD40Municipal apportionment adjustments: electric and telephone company income</div><div>R.C.5745.13</div><div>Repeals the requirement for the Tax Commissioner to notify an electric or telephone company that its income apportioned to a municipal corporation will be adjusted or, if the adjustment exceeds \$500 in tax, each affected municipal corporation. Removes the authority of a notified municipal corporation to challenge the redetermination.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Minimal.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.5745.13</div><div>Same as the Executive.</div></div> | <div><div>No provision.</div></div> |
| <div><div>TAXCD90Severance tax rate for coal</div><div>No provision.</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.5749.02, Section 801.210</div><div>Reduces the severance tax rate on coal from ten cents per ton to eight cents.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Expected to have revenue loss of \$22,000 in FY 2026 and \$26,000 in FY 2027, accounting for the recent decline in Ohio coal production. The tax collection is deposited into dedicated funds administered by the ODNR. The base tax and the surface mining tax are credited to the Mining Regulation and Safety Fund (Fund 5290), while the reclamation tax is deposited into the Reclamation Forfeiture Fund (Fund 5310).</div></div> | <div><div>R.C.5749.02, Section 801.210</div><div>Same as the House.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div></div> |

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| TAXCD62 Sports gaming tax increase and revenue allocation R.C. 5753.021, 5753.031, Section 801.50 Doubles the sports gaming tax rate, from 20% to 40% of sports gaming receipts. Allocates 50% of collections deposited into the Sports Gaming Revenue Fund (R068) to the newly created Sports Facilities Construction and Sports Education Fund. Decreases the proportional allocation of the existing 20% rate to the Sports Gaming Education Fund (5Y00) from 98% to 96% and increases, from 2% to 4%, the share to alleviate problem gaming. Changes transfers from the Sports Gaming Revenue Fund (R068) to the Sports Gaming Education Fund (5Y00) and Problem Sports Gambling Fund (5YR0) from quarterly to monthly. Fiscal effect: OBM estimates additional tax collections of \$138.0 million in FY 2026 and \$150.0 million in FY 2027. | No provision. | No provision. |

Property Taxes and Transfer Fees

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| TAXCD104 Property tax levies | | R.C. 133.18, 306.32, 306.322, 319.301-319.302, 345.01, 345.03-345.04, 505.37, 505.48-505.481, 511.28, 511.34, 513.18, 523.06, 755.181, 1545.041, 1545.21, 1711.3, 3311.5, 3316.041, 3316.06, 3318.01, 3318.06-3318.063, 3318.361, 3318.45, 3358.11, 3381.03, 3505.06, 4582.024, 4582.26, 5705.01, 5705.03, 5705.17, 5705.194, 5705.199, 5705.21, 5705.2111, 5705.2114, 5705.212-5705.213, 5705.215, 5705.217-5705.219, 5705.221, 5705.233, 5705.25-5705.251, 5705.261, 5705.412, 5705.55, 5709.92, 5748.01-5748.02, 5748.03, 5748.08, 5748.09, Section 801.300, 801.310 Repealed: R.C. 5705.192, 5705.195-5705.197 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the authority of political subdivisions to levy replacement property tax levies, beginning with elections held on or after January 1, 2026. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Eliminates the authority of a school district to levy a fixed-sum emergency levy, a substitute emergency levy, and a combined school district income tax and fixed-sum property tax levy. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Prohibits a school district from submitting any current expense levy to voters if it has a general fund carry-over balance of more than 100% of general fund expenditures in the preceding fiscal year. Modifies the election notices and ballot language for a school district current expense levy to include the percentage and amount of any such general fund carry-over balance. Applies beginning with elections held on or after January 1, 2026. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Disallows, beginning for elections held on or after January 1, 2026, a school district or other education-related taxing authority to submit to electors the question of whether to renew and increase an existing levy. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Changes, beginning with elections held on or after January 1, 2026, the term employed in property tax ballot language and election notices to describe the true value of property from "the county auditor's appraised value" to "market value." Fiscal effect: Limits the levy options school districts and other political subdivisions may use to raise property tax revenue to fund their operations. |
| TAXCD106 Educational property tax levy submission | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 133.18, 3318.06-3318.063, 3318.36, 3318.45, 5705.194, 5705.21, 5705.215, 5705.2111, 5705.2113, Section 801.300 Requires two-thirds of a school board or other governing authority of a school district, joint vocational school district, regional student education district, career-technical cooperative education district, or a qualifying school district partnership to approve submission of a tax levy to voters for all educational levies instead of only for certain types of education levies under current law. Fiscal effect: May make it harder for an education governing authority to place a levy on the ballot. |
| TAXCD116 Property tax reduction screening system | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 319.202, 5323.02, 5703.21, and 5703.83; Section 757.150 Creates a statewide screening system administered by TAX to evaluate the eligibility of owners of real property and manufactured and mobile homes that receive the 2.5% owner-occupancy credit or a homestead exemption. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Provides an amnesty from any charges, penalties, or interest in the first year of the system's operation for taxpayers found to be ineligible for a reduction unless the county auditor determines the reduction was procured through fraud, a false statement, or a knowing omission. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires, during the amnesty year, tax bills to notify recipients of the homestead exemption or owner-occupancy credit that they are eligible for amnesty if they self-report their ineligibility within that year. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires TAX to annually report to the General Assembly the number of properties whose ineligibility was flagged by the system. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires potential homeowners be advised of the eligibility requirements for the owner-occupancy credit and of the duty to report subsequent ineligibility prior to signing closing documents. Fiscal effect: No fiscal effect on local property tax receipts, but potentially a decrease in GRF expenditures, as these property tax relief programs are fully reimbursed by the GRF. |

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| TAXCD107 20-mill floor property tax limit | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | <div>R.C. 319.301, Section 801.280</div> <div>Requires that emergency and substitute tax levies be included in the calculation of a school district's 20-mill floor or a joint vocational school district's 2-mill floor for property tax purposes. Applies the millage floor changes to tax years beginning on and after the bill's 90-day effective date.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Lowers the number of school districts on the 20 -mill floor and potentially lowers the number of joint vocational school districts on the 2-mill floor. These floor districts’ property tax revenue growth rates as a result of increases in property values will be reduced as their current expense levies will be subject to H.B. 920 tax reduction factors. These districts’ property tax collections may be reduced by tens of millions to over a hundred million dollars annually. The state’s GRF expenditures for related property tax reimbursement payments may be reduced by millions to over ten million of dollars annually.</div> |
| TAXCD91 School district property tax reductions and school funding; 20-mill minimum levy requirement | | |
| No provision. | <div>R.C. 323.131, 3317.01, 4503.06, 5705.27, 5705.31, 5705.316, Section 757.110</div> <div>Removes the county prosecutor from the three-member county budget commission and makes the president of the board of county commissioner as a member instead.</div> | <div>R.C. 323.131, 3317.01, 4503.06, 5705.31, 5705.316, Section 757.110</div> <div>No provision.</div> |

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| No provision. | Requires each city, local, and exempted village school district to submit the certificate of available revenue required under R.C. 5705.36 to the county auditor by July 15 of each year. Requires each county budget commission to meet by August 15 of each year to determine whether a district’s general operating budget carryover balance from the previous fiscal year exceeds 30% of total expenditures made in that fiscal year. | Same as the House, but increases the carryover balance threshold to 50% and allows a district to not count its permanent improvement expenses towards the threshold. |
| No provision. | If the district's carryover balance does exceed the 30% threshold, requires the budget commission to reduce the property taxes levied by the district for current expenses in the following tax year by the amount of the excess. Requires an applicable property tax bill to include a notice stating that the school district property tax reduction is for the current year only and due to the district’s excess carryover balance. | Same as the House, but increases the carryover balance threshold to 50% and requires TAX to treat such property tax reductions as a reduction in the authorized rate. |
| No provision. | Provides a special timeline for making fiscal year 2025 reviews and tax year 2025 rate adjustments by requiring the budget commission to meet by October 31, 2025. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Exempts a school district whose levies have been reduced by the county budget commission from the requirement that it levy at least 20 mills to receive state foundation aid. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Exempts an island school district or a joint state school district from the carryover balance review and related property tax reductions. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: May reduce tax collections for school districts by up to several billion dollars over a multi-year period, depending on the value of excess carryover balances. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House, but would reduce the tax revenue loss. |

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| TAXCD99 Property tax exemption: parking garages | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 717.051 Expands a property tax exemption on some parking garages to those owned by any municipal corporation, county, port authority, and new community authority, and to the land upon which the garages sit. Makes permanent the 20-year maximum exemption period and eliminates the requirements that the parking spaces be available to the general public. Fiscal effect: Could reduce property tax bills and collections by up to hundreds of thousands of dollars annually for taxing authorities that own parking structures. |
| TAXCD89 State community college tax operating levy | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 3358.08, 3358.11 Allows the board of trustees of a state community college to propose a tax levy for operating purposes. | R.C. 3358.08, 3358.11 Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Allows the operating levy to be levied only in the county in which the state community college's main campus is located and requires it to be used to support operations in that county. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Provides that, if voters approve an operating levy, the board of trustees must charge a lower tuition rate to students who reside in the county in which the tax is levied. Fiscal effect: May result in additional tax levies in certain counties. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| TAXCD92 Community reinvestment area agreements and exemptions | | |
| | R.C. 3735.67, 3735.671; Section 801.220 | R.C. 3735.67, 3735.671; Section 801.220 |
| No provision. | Allows a county, municipality, or home rule township to amend an existing community reinvestment area (CRA) agreement to extend the term of the CRA tax exemption to a total of 30 years for an existing building that is expected to be the site of a megaproject or owned or occupied by a megaproject supplier. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Allows a building to qualify for a CRA tax exemption as part of a megaproject so long as it is owned or occupied, as opposed to owned and occupied, by a megaproject operator or supplier. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Establishes that a political subdivision that does not own the property subject to a CRA exemption, with an obligation to pay property taxes on that building, is not a required party to an agreement required for commercial CRA property tax exemptions. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Potential revenue loss to local governments, of which the loss is permissive to the legislative authority granting the tax exemption. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| TAXCD78 Manufactured home tax waivers or refunds for damage or destruction | | |
| | R.C. 4503.0611 | |
| No provision. | Authorizes manufactured home park operators to provide the county auditor with notice that a manufactured home has been damaged or destroyed for purpose of initiating a refund or waiver of taxes on the manufactured home. Requires such notice from a manufactured home park operator to include photographic evidence. Fiscal effect: May reduce property tax revenue for local governments if additional refunds or waivers are granted for damaged or destroyed manufactured homes. | No provision. |
| TAXCD110 Property taxes: County budget commission authority and procedure | | |
| | | R.C. 5705.13, 5705.131-5705.132, 5705.222, 5705.27, 5705.29, 5705.31, 5705.314, 5705.32-5705.321, 5705.35-5705.36, 5705.40, and 5747.51 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows county budget commissions (CBCs) to reduce millage on any voter-approved tax levy aside from a debt levy if the commission finds it reasonably necessary or prudent to avoid unnecessary, excessive, or unneeded property tax collections. |
| No provision. | No provision. | If the tax is levied by a body with a majority of members who are elected local officials, any such reduction is subject to two limitations: (1) CBCs may not reduce a levy such that it would collect less revenue than in the preceding year unless funds are available from reserve balance accounts, nonexpendable trust funds, or carryover amounts to offset a reduction below that level, but the budget commission must consider reserve balance accounts, nonexpendable trust funds, and carryover amounts when considering a reduction. (2) CBCs may not reduce school district levies such that the school district would collect below 20 mills in revenue, except as required to comply with the provision (see TAXCD91) limiting accrual of general fund carry-overs. |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Removes prohibitions on CBCs considering the status of reserve balance accounts or other certain unexpended funds when determining whether to reduce a political subdivision's taxing authority. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires school districts to obtain approval from the county budget commission before adjusting inside millage in a manner that increases tax rates. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires CBCs to offer, during at least one public meeting annually, testimony describing the concept and function of inside millage, how it is allocated to various jurisdictions in the county, and the fiscal impact of inside millage. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires political subdivisions to disclose all funds in their control the inclusion of which is not already required by law for annual tax budgets. Fiscal effect: Provides county budget commissions greater discretion in reducing political subdivisions’ property tax collections when the commission finds it prudent to avoid certain property tax collections. |
| TAXCD98 CAUV recoupment | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 5713.34, Section 801.290 Exempts agricultural land converted to an environmental response project or a nature water project receiving funding from the H2Ohio Fund (Fund 6H20) from CAUV recoupment. Fiscal effect: Likely decrease property tax collections by tens of thousands of dollars per project in the years when conversion occurs. |

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| TAXCD88 Limitations on property tax challenges | | |
| | R.C. 5715.19, 5717.01; Section 757.90 | R.C. 5715.19, 5717.01; Section 757.90 |
| No provision. | Modifies the requirements governing when political subdivisions can file property tax complaints and counter-complaints. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires subdivisions that fail to comply with property tax complaint filing requirements to pay the attorney's fees and costs incurred by the property owner in connection with the complaint. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Fiscal effect: Minimal. |
| TAXCD82 Property tax abatement - churches | | |
| | Section: 757.70 | |
| No provision. | Permits certain churches to apply, within one year of the provision's effective date, for an abatement of delinquent property taxes on property owned by the churches without regard to the regular payment limitations imposed by current law. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: Decreases property tax collections by an amount that depends on the value of abated taxes, interest, and penalties, and whether or not said amounts would have been paid otherwise. | |

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| TAXCD81 Property tax abatement - municipalities and townships | | |
| No provision. | <div>Section: 757.80</div> <div>Permits a municipal corporation or township to apply, within one year of the provision's effective date, for an abatement of delinquent property taxes on property owned by the municipality or township without regard to the regular payment limitations imposed by current law.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Decreases property tax collections by an amount that depends on the value of abated taxes, interest, and penalties, and whether or not said amounts would have been paid otherwise.</div> | No provision. |

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| DOTCD69 Ohio Airport Improvement Program | | |
| | R.C. 4561.03, 5736.02, 5736.04, 5736.13; Section 411.30 | |
| No provision. | Creates the Ohio Airport Improvement Program to finance airport improvements for publicly owned, public-use airports in Ohio. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Dedicates the portion of Petroleum Activity Tax (PAT) receipts derived from the sale of aircraft fuel to the Ohio Airport Improvement Program Fund (Fund 5CN1) created in the bill to support the program. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires that Fund 5CN1 ALI 777628, Ohio Airport Improvement Program, be used to administer the Ohio Airport Improvement Program. Reappropriates the available balance of the ALI at the end of FY 2026 for the same purpose in FY 2027. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$4,650,000 each fiscal year for the program, the amounts that DOT estimates would come from the aviation fuel-related portion of PAT receipts. | |
| DOTCD83 Rail Development Commission members | | |
| | | R.C. 4981.02 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Increases the number of members appointed to the Ohio Rail Development Commission by the Governor who represent the interest of freight rail companies from one to two members. Requires that one such member represent a Class I railroad and the other member must represent a Class II or Class III railroad. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Exempts the two freight rail members from the requirement that they be residents of Ohio and allows those members to be from another state, provided they have a substantial connection to freight rail operations in Ohio. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Removes the member appointed by the Governor who represents the interests of passenger rail service. |

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| DOTCD77 Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact | | |
| | R.C. 4981.36, 4981.361, Section 411.15 | |
| No provision. | Adopts the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact (adopted in 2002 but repealed in 2013) and creates the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Commission. Enacts provisions governing the Commission's powers and duties. Prescribes the appointing authorities for Ohio's four members on the Commission, consistent with the Compact. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$25,000 in each fiscal year under GRF ALI 776465, Rail Development, to pay for the costs for Ohio joining the Compact. | No provision. |
| DOTCD82 Analysis of residential and commercial development | | |
| | | R.C. 5501.57 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires ODOT to collect and analyze data on building permits that have been issued for residential and commercial developments (constructed after the bill's effective date) to assess if ODOT's current transportation facilities are adequate to handle the increased traffic that results from the development. Fiscal effect: Potential administrative cost increase for ODOT. |
| DOTCD68 Ohio Maritime Assistance Program | | |
| | Section: 411.20, 512.10 | R.C. 5501.91, 411.20, 512.10 |
| No provision. | Requires Fund 5QT0 ALI 776670, Ohio Maritime Assistance Program, to be used to provide grants under the Ohio Maritime Assistance Program. Reappropriates the available balance of the ALI remaining at the end of FY 2026 for the same purpose in FY 2027. | Same as the House, but also requires that at least 10% in each fiscal year from Fund 5QT0 ALI 776670, Ohio Maritime Assistance Program, be used for the Ohio River Commission to develop and promote economic activity, marine cargo terminal operations, and travel and tourism on the Ohio River and its tributaries. |

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| No provision. | Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$8,000,000 cash from the GRF to the Ohio Maritime Assistance Fund (Fund 5QT0) in FY 2026. | Same as the House, but increases the transfer to \$10,000,000 in FY 2026. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Expands the grant eligibility criteria under the Ohio Maritime Assistance Program by: (1) Allowing a port authority to apply for a grant without owning an active marine cargo terminal provided the port authority is a co-applicant with an owner of such a terminal; and (2) allowing the active marine cargo terminal to be located on an Ohio River tributary. |
| | Fiscal effect: The bill appropriates \$4.0 million in each fiscal year for grants under the program. | Fiscal effect: Increases the amount available for grants to \$5.0 million in each fiscal year. |
| DOTCD84 Street maintenance and repair agreements | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 5521.01 Clarifies that the ODOT Director may not terminate or modify a written agreement for street maintenance and repairs with a municipal corporation that was entered into by the former Ohio Department of Highways without the consent of the municipal corporation, unless the agreement stipulates that the Director may terminate the agreement. Fiscal effect: Potentially reduces the ability of ODOT to terminate and modify such existing agreements. |
| DOTCD74 Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission | | |
| | R.C. 5537.02, 5537.01, 5537.03, 5537.24, 5537.27 | R.C. 5537.02, 5537.01, 5537.03, 5537.24, 5537.27 |
| No provision. | Removes a requirement that the members of the Senate and House who serve on the Commission represent either a district that is part of the Ohio Turnpike system or a district located in the vicinity of a Turnpike project. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Abolishes the Turnpike Legislative Review Committee. | Same as the House. |

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| DOTCD75 Transportation Improvement Districts | | |
| | R.C. 5540.02 | R.C. 5540.02 |
| No provision. | Removes the authority of the Speaker of the House to make a discretionary appointment to a Transportation Improvement District (TID) under either of the oversight structures in current law. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: None. | Fiscal effect: None. |
| DOTCD76 Regional Transportation Improvement Projects (RTIP) | | |
| | R.C. 5595.01, 5595.02, 5595.04, 5709.48 | R.C. 5595.01, 5595.02, 5595.04, 5709.48 |
| No provision. | Expands what constitutes a "qualified RTIP" to include those that are undertaken after the completion of a feasibility study in addition to those undertaken prior to October 3, 2023, as under current law. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the feasibility study to include both an economic feasibility assessment, approved by DEV, and a technical feasibility assessment, approved by DOT. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Specifies that opportunity corridor improvements, which may be undertaken by an RTIP under current law, include facilities that are required for the gathering, transmission, and distribution of utilities. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Expands the membership of the RTIP governing board to include the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the JobsOhio network partner that covers the majority of the area encompassed by the RTIP or the CEO's designee. | Authorizes, instead of requires, the membership expansion. |
| No provision. | Expands the RTIPs that may form a transportation financing district (TFD) from RTIPs undertaken before March 23, 2018, to any qualified RTIP. | No provision. |
| | Fiscal effect: Expands the potential plans that RTPOs may adopt and potentially increases the number of TFDs that could be formed. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| DOTCD85 Ohio Highway Transportation Safety | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 5747.502, 411.20 Requires in statute that \$6,000,000 in FY 2026 from the Ohio Highway and Transportation Safety Fund (Fund 5XI0) be used in conjunction with the Ohio Rail Commission to identify and fund short-line rail development infrastructure projects that enhance capacity and improve safety. Requires that Fund 5XI0 ALI 772504, Ohio Transportation Safety, be used for this purpose. |
| DOTCD79 Rail Development one-time grants | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 411.15 Requires that GRF ALI 776400, Rail Development One-Time Grants, be used to distribute funding to the lead Ohio partnering agency preparing the Step 2-Service Development Plan supporting Ohio's portion of the Midwest Connect rail line. |
| DOTCD73 Airport Improvement - State | | |
| No provision. | Section: 411.20 Earmarks \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 777471, Airport Improvement - State, to be used by the Office of Aviation to provide matching funds for eligible airports that have been awarded Airport Infrastructure Grant funding through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires any matching funds provided to airports that are subsequently returned to ODOT due to lower than estimated project costs to be reallocated to other eligible airports for the same purpose, and reappropriates those amounts. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Earmarks \$2,000,000 in FY 2026 for the Eastern Ohio Military Affairs Commission (EOMAC) to support construction and repair projects at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station, the Youngstown-Warren Regional Airport, and the Camp James A. Garfield Military Training Center. | No provision. |
| DOTCD81 U.S. Route 23 and I-71 connector | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 610.20, 610.21 Amends section 755.60 of H.B. 54 of the 136th G.A. to change a provision that required ODOT/OTIC to prepare a joint plan regarding the feasibility of connecting U.S. Route 23 and I-71 by splitting the plan into two components, an interim report and a final joint plan. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the interim report to conceptually identify and evaluate the corridor alternatives and alignments and authorizes ODOT and OTIC to consider alignments that were not part of the original list. Makes the interim report due October 1, 2025, (rather than the full plan due by September 30, 2025). |
| No provision. | No provision. | Requires the final joint plan to identify a preferred route for the connecting corridor, include all preliminary engineering assessments (design, cost estimates, right-of-way, and environmental impacts, etc.), and recommend whether final implementation should be through ODOT or OTIC. Extends the deadline for the final joint plan to October 1, 2026. |
| DOTCD53 Diesel Emission Reduction Grant Program | | |
| Section: 755.10 Establishes the Diesel Emissions Grant Reduction Program, administered by Ohio EPA and funded by Highway Operating Fund (Fund 7002) appropriations under the ODOT budget. | Section: 755.10 Same as the Executive. | No provision. |

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| Requires the EPA Director, in consultation with the ODOT Director, to develop guidance, including a method of prioritization for projects submitted by public and private entities that are eligible for the federal CMAQ Program. Requires the DOT Director to process FHA-approved projects recommended by the EPA Director. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Allows Diesel Emissions Reduction Grant Program funds to be used to buy hybrid and alternative fuel vehicles that are allowed under FHA guidance for the CMAQ program. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| Limits total program expenditures to \$10,000,000 in each fiscal year. Provides that these grants do not reduce the amount of funding designated for Metropolitan Planning Organizations for similar projects. | Same as the Executive. | No provision. |
| DOTCD71 Drones for First Responders Pilot Program | | |
| | Section: 755.20, 411.20 | |
| No provision. | Requires the ODOT Director to establish the Drones for First Responders Pilot Program. Requires the program to focus on specific goals, including the acquisition of unmanned aerial vehicle systems for first responders, training, obtaining necessary FAA approvals, and integrating state infrastructure. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the ODOT Director to award program funding to participating municipal corporations for buying unmanned aerial systems for first responders, training support, assisting in navigating federal processes and approvals, and supporting the integration of statewide operations. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Conditions purchase of any unmanned aerial vehicle system on the system's compliance with federal laws and regulations, including those involving national security and defense spending. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires the ODOT Director to submit a report to the Governor, House and Senate leaders, and the chairs of any House and Senate committees dealing with transportation issues within two years. Requires the report to detail how funds were expended through the program, the success of the program in meeting its goals, the cost-benefit analysis created through the program, and any recommendations for additional integration of unmanned aerial vehicle system operations by first responders. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Earmarks \$2,500,000 in FY 2026 under GRF ALI 772456, Unmanned Aerial Systems Center, to be used to administer the pilot program. Reappropriates the unexpended, unencumbered balance of this earmark remaining at the end of FY 2026 for the same purpose in FY 2027. | No provision. |

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| TOSCD9 | Ohio STABLE accounts | <div>R.C. 113.51, 113.53; Section 413.40</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Exempting funds in an ABLE account from collection under the Ohio Medicaid Estate Recovery Program would likely result in a reduction in state revenues, as the state would be unable to recover Medicaid costs from these accounts after the account holder’s death. Additionally, TOS would incur increased expenses in the short term due to the costs associated with maintaining Ohio ABLE accounts. As of December 1, 2024, there are approximately 44,000 active ABLE accounts. The monthly maintenance cost is \$1.25 for Ohio residents and \$2.25 for out-of-state residents, with additional fees based on the usage of account services.</div> | <div>R.C. 113.51, 113.53; Section 413.40</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |
| TOSCD10 | State and local treasurers' investments | <div>R.C. 135.143, 135.1411, and 135.35</div> <div>No provision.</div> <div>Prohibits TOS, the state board of deposit, the treasurer or the governing board of a municipal corporation, the investing authority of a county, or any person or entity to which the management and investment of public money is delegated from making an investment decision with the primary purpose of influencing environmental, social, personal, or ideological policy, unless expressly authorized by Ohio law.</div> | <div>R.C. 135.143, 135.1411, and 135.35</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> |

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| No provision. | No provision. | Allows the Treasurer of State, by rule, to reduce the amount of collateral a financial institution must pledge when holding public funds as investments in certificates of deposit, savings accounts, and deposit accounts by up to 10% as compared to current law. |
| No provision. | No provision. | Reduces the rating in allowable debt interest investments, other than commercial paper, from the three highest categories by two nationally recognized statistical rating organizations to the four highest categories. |
| No provision. | No provision. Fiscal effect: None. | Prohibits investments in debt interests rated in the fourth highest category from exceeding 10% of the state's portfolio. Fiscal effect: Provides greater flexibility for TOS to invest public funds and could potentially increase investment returns. |
| TOSCD11 Torrens Law Assurance Fund | R.C. 5310.05, 5310.06, 5310.07, 5310.08, 5310.09, 5310.10, 5310.11, 5310.12, 5310.13, 5310.14 (Repealed), 5310.47; Sections 413.10, 413.20, 413.50 | R.C. 5310.05, 5310.06, 5310.07, 5310.08, 5310.09, 5310.10, 5310.11, 5310.12, 5310.13, 5310.14 (Repealed), 5310.47; Sections 413.10, 413.20, 413.50 |
| No provision. | Eliminates the Torrens Law Assurance Fund and all related statutory content, including its creation, its funding, and its use to compensate owners of registered land who suffer damages or are otherwise deprived of their land due to fraud, mistake or error relating to the registration. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Reappropriates the available balance of GRF ALI 090409, County Recorder Electronic Modernization Program, at the end of FY 2025 for the same purpose in FY 2026. | Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | Requires moneys in Fund 5BD1 to be used to distribute funds to reimburse counties under the County Recorder Electronic Record Modernization Program, for use by county recorder's offices to implement record digitization and electronic recording requirements. Requires TOS to reimburse counties on a rolling basis until the appropriation is expended. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Specifies eligibility requirements related to funds reimbursement under the Program. Requires a county that receives funds under the Program to credit those funds to the Recorder's Technology Fund at least to the extent necessary to reimburse the fund for money the county recorder spent to implement the record digitization and electronic recording requirements. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Requires the TOS, on July 1, 2025, or as soon as possible thereafter, to transfer the cash balance, including accrued interest and investment earnings, from the Torrens Law Assurance Fund, in the custody of TOS, to the County Recorder Electronic Modernization Fund (Fund 5BD1). Repeals and abolishes the Torrens Law Assurance Fund upon completion of the required transfer. | Same as the House. |
| | Fiscal effect: Appropriates \$1,750,000 in FY 2026 under Fund 5BD1 ALI 090576 to reimburse counties for costs related to the county recorder electronic modernization program. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |

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| DVSCD7 Veterans Home Modernization | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 415.20 Reappropriates the unexpended and unencumbered portions of DPF ALI 900411, Veterans Homes Modernization, under the Veterans Homes Modernization Fund (Fund 5Z00), 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. |
| DVSCD8 State Veterans Homes | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | Section: 759.10 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. Fiscal effect: Potential increase in administrative costs for DVS. |

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| <div>VPBCD1 Ocularist licensure - obsolete statutory provision</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div></div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C. 4725.48</div> <div>Eliminates a statutory provision requiring VPB to issue ocularist licenses by endorsement in order to correspond with continuing law provisions that no longer authorize VPB to issue ocularist licenses generally.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: None.</div> |

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| DYSCD6 | Juveniles committed to DRC | <div>R.C. 2949.12</div> | |
| No provision. | | Requires, for convictions occurring on or after the provision's effective date, a convicted felon who is under 18 to be held in an institution operated by DYS until the felon turns 18 or would otherwise be released from imprisonment, or if the DYS director determines that DYS lacks the capacity to house the felon. | No provision. |
| No provision. | | <div>Requires a convicted felon under 18 to be committed to DRC in the same manner as a felon over 18 if the felon is determined by DYS to be a danger to self or others.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Potential increase in costs for DYS if a juvenile, under the age of 18, serves a portion of their incarceration at a DYS facility instead of a state prison. The FY 2024 per diems for DYS and DRC were approximately \$610 and \$106, respectively.</div> | No provision. |

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| LOCCD12 Political subdivision communications | | R.C. 9.03 No provision. <div>Subjects chartered counties and municipal corporations to the requirements of an existing law that prohibits a political subdivision from using public funds to finance certain communications or from paying its staff for time spent on certain political activities.</div> Fiscal effect: Minimal. | R.C. 9.03 Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| LOCCD30 Political subdivision cybersecurity programs | | No provision. <div>No provision.</div> No provision. <div>No provision.</div> No provision. <div>No provision.</div> | R.C. 9.64 Requires the legislative authority of a political subdivision to adopt a cybersecurity program that safeguards the political subdivision's data, information technology, and information technology resources to ensure availability, confidentiality, and integrity. Prohibits a political subdivision under a ransomware attack to pay or otherwise comply with the ransom demand unless the political subdivision's legislative authority formally approves the payment or compliance with the ransom demand. Specifies the cybersecurity program must be consistent with generally accepted best practices for cybersecurity, and sets forth other requirements of the program. Fiscal effect: Potential costs for political subdivision to adopt a cybersecurity program or to modify their existing program to meet the bill's requirement. |
| LOCCD18 Local fiscal emergency receivership | | R.C. 118.29, 2743.03 No provision. <div>Establishes a process for the creation of a receivership for counties, townships, and municipal corporations in fiscal emergency.</div> | R.C. 118.29, 2743.03 Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | <div>Grants the court of claims jurisdiction to appoint a receiver for counties, townships, and municipal corporations in fiscal emergency.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Potential increase in state costs if a municipal corporation, county, or township, make a referral to the AGO for the creation of a receivership over those entities in fiscal emergency.</div> | <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |
| LOCCD5County family and children first council opt-out | R.C.121.37 | |
| No provision. | <div>Permits a board of county commissioners to decline to establish or maintain a county family and children first council if it determines all of the following conditions exist in the county: (1) alternative programs and services exist to meet the needs of those served by a county council; (2) a county council is not or would not be sustainably funded; and (3) the director of the CDJFS, executive director of the PCSA, and county DD board, each recommend a county council not be established or maintained.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |
| No provision. | <div>Permits a board of county commissioners that has decided not to establish or maintain a county council to reconsider that decision at any time but requires it to be reconsidered within five years.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Any impacts depend on actions taken by boards of county commissioners.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |

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| LOCCD25 Pay raises | R.C. 141.04, 325.18, 505.24, 507.09, and 3501.12, Section 701.70 | R.C. 141.04, 325.18, 505.24, 507.09, and 3501.12, Section 701.70 |
| No provision. | Increases and extends pay raises for justices and judges, county officials, township officials, and members of county boards of elections, from 1.75% per year through 2028 under current law to 5% per year through 2029. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Provides annual cost of living adjustments beginning in 2030 equal to the increase in CPI with a 3% maximum. Fiscal effect: JSC will incur increased GRF expenditures averaging approximately \$9.0 million per year over the 4-year period covering 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029. For 2030-2035, during which current law does not provide for any salary increases, the additional expenditures for JSC over current law total about \$29.4 million per year on average. There will also be increased payroll expenditures for county, township, and county boards of elections over this time. | No provision. Fiscal effect: JSC will incur increased GRF expenditures averaging approximately \$9.0 million per year over the 4-year period covering 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029. There will also be increased payroll expenditures for county, township, and county boards of elections over this time. |
| LOCCD2 Video public records | R.C. 149.43 | R.C. 149.43 |
| No provision. | Authorizes a prosecuting attorney's office to assess certain charges for preparing a video public record, like a state or local law enforcement agency may do under existing law. | Same as the House. |

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| No provision. | <div>Prohibits a state or local law enforcement agency or a prosecuting attorney's office from charging a fee for preparing a video record for inspection, or producing a copy of a video record, when the requester of the video record is a victim, as defined in Section 10a of Article I, Ohio Constitution, who reasonably asserts that the video recording relates to the act or omission that caused the harm or loss, or who is the legal counsel or insurer of the victim.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Potential revenue loss to the extent that law enforcement agencies are charging a video record fee and would be precluded from collecting that fee in certain situations. (State and local law enforcement agencies were given the authority to charge a fee for video records in H.B. 315 of the 135th G.A., which took effect on April 3, 2025.)</div> | <div>Same as the House, but (1) expands the definition of victim by specifying that a victim may be a person who suffered loss and could seek remedy through a tort action, (2) permits a fee to be waived only upon the receipt of an affidavit by the victim or the victim's legal counsel identifying that the use of the video is to investigate harm or damages that may have been captured on the video, and (3) defines that "legal counsel of the victim" means an attorney who, at the time of making the request, produces to the state or local law enforcement agency or a prosecuting attorney's office a signed retention agreement or letter of representation that establishes that the attorney is representing the victim.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |

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| LOCCD3 | Eminent domain and recreational trails | <div>R.C. 163.01</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C. 163.01</div> <div>Replaces the House provision with one that prohibits the use of eminent domain for parkways or recreational trails if the property sought to be taken was the subject of a previous taking action which was dismissed, on or after January 1, 2024, because the agency in that action lacked authority jurisdiction or necessity in law for the proposed taking and no right of appeal remains to the agency from the original action.</div> |
| | | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> |
| LOCCD28 | Planned-unit development regulations and referendum | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C. 303.12, 519.12, 731.29, 731.291</div> <div>Requires a referendum petition for local zoning amendments about planned-unit development regulations to include 35% of electors in the area to which the proposed amendment would apply.</div> |
| LOCCD20 | County engineer | <div>R.C. 305.021</div> <div>Changes, from 100% to a range of 80-100%, the supplemental compensation amount a county engineer can receive under a contract to perform the duties of county engineer in another county during a vacancy.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Potential cost savings for counties contracting with an engineer during a vacancy.</div> | <div>R.C. 305.021</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |

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| LOCCD7 Elected county officers to be present in office | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 305.03 Requires elected county officers to appear in person at the officer's principal office location at least once every 30 days. Reduces the number of days until a county office is declared vacant because they fail to perform the duties of the office from 90 to 30 days. Fiscal effect: Minimal. | R.C. 305.03 Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| LOCCD13 County nonemergency patient transport services | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 307.05 Increases the population limit from 40,000 to 60,000 under which a county may operate a non-emergency medical transport service organization, contract for such services, or furnish or obtain the interchange of such services. Fiscal effect: Allows an additional 20 counties to operate a non-emergency medical transport service organization. | R.C. 307.05 Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| LOCCD31 Sheriff certificate of transition | | |
| No provision. | No provision. | R.C. 311.14 Requires a county sheriff to provide his or her successor with a certificate of transition including an inventory of items and other information. Fiscal effect: None. |
| LOCCD21 County coroner appointment | | |
| No provision. | R.C. 313.01, 305.02, 305.03; Section 703.10 Requires that a county coroner be appointed quadrennially by the board of county commissioners instead of being elected quadrennially by voters as under current law. | No provision. |

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| No provision. | | Removes the county coroner as the county official to fill in when two county commissioners are absent and instead requires the county auditor to do so. | | No provision. | |
| No provision. | | Allows current county coroners who were elected to complete their terms. | | No provision. | |
| | | Fiscal effect: None. | | | |
| LOCCD15 County employee performance incentive - cash awards | | | | | |
| | | R.C. 325.25 | | R.C. 325.25 | |
| No provision. | | Limits the total amount of cash awards county agencies may give to employees for outstanding performance per calendar year to 10% of an employee's annual compensation. Allows commissioners to approve a higher amount if they authorize it in writing. | | Same as the House. | |
| | | Fiscal effect: Permissive. | | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. | |
| LOCCD35 New community districts | | | | | |
| | | | | R.C. 349.01 | |
| No provision. | | No provision. | | Alters the criteria that determine the organizational board of commissioners of a new community district. | |
| No provision. | | No provision. | | Alters the criteria for qualification as a proximate community and a developer under New Community Organization Law. | |
| LOCCD34 Referendum percentage for municipalities and home rule townships | | | | | |
| | | | | R.C. 504.14, 731.29 | |
| No provision. | | No provision. | | Increases the referendum petition signature requirement from 10% to 35% for municipal corporations and limited home rule townships. | |
| | | | | Fiscal effect: May result in fewer referendum petitions being approved. | |

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| LOCCD22 Township zoning referendum process | R.C. 519.12 | R.C. 519.12 | |
| | No provision. | No provision. | |
| | No provision. | Increases from 15% to 35% of the total votes cast for Governor in the last election, the number of signatures required on a referendum petition related to township zoning amendments. | |
| | Fiscal effect: Potential minimal savings. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. | |
| LOCCD24 Village dissolution evaluation | R.C. 703.331 | R.C. 703.331 | |
| | No provision. | Same as the House. | |
| | Adds electric services to the list of services that may be counted when evaluating whether a village has provided five services and therefore does not qualify for an automatic ballot question on village dissolution. | | |
| | Fiscal effect: Potential minimal savings. | Fiscal effect: Same as the House. | |
| LOCCD33 Village dissolution | | R.C. 703.34 | |
| | No provision. | Modifies the village dissolution process for small villages by eliminating the acreage maximum (currently two square miles) and increasing the population maximum from 150 to 500. | |
| | No provision. | Fiscal effect: Appears to subject a greater number of villages to this dissolution method. | |
| LOCCD9 Mechanic's liens | R.C. 1311.04 | | |
| | No provision. | No provision. | |
| | Changes the default expiration date of a notice of commencement from six years to four years. | | |

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| No provision. | Requires the notice to contain the statement: "The expiration date for this notice of commencement is four years from the date of recording unless a different date is specified herein." | No provision. |
| No provision. | Allows the person who contracted for the improvement, upon its completion, to request that the county recorder indicate that the notice of commencement is expired. Requires the county recorder to include the expiration in the official record. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires the person to serve notice, by regular mail, of such a request on the original contractor, subcontractor, and lower tier project participant that served a notice of furnishing. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Specifies that the expiration of a notice of commencement does not affect the attachment, continuance, or priority of any lien. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Specifies that an owner's failure to serve an affidavit on a contractor of an improvement does not affect the owner's rights or obligations under continuing law. Fiscal effect: Minimal cost increase to county recorders for additional filings. | No provision. |

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| LOCCD16 Board of park commissioners of a park district | | |
| No provision. | <div><div>R.C. 1545.05, Section 715.10</div><div>Makes the following changes for members of a board of park commissioners of park district that was a township park district created before 1892 and converted into a park district under R.C. 1545.041 on or before January 1, 1989: (1) Changes the appointing authority from the probate judge to the board of county commissioners; (2) expands the board from three members to five members; (3) specifies qualifications for the members of the board; and (4) specifies that current members of an affected park district may complete their terms.</div><div>Fiscal effect: Minimal. Possible increase in reimbursements for expenses incurred by the two additional commissioners.</div></div> | No provision. |
| LOCCD17 Abandoned manufactured homes | | |
| No provision. | <div><div>R.C. 1923.12, 319.54, 1923.01, 1923.02, 1923.04, 1923.06, 1923.09, 1923.11, 1923.13, 1923.14, 4503.0611 and Section 830.10</div><div>Revises the procedure to remove an abandoned manufactured home or mobile home from the park after the eviction.</div></div> | No provision. |
| No provision. | <div><div></div><div>Requires the owner of the manufactured home to be joined as a defendant in any eviction action against a manufactured home park resident.</div></div> | No provision. |
| No provision. | <div><div></div><div>Allows a park operator to post notice of removal to the door of a manufactured or mobile home, as opposed to by personal delivery to the resident or owner.</div></div> | No provision. |

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| No provision. | Requires a person having an ownership interest in an abandoned manufactured or mobile home, including the estate of a deceased individual, to pay rent and storage fees to the park operator in order to retain the person’s interest in the home. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Allows the park operator to assume title to the mobile or manufactured home if it is valued at \$10,000 or less but requires the operator to sell the home at auction if it is valued at more than \$10,000. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Establishes the criminal offense of falsification, a first degree misdemeanor, of a park operator knowingly falsifies information on an affidavit for the purpose of obtaining title to an abandoned manufactured home or mobile home. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Requires a county auditor to waive all unpaid manufactured home taxes charged against the home, including taxes for which a lien is attached, but that are not yet due and payable, if the home is destroyed within one year after title is transferred to the park operator. | No provision. |
| No provision. | Makes other procedural changes for hearings, motions, filings, and fees concerning abandoned manufactured and mobile homes. Fiscal effect: Increase in administrative costs for county auditors, and municipal and county courts. | No provision. |

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| <div>LOCCD6</div> <div>Cost of local option election for alcohol sales</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C. 3501.17</div> <div>Requires a petitioner of a local option election for alcohol sales to pay the entire cost of an election if it is held on a day other than the day of a primary election, general election, or special election of a political subdivision for a question or issue, nomination for office, or election to office.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: County boards of elections would avoid costs for holding local option elections on a day other than that specified. Petitioners would presumably avoid a local option when an election would otherwise not occur.</div> | <div>R.C. 3501.17</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |
| <div>LOCCD8</div> <div>Battery-charged fences</div> <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C. 3781.1011</div> <div>Eliminates state regulation of battery-charged fences installed on private, nonresidential property, and instead expressly authorizes the installation, operation, and use of such fences.</div> | <div>R.C. 3781.1011</div> <div>Same as the House.</div> |

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| No provision. | Prohibits a county, township, or municipal corporation from adopting or enforcing an ordinance, order, resolution, or regulation that expressly, implicitly, or functionally prohibits the installation of a battery-charged fence that meets all of the following standards: (1) The fence interfaces with a monitored alarm system; (2) it functions with a battery-operated energizer that is intended to periodically deliver voltage impulses at a rate that does not exceed one hertz and an impulse duration that does not exceed 10 milliseconds; (3) the fence is four to twelve inches behind a non-battery-charged perimeter fence, wall, or structure that is at least five feet in height; (4) it is 10 feet in height, or two feet higher than the height of the nonelectric perimeter fence or wall, whichever is greater; (5) the fence is marked with conspicuous warning signs at not more than 30-foot intervals that read: "WARNING - SHOCK HAZARD" or some similar message. | Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Retains the authority of a county, township, or municipal corporation to require a permit or fee for the installation or use of a battery-charged fence or to prohibit or impose requirements on the installation, operation, or use of a fence that does not meet the standards described above. Fiscal effect: Minimal. | Same as the House. Fiscal effect: Same as the House. |
| LOCCD26 Port authority common bond fund program | | R.C. 4582.72 |
| No provision. | No provision. | Allows a port authority to establish a common bond fund program to finance port authority facilities and enhance the credit of port authority obligations using credit enhancement facilities, cash reserves, or other money available for that purpose. |

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| LOCCD4 Unlawfully extracting or exploiting minerals of another | R.C. 5303.34, 5303.35 | R.C. 5303.34, 5303.35 |
| No provision. | Allows a civil action to be brought by a person that owns mineral rights against any person that, without lawful authority, does either of the following: | No provision. |
| No provision. | (1) Trespasses on the land containing such minerals and extracts, exploits, or otherwise converts the minerals. | (1) No provision. |
| No provision. | (2) Trespasses on the land containing such minerals and, as a result of the entry, renders the development and extraction of the minerals by the owner commercially unfeasible. | (2) No provision. |
| No provision. | Establishes mechanisms for the determination of damages as a result of such an action, as follows: | Same as the House, but specifies that such mechanisms for the determination of damages may be brought in an action for a trespass involving the unlawful extraction of minerals. |
| No provision. | (1) In the case of minerals, such as coal, stone, or ore, that are extracted by underground or surface mining methods, the revenue received from the sale of the minerals measured at the mouth of the mine, less the cost of extraction, less any sums previously paid. | (1) Same as the House. |
| No provision. | (2) In the case of minerals, such as hydrocarbons or other minerals, in liquid or gaseous states that are extracted by drilling, the revenue received from the sale of such minerals measured at the wellhead, less the cost of extraction, less any sums previously paid. | (2) Same as the House. |
| No provision. | (3) In the case of any minerals that are extracted in bad faith, regardless of extraction method, all revenue received from the sale of the minerals less any sums previously paid. | (3) Same as the House. |
| No provision. | Specifies that a party bringing such an action is not to be entitled to punitive or treble damages. | Same as the House, but removes treble damages. |

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| No provision. | <div>Codifies that it is the intent of the General Assembly to abrogate the common law causes of action and remedies related to unlawful extraction, exploitation, or conversion of another person's mineral rights by creating the above noted civil action proceedings.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Minimal.</div> | <div>No provision.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Same as the House.</div> |
| LOCCD27 Conservancy district maintenance assessments | | |
| No provision. | <div>No provision.</div> | <div>R.C. 6101.53, 6101.54</div> <div>Eliminates the \$2 minimum annual maintenance assessment levied by a conservancy district on the total appraisal of benefits on a property.</div> <div>Fiscal effect: Potentially reduces maintenance assessment revenue for conservancy districts.</div> |

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