Program and the Individual Microcredential Assistance Program (IMAP).

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No provision.	tes the Institutional Platinum Provider Protuctions of higher of education participatin tutions receive advance payment to train ocredential. Increases from \$500,000 to \$ment or reimbursement amount an institutereceive in a fiscal year.	g in the IMAP under which individuals to earn a 1,000,000 the total advance	
No provision.	ites the Platinum Provider Program for Oh tutions of higher education, and private be icipating in IMAP under which an eligible p nore advance payments to train individuals	usinesses or institutions participant may receive one	
Fiscal effect: The bill provides funding of \$25.2 million in each fiscal year for microcredential training under GRF ALI 195556, TechCred Program.	al effect: Same as the Executive.		
DEVCD2 Residential Broadband Expansion Program			
R.C. 122.4041	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.	e as the Executive.		
Fiscal effect: None.	al effect: Same as the Executive.		
DEVCD5 Elimination of the Mortgage Insurance Fund			
R.C. 122.451, 122.55, 122.56, 122.561, 122.57 (All repealed)	122.451, 122.55, 122.56, 122.561, 122	2.57 (All repealed)	
Eliminates the Mortgage Insurance Fund and the corresponding authority of the DEV Director to insure mortgage payments on behalf of a person, partnership, corporation, or community improvement corporation using money from the Fund.	e as the Executive.		
Eliminates the Mortgage Guarantee Fund.	e as the Executive.		
Eliminates sinking fund requirements for certain funds received by the DEV Director.	e as the Executive.		
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Executive As Reported By House Finance **DEVCD32** Welcome Home Ohio Program R.C. Section: 259.30 122.631, 122.632, 122.633, Sections 259.30, 512.10 Adds certain "qualified nonprofit developers" as eligible applicants for No provision. grants to purchase or rehabilitate residential property under the Welcome Home Ohio Program (WHO). 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. Increases the amount of the WHO tax credit from one-third of the No provision. construction and rehabilitation costs to 90% of such costs. Raises the income eligibility threshold to purchase WHO-funded property No provision. from 80% to 120% of the median income of the county in which the property is located. No provision. Increases the amount for which WHO-funded homes may be sold from \$180,000 to \$220,000. Allows WHO funds to be used to acquire or rehabilitate manufactured No provision. homes. No provision. Decreases the minimum square footage WHO-funded units in a multi-unit property from 1,000 to 800 square feet. Requires, if grant funds are used to construct or rehabilitate a unit in a No provision. 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. Increases the maximum grant for land banks and qualified nonprofit No provision. developers to construct or rehabilitate qualifying residential property

No provision.

from \$30,000 per home to \$100,000 per home.

Caps the grant amount for land banks and qualified nonprofit developers

to acquire qualifying residential property at \$100,000 per home.

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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.
No provision.		Requires that the counseling be provided over six months, rather than one year.
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.
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.
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.
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.
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.
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.
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.
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.
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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.
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).
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.
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.	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.
	Fiscal effect: The bill provides funding of \$2.5 million each fiscal year for grants under the program.

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Executive		As Reported By House Finance
DEVCD12	Film and theater tax credit award process	
R.C.	122.85	R.C. 122.85
Broadway maximum to make a	the two-round process for awarding motion-picture and y theatrical production tax credits where half the fiscal year is reserved for each round with one that uses a ranking process awards, considers applicants on a rolling basis, while retaining a or a TV series or miniseries.	Same as the Executive.
Fiscal effe	ect: None.	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.
DEVCD3	State private activity bond ceiling and fund	
R.C.	122.97	R.C. 122.97
	e DEV Director authority to allocate Ohio's volume ceiling on ate activity bonds established under federal income tax law.	Same as the Executive.
=	the Director to adopt rules governing the administration of the eiling, including an allocation formula.	Same as the Executive.
volume ce	es a custodial fund consisting of fees paid by issuers receiving eiling allocations and provides that the fund may be used to pay ts in administering Ohio's volume ceiling.	Same as the Executive.
	ect: None. Codifies existing practice and rules. Fees are already d into the Volume Cap Administration Fund (Fund 6170).	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.
DEVCD6	Automated Clearing House Payments Fund	
R.C.	166.36	R.C. 166.36
consisting	ne Automated Clearing House Payments Fund, a custodial fund g of regular loan repayments and fees by ACH transfer for loans m loan programs administered by the DEV Director.	Same as the Executive.
DEVCD7	Enterprise Bond Retirement Fund	
R.C.	166.37	R.C. 166.37
of repaym	ne Enterprise Bond Retirement Fund, a custodial fund consisting nents, fees, and other money attributable to loans made by the ctor from the Facilities Establishment Fund.	Same as the Executive.

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DEVCD8	Regional Loan Escrow Fund			
R.C.	166.38		R.C. 166.38	
grants, gi in the Fu	he Regional Loan Escrow Fund, a custodial fund consisting of all fts, contributions, and other money designated for or deposited nd, and all repayments, fees, and other money attributable to de under the Regional 166 Loan Program.		Same as the Executive.	
DEVCD57	Ohio Housing Trust Fund fees			
			R.C. 319.63, 174.02, 317.36	
No provis	sion.	1	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 provis	sion.		Requires that each county use Low- and Moderate-Income Housing Trust Fund fees for purposes determined by the appropriate county board of commissioners.	
			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.	
DEVCD9	Repeal of obsolete reports			
R.C.	4928.06, 4928.57, 4928.581, 4928.582, 4928.583		R.C. 4928.06, 4928.57, 4928.581, 4928.582, 4928.583	
Repeals r	equirements for reports with due dates that have passed.		Same as the Executive.	
Fiscal eff	ect: None.		Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.	

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DEVCD10	Expired revenue sources for Advanced Energy Fund	
R.C.	4928.61, 4928.34, 4928.62	R.C. 4928.61, 4928.34, 4928.62
Fund reversible collected Advanced requirementance repayments from Program Program and pro	the following obsolete provisions regarding Advanced Energy enue: (1) the expired temporary Advanced Energy Rider by electric distribution utilities and their remittance to the Energy Fund, (2) the 10-year limitation on remittance ents for the temporary Advanced Energy Rider, (3) the quarterly see and timing requirements for revenues from (a) payments, and collections under the Advanced Energy Program and gram income and (b) collections by an Ohio municipal electric electric cooperative participating in the Advanced Energy Fund.	Same as the Executive.
in rates, a	he obsolete requirements regarding the use of money collected as of October 5, 1999, for non-low-income customer energy programs.	Same as the Executive.
Fiscal effe	ect: None.	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.
DEVCD62	Helping Ohioans Stay in their Homes	
		Section: 259.20
No provis	ion.	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.
DEVCD13	Coal Research and Development Program	
Section:	259.20	Section: 259.20
used for t	GRF ALI 195402, Coal Research and Development Program, to be the operating expenses of the Community Services Division in of the Ohio Coal Development Office.	Same as the Executive.

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DEVCD14 Minority Business Development

Section: 259.20

Requires GRF ALI 195405, Minority Business Development, to be used to support the activities of the Minority Business Development Division, including providing grants to local nonprofit organizations to support economic development activities that promote minority business development, in conjunction with local organizations funded through GRF ALI 195454, Small Business and Export Assistance.

Section: 259.20

Same as the Executive.

DEVCD15 Business Development Services

Section: 259.20 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. 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.

DEVCD16 Redevelopment Assistance

Section: 259.20 Section: 259.20

Requires GRF ALI 195426, Redevelopment Assistance, to be used to fund the costs of administering energy, redevelopment, and other revitalization programs that DEV may implement, and allows the ALI to be used to match federal grant funding.

Same as the Executive.

DEVCD17 Technology Programs and Grants

Section: 259.20 Section: 259.20

Requires GRF ALI 195453, Technology Programs and Grants, to be used for operating expenses incurred in administering the Ohio Third Frontier Programs and other technology focused programs that DEV may implement.

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DEVCD18 Small Business and Export Assistance	
Section: 259.20	Section: 259.20
Allows GRF ALI 195454, Small Business and Export Assistance, to be used to provide a range of business assistance, including grants to local organizations to support economic development activities that promote small business development, entrepreneurship, and exports of Ohio's goods and services, in conjunction with local organizations funded through GRF ALI 195405, Minority Business Development.	Same as the Executive.
Requires the ALI to also be used to match grants from the U.S. Small Business Administration and other federal agencies.	Same as the Executive.
DEVCD19 Appalachia Assistance	
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.
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.
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.
Earmarks \$210,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI to support the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission.	Same as the Executive.
Earmarks \$210,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI to support the Ohio	Same as the Executive.

Mid-Eastern Government Association.

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Earmarks \$210,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI to support the Buckeye Hills Regional Council.	Same as the Executive.
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.
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.
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.
Earmarks \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year from the ALI to support the Ohio University's Voinovich School of Leadership and Public Service.	Same as the Executive.
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.	Earmarks \$500,000 in each fiscal year for the Outdoor Recreation Council of Appalachia.
No provision.	Earmarks \$250,000 in each fiscal year for the FosterHub in Hocking County.
DEVCD20 CDBG Operating Match	
Section: 259.20	Section: 259.20
Requires GRF ALI 195497, CDBG Operating Match, to be used as matching state funds for federal assistance received from HUD according to the requirements of the Community Development Block Grant Program.	Same as the Executive.

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DEVCD21 BSD Federal Programs Match	
Section: 259.20	Section: 259.20
Requires GRF ALI 195499, BSD Federal Programs Match, to be used as matching state funds for grants from the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology Manufacturing Extension Partnership Program and Department of Defense APEX Accelerator Program, and other federal agencies. Requires the ALI to also be used for operating expenses of the Business Services Division.	Same as the Executive.
DEVCD58 Local Development Projects	
	Section: 259.20
No provision.	Makes the following earmarks of GRF ALI 195503, Local Development Projects:
(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.
(2) No provision.	(2) \$500,000 in FY 2026 for the Mahoning Valley Scrappers for stadium maintenance and improvements.
(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.
(4) No provision.	(4) \$250,000 in each fiscal year for the Neighborhood Alliance to support the homeless shelter in Lorain County.
(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.
(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.
(7) No provision.	(7) \$125,000 in each fiscal year for the Buckeye Lake Region Corporation to support community development.

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(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.
(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.
(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.
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.
No provision.	(12) \$15,000 in FY 2026 for sidewalk improvements and repairs in the Village of Grand River.
DEVCD22 Ohio-Israel Agricultural Initiative	
Section: 259.20	Section: 259.20
Requires that GRF ALI 195537, Ohio-Israel Agricultural Initiative, be used to support the Ohio-Israel Agricultural Initiative. Prohibits the use of this ALI for travel and entertainment expenses incurred under the initiative.	Same as the Executive.
DEVCD23 Sector Partnership Networks	
Section: 259.20	Section: 259.20
Requires GRF ALI 195553, Industry Sector Partnerships, to be used for the Ohio Industry Sector Partnership Grant program.	Same as the Executive.
DEVCD59 Workforce Development Grants	
	Section: 259.20
No provision.	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.

Section: 259.30 Section: 259.30

Requires Fund 4510 ALI 195649, Business Assistance Programs, to be used to cover the administrative expenses associated with the operation of loan incentives.

for housing development projects.

their designees, in rural counties and counties that border another state

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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.
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.
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.
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.
DEVCD34 Advanced Energy Loan Programs	
Section: 259.30	Section: 259.30
Requires Fund 5M50 ALI 195660, Advanced Energy Loan Programs, to be used to provide financial assistance to customers for eligible advanced energy projects for residential, commercial, and industrial businesses; local governments; educational institutions; nonprofits; and agriculture customers. Allows the ALI to be used to match federal grant funding and to pay administrative costs of the program.	Same as the Executive.
DEVCD35 Sports Events Grants	
Section: 259.30	Section: 259.30
Requires Fund 5UYO ALI 195496, Sports Events Grants, to be used for grants under the Ohio Sports Event Grant Program.	Same as the Executive.
DEVCD36 Women Owned Business Loan	
Section: 259.30	Section: 259.30
Requires Fund 5XH0 ALI 195632, Women Owned Business Loan, to be used to operate the Women Owned Business Loan Program.	Same as the Executive.

No provision.

(Fund 5YE0) in FY 2026.

Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$250,000,000 cash from the All Ohio Future Fund (Fund 5XM0) to the Brownfield Remediation Fund

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central service operations, requires assessments to contain the characteristics of administrative ease and uniform application, and requires such payments to be credited to the Supportive Services Fund (Fund 1350) using an intrastate transfer voucher.

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DEVCD44 Development Services Reimbursable Expenditures

Section: 259.40 Section: 259.40

Requires Fund 6850 ALI 195636, Development Services Reimbursable Expenditures, to be used for reimbursable costs. Specifies that revenues to the General Reimbursement Fund (Fund 6850) consist of moneys charged for administrative costs that are not central service costs and repayment of loans, including the interest thereon, made from the Water and Sewer Fund (Fund 4440).

Same as the Executive.

DEVCD45 Rural Industrial Park Loan Program

Section: 259.50 Section: 259.50

Requires Fund 4Z60 ALI 195647, Rural Industrial Park Loan, to be used to award loans under the Rural Industrial Park Loan Program. Limits maximum awards to \$4,000,000.

Same as the Executive.

DEVCD46 Transfers from the Research and Development Loan Fund to the Business Assistance Fund

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.

DEVCD47 Capital Access Loan Program

Section: 259.50 Section: 259.50

Requires Fund 5S90 ALI 195628, Capital Access Loan Program, to be used for operating, program, and administrative expenses of the Capital Access Loan Program, and requires program funds to be used to assist participating financial institutions in making program loans to eligible businesses that face barriers in accessing working capital and obtaining fixed-asset financing.

Same as the Executive.

Allows the OBM Director, with CEB approval, to transfer of up to \$1,000,000 cash in each fiscal year from the Minority Business Enterprise Loan Fund (Fund 4W10) to the Capital Access Loan Fund (Fund 5S90).

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DEVCD48 Facilities Establishment

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Section:

Requires Fund 7037 ALI 195615, Facilities Establishment, to be used for the purposes of the Facilities Establishment Fund (Fund 7037) under Chapter 166.

Permits CEB, in the biennium, to authorize expenditures, in excess of the amount appropriated under Fund 7037 for purposes consistent with the law governing economic development programs. Appropriates the authorized amounts.

Section: 259.50

Same as the Executive.

Same as the Executive.

DEVCD49 Third Frontier Operating Costs

Section: 259.60 Section: 259.60

Requires Fund 7011 ALI 195686, Third Frontier Tax Exempt – Operating, and Fund 7014 ALI 195620, Third Frontier Taxable – Operating, to be used for Third Frontier Program operating expenses incurred in administering projects under each fund.

Same as the Executive.

DEVCD50 Third Frontier Research and Development taxable and tax exempt projects

Section: 259.60 Section: 259.60

Requires Fund 7011 ALI 195687 and Fund 7014 ALI 195692 to be used to fund selected projects, which may include internship programs. Specifies that eligible costs are the costs of the projects to which the Third Frontier Research and Development Fund (Fund 7011) and the Research and Development Taxable Bond Project Fund (Fund 7014) are to be applied.

Permits OBM to approve written requests from DEV for the transfer of appropriations between the two ALIs based upon Third Frontier Program awards recommended by the Third Frontier Commission.

Reappropriates, at the request of the DEV Director and approval of the OBM Director, with additional information if the OBM Director seeks it, an amount up to the available balance of the two ALIs at the end of FY 2025 to be used for the same purpose in FY 2026.

Same as the Executive.

Same as the Executive.

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DEVCD51 Broadband Equity, Access, a	and Deployment Program (BEAD)		
Section: 259.70		Section:	259.70
Requires Fund 3IFO ALI 1956E4, Broad Deployment Program (BEAD), be use supports the adoption of high-speed	d to build infrastructure that	Same as t	ne Executive.
No provision.		Broadban	\$20,000,000 in FY 2026 to support the U.S. Route 30 OARnet d Extension project which will build a middle-mile broadband long portions of Route 30.
DEVCD52 HEAP Weatherization			
Section: 259.70		Section:	259.70
Allows up to 25% of the federal fund Assistance Block Grant Fund (Fund 3 HEAP Weatherization, to be used to services as determined by DEV.	K90) to be spent from ALI 195614,	Same as t	ne Executive.
DEVCD53 Transfer from the GRF to the	e State Marketing Office Fund		
Section: 512.10		Section:	512.10
Requires the OBM Director to transfe from the GRF to the State Marketing	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Same as t \$22,000,0	ne Executive, but increases the cash transfer amount to 00.
DEVCD4 Ohio State Small Business C	redit Initiative Venture Capital Program Fur	nd	
Section: 518.10		Section:	518.10
Creates the Ohio State Small Busines Program Fund (Fund 3ICO) in uncodift to be used to pay DEV's expenses for	·	Same as t	ne Executive.

Stage Focus, Certified Development Financial Institution Loan, and Collateral Enhancement programs. Requires all federal funds received from the State Small Business Credit Initiative to be credited to the fund. Requires all investment earnings of the fund to be credited to the fund.

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DASCD48 Affirmative action programs in state contracts	
	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.
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.

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BORCD114 Scholarship Rules Advisory Committee repeal		
	R.C. 3333.373, (Repealed)	
No provision.	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.	
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.	
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.	
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 5NHO ALI 235517, Ohio Work Ready Grant; (3) GRF ALI 235425, Ohio Work Ready Grant; (4) Fund 5YDO 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.	

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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.	
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	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.	

them.

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Executive	2	As Reported By House Finance		
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	
	the duties and powers to administer Community Service Block ands from DEV to ODJFS.	Same a	s the Executive.	
-	the General Assembly to conduct public hearings on Community Block Grant funds as required by federal law.	Same a	s the Executive.	
1, 2027 v	that any business beginning before, but not completed by, July within DEV that will be transferred with these programs must be ed in the same manner in ODJFS.	Same a	s the Executive.	
a plan to and the o	that by July 1, 2026, the DEV and ODJFS directors must develop implement the transfer of the programs' duties and function, directors must enter a memorandum of understanding the transfer.	Same a	s the Executive.	
	DEV and ODJFS to jointly or separately enter into contracts with private entities for staff training and development to facilitate fer.	Same a	s the Executive.	
transferred July 1, 20 well as to or demote ODJFS (or to assign classifications sections).	that all employees associated with these programs are ed from DEV to ODJFS with the same positions and benefits by 127. Permits ODJFS to establish, change, and abolish positions, as a assign, reassign, classify, reclassify, transfer, reduce, promote, the all employees not subject to collective bargaining. Permits or DEV, in the case of an employee transferred outside of ODJFS) or reassign an exempt employee to a bargaining unit tion. Excludes the transfer of programs and employees under on and the reassignment of certain functions and duties from a set subjects of collective bargaining.	Same a	s the Executive.	

plan for transferred employees.

Permits ODJFS, with approval of OBM, to establish a retirement incentive

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-	all rules, orders, and determinations made or undertaken by the ed programs to continue in effect until ODJFS modifies or them.	Same as the Executive.
transfer.	OBM to make budget and accounting changes to implement the Permits OBM to cancel or establish encumbrances or parts of ances. Permits OBM to transfer appropriations between ODJFS	Same as the Executive.
	ect: The budget appropriates \$32.0 million in new Fund 3L00 38, Community Service Block Grant, in 2027, under ODJFS.	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.
JFSCD32	Electric Partnership Plan Fund	
R.C.	4928.51, 4928.66, 5117.07	R.C. 4928.51, 4928.66, 5117.07
(EPP) Fun	the Universal Service Fund with the Electric Partnership Pland to provide funding for the low-income customer assistance umer education programs.	Same as the Executive.
distribution amount n	the EPP fund to consist of (1) amounts allocated to each electric on utility (EDU) for consumer education programs and (2) any necessary to fund administrative costs of the low-income assistance programs.	Same as the Executive.
	ect: The budget appropriates \$176.2 million in new Fund 5M40 B2 Low Income Energy Assistance, in FY 2027, under ODJFS.	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.
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
programs 2026, and	administration of the low-income customer assistance and the consumer education program beginning on July 1, the energy efficiency and weatherization program from the ctor to the ODJFS Director.	Same as the Executive.
25% of fe	the ODJFS Director to submit a federal waiver request to expend deral low-income Home Energy Assistance Programs funds from Energy Assistance Block Grants for weatherization services.	Same as the Executive.

and DEV.

encumbrances. Permits OBM to transfer appropriations between ODJFS

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Executive			
Fiscal effect: The budget establishes the following FY 2027 appropriations under ODJFS to support this transfer: \$180.0 million to Fund 3K90 ALI 6006B3, Home Energy Assistance Block Grant; \$45.0 million to Fund 3FI0 ALI 6006B4, Home Weatherization Program; and \$44.0 million to Fund 3K90 ALI 6006B7, HEAP Weatherization (see also JFSCD32).	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.		
JFSCD33 Public Advisory Board			
R.C. 4928.58, 4928.63, 4928.62	R.C. 4928.58, 4928.63, 4928.62		
Adds the ODJFS Director to the Public Advisory Board (replacing the DEV Director) and requires the Board to advise the ODJFS Director. Limits the Board's duties to advising the ODJFS Director regarding the low-income customer assistance programs.	Same as the Executive.		
Repeals the Board duty to give advice regarding the Universal Service Fund and Rider and the Advanced Energy Program and Advanced Energy Fund. Eliminates reimbursements to Board members for expenses incurred for the Advanced Energy Program.	Same as the Executive.		
Repeals Board powers and duties regarding economic development and stability, energy, and pollution matters in Ohio.	Same as the Executive.		
Fiscal effect: Minimal.	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.		

(e) Highway Operating Fund (Fund 7002) used by ODOT.

(f) Supportive Services Fund (Fund 1350) used by DEV.

Permits Fund 4C00 to accept contributions and transfers made to the fund.

(f) Same as the Executive.

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Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) Rider creation and Universal Service Rider repeal PUCCD7

R.C. 4928.52, 4928.53, 4928.54, 4928.542, 4928.543, 4928.544, 4928.545

4928.52, 4928.53, 4928.54, 4928.542, 4928.543, 4928.544, 4928.545

Replaces the Universal Service rider with the Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) rider on retail electric distribution rates as determined by PUCO.

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.

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 lowincome customer assistance programs by June 30 each year.

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.

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.

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Same as the Executive.

Same as the Executive.

Same as the Executive.

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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.	

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Executive	As Reported By House Finance		
Personal Income Tax			
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		
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.	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.		
	Fiscal effect: Likely revenue neutral.		
Other Taxation Provisions TAXCD87 Transformational mixed use development tax credits	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.		
	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.		

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Executive		As Reported By House Finance		
TAXCD20	Adult use marijuana excise tax: rate and distribution			
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	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	
	the rate of the excise tax on adult use marijuana, beginning on 25, from 10% to 20%.	No pro	vision.	
Imposes a seller.	20% excise tax on the illegal sale of marijuana by an unlicensed	Same a	s the Executive, but lowers the rate to 10%.	
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		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.		

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.