DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES

- Consolidates and renames the Federal Juvenile Justice Programs Funds into a single Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Fund administered by the Department of Youth Services (DYS).

- Eliminates the requirements that a separate federal juvenile justice program fund be established each federal fiscal year and the crediting of investment earnings on the fund’s cash balance be for the appropriate federal fiscal year.

- Requires DYS to maintain a financial activity report of each individual grant in the fund.

- Removes the provision that rules, orders, and determinations of the Office of Criminal Justice Services regarding administration of federal juvenile justice grants in effect on that provision’s effective date continue in effect as those of DYS.

Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Fund

(R.C. 5139.87)

The bill provides that the Department of Youth Services (DYS) serves as the state agent for the administration of federal, instead of all federal, juvenile justice grants to the state, and eliminates the requirement that a separate federal juvenile justice programs fund be established each federal fiscal year. It consolidates the Federal Juvenile Justice Programs funds into a single Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Fund (the fund). All federal grants and moneys received for federal juvenile programs must be deposited into the Fund and receipts deposited in the fund must be used for federal juvenile programs. The bill provides that all investment earnings on the cash balance in the fund must be credited to the fund and eliminates the provision that they be credited for the appropriate federal fiscal year.

The bill requires DYS to maintain a financial activity report of each individual grant within the fund, including expenses and revenue credited to those individual grants.

The bill eliminates the provision that all rules, orders, and determinations of the Office of Criminal Justice Services regarding the administration of federal juvenile justice grants in effect on September 26, 2003, must continue in effect as rules, orders, or determinations of DYS.