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Sub. H. B. No. 427

A BILL

To enact sections 3705.161, 5119.63, 5119.64, and 1
5119.65 of the Revised Code to require monthly 2
drug overdose death reports, to create three 3
faith-based substance abuse grant programs, and 4
to make an appropriation. 5

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 3705.161, 5119.63, 5119.64, and 6
5119.65 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 7

Sec. 3705.161. (A) The department of health shall publish 8
on its internet web site the number of deaths, delineated by 9
county, for which it was determined during the preceding month 10
that the known cause of death was drug overdose. The department 11
shall update this information on a monthly basis using 12
information submitted through the Ohio public health data 13
warehouse. The department shall issue a press release each time 14
a monthly update is completed. The press release shall include 15
the most current hotline number for addiction treatment referral 16
services administered by the department of mental health and 17
addiction services or its representative. 18



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(B) The director of health may adopt rules the director 19
considers necessary to implement this section. All rules adopted 20
under this division shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 21
119. of the Revised Code. 22

Sec. 5119.63. There is hereby created the faith-based 23
substance abuse curricula grant program. The department of 24
mental health and addiction services shall administer the 25
program. 26

Under the program, the department shall award grants to 27
nonprofit faith-based entities that administer programs intended 28
to support individuals in avoiding abuse of or overcoming 29
addiction to one or more substances and that use curricula 30
materials to achieve this intended purpose. The curricula 31
materials that are used may be faith-based in nature. The 32
department shall create a grant application for the program and 33
develop a process for receiving and evaluating completed grant 34
applications on a competitive basis. The grant application shall 35
require an applicant to specify which of the following the 36
department must consult with to obtain input about the entity's 37
success with supporting individuals in avoiding abuse of or 38
overcoming addiction to one or more substances: a judge or 39
magistrate from the drug court or other court that considers 40
drug-related prosecutions in the same jurisdiction as the 41
entity, that jurisdiction's chief police officer or the 42
officer's delegate, the attorney general, or any combination of 43
the foregoing. The department shall give this input significant 44
weight when making a final determination regarding a grant 45
award, although the department's decision is final. 46

The department shall select initial grant recipients not 47
later than nine months after the effective date of this section. 48

The department may award a grant to an applicant from outside 49
this state if the applicant has attested in the application that 50
the amount received will be used only to purchase curricula 51
materials for residents of this state. 52

Sec. 5119.64. There is hereby created the faith-based 53
substance abuse transportation assistance grant program. The 54
department of mental health and addiction services shall 55
administer the program. 56

Under the program, the department shall award grants to 57
nonprofit faith-based entities that administer programs intended 58
to support individuals in avoiding abuse of or overcoming 59
addiction to one or more substances. 60

An entity that is awarded a grant may use the amount 61
received only to defray the cost of providing participants in 62
its program with transportation services to program meetings or 63
activities or to reimburse participants for the costs they incur 64
in traveling to program meetings or activities. 65

The department shall create a grant application for the 66
program and develop a process for receiving and evaluating 67
completed grant applications on a competitive basis. The grant 68
application shall require an applicant to specify which of the 69
following the department must consult with to obtain input about 70
the entity's success with supporting individuals in avoiding 71
abuse of or overcoming addiction to one or more substances: a 72
judge or magistrate from the drug court or other court that 73
considers drug-related prosecutions in the same jurisdiction as 74
the entity, that jurisdiction's chief police officer or the 75
officer's delegate, the attorney general, or any combination of 76
the foregoing. The department shall give this input significant 77
weight when making a final determination regarding a grant 78

award, although the department's decision is final. 79

The department shall select initial grant recipients not 80
later than nine months after the effective date of this section. 81

The department may award a grant to an applicant from outside 82
this state if the applicant has attested in the application that 83
the amount received will be used only to defray transportation 84
costs involving residents of this state. 85

The department shall not transfer any funds appropriated 86
to it for this program to other programs or services 87
administered by the department. 88

Sec. 5119.65. (A) There is hereby created the faith-based 89
substance abuse rehabilitation facility grant program. The 90
department of mental health and addiction services shall 91
administer the program. 92

(B) Under the program, the department shall award grants 93
to nonprofit faith-based entities that meet all of the following 94
criteria: 95

(1) Have been operating for at least three years 96
immediately prior to the date the entity submits the grant 97
application to the department; 98

(2) Are able to demonstrate success with supporting 99
individuals, including those who participate in drug court or 100
are incarcerated, in avoiding abuse of or overcoming addiction 101
to one or more substances using faith-based programming; 102

(3) Are able to demonstrate that they have received 103
community support for their programming, including financial 104
support; 105

(4) Have been endorsed by at least three judges or police 106

officers in a community intended to benefit from a grant. 107

(C) An entity that is awarded a grant may use the amount 108
received only to open and operate one or more facilities at 109
which drug addiction services, certified by the department under 110
section 5119.36 of the Revised Code, are provided. The entity 111
must ensure that all such facilities are located in or not more 112
than ten miles from a community that has historically had a high 113
incidence of accidental death by opioid overdose. 114

(D) The department shall create a grant application for 115
the program and develop a process for receiving and evaluating 116
completed grant applications on a competitive basis. The grant 117
application shall require an applicant to provide evidence of 118
meeting the criteria specified in division (B) of this section. 119
The department shall give significant weight to the quality of 120
the evidence it receives when making a final determination 121
regarding a grant award. The department's decision regarding a 122
grant award is final. 123

The department shall select initial grant recipients not 124
later than nine months after the effective date of this section. 125
The department may award a grant to an applicant from outside 126
this state if the applicant has attested in the application that 127
the amount received will be used only to serve residents of this 128
state. 129

Section 2. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction 130
Services shall expend \$50,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$50,000 in 131
fiscal year 2019 for the Faith-Based Substance Abuse Curricula 132
Grant Program established by section 5119.63 of the Revised 133
Code. The Department shall also expend \$50,000 in fiscal year 134
2018 and \$50,000 in fiscal year 2019 for the Faith-Based 135
Substance Abuse Transportation Assistance Grant Program 136

established in section 5119.64 of the Revised Code. The 137
Department shall use any available appropriations contained in 138
Am. Sub. H.B. 49 of the 132nd General Assembly as the source of 139
funding for these two programs. 140

Section 3. All items in this section are hereby 141
appropriated as designated out of any moneys in the state 142
treasury to the credit of the designated fund. For all 143
appropriations made in this act, those in the first column are 144
for fiscal year 2018 and those in the second column are for 145
fiscal year 2019. The appropriations made in this act are in 146
addition to any other appropriations made for the FY 2018-FY 147
2019 biennium. 148

MHA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES 149

General Revenue Fund 150

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| GRF | 336421 | Continuum of Care | \$ 1,000,000 | \$ 1,000,000 | 151 |
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| TOTAL GRF | General Revenue Fund | \$ 1,000,000 | \$ 1,000,000 | 153 |
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| TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS | \$ 1,000,000 | \$ 1,000,000 | 154 |
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CONTINUUM OF CARE SERVICES 155

The foregoing appropriation item 336421, Continuum of Care 156
Services, shall be used for the Faith-Based Substance Abuse 157
Rehabilitation Facility Grant Program established in section 158
5119.65 of the Revised Code. 159

Section 4. Within the limits set forth in this act, the 160
Director of Budget and Management shall establish accounts 161
indicating the source and amount of funds for each appropriation 162
made in this act, and shall determine the form and manner in 163

which appropriation accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures 164
from appropriations contained in this act shall be accounted for 165
as though made in Am. Sub. H.B. 49 of the 132nd General 166
Assembly. 167

The appropriations made in this act are subject to all 168
provisions of Am. Sub. H.B. 49 of the 132nd General Assembly 169
that are generally applicable to such appropriations. 170