



OHIO ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY BOARDS
SERVING PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

To: Honorable Rick Perales
77 S High St, 13th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

Honorable Allison Russo
77 S High St, 10th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

From: Bridget Gargan, Executive Director
Ohio Association of County Boards of Developmental Disabilities

Date: October 11, 2019

Dear Representative Perales and Representative Russo:

Thank you for your attention to OACB's concerns regarding the implementation of House Bill 287.

The Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities has agreed to fund any waivers granted pursuant to this proposed statute with state resources, and also to address any issues with the state's waiting list through the administrative rulemaking process. Taking that agreement into consideration, OACB no longer has any outstanding concerns with the bill. We are pleased to continue to offer our support for military families, and we appreciate the opportunity HB 287 provides to extend that support in new ways.

Thank you for your consideration of these issues. We look forward to working with you in the future to further strengthen our state's system of supports for people with developmental disabilities.

Sincerely,

Bridget Gargan
Executive Director

CC: Pamela Combs, Superintendent, Montgomery County Board of DD
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Jennifer Rousculp-Miller, Superintendent, Clark County Board of DD