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SUMMARY

- Requires Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs) to engage in a competitive selection process when contracting with a laboratory services provider vendor.

DETAILED ANALYSIS

MCO competitive selection process

The bill requires Medicaid MCOs to use a competitive selection process when contracting with a vendor to provide laboratory services for the MCO under the care management system. The competitive selection process must include a request for proposal period that allows prospective laboratory services vendors to submit a business proposal to the MCO detailing the vendor’s proposed contract terms.¹

An MCO must permit a laboratory services vendor to participate in the request for proposal process if the vendor can demonstrate that it has the staff, equipment, and resources necessary to do both of the following: (1) process laboratory requests received from the MCO in a timely manner, and (2) comply with the laboratory services requirements specified in the MCO’s contract with the Department of Medicaid.²

The bill also specifies that when an MCO evaluates laboratory services vendor applications and determines that all criteria between two or more laboratory services vendor applicants are equal, the MCO must give preference to an applicant whose principal place of business is located in Ohio.³

¹ R.C. 5167.15(A).
² R.C. 5167.15(A)(1) and (2); R.C. 5167.10, not in the bill.
³ R.C. 5167.15(B).
### HISTORY

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