

## OACB AMENDMENT REQUEST: Substitute SB332

Our amendment request has two parts. They are as follows:

1. Amend Sec. 3701.611 to differentiate Early Intervention from home visiting in order to account for DODD's oversight of EI, and ensure that the intake system complies with federal law.

### Recommended Language:

~~Sec. 3701.611. (A) Not later than six months after the effective date of this section, the department of health, with input from and the department of developmental disabilities, shall select one or more persons or government entities to create and operate a central intake and referral system for all home visiting and Part C Early Intervention programs operating in this state, including those that provide early intervention services under the state's part C early intervention services program. This central intake and referral system shall comply with all Part C Early as defined in section (B)(3) of this section.~~ The department of health shall select a system operator through a competitive bidding process.

... (B) (3) Comply with all Part C Early Intervention federal requirements for children potentially eligible for Early Intervention related to comprehensive child find (34 CFR 303.302 and 303.303), public awareness (34 CFR 303.301), and a central directory (34 CFR 303.117).

2. To ensure that EI is properly represented on the appropriate committees, we are requesting that under *Sec. 3701.612* the home visiting consortium includes a representative of the county boards of developmental disabilities selected by the Ohio association of county boards of developmental disabilities. Similarly, we request that under *Sec. 3701.68* the infant mortality commission includes the Director of DODD, or the director's designee.

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