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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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Highlights

- The Ohio Department of Aging (ODA) will experience administrative costs to process applications from entities that apply to become Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) organizations, provide support for organizations that are chosen, and promulgate rules. These costs will depend on the number of applications received.
- The Ohio Department of Medicaid's (ODM) fiscal impacts will depend on the number of Medicaid recipients who choose to enroll in PACE due to the expansion instead of receiving services through another Medicaid component (e.g., coverage under a managed care organization or a Medicaid home and community-based waiver program). Service costs can differ between these components, so in some instances there could be additional costs and in others, there could be savings.

Detailed Analysis

The bill requires the Ohio Department of Aging (ODA) to expand the Medicaid waiver known as the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) in Ohio counties which are not currently served by PACE. The bill sets a timeline that ODA must issue a request for proposal by the end of December 2026, and proposals must be submitted to ODA no later than 90 days after the request for proposal is issued. ODA must then review all proposals submitted and determine which entities it considers qualified to become PACE organizations for each service area. This determination must be completed by June 30, 2027. The bill outlines eligibility requirements for ODA approval. An entity that ODA considers qualified may apply to the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to become a PACE organization, and ODA must provide support to any such organization by complying with federal requirements. The bill authorizes the ODA Director to adopt rules to implement the PACE expansion. The payment rates for any new PACE organization must be the same as the rate for current organizations.

PACE provides an all-in-one home and community-managed care model for qualifying Ohioans aged 55 and older who require an intermediate or skilled level of care. It provides recipients with health care, medical care, and ancillary services at an approved PACE center. Most PACE participants are Medicaid recipients or dual Medicaid and Medicare (dual-eligible) recipients, who receive support from one or both programs.

Fiscal effect

ODA will experience administrative costs related to processing applications, providing support for organizations that are chosen, and promulgating rules. These costs will depend on the number of entities that apply to become PACE organizations. ODM's impact will depend on the number of Medicaid recipients who choose to enroll in PACE due to the expansion instead of receiving services through traditional Medicaid (coverage under a Medicaid managed care organization) or through a Medicaid home and community-based waiver program (e.g., Assisted Living, or PASSPORT). The net effect would be the difference between a Medicaid recipient's current care versus the cost of care provided by the PACE program. Service costs could be greater or lesser depending on this difference.

Federal regulations require that PACE rates: (1) be less than the amount that would have otherwise been paid under the state plan if not enrolled in PACE, (2) take into account the comparative frailty of participants, and (3) are a fixed amount regardless of changes in a participant's health status.¹

Current PACE locations

H.B. 45 of the 135th General Assembly expanded PACE. Prior to H.B. 45, there was one PACE site – McGregor PACE in Cuyahoga County. However, as of May 19, 2026, there are PACE sites operating in the following counties: Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Franklin, Hamilton, Lorain, Mahoning, Summit, and Trumbull. In addition, one center in Montgomery County is scheduled to become active in July 2026 and another in Lucas County is scheduled to become active in December 2026.

¹ U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, [PACE Medicaid Capitation Rate Setting Guide \(PDF\)](#).