

Sub. H. B. No. 96
As Passed by the Senate

_____ moved to amend as follows:

In line 345 of the title, after "103.24," insert "103.41, 103.411, 1
103.413, 103.415" 2

Delete lines 3062 through 3195 (remove R.C. 103.41, and 103.416) and 3
insert: 4

"**Sec. 103.13.** The Ohio legislative service commission 5
shall: 6

(A) Conduct research, make investigations, and secure 7
information or data on any subject and make reports thereon to 8
the general assembly; 9

(B) Ascertain facts and make reports concerning the state 10
budget, the revenues and expenditures of the state, and of the 11
organization and functions of the state, its departments, 12
subdivisions, and agencies; 13

(C) Make surveys, investigations, and studies, and compile 14
data, information, and records on any question which may be 15
referred to it by either house of the general assembly or any 16
standing committee of the general assembly; 17

(D) Assist and cooperate with any interim legislative 18

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committee or other agency created by the general assembly;	19
(E) Prepare or advise in the preparation of any bill or	20
resolution, when requested by any member of the general	21
assembly;	22
(F) Collect, classify, and index the documents of the	23
state which shall include executive and legislative documents	24
and departmental reports and keep on file all bills,	25
resolutions, and official journals printed by order of either	26
house of the general assembly;	27
(G) Provide members of the general assembly with impartial	28
and accurate information and reports concerning legislative	29
problems in accordance with rules prescribed by the commission;	30
(H) Annually collect the reports required by section	31
4743.01 of the Revised Code and prepare a report evaluating the	32
extent to which state boards and commissions which regulate	33
occupations are financially self-supporting. The report shall be	34
presented to the speaker and the minority leader of the house of	35
representatives, the president and the minority leader of the	36
senate, and the chairperson and ranking minority member of the	37
finance committees of both houses, on or before the thirty-first	38
day of December each year.	39
(I) Codify the rules of administrative agencies of the	40
state in accordance with the provisions of section 103.05 of the	41
Revised Code;	42
(J) Publish the register of Ohio under section 103.051 of	43
the Revised Code;	44
(K) Operate the electronic rule-filing system under	45
section 103.0511 of the Revised Code;	46

(L) Assist the standing committees of the house of
representatives and the senate that primarily consider
legislation governing the medicaid program, to carry out
continuing oversight and other duties regarding the state's
medicaid program enumerated under sections 103.41 to 103.412 of
the Revised Code.

Sec. 103.41. The standing committees of the house of
representatives and the senate that primarily consider
legislation governing the medicaid program shall meet jointly
during each session of the general assembly to oversee the
medicaid program on a continuing basis.

In odd numbered years, the standing committees shall meet
jointly at the call of the chairperson of the senate committee
that considers the medicaid program. In even numbered years, the
standing committees shall meet jointly at the call of the
chairperson of the house of representatives committee that
considers the medicaid program.

Sec. ~~103.412~~ 103.411. ~~(A) JMOC shall oversee the medicaid-~~
~~program on a continuing basis. As part of its oversight, JMOC To~~
~~assist the standing committees overseeing the medicaid program~~
~~as provided in section 103.41 of the Revised Code, the~~
~~legislative service commission shall do all of the research,~~
~~review, and summarize the following to the joint standing~~
~~committees on request of the chairperson who calls the meeting:~~

~~(1) Review how~~ (A) How the medicaid program relates to the
public and private provision of health care coverage in this
state and the United States;

~~(2) Review the reforms implemented under section 5162.70-~~
~~of the Revised Code and evaluate the reforms' successes in-~~

achieving their objectives <u>(B) Reports issued by all agencies</u>	76
<u>that participate in the medicaid program that are submitted to</u>	77
<u>the commission;</u>	78
(3) Recommend policies <u>(C) Policies and strategies related</u>	79
<u>to encourage both of the following:</u>	80
(a) (1) <u>Medicaid recipients being physically and mentally</u>	81
<u>able to join and stay in the workforce and ultimately becoming</u>	82
<u>self-sufficient;</u>	83
(b) (2) <u>Less use of the medicaid program.</u>	84
(4) Recommend, to the extent JMOC determines appropriate,	85
improvements in statutes and <u>(D) Newly-adopted rules concerning</u>	86
<u>the medicaid program;</u>	87
(5) Develop a plan of action for the future of the	88
medicaid program <u>(E) Pending Ohio medicaid legislation;</u>	89
(6) Receive and consider reports submitted by local <u>(F)</u>	90
<u>Medicaid legislation and innovations in other states;</u>	91
<u>(G) Local healthier buckeye councils reports submitted</u>	92
<u>under section 355.04 of the Revised Code.</u>	93
(B) JMOC may do all of the following:	94
(1) Plan, advertise, organize, and conduct forums,	95
conferences, and other meetings at which representatives of	96
state agencies and other individuals having expertise in the	97
medicaid program may participate to increase knowledge and	98
understanding of, and to develop and propose improvements in,	99
the medicaid program;	100
(2) Prepare and issue reports on the medicaid program;	101
(3) Solicit written comments on, and conduct public	102

~~hearings at which persons may offer verbal comments on, drafts of its reports.~~

Sec. ~~103.414~~ 103.412. (A) Before the beginning of each fiscal biennium, ~~JMOC~~ the legislative service commission shall contract with an actuary to determine the projected medical inflation rate for the upcoming fiscal biennium. The contract shall require the actuary to make the determination using the same types of classifications and sub-classifications of medical care that the United States bureau of labor statistics uses in determining the inflation rate for medical care in the consumer price index. The contract also shall require the actuary to provide ~~JMOC~~ the commission a report with its determination at least one hundred twenty days before the governor is required to submit a state budget for the fiscal biennium to the general assembly under section 107.03 of the Revised Code.

(B) On receipt of the actuary's report, ~~JMOC~~ the commission shall share the report with the standing committees overseeing the medicaid program under section 103.41 of the Revised Code. The standing committees, acting jointly, shall determine whether ~~it agrees~~ they agree with the actuary's projected medical inflation rate. If ~~JMOC disagrees~~ they disagree with the actuary's projected medical inflation rate, ~~JMOC shall~~ the standing committees shall work with the commission to determine a different projected medical inflation rate for the upcoming fiscal biennium.

The actuary, the commission, and, ~~if JMOC determines a different projected medical inflation rate,~~ JMOC standing committees shall determine the projected medical inflation rate for the state unless that is not practicable in which case the determination shall be made for the midwest region.

~~Regardless of whether it agrees with the actuary's projected medical inflation rate or determines a different projected medical inflation rate, JMOC shall complete a report regarding the projected medical inflation rate. JMOC shall include a copy of the actuary's report in JMOC's report. JMOC's report shall state whether JMOC agrees with the actuary's projected medical inflation rate and, if JMOC disagrees, the reason why JMOC disagrees and the different medical inflation rate JMOC determined. At least ninety days before the governor is required to submit a state budget for the upcoming fiscal biennium to the general assembly under section 107.03 of the Revised Code, JMOC shall submit a copy of the report to the general assembly in accordance with section 101.68 of the Revised Code and to the governor and medicaid director.~~

(C) At least ninety days before the governor is required to submit a state budget for the upcoming fiscal biennium to the general assembly under section 107.03 of the Revised Code, the commission shall submit a report to the governor, medicaid director, and the standing committees that includes the following information:

(1) The projected medical inflation rate, whether the standing committees recommend the actuary's rate or the alternate rate recommended by the standing committees;

(2) If the standing committees recommend an alternate rate, an explanation for rejecting the actuary's rate;

(3) A copy of the actuary's report.

Sec. 103.65. (A) There is hereby created the Ohio health oversight and advisory committee. The committee shall consist of the following members:

(1) Three members of the senate appointed by the president 162
of the senate, two of whom are members of the majority party and 163
one of whom is a member of the minority party; 164

(2) Three members of the house of representatives 165
appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, two of 166
whom are members of the majority party and one of whom is a 167
member of the minority party. 168

(B) The president and speaker shall make the initial 169
appointments to the committee not later than fifteen calendar 170
days after June 23, 2021. The president and speaker shall make 171
subsequent appointments not later than forty-five calendar days 172
after the commencement of the first regular session of each 173
general assembly. Members of the committee shall serve on the 174
committee until appointments are made in the first regular 175
session of the following general assembly, until a member no 176
longer serves as a member of the chamber from which the member 177
was initially appointed, or until a member is removed by the 178
speaker or president. No committee member shall be removed 179
during the member's term during a state of emergency as defined 180
in section 107.42 of the Revised Code, unless an extraordinary 181
circumstance exists that prevents a member from serving on the 182
committee. A vacancy on the committee shall be filled in the 183
same manner as the original appointment. 184

(C) In odd-numbered years, the president shall designate 185
one committee member from the senate who is a member of the 186
majority party as the committee chairperson, and the speaker 187
shall designate one committee member from the house who is a 188
member of the majority party as the committee vice-chairperson 189
and one committee member from the house who is a member of the 190
minority party as the committee ranking minority member. In 191

even-numbered years, the speaker shall designate one committee 192
 member from the house who is a member of the majority party as 193
 the committee chairperson, and the president shall designate one 194
 committee member from the senate who is a member of the majority 195
 party as the committee vice-chairperson and one committee member 196
 from the senate who is a member of the minority party as the 197
 committee ranking minority member. 198

(D) In appointing members from the minority party, and in 199
 designating ranking minority members, the president and speaker 200
 shall consult with the minority leader of their respective 201
 houses. 202

(E) The Ohio health oversight and advisory committee shall 203
 meet at the call of the chairperson. 204

(F) The ~~executive director and other employees of the~~ 205
~~joint medicaid oversight committee legislative service~~ 206
commission shall ~~serve~~ provide staff services to the Ohio health 207
 oversight and advisory committee to enable the committee to 208
 successfully and efficiently perform its duties." 209

Strike through line 7194 210

In line 7195, strike through "(3)" and insert "(2)" 211

In line 7196, strike through "(4)" and insert "(3)" 212

In line 7197, strike through "(5)" and insert "(4)" 213

In line 7198, strike through "(6)" and insert "(5)" 214

After line 12045, insert: 215

"**Sec. 125.95.** (A) There is hereby created within the 216
 department of administrative services the prescription drug 217
 transparency and affordability advisory council. The department 218

shall provide administrative support to the advisory council as 219
necessary for the advisory council to carry out its duties under 220
this section. 221

(1) Members of the advisory council shall include the 222
following: 223

(a) The director of administrative services; 224

(b) The director of health; 225

(c) The medicaid director; 226

(d) The director of ~~mental behavioral health and addiction~~ 227
~~services;~~ 228

(e) The administrator of workers' compensation. 229

(2) Members of the advisory council shall also include 230
individuals who are working to address prescription drug 231
availability and affordability in any of the following areas: 232

(a) Insurance; 233

(b) Local, state, and federal government service; 234

(c) Private industry; 235

(d) Organizations of faith; 236

(e) Health care providers; 237

(f) Consumer organizations; 238

(g) Prescription drug manufacturers; 239

(h) Prescription drug wholesale distributors; 240

(i) Pharmacists; 241

(j) Business organizations; 242

(k) Individuals concerned about mental health or substance abuse matters; 243
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(l) Advocates for individuals struggling to afford prescription drugs. 245
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The governor, the senate president, and the speaker of the house of representatives shall each appoint three members, each of whom represents at least one of the categories listed in divisions (A) (2) (a) to (l) of this section. 247
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(B) Members shall serve without compensation. Initial appointments shall be made not later than sixty days after ~~the effective date of this section~~ October 17, 2019. Vacancies shall be filled in the manner provided for original appointments. 251
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(C) Not later than six months after the date of initial appointments under division (B) of this section, the advisory council shall submit a report to the governor, and the general assembly, ~~and the chairperson of the joint medicaid oversight committee~~ in accordance with section 101.68 of the Revised Code. The report shall include recommendations on all of the following: 255
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(1) How this state can best achieve prescription drug price transparency; 262
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(2) New payment models or other avenues to create the most affordable environment for purchasing prescription drugs; 264
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(3) Leveraging this state's purchasing power across all state agencies, boards, commissions, and similar entities; 266
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(4) Creating efficiencies across different health care systems, such as hospitals, the criminal justice system, treatment and recovery support programs, and employer-sponsored 268
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health insurance, to reduce duplicative service delivery across 271
 these systems, ensure that patients receive high quality and 272
 affordable prescription drugs, and support quality care and 273
 outcomes; 274

(5) Which critical outcomes can be measured and used to 275
 improve this state's system of purchasing affordable prescribed 276
 drugs; 277

(6) How federal, state, and local resources are being used 278
 to optimize these outcomes and identify where the resources can 279
 be better coordinated or redirected to meet the needs of 280
 consumers in this state. 281

(D) State agencies, boards, commissions, and similar 282
 entities shall cooperate with and provide assistance to the 283
 advisory council as necessary for the advisory council to carry 284
 out its duties under this section. 285

(E) On ~~the effective date of this amendment~~ September 30, 286
2021, the advisory council shall cease to exist. Thereafter, the 287
~~joint medicaid oversight committee~~ legislative service 288
commission may examine any of the topics described in the report 289
 prepared by the former advisory council under division (C) of 290
 this section upon the request of a member of the ~~committee~~ the 291
standing committees with oversight of the medicaid program as 292
provided in section 103.41 of the Revised Code. " 293

After line 26402, insert: 294

"Sec. 355.04. A local healthier buckeye council shall 295
 report the following information to the ~~joint medicaid oversight~~ 296
~~committee created in section 103.41 of the Revised~~ 297
~~Code~~ legislative service commission: 298

(A) Notification that the local council has been 299
 established and information regarding the council's 300
 organization, plan, and activities; 301

(B) Information regarding enrollment or outcome data 302
 collected under division (E) of section 355.03 of the Revised 303
 Code; 304

(C) Recommendations regarding the best practices for the 305
 administration and delivery of publicly funded assistance 306
 programs or other services or programs provided by council 307
 members or the entities the members represent; 308

(D) Recommendations regarding the best practices in care 309
 coordination." 310

After line 83664, insert: 311

"**Sec. 3901.90.** The superintendent of insurance, in 312
 consultation with the director of ~~mental-behavioral health and~~ 313
~~addiction services~~, shall develop consumer and payer education 314
 on mental health and addiction services insurance parity and 315
 establish and promote a consumer hotline to collect information 316
 and help consumers understand and access their insurance 317
 benefits. 318

The department of insurance and the department of ~~mental-~~ 319
~~behavioral health and addiction services~~ shall jointly report 320
 annually on the department's efforts, which shall include 321
 information on consumer and payer outreach activities and 322
 identification of trends and barriers to access and coverage in 323
 this state. The departments shall submit the report to the 324
 general assembly, the ~~joint-medicare oversight~~ 325
~~committee~~ legislative service commission, and the governor, not 326
 later than the thirtieth day of January of each year." 327

In line 115442, strike through "joint medicaid oversight committee" 328
and insert "legislative service commission" 329

In line 119405, delete "joint medicaid oversight committee" and 330
insert "legislative service commission" 331

After line 119413, insert: 332

"Sec. 5162.13. (A) On or before the first day of January 333
of each year, the department of medicaid shall complete a report 334
on the effectiveness of the medicaid program in meeting the 335
health care needs of low-income pregnant women, infants, and 336
children. The report shall include all of the following, 337
delineated by race and ethnic group: 338

(1) The estimated number of pregnant women, infants, and 339
children eligible for the program; 340

(2) The actual number of eligible persons enrolled in the 341
program; 342

(3) The actual number of enrolled pregnant women 343
categorized by estimated gestational age at time of enrollment; 344

(4) The average number of days between the following 345
events: 346

(a) A pregnant woman's application for medicaid and 347
enrollment in the fee-for-service component of medicaid; 348

(b) A pregnant woman's application for enrollment in a 349
medicaid managed care organization and enrollment in the managed 350
care organization. 351

The information described in divisions (A) (4) (a) and (b) 352
of this section shall also be delineated by county and the urban 353
and rural communities specified in rules adopted under section 354

3701.142 of the Revised Code.	355
(5) The number of prenatal, postpartum, and child health visits;	356 357
(6) The estimated number of enrolled women of child-bearing age who use a tobacco product;	358 359
(7) The estimated number of enrolled women of child-bearing age who participate in a tobacco cessation program or who use a tobacco cessation product;	360 361 362
(8) The rates at which enrolled pregnant women receive addiction or mental health services, progesterone therapy, and any other service specified by the department;	363 364 365
(9) A report on birth outcomes, including a comparison of low-birthweight births and infant mortality rates of medicaid recipients with the general female child-bearing and infant population in this state;	366 367 368 369
(10) A comparison of the prenatal, delivery, and child health costs of the program with such costs of similar programs in other states, where available;	370 371 372
(11) A report on performance data generated by the component of the state innovation model (SIM) grant pertaining to episode-based payments for perinatal care that was awarded to this state by the center for medicare and medicaid innovation in the United States centers for medicare and medicaid services;	373 374 375 376 377
(12) A report on funds allocated for infant mortality reduction initiatives in the urban and rural communities specified in rules adopted under section 3701.142 of the Revised Code;	378 379 380 381
(13) A report on the results of client responses to	382

questions related to pregnancy services and healthcheck that are 383
asked by the personnel of county departments of job and family 384
services; 385

(14) A comparison of the performance of the fee-for- 386
service component of medicaid with the performance of each 387
medicaid managed care organization on perinatal health metrics; 388

(15) A report demonstrating cost savings resulting from 389
program investments; 390

(16) Beginning two years after ~~the effective date of this~~ 391
~~amendment~~ April 30, 2024, a report on the medicaid coverage of 392
doula services required by section 5164.071 of the Revised Code, 393
including: 394

(a) Outcomes related to maternal health and maternal 395
morbidity; 396

(b) Infant health outcomes; 397

(c) The average costs of providing doula services to 398
mothers and infants; 399

(d) Estimated cost increases or savings as a result of 400
providing doula coverage. 401

(B) The department shall submit the report to the general 402
assembly in accordance with section 101.68 of the Revised Code- 403
~~and to the joint medicaid oversight committee~~. The department 404
also shall make the report available to the public. 405

(C) The department shall provide to the ~~joint medicaid~~ 406
~~oversight committee~~ legislative service commission a copy of the 407
data used to calculate the information required in the report 408
under division (A) (16) of this section." 409

In line 119435, strike through "joint" 410

In line 119436, strike through "medicaid oversight committee"; 411
delete "and the" 412

In line 119438, after "medicaid" insert "and the legislative service 413
commission" 414

In line 119444, strike through the comma and insert "and the" 415

In line 119445, strike through ", and joint medicaid oversight 416
committee" 417

After line 119459, insert: 418

"Sec. 5162.134. Not later than the first day of each July, 419
the medicaid director shall complete a report of the evaluation 420
conducted under section 5164.911 of the Revised Code regarding 421
the integrated care delivery system. The director shall provide 422
a copy of the report to the general assembly ~~and joint medicaid-~~ 423
~~oversight committee. The copy to the general assembly shall be-~~ 424
~~provided~~ in accordance with section 101.68 of the Revised Code. 425
The director also shall make the report available to the public. 426

Sec. 5162.136. (A) The department of medicaid shall 427
conduct periodic reviews to determine the barriers that medicaid 428
recipients face in gaining full access to interventions intended 429
to reduce tobacco use, prevent prematurity, and promote optimal 430
birth spacing. The first review shall occur not later than sixty 431
days after ~~the effective date of this section~~ April 6, 2017. 432
Thereafter, reviews shall be conducted every six months. The 433
department shall prepare a report that summarizes the results of 434
each review, which must contain the information specified in 435
division (C)(1) or (2) of this section, as applicable. Each 436
report shall be submitted to the commission on infant mortality~~7~~ 437

~~the joint medicaid oversight committee,~~ and the general 438
assembly. Submissions to the general assembly shall be made in 439
accordance with section 101.68 of the Revised Code. 440

(B) The department shall make a presentation on each 441
report at the first meeting of the commission on infant 442
mortality that follows the report's submission to the 443
commission. 444

(C) (1) All of the following shall be in the first report 445
submitted in accordance with division (A) of this section: 446

(a) Identification of the access barriers described in 447
division (A) of this section, the individuals affected by the 448
barriers, and whether the barriers result from policies 449
implemented by the department, medicaid managed care 450
organizations, providers, or others; 451

(b) Recommendations for the expedient removal of the 452
access barriers; 453

(c) An analysis of the performance of the fee-for-service 454
component of medicaid and the performance of each medicaid 455
managed care organization on health metrics pertaining to 456
tobacco cessation, prematurity prevention, and birth spacing; 457

(d) Any other information the department considers 458
pertinent to the report's topic. 459

(2) All of the following shall be in each subsequent 460
report submitted in accordance with division (A) of this 461
section: 462

(a) The progress that has been made on removing the access 463
barriers described in division (A) of this section and the 464
impact such progress has had on reducing the infant mortality 465

rate in this state; 466

(b) A performance analysis of the fee-for-service 467
component of medicaid and each medicaid managed care 468
organization on health metrics pertaining to tobacco cessation, 469
prematurity prevention, and birth spacing; 470

(c) Any other information the department considers 471
pertinent. 472

Sec. 5162.1310. (A) The department of medicaid shall 473
periodically evaluate the success that members of the expansion 474
eligibility group have with the following: 475

(1) Obtaining employer-sponsored health insurance 476
coverage; 477

(2) Improving health conditions that would otherwise 478
prevent or inhibit stable employment; 479

(3) Improving the conditions of their employment, 480
including duration and hours of employment. 481

(B) For the purpose of aiding the department's evaluations 482
under this section, medicaid managed care organizations shall 483
collect and submit to the department relevant data about members 484
of the expansion eligibility group who are enrolled in the 485
organizations' medicaid MCO plans. The department may request 486
that a medicaid managed care organization collect and submit to 487
the department additional data the department needs for the 488
evaluation. 489

(C) The department shall complete a report for each 490
evaluation conducted under this section. The director shall 491
provide a copy of the report to the general assembly ~~and joint~~ 492
~~medicaid oversight committee. The copy to the general assembly~~ 493

~~shall be provided~~ in accordance with section 101.68 of the 494
Revised Code." 495

After line 119561, insert: 496

"Sec. 5162.70. (A) As used in this section: 497

(1) "CPI" means the consumer price index for all urban 498
consumers as published by the United States bureau of labor 499
statistics. 500

(2) "CPI medical inflation rate" means the inflation rate 501
for medical care, or the successor term for medical care, for 502
the midwest region as specified in the CPI. 503

(3) ~~"JMOC projected medical inflation rate" means the~~ 504
~~following:—~~ 505

~~(a) The projected medical inflation rate for a fiscal~~ 506
~~biennium determined by the actuary with which the joint medicaid~~ 507
~~oversight committee contracts under section 103.414 of the~~ 508
~~Revised Code if the committee agrees with the actuary's~~ 509
~~projected medical inflation rate for that fiscal biennium;—~~ 510

~~(b) The different projected medical inflation rate for a~~ 511
~~fiscal biennium determined by the joint medicaid oversight~~ 512
~~committee under section 103.414 of the Revised Code if the~~ 513
~~committee disagrees with the projected medical inflation rate~~ 514
~~determined for that fiscal biennium by the actuary with which~~ 515
~~the committee contracts under that section.—~~ 516

~~(4)—~~"Successor term" means a term that the United States 517
bureau of labor statistics uses in place of another term in 518
revisions to the CPI. 519

(B) The medicaid director shall implement reforms to the 520
medicaid program that do all of the following: 521

(1) Limit the growth in the per member per month cost of the medicaid program, as determined on an aggregate basis for all eligibility groups, for a fiscal biennium to not more than the lesser of the following:

(a) The average annual increase in the CPI medical inflation rate for the most recent three-year period for which the necessary data is available as of the first day of the fiscal biennium, weighted by the most recent year of the three years;

(b) The ~~JMOC~~ projected medical inflation rate for the fiscal biennium, as determined under section 103.412 of the Revised Code.

(2) Achieve the limit in the growth of the per member per month cost of the medicaid program under division (B) (1) of this section by doing all of the following:

(a) Improving the physical and mental health of medicaid recipients;

(b) Providing for medicaid recipients to receive medicaid services in the most cost-effective and sustainable manner;

(c) Removing barriers that impede medicaid recipients' ability to transfer to lower cost, and more appropriate, medicaid services, including home and community-based services;

(d) Establishing medicaid payment rates that encourage value over volume and result in medicaid services being provided in the most efficient and effective manner possible;

(e) Implementing fraud and abuse prevention and cost avoidance mechanisms to the fullest extent possible.

(3) Reduce the prevalence of comorbid health conditions

among, and the mortality rates of, medicaid recipients; 550

(4) Reduce infant mortality rates among medicaid 551
recipients. 552

(C) When determining the growth in the per member per 553
month cost of the medicaid program for purposes of the reforms 554
required by this section, the medicaid director shall not 555
exclude any medicaid eligibility group, provider wages, or 556
service. The director may exclude one-time expenses or expenses 557
that are not directly related to enrollees. 558

(D) The medicaid director shall implement the reforms 559
under this section in accordance with evidence-based strategies 560
that include measurable goals. 561

(E) By October first of each calendar year, the medicaid 562
director shall submit to the ~~joint medicaid oversight committee~~ 563
legislative service commission a report detailing the reforms 564
implemented under this section. In even-numbered years, the 565
report shall include the department's historical and projected 566
medicaid program expenditure and utilization trend rates by 567
medicaid program and service category for each year of the 568
upcoming fiscal biennium and an explanation of how the trend 569
rates were calculated. 570

(F) The reforms implemented under this section shall, 571
without making the medicaid program's eligibility requirements 572
more restrictive, reduce the relative number of individuals 573
enrolled in the medicaid program who have the greatest potential 574
to obtain the income and resources that would enable them to 575
cease enrollment in medicaid and instead obtain health care 576
coverage through employer-sponsored health insurance or an 577
exchange. 578

Sec. 5162.82. Before making any payment rate increases 579
greater than ten per cent under the medicaid program, the 580
medicaid director shall notify the ~~joint medicaid oversight-~~ 581
~~committee standing committees with oversight of the medicaid~~ 582
~~program as provided in section 103.41 of the Revised Code of the~~ 583
~~increase and be available to testify before the joint medicaid-~~ 584
~~oversight committee regarding the increase. "~~ 585

In line 119590, delete "joint medicaid oversight" 586

In line 119591, delete "committee" and insert "legislative service 587
commission" 588

After line 120542, insert: 589

"Sec. 5167.24. (A) If the department of medicaid includes 590
prescribed drugs in the care management system as authorized 591
under section 5167.05 of the Revised Code, the medicaid 592
director, through a procurement process, shall select a third- 593
party administrator to serve as the single pharmacy benefit 594
manager used by medicaid managed care organizations under the 595
care management system. The state pharmacy benefit manager shall 596
be responsible for processing all pharmacy claims under the care 597
management system. The department of medicaid is responsible for 598
enforcing the contract after the procurement process. 599

(B) As part of the procurement process, the director shall 600
do all of the following: 601

(1) Accept applications from entities seeking to become 602
the state pharmacy benefit manager; 603

(2) Establish eligibility criteria an entity must meet in 604
order to become the state pharmacy benefit manager; 605

(3) Select and contract with a single state pharmacy 606

benefit manager;

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(4) Develop a master contract to be used by the director
when contracting with the state pharmacy benefit manager, which
shall prohibit the state pharmacy benefit manager from requiring
a medicaid recipient to obtain a specialty drug from a specialty
pharmacy owned or otherwise associated with the state pharmacy
benefit manager.

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(C) A prospective state pharmacy benefit manager shall
disclose to the director all of the following during the
procurement process:

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(1) Any activity, policy, practice, contract, or
arrangement of the state pharmacy benefit manager that may
directly or indirectly present any conflict of interest with the
pharmacy benefit manager's relationship with or obligation to
the department or a medicaid managed care organization;

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(2) All common ownership, members of a board of directors,
managers, or other control of the pharmacy benefit manager (or
any of the pharmacy benefit manager's affiliated companies) with
any of the following:

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(a) A medicaid managed care organization and its
affiliated companies;

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(b) An entity that contracts on behalf of a pharmacy or
any pharmacy services administration organization and its
affiliated companies;

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(c) A drug wholesaler or distributor and its affiliated
companies;

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(d) A third-party payer and its affiliated companies;

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(e) A pharmacy and its affiliated companies.

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(3) Any direct or indirect fees, charges, or any kind of assessments imposed by the pharmacy benefit manager on pharmacies licensed in this state with which the pharmacy benefit manager shares common ownership, management, or control; or that are owned, managed, or controlled by any of the pharmacy benefit manager's affiliated companies;

(4) Any direct or indirect fees, charges, or any kind of assessments imposed by the pharmacy benefit manager on pharmacies licensed in this state;

~~(6)~~ (5) Any financial terms and arrangements between the pharmacy benefit manager and a prescription drug manufacturer or labeler, including formulary management, drug substitution programs, educational support claims processing, or data sales fees.

~~(D) The director shall select a provisional state pharmacy benefit manager not later than July 1, 2020.~~

~~(1) Once a provisional state pharmacy benefit manager has been selected, full implementation of the entity as the state pharmacy benefit manager shall be subject to that entity's demonstrated ability to fulfill the duties and obligations of the state pharmacy benefit manager as illustrated through a readiness review process established by the director. Any entity failing to complete the readiness review process shall be deemed as having not met the criteria of the review process. The selected entity shall not enter into contracts with the department or medicaid managed care organizations as the state pharmacy benefit manager before the date on which the entity has satisfactorily completed the readiness review process.~~

~~(2) If the director determines that, for reasons beyond~~

~~the director's control, selection of a provisional state
pharmacy benefit manager cannot occur before July 1, 2020, the
director shall notify the joint medicaid oversight committee of
the reasons for the delay and identify the steps the director is
taking to complete the selection as expeditiously as possible."~~

After line 120721, insert:

"Sec. 5168.90. (A) At least quarterly, the medicaid
director shall report to the ~~members of the joint medicaid
oversight committee and the executive director of the joint
medicaid oversight committee~~ legislative service commission both
of the following:

(1) The fee rates and the aggregate total of the fees
assessed for each of the following:

(a) The hospital assessment established under section
5168.21 of the Revised Code;

(b) The nursing home and hospital long-term care unit
franchise permit fee under section 5168.41 of the Revised Code;

(c) The ICF/IID franchise permit fee under section 5168.61
of the Revised Code;

(d) The health insuring corporation franchise fee under
section 5168.76 of the Revised Code.

(2) If there is a rate increase for any of the fee rates
listed under division (A) (1) of this section pending before the
centers for medicare and medicaid services.

(B) The director may adopt rules under section 5162.02 of
the Revised Code to compile and submit the reports required
under this section, including rules, as authorized under section
5162.021 of the Revised Code, that specify the information that

must be submitted to the director by the department of 692
developmental disabilities regarding the ICF/IID franchise 693
permit fee. " 694

After line 120866, insert: 695

"Sec. 5180.17. (A) As used in this section: 696

(1) "Contractor" means a person who provides personal 697
services pursuant to a contract. 698

(2) "Critical access hospital" means a facility designated 699
as a critical access hospital by the director of health under 700
section 3701.073 of the Revised Code. 701

(3) "Crib" includes a portable play yard or other suitable 702
sleeping place. 703

(B) Each hospital and freestanding birthing center shall 704
implement an infant safe sleep screening procedure. The purpose 705
of the procedure is to determine whether there will be a safe 706
crib for an infant to sleep in once the infant is discharged 707
from the facility to the infant's residence following birth. The 708
procedure shall consist of questions that facility staff or 709
volunteers must ask the infant's parent, guardian, or other 710
person responsible for the infant regarding the infant's 711
intended sleeping place and environment. 712

The director of children and youth shall develop questions 713
that facilities may use when implementing the infant safe sleep 714
screening procedure required by this division. The director may 715
consult with persons and government entities that have expertise 716
in infant safe sleep practices when developing the questions. 717

(C) If, prior to an infant's discharge from a facility to 718
the infant's residence following birth, a facility other than a 719

critical access hospital or a facility identified under division 720
(D) of this section determines through the procedure implemented 721
under division (B) of this section that the infant is unlikely 722
to have a safe crib at the infant's residence, the facility 723
shall make a good faith effort to arrange for the parent, 724
guardian, or other person responsible for the infant to obtain a 725
safe crib at no charge to that individual. In meeting this 726
requirement, the facility may do any of the following: 727

(1) Obtain a safe crib with its own resources; 728

(2) Collaborate with or obtain assistance from persons or 729
government entities that are able to procure a safe crib or 730
provide money to purchase a safe crib; 731

(3) Refer the parent, guardian, or other person 732
responsible for the infant to a person or government entity 733
described in division (C) (2) of this section to obtain a safe 734
crib free of charge from that source; 735

(4) If funds are available for the cribs for kids program 736
or a successor program administered by the department of 737
children and youth, refer the parent, guardian, or other person 738
responsible for the infant to a site, designated by the 739
department for purposes of the program, at which a safe crib may 740
be obtained at no charge. 741

If a safe crib is procured as described in division (C) 742
(1), (2), or (3) of this section, the facility shall ensure that 743
the crib recipient receives safe sleep education and crib 744
assembly instructions from the facility or another source. If a 745
safe crib is procured as described in division (C) (4) of this 746
section, the department of children and youth shall ensure that 747
the cribs for kids program or a successor program administered 748

by the department provides safe sleep education and crib 749
assembly instructions to the recipient. 750

(D) The director of children and youth shall identify the 751
facilities in this state that are not critical access hospitals 752
and are not served by a site described in division (C) (4) of 753
this section. The director shall identify not less than annually 754
the facilities that meet both criteria and notify those that do 755
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(E) When a facility that is a hospital registers with the 757
department of health under section 3701.07 of the Revised Code 758
or a facility that is a freestanding birthing center renews its 759
license in accordance with rules adopted under section 3702.30 760
of the Revised Code, the facility shall report the following 761
information to the department of children and youth in a manner 762
the department prescribes: 763

(1) The number of safe cribs that the facility obtained 764
and distributed by using its own resources as described in 765
division (C) (1) of this section since the last time the facility 766
reported this information to the department; 767

(2) The number of safe cribs that the facility obtained 768
and distributed by collaborating with or obtaining assistance 769
from another person or government entity as described in 770
division (C) (2) of this section since the last time the facility 771
reported this information to the department; 772

(3) The number of referrals that the facility made to a 773
person or government entity as described in division (C) (3) of 774
this section since the last time the facility reported this 775
information to the department; 776

(4) The number of referrals that the facility made to a 777

site designated by the department as described in division (C) 778
(4) of this section since the last time the facility reported 779
this information to the department; 780

(5) Demographic information specified by the director of 781
children and youth regarding the individuals to whom safe cribs 782
were distributed as described in division (E) (1) or (2) of this 783
section or for whom a referral described in division (E) (3) or 784
(4) of this section was made; 785

(6) In the case of a critical access hospital or a 786
facility identified under division (D) of this section, 787
demographic information specified by the director of children 788
and youth regarding each parent, guardian, or other person 789
responsible for the infant determined to be unlikely to have a 790
safe crib at the infant's residence pursuant to the procedure 791
implemented under division (B) of this section; 792

(7) Any other information collected by the facility 793
regarding infant sleep environments and intended infant sleep 794
environments that the director determines to be appropriate. 795

(F) The director of children and youth shall prepare a 796
written report that summarizes the information collected under 797
division (E) of this section for the preceding twelve months, 798
assesses whether at-risk families are sufficiently being served 799
by the crib distribution and referral system established by this 800
section, makes suggestions for system improvements, and provides 801
any other information the director considers appropriate for 802
inclusion in the report. On completion, the report shall be 803
submitted to the general assembly with, and in the same manner 804
as, the report that the department of medicaid submits to the 805
general assembly ~~and joint medicaid oversight committee~~ pursuant 806
to section 5162.13 of the Revised Code. A copy of the report 807

also shall be submitted to the governor. 808

(G) A facility, and any employee, contractor, or volunteer 809
of a facility, that implements an infant safe sleep procedure in 810
accordance with division (B) of this section is not liable for 811
damages in a civil action for injury, death, or loss to person 812
or property that allegedly arises from an act or omission 813
associated with implementation of the procedure, unless the act 814
or omission constitutes willful or wanton misconduct. 815

A facility, and any employee, contractor, or volunteer of 816
a facility, that implements an infant safe sleep screening 817
procedure in accordance with division (B) of this section is not 818
subject to criminal prosecution or, to the extent that a person 819
is regulated under Title XLVII of the Revised Code, professional 820
disciplinary action under that title, for an act or omission 821
associated with implementation of the procedure. 822

This division does not eliminate, limit, or reduce any 823
other immunity or defense that a facility, or an employee, 824
contractor, or volunteer of a facility, may be entitled to under 825
Chapter 2744. of the Revised Code, or any other provision of the 826
Revised Code, or the common law of this state. 827

(H) A facility, and any employee, contractor, or volunteer 828
of a facility, is neither liable for damages in a civil action, 829
nor subject to criminal prosecution, for injury, death, or loss 830
to person or property that allegedly arises from a crib obtained 831
by a parent, guardian, or other person responsible for the 832
infant as a result of any action the facility, employee, 833
contractor, or volunteer takes to comply with division (C) of 834
this section. 835

The immunity provided by this division does not require 836

compliance with division (D) of section 2305.37 of the Revised Code. 837
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Sec. 5180.20. (A) The director of children and youth shall 839
identify each government program providing benefits, other than 840
the help me grow program established by the department of 841
children and youth pursuant to section 5180.21 of the Revised 842
Code, that has the goal of reducing infant mortality and 843
negative birth outcomes or the goal of reducing disparities 844
among women who are pregnant or capable of becoming pregnant and 845
who belong to a racial or ethnic minority. A program shall be 846
identified only if it provides education, training, and support 847
services related to those goals to program participants in their 848
homes. The director may consult with the Ohio partnership to 849
build stronger families for assistance with identifying the 850
programs. 851

(B) An administrator of a program identified under 852
division (A) of this section shall report to the director data 853
on program performance indicators that are used to assess 854
progress toward achieving program goals. The administrator shall 855
report the data in the format and within the time frames 856
specified in rules adopted under division (C) of this section. 857
Using the data reported under this division, the director shall 858
prepare an annual report assessing the performance of each 859
government program identified pursuant to division (A) of this 860
section during the immediately preceding twelve-month period. In 861
addition, the report shall summarize and provide an analysis of 862
the information contained in the "information for medical and 863
health use only" section of the birth records for individuals 864
born during the prior twelve-month period. 865

The director shall provide a copy of the report to the 866

general assembly ~~and the joint medicaid oversight committee. The~~ 867
~~copy to the general assembly shall be provided in accordance~~ 868
with section 101.68 of the Revised Code. 869

(C) The director shall adopt rules specifying program 870
performance indicators on which data must be reported by the 871
administrators described in division (B) of this section as well 872
as the format and time frames in which the data must be 873
reported. To the extent possible, the program performance 874
indicators specified in the rules shall be consistent with 875
federal reporting requirements for federally funded home 876
visiting services. The rules shall be adopted in accordance with 877
Chapter 119. of the Revised Code." 878

In line 145058, after "103.24," insert "103.41, 103.411, 103.413,
103.415," 879
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In line 145596, delete "Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee" and 881
insert "Legislative Service Commission" 882

In the table on line 149676, in row C, delete "\$530,532 \$654,606" 883
and insert "\$133,000 \$0" 884

In the table on line 149676, in rows D and E, subtract \$397,532 from 885
fiscal year 2026 and \$654,606 from fiscal year 2027 886

Delete lines 149682 through 149697 887

In line 150198, delete "authorized by the" 888

In line 150199, delete "Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee" 889

After line 155812, insert: 890

"Section 525.00.01. (A) Effective on the ninety-first day 891
after this section takes effect, the Joint Medicaid Oversight 892
Committee is abolished. All records of the Committee shall be 893

transferred to the Legislative Service Commission, and all of 894
its other assets and liabilities shall be transferred to the 895
Commission. The Commission is successor to, and assumes the 896
obligations of, the Committee. 897

(B) Any business commenced, but not completed by the 898
Committee on the effective date of this section shall be 899
completed by the Commission in the same manner, and with the 900
same effect, as if completed by the Committee. No validation, 901
cure, right, privilege, remedy, obligation, or liability is lost 902
or impaired by reason of the transfer required by this section. 903

(C) Wherever the Committee Executive Director or the 904
Committee is referred to in any law, contract, or other 905
document, the reference shall be deemed to refer to the 906
Commission Director or the Commission, whichever is appropriate. 907

(D) No action or proceeding pending on the effective date 908
of this section is affected by the transfer, and any such action 909
or proceeding shall be prosecuted or defended in the name of the 910
Commission. In all such actions and proceedings, the Commission, 911
on application to the court, shall be substituted as a party." 912

In line 156913, delete "Executive Director of the Joint Medicaid 913
Oversight Committee" and insert "the standing committees of the House of 914
Representatives and the Senate that primarily consider legislation 915
governing the Medicaid program and the Legislative Service Commission" 916

In line 157026, delete "Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee" and 917
insert "the standing committees of the House of Representatives and the 918
Senate that primarily consider legislation governing the Medicaid program 919
and the Legislative Service Commission" 920

In line 157113, delete "Joint Medicaid" 921

In line 157114, delete "Oversight Committee and the" 922

Update the title, amend, enact, or repeal clauses accordingly 923

The motion was _____ agreed to.

SYNOPSIS

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JMOC duties - transfer to standing Medicaid committees and 925
LSC 926

R.C. 103.13 and 103.41 through 103.412 and Section 927
525.00.01; conforming changes in R.C. 103.65, 121.93, 125.95, 928
355.04, 3901.90, 5119.89, 5162.08, 5162.13, 5162.132, 5162.133, 929
5162.134, 5162.136, 5162.1310, 5162.70, 5162.82, 5163.04, 930
5167.24, 5168.90, 5180.17, and 5180.20; Sections 209.20, 313.10, 931
313.20, 333.85, 751.70, 751.111, and 751.130 932

Transfers legislative oversight of the state's Medicaid 933
program from JMOC to the standing committees in the House and 934
Senate that primarily consider Medicaid legislation (meeting 935
jointly) and support for that work from JMOC staff to LSC, 936
respectively. 937

Requires LSC to research and review Medicaid reports and 938
legislation, including reviewing other states' legislation, and 939
present this material to the standing committees at joint 940
meetings of the standing committees. 941

Requires LSC, instead of JMOC, to contract biennially with 942
an actuary to calculate the projected medical inflation rate, 943
and for the standing committees, rather than JMOC, to approve or 944
reject the actuary's calculated rate. 945

Removes from the Senate-passed bill a House-added 946
provision that would have required, by the beginning of October 947
2025, ODM, ODJFS, and CDJFSs to provide the JMOC Executive 948
Director and staff of JMOC access to view information and 949
systems used for determining eligibility for public assistance 950
benefits, as well for billing, payments, and tracking for 951
providers. 952

Decreases GRF ALI 048321, Operating Expenses, by \$397,532 953
in FY 2026 and by \$654,606 (to \$0) in FY 2027 to provide for 954
funding to conclude the agency's operations and zero out funding 955
thereafter. Removes reappropriations clauses pertaining to the 956
ongoing operation of the agency. 957