As Introduced

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То	enact section 5101.72 of the Revised Code	1
	regarding adult protective services provided by	2
	county departments of job and family services.	3

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 5101.72 of the Revised Code be	4
enacted to read as follows:	5
Sec. 5101.72. (A) As used in this section:	6
(1) "Long-term care facility" has the same meaning as in	7
<pre>section 3721.21 of the Revised Code;</pre>	8
(2) "Residential care facility" has the same meaning as in	9
section 3721.01 of the Revised Code.	
(B) In addition to the duties described in sections	11
5101.61 to 5101.71 of the Revised Code, a county department of	
job and family services or its designee has the authority to	13
receive and investigate reports alleging that an individual who	14
is an adult as defined in section 5101.60 of the Revised Code,	15
except that the individual does not reside in an independent	16
living arrangement, is being exploited by an individual who is	17
not used by the long-term care facility or residential care	18
facility in which the adult resides to provide services to	19

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residents.	20	
(C) If an investigation undertaken under this section	21	
results in a determination that the adult who is the subject of	22	
the investigation is in need of protective services, the	23	
department or its designee shall provide protective services to	24	
the adult in accordance with sections 5101.61 to 5101.71 of the	25	
Revised Code.	26	
(D) The authority of the department described in this	27	
section is in addition to the authority and duties of the long-	28	
term care ombudsman program described in sections 173.15 to	29	
173.28 of the Revised Code.	30	