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Senators Hicks-Hudson, Wilson

Cosponsors: Senators Ingram, Weinstein, DeMora

To 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
section 3721.21 of the Revised Code; 8

(2) "Residential care facility" has the same meaning as in 9
section 3721.01 of the Revised Code. 10

(B) In addition to the duties described in sections 11
5101.61 to 5101.71 of the Revised Code, a county department of 12
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

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