

Amended Substitute House Bill 64 – Biennial Appropriations Act Senate Finance Committee Summary of Omnibus amendment

- Appropriates \$12M in FY 16 and \$21M in FY 17 from GRF to Department of Developmental Disabilities Medicaid Services line to correct unintentional funding reductions from caseload estimates
- Remove language added in the sub bill that would have allowed the OBM Director and Director of Developmental Disabilities to transfer dollars in case of a funding shortfall in the Medicaid Services line since the OBM Caseload estimates are being used
- Eliminates language setting a definitive schedule for phased in 6% increases in Medicaid rates for homemaker and personal care services and allows the Director of Developmental Disabilities to achieve the 6% rate increase subject to available resources
- Permits school districts, ESCs, and community schools to enter into a lease-purchase agreement for the construction, improvement, or acquisition of playgrounds, parking lots, athletic facilities, and safety enhancements
- Authorizes a board of health to establish a blood borne infectious disease prevention program and sets up certain requirements for the program
- Alters the membership of the Ohio Athletic Commission
- Modifies provisions that applied only to new community authorities established between March 22, 2012, and March 22, 2015
- Provides \$250K each year for The Ohio State University to host the annual Special Olympics Ohio Summer Games
- Earmarks \$900,000 per FY for local public health emergency response and training activities
- Establishes a five-year parental engagement pilot program with DECA Prep and an institution of higher education and earmarks up to \$100,000 in each fiscal year
- Authorizes the Ohio New Markets Tax Credit to be claimed against the retaliatory tax levied on foreign insurance companies based in other states or nations that charge a higher foreign insurance company premiums tax rate than Ohio
- Requires the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction to study whether it can convert an existing facility to a substance abuse prison
- Specifies by year the percentage of children that must be served by licensed child care programs with specific quality ratings in the tiered quality rating and improvement system known as “Step Up to Quality.” Requires ODJFS to use up to \$20 million annually to support child care programs in smaller communities and programs that are rated in the third tier or higher (budget neutral)
- Specifies that the current requirements that a P-3 agreement contain a contract performance bond and payment bond only apply if the P-3 agreement contains a construction services component
- Allows the EPA Director to examine and calculate nutrient loading to watersheds in the Lake Erie and Ohio River basins
- Makes changes to the Children’s Trust Fund Board law
- Removes provisions of the bill dealing with a 2-year moratorium of the Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program and its re-emergence as a grant based program in FY 2018 and instead requires the Development Services Agency to issue a report to the 4 legislative leaders by December 31 2015 on options to convert the program to a grant program to achieve maximum efficiency in the use of state tax dollars
- Creates a program that allows a municipality to refund the KWH tax paid by a user of new wind-generated electricity (must use at least 7,000,000 KWH/year of wind electricity)
- Ensures that by December 1, 2018 any associate degree may be transferred from one state institution of higher education to another and applied to an equivalent bachelor’s degree program at that institution without unnecessary duplication or institutional barriers

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- Authorizes a county with a 2010 population between 39,000 and 40,000 that does not levy a lodging tax and a county with a 2010 population between 71,000 and 75,000 that currently levies a 3% lodging tax for a convention and visitors bureau to levy a lodging tax of up to 3% for financing permanent improvements
- Requires boards of trustees for state institutions of higher education, upon submission of the Task Force on Affordability and Efficiency in Higher Education's Report, to complete an efficiency review, implementation plan of the Task Force's recommendations authorized by the institution and Senate Challenge plan by July 1, 2016.
- Makes changes to the Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program provisions in the substitute version of the bill
- Specifies that a person who has completed the final year of instruction at home and has successfully fulfilled the high school curriculum applicable to that person may be granted a high school diploma by the person's parent, guardian, or other person having charge or care of a child
- Increases from two to three years the amount of time that information collected in the Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System (OARRS) is to be retained
- Amends the 2020 Tax Study committee with a specific requirement to make a recommendation in 2015 for comprehensive Severance tax reform
- OBM Authorizes a reduction in the CAT for railways' purchases of dyed diesel fuel
- LSC Corrective and technical amendment dealing with various provisions from the sub bill and omnibus amendment
- Provides judges with discretion to send certain defendants to prison or substance abuse treatment. Individuals must remain sober and not be convicted of a crime for specified periods of time
- Requires previously budgeted expenditures in the Department of Medicaid budget to be spent on a targeted program to provide vital outreach and identification of women, especially pregnant women, to make sure they receive appropriate healthcare
- Prohibits a claimant who receives PTSD coverage from Workers' Compensation from also receiving disability or retirement benefits
- Authorizes certain municipal corporations and townships to levy a resort area gross receipts tax of up to 2%, a development fee, and/or an admissions tax within a tourism development district
- OBM Cleans up errors, missing cross references and effective dates, makes changes to CAT and KWH deposit language. Harmonizes executive provisions of the bill and current version of the bill to the existing code
- OBM Makes clarifying changes to the language in the bill that exempts from the sales and use tax rental vehicles provided to someone whose motor vehicle is undergoing repair
- Generally requires each child born on or after July 1, 2016 to undergo certain testing for Krabbe disease as part of the Newborn Screening Program but specifies this does not apply to a child whose parent forgoes the screenings
- Removes provisions related to Project Labor Agreements (PLAs) from the bill but requires, before a state agency issues bid specs for a proposed project that would require a PLA, the state agency to hold a public hearing
- Provides \$50,000 in each fiscal year for a school-based adaptive sports pilot program
- Prescribes disclosure requirements for health benefit plans offered through an exchange
- Provides that individuals who are awaiting trial in jail may be sent to a minimum security jail if the person is classified as a minimal security risk

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- Requires the name of a domestic registered limited liability partnership or foreign limited liability partnership to be distinguishable from other registered business entities and trade names in the Secretary of State's records
- Removes the requirement that wholesale purchasers of fireworks complete a fireworks purchaser form; this amendment would make the statute consistent with sub bill that removed the requirement for retail purchasers
- Requires pharmacy benefit managers to be licensed as third-party administrators and places requirements on contracts between pharmacy benefit managers and plan sponsors
- Permits the ODNR director to request up to \$800,000 per year for the operation of industrial minerals and Ohio mine safety training programs
- Increases the maximum amount of the EdChoice scholarship for elementary school students to \$4,650 and for high school students to \$6,000
- Implements recommendations from the Senate Advisory Committee on Testing: requires state elementary and secondary achievement assessments be shortened and offered once each year in the second half of the school year to provide more time for classroom instruction and less disruption in learning; requires that in addition to online administration of tests that schools continue to have the option to administer paper formats of the test free of charge; requires test results to be returned within 45 days or by June 30th each year, whichever is sooner, with an exception for third grade reading tests which must be returned no later than June 15th
- Permits a regional council of governments established to provide health care benefits to employees to pool funds from all the members of the council
- Modifies the language to reflect sub bill intent to provide the Ohio Association of Foodbanks with \$19.75 million each fiscal year in assistance
- Reduces the Department of Taxation's operating expenses by 2% per year
- Extends the property tax exemption for real estate held by fraternal organizations that is used for education or health related programs and activities for people with learning disabilities
- Increases the appropriation by \$1.5M per FY and changes the counties that may participate in the Addiction Treatment Program for Specialized Dockets
- Establishes a temporary procedure for a municipal corporation to apply for a tax exemption and abatement of unpaid property taxes, penalties and unpaid interest for a submerged land lease
- Allocates \$120,000 each fiscal year to the Northeast Ohio Medical University's statewide campus safety and mental health programs, including suicide prevention
- Requires the OBM Director to transfer \$2M each fiscal year from the GRF to the MARCS Administration Fund
- Modifies the bills provisions on tiered zero tolerance policies for violent and disruptive student behavior, requiring the State Board of Education to adopt a model policy, requiring schools to adopt new policies by July 1, 2016, and specifying that out-of-school suspensions and expulsions should be a penalty of last resort for instances where students do not pose a continuing physical danger
- Reinstates the provisions providing supplemental Medicaid rates to the Holzer clinic by adding \$250,000 in FY16 and \$125,000 in FY17 (state share)
- Provides \$125,000 in each fiscal year for the Ohio ProStart school restaurant program in Career Tech Ed Enhancement program
- Expands the membership of the Wildlife Council and clarifies its duties and responsibilities related to outdoor activities
- Modifies the bill's Uniform Depository provisions to account for collateral held in an account at a Federal Reserve Bank

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- Increases Internal Service Activity Fund, Information Technology, in the Department of Commerce by \$338,941 in FY 16 (non GRF)
- Appropriates \$300,000 per year for children’s crisis care facilities
- Provides \$100K per year to fund the Cores + Connections Program at the Cleveland Institute of Art
- Adds language that deals with County hospitals in charter counties and requirements in how they keep and invest monies that come from the operation of the hospital
- Requires the first loan provided by the OhioMeansJobs Workforce Development Revolving Loan Program be given to Lorain County Community College to establish and operate a Ready Mix Truck Driver Training Program
- Allows homeowners who have a working sewage system to have the ability to opt out on connecting to a sewer line for 15 years
- Repeals the law creating the Ohio Subrogation Rights Commission; provides a procedure for the distribution to an injured party and a subrogee of recoveries in tort actions
- Removes the maximum pipeline safety forfeitures increase included in the sub bill
- Eliminates the provision prohibiting a Medicaid managed care organization from imposing a prior authorization requirement for behavioral health services
- Restores appropriations for FY 16 & 17 for the Southern Ohio Agricultural and Community Development Foundation
- Moves the \$12.75 million set aside for the acquisition of e-pollbooks and \$1.25M set aside for mailing Absent Voter’s Ballot Applications to identical set asides from the FY 15 ending fund balance (budget neutral)
- Clarifies that the increased school lunch match dollars provided in the substitute bill for the Children’s Hunger Alliance may also be used to increase access to the school breakfast program
- Allows for the issuance of a D-5I liquor permit to a premises located in a township with a population density of less than 450 people per square mile
- Allocates an additional \$100K per year to the Chardon Pilot Program
- Adds to the list of entities through which a person may practice dentistry, dental surgery, and dental hygiene -- groups that are providing health care services or dental services to indigent and uninsured persons.
- Reduces new appropriations for OhioMeansJobs Workforce Development Revolving Loan Program in the Treasurer of State’s office to more closely align with the old appropriation in the Board of Regents. The program was transferred in the sub bill
- Authorizes a township board of trustees under certain circumstances to extend the exemption for parcels included in a TIF for up to 15 additional years
- Modifies graduation requirement for students attending chartered nonpublic schools
- Removes a provision that would have permitted electors to initiate a referendum for lodging tax in a county with a population between 175,000 and 225,000 that has an amusement park
- Modifies safe harbor provisions for schools, teachers and principals
- Modifies a provision that requires the Department of Medicaid to consult with the Departments of Job and Family Services and Health instead of the Attorney General’s Office with regards to the neonatal abstinence pilot
- Appropriates \$2M in each FY of non-GRF to support the National Center of Education Research on Corrosion and Materials Performance at the University of Akron
- Requires the Superintendent of Insurance to apply for a federal waiver that includes a request to waive the federal employer and individual mandate established by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act

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- Requires the Department of Medicaid to study the feasibility and potential savings by requiring an individual to self-select a managed care organization if the individual is required to participate in the care management system
- Lengthens the maximum term that a subdivision can levy a property tax to operate a cemetery
- Transfers the tangible personal property tax assessed on electric generation facilities to the tangible personal property assessed on transmission and distribution; school districts that have received TPP tax from generation facilities will be held harmless; tax commissioner will determine the amount of the transferred tax that holds the school districts harmless
- Grants the Department of Rehab and Corrections discretion to send certain non-violent felons to substance abuse treatment if the prisoner meets specified qualifications
- Removes provisions of the bill that abolish the Ohio Optical Dispensers Board and transfer its duties to the State Board of Optometry
- Flat funds the GRF appropriation for the Commission on Service and Volunteerism (CSV) on its FY 15 GRF appropriation
- Reinstates a previous earmark of \$500K per FY for The Ohio Parenting and Pregnancy Program
- Clarifies the Senate added provision dealing with HB 64 line item vetoes becoming permanent income tax reductions to make clear that the traditional legislative prerogative of veto overrides is still in place
- Moves \$100K for the Portage County Storm water project from Healthy Ohio line to its own line in the agency and makes total \$150K per year
- Increases appropriations to non GRF Tourism Fund by \$1M in FY 16 & \$2M in FY 17
- Modifies a provision of the bill by requiring county recorders to issue a veteran ID, beginning January 1, 2017, if the federally issued ID card program has not been established by that date
- Clarifies that there may be multiple winning bids in the competitive procurement process required for PIPP customers
- Requires that in order for community schools to qualify for a grant for classroom facilities projects that applicants must certify that they will supply at least 50% of the cost of the project. The School Facilities Construction Commission must include in the rules for administration of the grants provision for ownership of a facility in the event a community school closes
- OBM Moves \$886,153 of GRF intended for state administration of the Adult Protective Services program from Adult Protective Services to the most appropriate administrative line (budget neutral)
- Modifies the closure process for developmental centers
- Delays until July 1, 2016 the effective date of the provisions dealing with Skilled Nursing Facility Medicaid rates and the use of grouper methodology RUG IV 48 group model when determining nursing facility case mix scores
- Adjusts the appropriations upward slightly to more accurately account for the estimated cost of salary increases for the Judiciary
- Repeals the existing Uniform Interstate Family Support Act and replaces it with the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act of 2008 to update the code with respect to federal law
- Makes changes to the certificate and license renewal process through the State Medical Board
- Establishes the Mentoring Care and Job Connect Pilot Project with \$1M in each FY under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Programs (non GRF)
- Exempts the holder of a wind farm certificate from applying current law's setback requirements to an amendment to its certificate if the amendment satisfies certain requirements
- Adjusts FY 16 Medicaid program state and federal line items to account for all Medicaid related changes from the sub bill

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- Adds \$100,000 each year to the Appalachian New Economy Partnership to promote economic development in Appalachia through private-public technology partnerships among Ohio's campuses, private industries, local governments, and school districts within the region
- Limits the free transportation for veterans to those veterans who are 100% disabled as a result of their service
- Removes provisions of the bill that eliminate the Motor Vehicle Repair Board
- Requires the Tax Commissioner to prepare a quarterly report detailing the number of tobacco-related investigations and violations made during the preceding three months
- Provides \$50,000 per year for The Beck Center for Performing Arts
- Restores the appropriation amounts to the House-passed level for non GRF Investment Pool Reimbursement within the Treasurer of State's budget
- Restores the structure of the Ohio Military Facilities Commission as passed by the House while funding it with the Senate Sub bill mechanism
- Exempts from the Sales and Use tax sanitation services to a meat slaughtering or processing operation necessary to comply with federal regulations beginning October 1, 2015
- Permits community schools to provide a written guarantee of payment for audits conducted by the Auditor of State in lieu of the surety bond or cash payment guarantee currently required by law
- Removes provisions of the bill that eliminate the Ohio Landscape Architecture Board and Architects Board
- Prohibits schools from altering a student's record during the transfer of that record to another educational institution
- Amends the earlier provision requiring half of fees collected by County Recorders for the Housing Trust Fund to be returned and distributed at the county level, to include a focus on housing the homeless, low income housing, housing assistance for people with disabilities, the elderly and youth
- Allows a supplier to exclude any receipts from the sale of blend stocks or additives used for blending with motor fuel when calculating PAT liability
- Permits (rather than requires) ADAMHS boards to advocate on behalf of Medicaid managed care enrollees or Medicaid-eligible individuals who need addiction or mental health services
- Extends the expiration of a provision of current law that temporarily permits a school district to offer highest priority to purchase an athletic field to the current leaseholder from December 31, 2015, to December 31, 2017
- Caps the amount of OTP tax on premium cigars at \$.50 per cigar which would be indexed to inflation annually
- Adds the Department of Insurance to the list of entities the Joint Legislative Committee on Multi-System Youth may consult when identifying a system of accountability for children involved in government programs
- Requires ODOT to use the GRF appropriation item Airport Improvements – State to continue the Ohio Airport Grant Program
- Specifies that of the \$625,000 earmark in each FY for the Ohio Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs, \$50,000 in each FY shall be provided to the Boys & Girls Club of Massillon
- OBM Removes language that would have required the Ohio College Opportunity Grant program to spend its entire allocation every year and lets the newly-created OCOG Reserve Fund smooth out year to year student support
- OBM Gives the director of OBM appropriation authority to complete the continuing redesign of the 4K9 professional licensing system and related operations

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- Removes requirements on health care providers to obtain informed consent of a patient regarding costs before dispensing certain drugs or providing certain services. Removes provisions authorizing a health care provider to advertise the provider's customary charge for services
- OBM Restores temporary language related to agency consolidation. The provision is necessary for rules that have not yet been transitioned to the new department
- OBM Amends Senate added provision to allow TAX to post the spot price of propane starting on July 1, 2015, not June 15, 2015 before the effective date of the bill
- OBM The amendment harmonizes two factors. Significant additional resources being provided through SSI this fiscal biennium, and a fair system for the allocation of resources through a performance based formula in conjunction with institutions that participate in an undergraduate tuition guarantee program
- Prohibits state universities from requiring students to live in on-campus student housing if they live within 25 miles of the campus, instead of 40 miles
- Requires that hotel lodging taxes also apply to transactions conducted by a provider of hotel intermediary services
- Decreases appropriations to Federal Research Center Network to \$5M per FY
- Modifies and tightens the provision in the bill related to a CAT exclusion for qualifying integrated supply chain receipts
- Allows the advisory committee formed by the Ohio Judicial Conference to recommend any other method in which the current functions of the Conference should be performed
- Provides \$100,000 in funding per year for the Cleveland Children's Museum
- Removes a provision added by the sub bill putting restrictions on county DD boards recommending reduced or terminated service
- Extends the PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes) program for 5 years to allow for facilities using renewable energy to qualify for an ongoing real and tangible personal property exemption
- Adjusts appropriations to achieve the transfer of 85% of executive level GRF appropriations of the Ohio Judicial Conference to the operating line of the Supreme Court for ongoing operations of the Ohio Judicial Conference or its successor
- Requires the Sunset Review Commission to review and make a recommendation to the legislature on the elimination of the Motor Vehicle Repair Board, combining the Ohio Landscape Architecture Board and the Architects Board, as well as combining the State Board of Optometry and the Optical Dispensers Board
- Earmarks \$200,000 per year to support the Museum of Contemporary Art Cleveland Fellowship Program in collaboration with Cleveland State University
- Removes provision requiring the Department of Education in conjunction with an association of education service centers and an association that advocates for gifted children to conduct a feasibility analysis for the establishment of 16 regional community schools for gifted children
- Appropriates \$100K in each FY for a pilot grant program dealing with faith based character programs that have a demonstrated history of reducing violent behavior and inmate recidivism
- Note: See the official LSC Budget in Detail and COMP DOC for more an depth analysis and specific appropriation levels

