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A BILL

То	enact sections 103.60 and 3701.051 of the	1
	Revised Code to establish the Rare Disease	2
	Advisory Council.	3

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

Section 1. That sections 103.60 and 3701.051 of the	4
Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:	5
Sec. 103.60. (A) As used in this section, "rare disease"_	6
means a disease or condition that affects fewer than 200,000	7
people living in the United States.	8
(B) There is hereby created the rare disease advisory	9
council. The purpose of the council is to advise the general	10
assembly regarding research, diagnosis, and treatment efforts	11
related to rare diseases across the state.	
(C) The council shall consist of the following twenty-four	13
members:	14
(1) The following members appointed by the governor:	15

(a) One individual who is a medical researcher with	16
experience researching rare diseases;	17
(b) One individual who represents an academic research	18
institution in this state that receives funding for rare disease	19
research;	20
(c) One individual authorized under Chapter 4731. of the	21
Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic	22
medicine and surgery who has experience researching, diagnosing,	23
and treating rare diseases;	24
(d) One individual authorized under Chapter 4723. of the	25
Revised Code to practice nursing as a registered nurse who has	26
experience providing nursing care to patients with rare	27
diseases;	28
(e) One individual authorized under Chapter 4778. of the	29
Revised Code to practice as a genetic counselor who is currently	30
practicing at a children's hospital;	31
(f) Three members of the public who are living with a rare	32
disease or represent an individual living with a rare disease;	33
(g) One representative of the national organization for	34
rare disorders;	35
(h) One representative of a rare disease foundation	36
operating in this state;	37
(i) Two representatives of the department of health, one	38
of whom is a representative of the children with medical	39
handicaps program;	40
(j) One representative of the department of medicaid;	41
(k) One representative of the department of insurance;	42

(1) One representative of the commission on minority	43
health;	44
(m) One representative of the Ohio hospital association;	45
(n) One representative of Ohio health insurers;	46
(o) One representative of bioOhio;	47
(p) One representative of the pharmaceutical research and	48
manufacturers of America.	49
(2) Two members of the senate, one from the majority party	50
and one from the minority party, both appointed by the president	51
of the senate;	52
(3) Two members of the house of representatives, one from	53
the majority party and one from the minority party, both	54
appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;	55
(4) The governor or the governor's designee.	56
(D)(1) Not later than thirty days after the effective date_	57
of this section, initial appointments shall be made to the	58
council. Thereafter, appointments shall be made every two years,	59
not later than thirty days after the commencement of the first	60
regular session of each general assembly.	61
(2) Each member shall serve on the council until	62
appointments are made following the commencement of the next	63
general assembly. Members may be reappointed; however, no member	64
shall serve more than four consecutive terms on the council.	65
(E) Prior to the expiration of each term, the council	66
shall prepare and submit a report to the general assembly	67
detailing the following:	68

(1) The coordination of statewide efforts for studying the 69

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incidence of rare diseases in this state; 70 (2) The council's findings and recommendations regarding 71 rare disease research and care in this state; 72 (3) Efforts to promote collaboration among rare disease 73 organizations, clinicians, academic research institutions, and 74 the general assembly to better understand the incidence of rare 75 76 diseases in this state. 77 (F) The council shall annually select from among its members a chairperson or co-chairpersons. 78 79 (G) The council shall meet at the call of the chairperson, but not less than quarterly. A majority of the members of the 80 council shall constitute a quorum. The chairperson shall provide 81 members with at least five days written notice of all meetings. 82 (H) Members shall serve without compensation except to the 83 extent that serving on the council is considered part of the 84 member's regular duties of employment. The council shall 85 reimburse each member for actual and necessary expenses incurred 86 in the performance of the member's official duties. 87 Sec. 3701.051. (A) As used in this section, "rare disease" 88 has the same meaning as in section 103.60 of the Revised Code. 89 (B) Not later than three years after the effective date of 90 this section, the director of health shall publish a report_ 91 detailing the incidence of rare diseases in this state, with 92 subsequent reports published every two years thereafter. To the 93 extent possible, the reports shall include data regarding 94 individuals who have been diagnosed with a rare disease 95 disaggregated by gender, race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, 96

and type of insurance coverage.

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