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A BILL

10	enact sections 103.60 and	3/01.031 OI 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.	12

(C) The council shall consist of the following twenty-five	13
<pre>members:</pre>	14
(1) The following members appointed by the governor:	15
(a) One individual who is a medical researcher with	16
<pre>experience researching rare diseases;</pre>	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
<pre>practicing at a children's hospital;</pre>	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 a national organization	34
representing patients with a rare disease;	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

(2) Each member shall serve on the council until

appointments are made following the commencement of the next

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general assembly. Members may be reappointed; however, no member	66
shall serve more than four consecutive terms on the council.	67
(E) Prior to the expiration of each term, the council	68
shall prepare and submit a report to the general assembly	69
detailing the following:	70
(1) The coordination of statewide efforts for studying the	71
incidence of rare diseases in this state;	72
(2) The council's findings and recommendations regarding	73
rare disease research and care in this state;	74
(3) Efforts to promote collaboration among rare disease	75
organizations, clinicians, academic research institutions, and	76
the general assembly to better understand the incidence of rare	77
diseases in this state.	78
(F) The council shall annually select from among its	7 9
members a chairperson or co-chairpersons.	80
(G) The council shall meet at the call of the chairperson,	81
but not less than quarterly. A majority of the members of the	82
council shall constitute a quorum. The chairperson shall provide	83
members with at least five days written notice of all meetings.	84
(H) Members shall serve without compensation except to the	85
extent that serving on the council is considered part of the	86
member's regular duties of employment. The council shall	87
reimburse each member for actual and necessary expenses incurred	88
in the performance of the member's official duties.	8.9
Sec. 3701.051. (A) As used in this section, "rare disease"	90
has the same meaning as in section 103.60 of the Revised Code.	91
(B) Not later than three years after the effective date of	92
this section, the director of health shall publish a report	93

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detailing the incidence of rare diseases in this state, with	94	
subsequent reports published every two years thereafter. To the	95	
extent possible, the reports shall include data regarding	96	
individuals who have been diagnosed with a rare disease	97	
disaggregated by gender, race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status,	98	
and type of insurance coverage.	99	