

**As Introduced**

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**H. B. No. 318**

**Representative Stinziano**

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**A BILL**

To enact sections 176.10, 176.11, and 176.12 of the  
Revised Code to create The Ohio Coordinating  
Committee to End Homelessness and to make an  
appropriation.

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

**Section 1.** That sections 176.10, 176.11, and 176.12 of the  
Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

**Sec. 176.10.** (A) There is hereby created the Ohio  
coordinating committee to end homelessness.

(B) The committee shall consist of the following thirteen  
members:

(1) A representative from the office of the governor,  
appointed by the governor;

(2) The executive director of the Ohio housing finance  
agency or the executive director's designee;

(3) The director of job and family services or the  
director's designee;

(4) The director of rehabilitation and correction or the

<u>director's designee;</u>	18
<u>(5) The director of health or the director's designee;</u>	19
<u>(6) Eight general assembly members, who shall consist of</u>	20
<u>the following:</u>	21
<u>(a) Four members from the house of representatives</u>	22
<u>appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, two</u>	23
<u>from each political party;</u>	24
<u>(b) Four members from the senate appointed by the</u>	25
<u>president of the senate, two from each political party.</u>	26
<u>(C) (1) The governor's representative shall serve as the</u>	27
<u>chair of the committee.</u>	28
<u>(2) The governor's representative may appoint a vice-</u>	29
<u>chairperson from among committee members, who shall conduct</u>	30
<u>committee meetings in the absence of the chair.</u>	31
<u>(D) (1) The governor may appoint as members of the</u>	32
<u>committee representatives of:</u>	33
<u>(a) Local governments;</u>	34
<u>(b) Local housing authorities;</u>	35
<u>(c) Local law enforcement agencies;</u>	36
<u>(d) Federal and private agencies and organizations</u>	37
<u>concerned with the homeless, persons with mental illness, the</u>	38
<u>elderly, single-parent families, substance abusers, and persons</u>	39
<u>with disabilities.</u>	40
<u>(2) Except as required by division (D) (3) of this section,</u>	41
<u>members shall serve two-year terms. As terms of current</u>	42
<u>committee members appointed pursuant to division (D) (1) of this</u>	43
<u>section expire, the governor shall appoint each new member or</u>	44

reappoint the member to a two-year term. 45

(3) The governor shall, at the time of appointment or 46  
reappointment, adjust the length of terms to ensure that the 47  
terms of appointed committee members are staggered so that 48  
approximately half of the committee is appointed every year. 49

(4) A person appointed under division (D)(1) of this 50  
section shall not be appointed to serve more than three 51  
consecutive terms. 52

(E) When a vacancy occurs in the membership for any 53  
reason, the replacement is appointed in the same manner as the 54  
original appointment for the unexpired term. 55

(F) The members shall not receive compensation for serving 56  
on the committee, but shall be reimbursed for the actual and 57  
necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties 58  
as members of the committee. The members appointed pursuant to 59  
division (D) of this section shall receive per diem compensation 60  
fixed pursuant to division (J) of section 124.15 of the Revised 61  
Code and reimbursement for the actual and necessary expenses 62  
incurred in the performance of their duties. 63

**Sec. 176.11.** (A)(1) The Ohio coordinating committee to end 64  
homelessness shall work to ensure that services provided to the 65  
homeless by state agencies, local governments, and private 66  
organizations are provided in a cost-effective manner. 67

(2) Programs funded by the committee shall emphasize 68  
emergency housing and self-sufficiency, including placement in 69  
meaningful employment or occupational training activities and, 70  
where needed, special services to meet the unique needs of the 71  
homeless in which any of the following applies: 72

(a) Have families with children; 73

<u>(b) Have a disability or a mental illness;</u>	74
<u>(c) Suffer from other serious challenges to employment and self-sufficiency.</u>	75 76
<u>(3) The committee may also fund treatment programs to ameliorate the effects of substance abuse or a disability.</u>	77 78
<u>(B) The committee members designated in division (B) of section 176.10 of the Revised Code shall do all of the following:</u>	79 80 81
<u>(1) Award contracts funded by the Marsha Donner homeless fund with the advice and input of the committee members designated in division (D) of section 176.10 of the Revised Code;</u>	82 83 84 85
<u>(2) Consider need, diversity of geographic location, coordination with or enhancement of existing services, and the extensive use of volunteers;</u>	86 87 88
<u>(3) Give priority for funding to programs that service the homeless who have mental illness and who are in families with children.</u>	89 90 91
<u>(C) The committee may expend up to three per cent of its annual appropriation for administrative costs associated with the allocation of funds from the Marsha Donner homeless fund, and up to two per cent of its annual appropriation for marketing the fund and soliciting donations to the fund.</u>	92 93 94 95 96
<u>(D) (1) The committee may not expend, except as provided in division (D) (2) of this section, an amount equal to the greater of fifty thousand dollars or twenty per cent of the amount donated to the Marsha Donner homeless fund during the first fiscal year of its existence.</u>	97 98 99 100 101

(2) If there are decreases in contributions to the fund, 102  
the committee may expend money held in the fund to provide 103  
program stability, but the committee shall reimburse the amount 104  
of these expenditures to the fund. 105

(E) Commencing one year after the effective date of this 106  
section, the committee shall make an annual report to the 107  
department of job and family services and the members of the 108  
general assembly regarding the programs and services funded by 109  
the contributions to the Marsha Donner homeless fund for 110  
inclusion in the annual written report described in section 111  
5101.971 of the Revised Code. 112

**Sec. 176.12.** (A) The "Marsha Donner homeless fund" is 113  
hereby created in the state treasury. All moneys appropriated or 114  
collected from grants, gifts, and contributions shall be 115  
deposited into the state treasury to the department of job and 116  
family services for deposit in the fund. Money credited to the 117  
fund and any interest and earnings from the fund shall be used 118  
solely for the operation of the Ohio coordinating committee to 119  
end homelessness under sections 176.10 and 176.11 of the Revised 120  
Code. 121

(B) Private contributions received under this section 122  
shall be deposited into the fund to be used only for programs 123  
described in section 176.11 of the Revised Code. 124

(C) The Ohio coordinating committee to end homelessness 125  
may accept transfers, grants, gifts, bequests, or money made 126  
available from any source to implement this section. 127

**Section 2.** On July 1, 2015, and July 1, 2016, or as soon 128  
as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management 129  
shall transfer \$1,000,000 cash each fiscal year from the General 130

Revenue Fund to the Marsha Donner Homeless Fund (Fund XXXX).	131
<b>Section 3.</b> All items in this section are hereby	132
appropriated as designated out of any moneys in the state	133
treasury to the credit of the designated fund. For all	134
appropriations made in this act, those in the first column are	135
for fiscal year 2016 and those in the second column are for	136
fiscal year 2017. The appropriations made in this act are in	137
addition to any other appropriations made for the FY 2016-FY	138
2017 biennium.	139
Appropriations	140
JFS DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES	141
Dedicated Purpose Fund Group	142
XXXX 6006XX Ohio Coordinating \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	143
Committee	144
to End Homelessness	145
TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	146
Group	147
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	148
The foregoing appropriation item 6006XX, Ohio Coordinating	149
Committee to End Homelessness, shall be used for the purposes	150
described under sections 176.10, 176.11, and 176.12 of the	151
Revised Code.	152
<b>Section 4.</b> Within the limits set forth in this act, the	153
Director of Budget and Management shall establish accounts	154
indicating the source and amount of funds for each appropriation	155
made in this act, and shall determine the form and manner in	156
which appropriation accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures	157

from appropriations contained in this act shall be accounted for 158  
as though made in the main operating appropriations act of the 159  
131st General Assembly. 160

The appropriations made in this act are subject to all 161  
provisions of the main operating appropriations act of the 131st 162  
General Assembly that are generally applicable to such 163  
appropriations. 164