

House proposed changes to the introduced version of H.B. 49 – biennial appropriations:

- Restrains All-Funds growth below inflationary levels for the biennium.
- Provides over \$170 million in new resources over the next two years to fight the opioid epidemic.
- Supplements the Governor’s education formula with more than \$90 million over the biennium.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Development and Natural Resources:

- Retains funding for the Incumbent Workforce Training program at \$1.25 M per year.
- Appropriates \$1.25 M per year for Defense Development Assistance.
- Permits the Ohio Consumer’s Council to operate a call center.
- Requires the Development Services Agency (DSA) to seek a waiver to spend 25%, instead of 15%, of the Home Energy Assistance Block Grant on home weatherization.
- Increases funding to Ohio Edison Centers by \$500,000 per year.
- Reduces the criterion for a Lakes in Economic Distress loan applicant from a 40% revenue loss to a 10% loss.
- Maintains current law in regards to DSA’s responsibilities for small business complaints.
- Requires the Director of Agriculture (AGR) to work with the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) to establish a new fee for inflatable rides.
- Establishes a soybean marketing program.
- Exempts automotive shredder residue from solid waste requirements and fees if it is intended to be used as mulch.
- Continues the requirement that 14% of revenue to the Oil and Gas Fund be used to plug orphan wells.
- Creates an accounting code for all Department of Natural Resources (DNR) expenses used for orphan wells to track spending requirements.
- Clarifies that a small hydroelectric plant is considered a renewable energy source.
- Authorizes credit unions to participate in state linked deposit programs.
- Enacts a new Banking Law governing banks, savings and loan associations and savings banks under the same statute.
- Raises the appropriation for the Ohio-Israel Agricultural Initiative by \$50,000 per year.
- Increases the non-resident fee for deer and wild turkey permits and adds elk to the list of game quadruped animals.
- Appropriates \$250,000 in capital funding for the Massillon Dam project.
- Prevents a state or government entity from another state from providing financing for an eligible project in Ohio unless it meets certain requirements.
- Requires the Chief of the Division of Wildlife to adopt rules for a risk assessment on invasive aquatic species.
- Prohibits money credited to the Mining Regulation and Safety Fund from limestone, dolomite, sand and gravel from being used for coal mining and reclamation purposes.
- Permits two or more Metropolitan Housing Authorities (MHA) to enter into a shared services agreement, clarifies that MHA plans in a blighted area can include residential properties and prohibits a HMA from giving a federal rent subsidy to someone who does not meet HUD requirements.
- Extends current soil and water conservation district matching requirements through 2019.
- Exempts a processor of apple syrup or butter who grows and uses 75% of their own apples for their product from AGR’s standards for food processing establishments.
- Allows an A-4 liquor permit holder to manufacture and sell ice cream containing up to 6% alcohol by volume.

- Requires the Chief of the Division of Mineral Resources Management to conduct a minimum of two safety inspections of a surface mining operation the year following an inspection by the US Department of Labor found three or more violations per day.
- Earmarks \$250,000 per year from 195-455, Appalachian Assistance, for the iBelieve Foundation.
- Requires a person who transports beer and liquor for delivery to submit a report to the Department of Commerce.
- Clarifies language in the bill state regarding competitive retail electric services policy relates to “marketplace” innovations and limits this policy to research.
- Includes language on unit operation under Oil and Gas Law from H.B. 8 of the 131st G.A.

Subcommittee on Health and Human Services:

- Increases 336-432, Continuum of Care Services by \$27 M. Earmarks \$12 M for county ADAMHS boards, \$9 M for ADAMHS boards to establish an acute substance abuse use disorder stabilization center in each of the six state psychiatric hospital regions, and \$6 M for the ADAMHS boards to establish a mental health crisis center in the same regions.
- Finances \$20 M for treatment facilities through a capital appropriation.
- Increases 600-533, Child, Family and Community Protection Services by \$15 M per year.
- Earmarks \$10 M per year from 600-410, TANF MOE, to provide support for kinship caregivers.
- Revises the fees for county recorder charges. Removes the \$50 M cap of the fees deposited into the Low- and Moderate-Income Housing Trust Fund. Eliminates the Housing Trust Reserve Fund. Provides that of the amount into the Trust Fund, \$6 M shall be provided to the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (MHA) to advance housing opportunities for individuals exiting residential opiate treatment.
- Appropriates \$5 M per year for drug prevention.
- Directs \$3 M per year to 336-422, Criminal Justice Services, and creates medication-assisted treatment in drug court programs in 18 additional counties.
- Provides \$2 M per year as a state match for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training Program.
- Creates the County Hub Program to Combat Opioid Addiction and appropriates \$2.2 M in FY’18 for this purpose.
- Increases 336-510, Residential State Supplement by \$1 M per year.
- Introduces a pilot program in Franklin, Cuyahoga and Warren counties to provide mental health and recovery supports to offenders in the criminal justice system in mental health courts. Appropriates \$700,000 per year.
- Earmarks \$150,000 per year from 600-523, Family and Children Services for crisis care nurseries and increases the line by the same amount.
- Establishes a pilot program in Cuyahoga County to convert unused Nursing Facility (NF) beds for drug treatment.
- Allows Certified Nurse Practitioners with a psychiatry certificate to use the current prior authorization prescription exemption for psychiatric drugs.
- Requires a health benefit plan to cover telemedicine the same as in person.
- Restores the Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps program and funds at \$3 M per year.
- Continues to provide TANF funding for Ohio Boys and Girls clubs.
- Directs MCD to seek federal waiver to require a Group VIII Medicaid recipient to be one of the following: over 55, medically fragile, employed, in an education or workforce training program or in a recovery program.
- Pushes the Behavioral Health rate redesign and managed care carve-in back six months to January 1, 2018 and July 1, 2018 respectively.

- Prohibits the Department of Medicaid (MCD) from increasing provider rates or rolling new populations into managed care without the approval of the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee (JMOC), subject to full GA veto. Returns Medicaid eligibility determination to the GA.
- Prohibits NFs and home and community-based waiver services from being added to Medicaid managed care before January 1, 2021, this does not apply to the MyCare Ohio program. Requires a study committee to review the issue and submit a report by June 30, 2020.
- Removes the proposed additional I/O and SELF waivers.
- Eliminates proposed provider rate increases.
- Limits total Medicaid spending on hospitals to \$7 B per year. Removes the non-contracting language and requires rates in effect on January 1, 2017 to continue over the biennium. If spending is on track to exceed \$7 B in either year these rates will be adjusted.
- **Subjects all aquatic amusement rides built or renovated after July 1, 2017 to Department of Health (ODH) approval.**
- Institutes a durable medical equipment loan program through an earmark of 415-402, Independent Living Councils.
- Removes a requirement that the board members of the Ohio Children’s Trust Fund Board must be from different Metropolitan Statistical Areas.
- Earmarks \$750,000 from 440-482, Chronic Disease/Health Promotion for the Diabetes Prevention Program.
- Raises fees for birth and death certificates as well as divorce or dissolution records by \$3 to provide increased funding for the Ohio Children’s Trust fund.
- Limits a prescriber in a medication-assisted treatment program to 30 patients. Requires a prescriber in a medication-assisted treatment program be educated on and furnish information to their patient about all drugs approved by the US FDA for use in MAT.
- Allows public children services agencies direct access to the Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information System (SACWIS) for hiring purposes.
- Creates an advisory group in the Department of Job and Family Services (JFS) to recruit, retain and support foster caregivers.
- Increases 322-420, Screening and Early Intervention by \$30,000 per year for the “Play and Language for Autistic Youngsters Project”.
- Authorizes Ohio to enter into a multi-state health care compact.
- Reduces from 5 to 3 years Medicaid has to notify an NF or Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) of an overpayment.
- Specifies that ODH generally has sole authority in regards to lead abatement activities.
- Raises Medicaid reimbursement rates for neonatal and newborn services to 75% of Medicare rates, other reimbursements shall be lowered correspondingly.
- Allow Healthier Buckeye Councils to request a 6- to 12-month extension for the expenditure of grants.
- Replaces the current earmark in 600-696, Early Childhood Education, with not less than \$13 M per year to implement the 2016 Ohio Childcare Market Rate Survey.
- Narrows the definition of immediate family for the prohibition on the relations of a county commissioner serving on a county developmental disabilities (DD) committee to the spouse, son or daughter.
- Increases 600-354, Adult Protective Services, by \$250,000 per year.
- Redirects \$500,000 in food bank funding to food pantries not affiliated with a state organization.
- States that it is the intent of the GA to create a Healthy Ohio or similar program if the Federal Government makes Medicaid a block grant system.

- Raises the appropriation for 336-421, Continuum of Care Services by \$100,000 per year and earmarks the money for the Chardon School District.
- Requires the Department of Insurance with MHA to develop consumer education for addiction and mental health insurance parity.
- Maintains the current makeup of the Medicaid Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee.
- Originates a work group to review where assisted living services may be offered, in lieu of allowing the Department of Aging to specify by rule additional settings where they may be offered.
- Modifies the definition of “qualified community hub” for purposes of enacting recent law changes that require Medicaid managed care organizations (MCO) to offer certain services to pregnant women to include local boards of health. Also authorizes a public health nurse to provide these services and to recommend an individual receive these services.
- Removes the provisions allowing DOH to take expanded disciplinary action for violations of statutes and rules for long-term care facilities.
- Permits a Health Insuring Corporation (HIC) to use an accreditation from the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health to meet quality assurance program requirements.
- Sets the dispensing fee for each prescription filled with a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs under Medicaid at \$10.49.
- Delays the expiration of a supported living certificate if the holder applied for renewal before the expiration. Permits the director to restore an expired certificate if the holder reappplies and pays a fees. Applies retroactively.
- Makes changes to the law governing the waiting lists county boards of DD establish for home and community-based services available under Medicaid waivers by 1) requiring a county board to establish a list if resources are insufficient to enroll all individuals assessed with a need for services 2) replacing statutory criteria for emergency or priority placement with new DDD rules.
- Requires a county board of DD survey the applicant for initial or renewed supported living certificate. Requires DDD to suspend the certificate if the county recommends it. Permits a county to establish an incentive program to increase the number of providers.
- Directs the Governor’s Executive Workforce Board to include an analysis of jobs that pay 125% of the federal minimum wage in the methodology for in-demand jobs.
- Establishes a pilot program for managed care coverage of behavioral health services in Lucas and Wood counties.
- Permits a child in CPS temporary custody to be placed with a person, instead of a home. Removes requirements for review hearings if the child isn’t subject to protective supervision, no PCSA or private agency is serving the child and the court finds review is not necessary to serve the child’s best interest.
- Clarifies Help Me Grow has two components 1) home health services (DOH) and 2) early intervention (DDD). Requires an interagency agreement between DDD and DOH. Requires all families go through central intake and referral and cancels all previous Requests for Proposals for intake and referral.
- Requires a hospital, outpatient center or ambulatory surgical center to provide a good faith estimate at least 7 days in advance of procedure upon request. They are obligated to provide the estimate within seven days of the procedure. Starting on January 1, 2018 creates a pilot project on expansion of providing estimates to patients.
- Corrects an error from HB 470 from the 131st GA that inadvertently enacted a palliative care license.
- Deletes the statement of a physician’s opinion in regards to the medical marijuana law.
- Permits county family services agencies to have deficits in special funds under certain circumstances.
- Obliges MCD to create a Medicaid waiver component to provide services to eligible people between 21 and 64 at institutions for mental diseases (facilities with more than 16 beds).

- Changes from annually to biennially how often a hospital must review its nursing staffing policy and submit its nursing staffing plan to DOH.
- Transfers \$20 M of GRF per year into the Medicaid Managed Care Quality Payment fund. Fifty percent of the possible quality money MCO's can earn remains in 651-525, Medicaid/Health Care Services. If MCO's earn more than 50% of the quality payments, the money is transferred back into 651-525.
- Authorizes the following: 1) a coroner who receives OARRS information related to a deceased person to share the information with the drug overdose fatality review committee, 2) the Pharmacy Board (Board) to provide a pharmacy with their OARRS dispensing records, 3) the Board to provide OARRS information without request to prescribers and pharmacists who can use OARRS, 4) the Board to require a terminal distributor to include any data fields recognized by American Society for Automation in Pharmacy and 5) the Board to accept relevant OARRS information from other agencies.
- Modifies license renewal deadlines for physicians and eliminates the requirement that the renewal includes a list of all Advanced Practice Nurses with whom they collaborate, instead that they do collaborate with APNs. Streamlines the fee to reinstate or restore a license.
- Places the hiring and firing of the JMOC director with the Speaker and Senate President instead of the committee.
- Creates an opioid addiction treatment website.
- Provides \$250,000 per year for the Healthy Food Financing Initiative.
- OMB – Increases 820-602 – OSHIP Operating Grants by \$400,000 per year.
- OBM – Removes a provision to designate a committee dedicated solely to conducting internal investigations of fraud, waste, abuse and overpayments.
- OBM – Add violations of laws related to drugs, drug offenses controlled substances and the Medical Marijuana Control Program to provisions related to the subpoena of patient record information.

Subcommittee on Higher Education:

- Flat funds 235-501, State Share of Instruction, and 235-563, Ohio College Opportunity Grant, at FY'17 levels.
- Removes the proposal on textbook costs. Requires institutions of higher education (IHE) to study their textbook costs annually and report costs to the Chancellor. Requires an IHE to report annually to the Efficiency Advisory Committee on efforts to reduce textbook cost.
- Continues funding for the Federal Research Network at \$3.5 M per year.
- Provides \$5 M in FY'19 for financial assistance to obtain short-term certificates.
- Permits a Community College to increase tuition by \$10 per credit hour.
- Clarifies that tuition caps do not apply to tuition guarantee programs and removes the restrictions on increases between cohorts.
- Exempts health insurance, auxiliary goods and services, non-instructional program fees, licensure costs, fines, travel costs and elective service charges from the tuition freeze.
- Allows a Community College to offer an applied bachelors degree if the degree is not offered by a public or private university within 30 miles and defines "applied bachelors".
- Requires the Chancellor to investigate fees charged by institutions and prohibits the charging of any fee. The Controlling Board may approve the fee.
- Mandates that the Chancellor study the outcomes of the College Credit Plus (CCP) program.
- Supports the James A. Garfield Monument and the Ohio Soldiers and Sailors Orphans Home/Ohio Veterans Children's Chapel with capital appropriation of \$500,000 and \$150,000 respectively.
- Directs the trustees of each state university, rather than all IHEs, to review and update tenure policies.

- Restricts the awarding of CCP credit unless the student receives a C grade or higher.
- Limits IHEs to paying for one assessment for the CCP program. All additional assessments are the responsibility of the student.
- Modifies the CCP textbook requirements by requiring IHEs to pay 50% or an amount agreed to with the school district. Homeschooled students pay 50%.
- Requires that faculty who assign textbooks must file a financial disclosure statement.
- Restores 235-559, Central State University – Agricultural Education, and provides \$300,000 per year.
- Earmarks \$141,244 in FY’18 and \$148,136 in FY’19 from 235-511, Cooperative Extension Service, for 4-H clubs in Cleveland and Cincinnati.
- Eliminates separate funding for the Ohioana Library Association.
- Reduces the number of mandated sick days for university employees from 15 to 10.
- Permits a university housing commission to develop housing, dining and recreation facilities on or outside of the political subdivision where the administrative offices are located.
- Exempts enclosed laboratory spaces at colleges and universities where clinical research is taking place from the Smoke Free Workplace Act.
- Appropriates \$750,000 in FY’18 funding for the University of Dayton Research Institute from 235-533, Higher Education Program Support and increases the line by the same amount.
- Maintains funding for the Smart Ohio program.
- Reduces all clinical teaching lines by 10% in FY’18 and collapses them into one line in FY’19.
- Increases 360-508, State Historical Grants, by \$500,000 per year and gives \$250,000 each year to the Cincinnati Museum Center and the Western Reserve Historical Society.
- Abolishes the State Board of Career Colleges and Schools and transfers authority to the Department of Higher Education (DHE). Prohibits current or former staff of a proprietary school from this oversight.
- Enables veterans to receive reimbursement for courses taken at a proprietary school if it closes. Prohibits these schools from using military logos or marketing to veterans near military bases or hospitals.
- Authorizes the Auditor of State (AOS) to audit any proprietary school that accepts state funds and disallows the charging of a student disclosure fee after January 1, 2017.
- Allows Ohio State University to enter into an agreement for their utility system.
- Specifies IHEs shall conduct post tenure reviews.
- Clarifies tenure language that “any combination” of specified goals is acceptable and that there are “multiple” tenure pathways.
- Revises the competency-based education language to clarify state IHEs are eligible. That an institution created by several governors must be regionally accredited, is not a state institution and shall not receive any state funding.
- Makes the Chancellor establish criteria, policies and procedures that allows students to transfer credits from proprietary schools to state IHEs.
- Requires proprietary schools to receive an accreditation.
- Mandates an IHE must accept college coursework earned in Ohio over the past 5 years. If the credit is over 5 years old the IHE must offer a competency-based test.
- Gives a \$1 M capital appropriation to Southern State Community College for the Adams Co. campus.
- Increases 235-591, Co-op/Internship programs and provides earmarks for the 9 university programs traditionally funded through this line.
- Establishes the State of Ohio Leadership Institute and appropriates \$5 M in FY’18 for this purpose.
- OBM – Modify the Ohio College Opportunity Grant earmark to say “at least” the amounts listed.

- OBM – Expands eligibility for instate tuition for GI Bill recipients to members who are on active duty.
- OBM – Attributes debt service to MARCS to the Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund.

Subcommittee on Primary and Secondary Education:

- Makes the following revisions to the Executive proposal:
 - Increases the per pupil amount to \$6020 per year from \$6000.
 - Removes the transportation supplement from the transitional aid calculations.
 - Increases the gain cap to 5.5% from 5.0%.
 - Raises the capacity aid multiplier to 4.0 from 3.5.
 - Provides a high performing ESC will receive \$25 per student. Other ESCs will receive \$23 per student.
 - Adjusts the valuation index in certain districts with high public utility personal property from a “three-year average valuation” to the districts 2016 total taxable valuation if the 2016 value is less.
- Prohibits the use of credit cards for lottery purchases.
- Mandates that 26.5% in FY’18 and 27.0% in FY’19 of Lottery net profits be deposited in the Lottery Profits Education Fund.
- Expands video poker to racinos.
- Reduces the percentage of VLT revenue going to racinos from 66.5% to 65.5%.
- Directs the Lottery Commission to offer the Lucky One game.
- Removes the internship requirement for teachers.
- Abolishes the Permanent Joint Committee on Gaming and Wagering.
- Eliminates the additional on non-voting members of the business community to school boards. Orders the creation of standards of operation for school advisory councils.
- Prohibits the Department of Education (ODE) from ranking a community school sponsor ineffective due to receiving a 0 on one component, other than the academic component.
- Requires ODE to weigh progress as 60% of the academic performance component of the state report card for a community school sponsor.
- Compels ODE to notify a community school sponsor 45 days before the release of the report card. Allows an informal hearing 10 days after notification at which ODE must provide a written decision.
- Permits Auxiliary Services to be used for school security systems and academic support services for English language learners.
- Places a four-year moratorium on the transfer of territory between schools in a win-win agreement.
- Allows public and chartered non-public schools the option of using paper for state tests.
- Exempts students at ISACS accredited schools from completing 1 of the 3 high school pathways and from taking the College and Work Ready Assessment.
- Restores funding for INFOhio to FY’15 levels.
- Forces ODE to determine whether funds remain for the Ed. Choice Scholarship by May 31 after the first application period.
- Prioritizes any unused ESSA Title IV funds to cover the cost of AP exams for low-income students.
- Funds an artificial intelligence program in Lima City Schools.
- Specifies that minor labor laws do not apply to CCP pre-apprenticeship programs.
- Studies the appropriate funding levels and methods of gifted funding.

- Allows ODE and the State Board of Education to have access to the SSID numbers to be matched to personally identifiable student data for the purposes of making per-pupil payment to community schools.
- Directs unspent preschool funding to be offered to 3 year olds after all the 4 year olds have been served.
- Eliminates application periods for the Peterson Scholarship Program.
- Adds the small business deduction back into the school district income tax earned income base.
- Abandons the requirement for bid bonds in school bus purchases.
- Increases 200-545, Career Tech Education Enhancements by \$162,000 per year for Vo-ag programs in Cincinnati and Cleveland.
- Permits an ESC that has a rating of effective or higher to sponsor an e-school without previous experience and a community school whether or not it is in the territory or a contiguous county.
- Maintains current law in relation to the alternative CCP payment structure as long as it complies with the rest of the program.
- Raises the appropriation for 200-545, Career Technical Education Enhancements by \$128,500 in FY'18 and earmarks the money for the Ottawa County Business Advisory Council's Career Development Roadmap.
- Removes the proposed requirements that a Career-Technical Educator Level I license applicant have 5 years of experience and the specific college program that a Level II applicant must complete.
- Increases 200-597, Education Program Support, by \$250,000 per year and earmarks to the Childhood League Center.
- Allows county improvement board grants to be used on permanent improvements on buildings outside of the county as long as it is part of a district that covers the county.
- Extends the law temporarily allowing a school district to offer highest priority to purchase an athletic field to a current leaseholder through December 21, 2019.
- Exempts certain classes of part-time or intermittent school district employees from mandated AED training.
- Places the hiring and firing of the JEOC director with the Speaker and Senate President instead of the committee.
- Permits a school district to offer early retirement or severance pay only if both of the following are met: 1) the agreement is financially sound 2) the district must comply with tax levy provisions concerning wage and salary increases.
- Changes the criteria for rating early childhood education programs; replaces metrics ODE uses to determine certain high-quality preschool services; requires ODE to assess effectiveness of early childhood education programs receiving state funding.
- Adds two Senators and two Representatives to the Facilities Construction Council.
- Provides \$100,000 per year for the Supporting Partnerships to Assure Ready Kids program and \$500,000 for the Accelerate Great School public private partnership and increases 200-597, Education Program Support, for these purposes.
- Mandates that Drivers Education courses include instruction on substance and prescription drug abuse, the science of addiction and the effect of psychoactive substances while driving.
- Abolishes the teacher in residence program.
- Raises the appropriation for 200-511, Auxiliary Services, and 200-532, Non-public Cost Administration, by a combined total of \$1 M each year.
- Directs ODE to use ESCs in the development and delivery of professional development on content standards and curricula.
- Modifies an earmark in 200-439, Accountability/Report Cards, to require a portion go to ESCs to support training and professional development instead of providing it to a non-profit with expertise in value-added dimensions

- Makes changes to the Straight A Fund including permitting grants of more than \$1 M, allowing IHEs to be part of a consortia, and adds grant advisors with workforce development and high-demand job experience.
- Reverses a recent OAC rule regarding preschool staffing ratios.
- Orders JEOC to develop legislative recommendations for creating a Joint Transportation Pilot Program where at least two districts share transportation services.
- Makes changes to the Bright New Leaders for Ohio Schools program including adding the Governor, Senate President and Speaker of the House as ex officio members of the board and allowing each of them a board appointment and a selection into the program. Allows an alternate principal licensure for an individual who has completed an MBA and the Bright New Leaders program. Removes language requiring OSU oversight and state support.
- Charges JEOC with a review of the ODE manual used to audit or review enrollment in public schools.
- OBM – Moves the update of industry recognized credentials and licenses for graduation and report card purposes by the Superintendent from “biennially” to “at least biennially”.

Subcommittee on State Government and Agency Review:

- Replaces the proposed consolidation of various boards and commissions with the following:
 - Moves all antitrust review from DAS to the Common Sense Initiative. Exempts from review any action by a board or commission in which board members who are licensed in the occupation from statutorily prohibited from participating.
 - Consolidates the Optometry and Optical Dispensers Board to create the Vision Professionals Board.
 - Consolidates the Speech Language Pathology and Audiology and Hearing Aid Dealers and Fitters Boards to create a Hearing Professionals Board.
 - Eliminate the requirement that individuals who practice orthodontics, prosthetics or podiatry be licensed and dissolves the Board.
- Retains the Manufactured Homes Commission as an independent entity.
- Re-appropriates the unexpended, unencumbered balance of SOS 050-602, Citizen Education from FY’17 to FY’18.
- Re-establishes 050-624, Miscellaneous Federal Grants.
- Requires Controlling Board (CB) to approve transfers from emergency purposes to the State Ballot Advertising Fund.
- Increases 050-626, Address Confidentiality by \$50,000 per year.
- Appropriates the remaining money in the HAVA fund and closes the account.
- Compels DAS to offer a high deductible health plan with an HSA option.
- Changes the prohibition of a state agency entering into a monetary settlement to prohibit settlements without an appropriation and CB approval.
- **Abolishes the Board of Sanitarian Registration and moves it to DOH.**
- Adds cyber-training to the list of permissible activities the AOS can provide to local governments.
- Require the Deputy AOS to be a certified public accountant.
- Removes the sunset that permits the AOS to escalate fiscal watch to fiscal emergency.
- Extends the number of days the AOS has to handle an investigation of malfeasance of fiscal officers from 10 to 30.
- Requires any advertising purchase by the state over \$50,000 to receive CB approval.

- Compels the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation to add criterion to see the effectiveness of moving people on assistance to the workforce.
- Changes the name of the Joint Legislative Ethic Commission (JLEC) Investigation Fund to the Joint Legislative Ethics Investigative and Financial Disclosure Fund. Allows the funds to be spent on financial disclosure expenses as well as investigations.
- Transfers control of security for the Riffe Center from DAS to the Ohio State Highway Patrol.
- Lowers the threshold for signatures required to dissolve a village from 40% of electors to 30%.
- Forces any contract for computer software, data processing, etc. that costs over \$50,000 per year for 5 years to go through a competitive selection process and receive CB approval.
- Mandates occupational licensing boards adopt a staggered schedule for renewals.
- Allows the Medical Board to issue a clinical research faculty certificate to practice podiatry.
- Includes radiologist assistants and genetic counselors in the general law requiring background checks.
- Creates the Domestic Violence Program Fund and provides \$100,000 per year for this purpose.
- Eliminates a county judge's role in the transfer of revenue from one fund to another when the Tax Commissioner has approved such an action.
- Audits a cemetery with less than \$15,000 in annual revenue every four years instead of every two.
- Reimburses mileage for GA members for a session outside of the seat of government.
- Directs the funeral board to adopt rules related to the lawful disposition of unclaimed cremated remains if a funeral home has closed, specifies a crematory operator have a permit and a facility must have a license, imposes a \$10 fee on funeral directors for each pre-need contract and deposits the receipts into a fund to reimburse defrauded consumers.
- Includes in the Retained Applicant Fingerprint Database people who are licensed and subject to a background check. BCI shall periodically conduct background checks and compile a list of everyone who has broken the law and report it to the Inspector General.

Subcommittee on Transportation:

- Creates a local confinement exemption where local counties can send a limited number of F-5 felons to prison instead of local confinement for less than 12 months. Requires counties to submit to the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction (DRC) a memorandum of understanding on how they will use the T-Cap grant funding and how they will address a per diem reimbursement of local correctional facilities for the F-5 felons.
- Provides an increase of \$7.1 M in FY'18 and \$7.9 M in FY'19 to Indigent Defense.
- Increases 019-401, State Legal Defense, by \$500,000 per year.
- Restores current law and funding in relation to Ohio veterans groups.
- Appropriates \$4 M in FY'18 for Ohio drug laboratories to process tests.
- Continues the \$10 subsidy for MARCS equipment.
- Maintains current law in regards to veterans preferences for state hiring.
- Allows an offender subject to early release who is not a sexual or violent offender to get it 90 days early if they have completed high school degree or the equivalent while in confinement.
- Changes the entitled leave of absence for state employees in the National Guard or Reserves from up to one month per calendar year to up to one month per federal fiscal year.
- Removes changes to county veterans service officer employment.
- Permits a sheriff to use commissary profits for technology to keep contraband out of jail.

- Transfers the use of the Ohio River Valley Facility from the exclusive use of Lawrence County to the use as a multi-county facility and makes a capital appropriation of \$1.25 M for this purpose.
- Authorizes a court to order an OVI offender to reimburse a law enforcement agency for the costs of chemical tests if offender is guilty of an OVI, the tests were on whole blood or urine, and the test indicates the offender had a prohibited concentration of a controlled substance.
- Permits community-based correctional facilities to access Probation Improvement and Incentive Grants (PIIGs).
- Requires any drug task force for which a grant is awarded from the Drug Law Enforcement fund by DPS to comply with all grant requirements established by the Division of Criminal Justice Services and require the task force to report its activities through the EPIC IT systems.
- Earmarks \$100,000 from 774-471, Airport Improvements – State, for the Akron-Canton Airport gate project.
- Specifies that a multi-jurisdictional local correctional center’s standards and procedures can be amended by the commission by majority vote and clarifies that required items are also required in any amendments.
- Eliminates the Constitutional Modernization Commission on July 1, 2017.
- Directs the parole authority to notify a sheriff in a county where a felon is going to live at least two weeks before the release.
- Expunges the ex parte order and the records pertaining to it if a court does not grant, after a full hearing, certain domestic violence, stalking or juvenile protection orders.
- Introduces a new line, Lake County Regional Response Facility and appropriates \$250,000 per year.
- Compels the Environmental Protection Agency to seek GA approval before submitting projects to the Volkswagen Settlement Trust for consideration.
- Replaces the pilot program for truck registration in H.B. 26 with a new truck fee schedule.
- Prevents DOT from closing any rest areas on an Ohio Scenic Byway.
- Offers Continuing Professional Training Credit to peace officers who provide drug education in schools.
- Increases 777-471 by \$227,500 in FY’ 18 for the John Glenn International Airport.
- Obliges the Department of Veterans Services to create a veterans-only job portal.
- Appropriates \$438,798 in capital funding for a MARCS tower in Highland County.
- Modifies the law regarding wrongful imprisonment by: 1) removing the requirement that proving a "wrongfully imprisoned individual” must be made in a separate civil action in the court of common pleas where the original trial took place 2) removing the provision giving the court described above exclusion jurisdiction, 3) clarify the criterion if the person didn't commit the crime or there was no crime, 4) modify "error in procedure that resulted in the individual's release" criterion, 5) removes criterion that the prosecutor will not refile charges or appeal, 6) expands to include misdemeanors and 7) requires the court to deduct any debts from payout.
- Requires the Gov. to appoint a member of a third-service EMS agency or from among the 3 people nominated by the Ohio EMS Chiefs Assoc. as a member of the State Board of Emergency EMT Services.
- OBM - Restores current law allowing participating public offices or private parties to use info contained in the retained applicant fingerprint database of notices received from BCII.

Ways and Means Committee:

- Removes the proposed tax reform plan, including proposed changes to the following taxes: income, sales, severance, commercial activity, tobacco and vapor, and alcohol.
- Strikes the centralized collection proposal. Instead allows a business to file a single annual or estimated return through the Ohio Business Gateway which a business may report and pay the total tax due to all the municipalities

in which the business earned net profits, allows the commissioner to collect a fee of 1% of the tax due or \$1000 whichever is less. Requires the Commissioner to distribute municipal income taxes semi-monthly.

- Eliminates the bottom two individual income tax brackets. New lowest bracket begins at \$10,000 at \$74.25 plus 1.980% of the amount above \$10,000. The current low-income tax credit, which eliminates liability for an individual with less than \$10,000, is repealed.
- Exempts property conveyed to a development corporation that is unoccupied and once owned by the federal government from local property taxes.
- Mandates a political subdivision pay owners fees when the subdivision appeals a property tax assessment case and loses.
- Discards proposed changes to the distribution of the Local Government Fund.
- Adds two new factors to be considered in calculating the current agricultural use value (CAUV) “typical cropping and land use patterns” and “typical production costs” and deletes one existing factor “market value”. States that the equity yield rate used to calculate the capitalization rate equals the 25-year average of the “total rate of return on farm equity” published by the US Department of Agriculture and the holding period for the purposes of calculating the components of capitalization is 25 years.
- Permits the Summit County Council to extend an existing lodging tax for 10 years.
- Excuses electricity used in the Chlor-Alkali Manufacturing Process from the KWH tax.
- Reduces the CAT administrative earmark the Department of Taxation (TAX) receives to .75%.
- Authorizes the job creation tax credit to count employees who work from home in the job creation totals.
- Clarifies that purchases of songs through a digital jukebox are not subject to the sales and use tax.
- Directs TAX to combine the sales and use tax forms.
- Bifurcates the reporting of the income tax into individual and business components.
- Exempts prescription eyewear from the sales and use tax in FY’20.
- Requires an out-of-state seller with 200 or more transactions or \$100,000 in sales to collect and remit the sales tax.
- Tweaks the motion picture tax credit to require that a project must have 50% of financing secured to be eligible, priority be given to television or miniseries projects, and the Director of the Development Services Agency to charge an application fee equal to 1% of the estimated credit or \$10,000 whichever is less. Allows unused credits to roll into the next year.
- Charges TAX to study the feasibility of accepting municipal tax returns through the existing federal/state modernized e-file system.
- Revises the current data call center sales and use tax exemption to allow the capital expenditure to occur over 6 years instead of 5.
- Authorizes a county with a population between 375,000 and 400,000 that levies a 3% lodging tax to increase the rate up to an additional 3%.
- Eliminates the ability for funds from the income tax check off for breast and cervical cancer to be used to pay for services from other providers.
- Specifies that sales of automatic data processing, computer services, electronic information services and electronic publishing are not the true object of the transaction and not taxable under the sales tax when they are provided primarily for the delivery, receipt or use of another nontaxable service.
- Clarifies the base on which a hotel intermediary must collect and remit the sales and use tax and absolves the hotel of liability for unpaid sales and use tax.

- Commands stickers must be placed on retail service station fuel pumps outlining the federal and state excise tax rates.
- Permits counties participating in a Regional Transportation Improvement Project (RTIP) to create a financing mechanism similar to TIF district and makes an \$250,000 appropriation for the RTIP involving Carroll, Columbiana and Stark counties.
- Increases the permissible amount of land for a tourism development district to 600 acres and sunsets these districts on December 31, 2020.
- Changes the penalty for a late municipal income tax to “not to exceed 50%” of the unpaid amount rather than 50%.

Miscellaneous

- Limits appropriation increases that CB can authorize to no more than 10% of a line’s total appropriation or \$10M, whichever is less. For establishing new lines, the CB cannot create a new appropriation line of more than \$10M.
- Lets townships place advertising on their websites.
- Sanctions a probate court to do the following in regards to a park district created by an order of the court: 1) issue an order preventing interference with the court’s order creating the district, 2) enforcing the court’s order creating the district, 3) issuing an order compelling compliance with the laws, 4) investigating matters involving the park district, 5) Impose duties and restrictions on a person or party who interferes with the park district’s purposes 6) tax the cost of proceedings as court costs.
- Kills a proposal to allow for the appointment of county coroners and engineers.
- Raises the amount from \$25 to \$100 following a sale on execution that a clerk of courts must notify the debtor of a balance by certified mail and publish and advertisement for.
- Increases the threshold for disbursement for an escrow account for the purpose of a residential home purchase from \$1,000 to \$10,000.
- Authorizes a county or municipal government to extend a pre-1994 CRA without triggering the laws enacted in 1994.
- Compels Hamilton County to distribute the proceeds of its hotel and lodging tax above \$6 M per year to the township or municipality of origin on a proportional basis.
- Eliminates the office of the Municipal Clerk of Courts in Clark County and rolls its duties into the County Clerk of Courts.
- Directs the Governor to create Clean Water Central Ohio to oversee waste treatment planning in Franklin and parts of surrounding counties.
- Conveys, through real estate purchases, state prison-owned farmland.
- Deletes the requirement for a special primary election to replace a party's candidate for Congress if the election is uncontested.
- Defines a “microbusiness”.
- Elevates the threshold for competitive bidding for port authorities to \$250,000.
- Allows a regional council of government to contract to administer and coordinate the self-funded health benefits program of a non-profit corporation if the council has an ESC as its fiscal agent.
- Restricts the ability for township trustees to broadly prohibit transient vendors, and replaces it with the ability to prohibit vendors at homes that have no soliciting signs posted. Eliminates the requirement that a nonprofit notify the board it is selling goods.

- Clarifies that public officials are allowed to accept registration fees, travel expenses, and meals during a meeting or convention of a national, state, and regional organizations that a government body pays dues to. This amendment corrects a misinterpretation of the ethics law by the Ohio Ethics Commission in an informal advisory opinion.
 - Gives \$300,000 per year to Cleveland Neighborhood Progress for financial literacy education.
 - Relaxes directives on the Wilmington Airpark capital appropriation from S.B. 310 of the 131st GA.
 - Exempts legislative projects from DAS construction/renovation procedures.
 - Extends the ABLE Account Program Advisory Board, Ohio Healthier Buckeye Advisory Council and the Underground Technical Committee until December 31, 2020.
 - Permits local workforce investment boards to conduct meetings by video and teleconference.
 - Continues the ability for a county or municipality to enter into an enterprise zone agreement after October 15, 2017.
 - Changes the fee schedule a county Treasurer takes from taxes by consolidating from 4 brackets to 2 and index bracket to tax changes.
 - Increases by 90 days the time in which a county board of revision in the 10 most populous counties has to decide complaints. Clarifies for all counties that days are business days.
 - Earmarks \$150,000 in FY'18 in the 800-635, Small Government Fire Departments, for equipment related to a fire training center that received capital appropriation in S.B. 310 from the 131st GA.
 - Revises the requirement that a board of county commissioners must meet on “the second Monday of January” every year to “no later than the second Monday of January”.
 - LSC Corrective Amendment.
 - LSC Technical Amendment.
 - LSC Conforming Amendment.
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