Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Synopsis of Senate Committee Amendments*

Sub. H.B. 483
131st General Assembly
(S. Finance)

Adds the following provisions to the House-passed version of the bill:

**Nursing facilities' direct care costs**

Removes the costs of behavioral and mental health services that, under current law, are included as a form of direct care costs for purposes of Medicaid payments to nursing facilities.

**Certificate of need**

Requires the Director of Health to accept a certificate of need application for a new long-term care facility that will receive its beds from a former county home or county nursing home meeting certain requirements.

**Continuum of care by ADAMHS boards**

Delays until July 1, 2017, certain laws that currently are scheduled to take effect September 15, 2016, regarding a continuum of care that boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services are required to establish.

**Developmental disabilities property tax levies**

Authorizes renewal developmental disabilities property tax levies to be for a different purpose than the original levy or, for certain levies, for a term longer than the original levy.

Expands the stated purposes for which certain developmental disabilities property taxes may be levied.

Requires reimbursement of developmental disabilities levy revenue foregone because of the creation of a tax increment financing (TIF) incentive district regardless of the statute under which the levy is authorized.

* This synopsis does not address amendments that may have been adopted on the Senate Floor.
Nursing services in a group visit

Permits Medicaid-covered nursing services to be provided to up to four Medicaid recipients in a group visit under a home and community-based services Medicaid waiver component if the recipients are medically fragile children, siblings, and reside together in the home of their caretaker relative.

Consultation on rules governing developmental disabilities personnel

Requires the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities (ODODD) to consult with the Ohio Respiratory Care Board and the Ohio Society for Respiratory Care when adopting rules to implement the laws governing the performance of health care activities by developmental disabilities personnel.

Developmental center resident relocation report

Regarding the House-passed provision that requires ODODD to prepare a report on the progress of developmental centers' resident relocation efforts, includes the following as recipients of the report in addition to the Speaker of the House of Representatives: the House Minority Leader, the President and Minority Leader of the Senate, and the chairperson of the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee.

Disability History and Awareness Month

Designates October as "Disability History and Awareness Month."