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Synopsis of Senate Committee Amendments

(This synopsis does not address amendments that may have been adopted on the Senate Floor.)

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Senate Health, Human Services and Medicaid

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Tuberculosis – preschool programs and child daycare centers

Removes a House-passed requirement that certain persons employed by a preschool program or child daycare center be tested for tuberculosis (TB) each year for a period of five years (the bill continues to require TB testing once prior to employment).

Permits a person who tests positive for latent TB to be employed so long as the person receives treatment and submits periodic evidence of compliance with the treatment regimen.

Generally requires TB control units, which exist at the county level under current law, to oversee and signoff on TB treatment of employees tested under the bill (under the House-passed version, this was done by licensed health professionals).

Removes a House-passed provision requiring the State Board of Education and the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS), in collaboration with the Ohio Department of Health (ODH), to adopt rules establishing standards and procedures for TB screening, testing, and treatment as required by the bill (rules that apply to TB screening, testing, and treatment generally already exist under current administrative law).

Regarding the House-passed provision authorizing the release by ODJFS of information about a public assistance recipient, does the following:

- --Clarifies that the release is for public assistance recipients who receive publicly funded child care and is related to a public health investigation related to the bill's TB testing provisions;
- --Specifies that the release is to ODH or a TB control unit, not a local board of health as in the House-passed version;
- --Specifies the information released must be the minimum information necessary to fulfill the needs of the public health investigation.

Radiation rules and radiation technology professionals

Adds the following provisions:

In adopting rules regarding Ohio's Radiation Control Program, authorizes the Director of Health to deviate from the "Suggested State Regulations for Control of Radiation" prepared by the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc. if the Director determines that doing so is warranted and does not pose a health, environmental, or safety risk (under current law, the Director must use standards no less stringent than the Suggested State Regulations).

Specifies that one of the activities radiographers and nuclear medicine technologists are licensed to perform is to document orders for contrast and radio-pharmaceuticals, respectively, in patient medical records.

Requires a radiographer and a nuclear medicine technologist to practice in a manner that is consistent with a definitive set of treatment guidelines approved by the clinical leadership of the institution where the radiographer or technologist practices.

Entities exempt from mobile dental facility requirements

Adds a provision exempting, from recently enacted notification requirements applicable to mobile dental facilities, a mobile dental facility that only provides the placement of pit and fissure sealants and the application of fluoride varnish and is under the control or management of a certain type of school entity, a local board of health, or a contractor of the Department of Health that is recognized by the Dental Board.

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