



OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

Sub. Bill Comparative Synopsis

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This table summarizes how the latest substitute version of the bill differs from the immediately preceding version. It addresses only the topics on which the two versions differ substantively. It does not list topics on which the two bills are substantively the same.

Topic	Previous Version (As Introduced)	Sub. Version (L_132_2217-2)
Definition of "at-risk student"	<p>An at-risk student is a primary or secondary school student who is at least 13 years old who either:</p> <p>(1) Would have an expected family contribution of zero dollars, as determined by the Chancellor of Higher Education;</p> <p>(2) Is impacted by family opioid addiction, as defined by the Chancellor (<i>R.C. 3333.80(A)(1)</i>).</p>	<p>An at-risk student is a primary or secondary school student who is at least 13 years old who:</p> <p>(1) Is eligible for a free or reduced price lunch;</p> <p>(2) Would have a family contribution of zero dollars, as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), in grade 12;</p> <p>(3) Has either: (a) been impacted by family opioid addiction or (b) entered into recovery for opioid addiction. The Chancellor must define these terms as necessary to implement the provision (<i>R.C. 3333.80(A)(1)</i>).</p>
Definition of "eligible state institution of higher education"	<p>Eligible institutions include:</p> <p>(1) Community colleges;</p> <p>(2) State community colleges;</p>	<p>Adds technical colleges to list of eligible institutions (<i>R.C. 3333.80(A)(4)</i>).</p>

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	(3) State universities (<i>R.C. 3333.80(A)(4)</i>).	
Definition of "eligible for a free or reduced price lunch"	No provision.	The student is eligible for a free or reduced price lunch under federal law (<i>R.C. 3333.80(A)(6)</i>).
Geographic eligibility of students	Only students living in the southeast region of Ohio, as determined by JobsOhio, may participate in the OhioCorps mentorship programs and qualify for the OhioCorps scholarship (<i>R.C. 3333.80(A)(5) and (7), (B), (C)(1)(a), (c), and (d), and 3333.801(A)</i>).	No geographical restriction.
Rule-making deadline	The Chancellor must adopt rules to administer the OhioCorps program within 60 days after the bill's effective date (<i>R.C. 3333.80(C)</i>).	Changes the rule-making deadline to 90 days after the bill's effective date (<i>R.C. 3333.80(C)</i>).
Required best practices	The requirements for establishing an OhioCorps mentorship program must include adherence to the recommended best practices adopted by the Ohio Commission on Service and Volunteerism regarding volunteers with unsupervised access to children (<i>R.C. 3333.80(C)(1)(d)</i>).	Same, but specifies that criminal records checks must be included. However, a program must not require an individual to comply with a criminal records check or any screening procedures, if the individual has already undergone a criminal records check as part of the individual's current participation in an AmeriCorps program or an existing program connected to the Ohio Commission on Service and Volunteerism (<i>R.C. 3333.80(C)(1)(d)</i>).
Summer learning camps or programs	An OhioCorps mentorship program may include summer learning camps or programs at the eligible state institution of higher education that provide higher education experiences and College Credit Plus program opportunities in the summer	Same, but the reference to the southeast region is eliminated and the bill specifies that the summer learning camps or programs may be offered in any region of the state (<i>R.C. 3333.80(C)(1)(d) second paragraph</i>).

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	specifically for at-risk students living in the southeast region <i>(R.C. 3333.80(C)(1)(d) second paragraph).</i>	
Scholarship eligibility	<p>The eligibility requirements an at-risk student must meet to qualify for an OhioCorps scholarship includes either:</p> <p>(1) Demonstrating that the student's expected family contribution continually would equal zero dollars in each year of high school, as determined by FAFSA, an early eligibility estimating tool designed by the U.S. Department of Education, or any other equivalent tool designated by the Chancellor; and</p> <p>(2) Receiving a letter from a teacher or administrator employed by the school district or school in which the student is enrolled which indicates that the student is impacted by family opioid addiction <i>(R.C. 3333.801(A)(3)).</i></p>	<p>Same, but specifies that:</p> <p>(1) An at-risk student's expected family contribution must equal zero dollars, as determined by FAFSA, only in grade 12;</p> <p>(2) The letter the student receives may instead indicate that the student is in recovery for opioid addiction;</p> <p>(3) The letter may be written by a teacher, administrator, judge, case worker, police officer, healthcare professional, cleric, employee of a county department of job and family services who is a professional and works with children and families, or another individual from a public entity approved by the Chancellor;</p> <p>(4) The at-risk student must submit the letter to the student's school district or school; and</p> <p>(5) The school district or school in possession of the letter must treat the letter as a student record in accordance with state student privacy laws and must make the letter available to the Chancellor at the Chancellor's request in accordance with those laws <i>(R.C. 3333.801(A)(3)).</i></p>

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Appropriation	<p>Appropriates \$1.5 million in FY 2019 from the OhioCorps Fund established by the bill.</p> <p>The Chancellor must use up to \$50,000 of the appropriated funds to implement and administer the program.</p> <p>The Chancellor must use the remainder of the appropriated funds to assist eligible state institutions of higher education in establishing and administering OhioCorps mentorship programs (<i>Section 2 of the bill</i>).</p>	<p>Same, but increases the amount of the appropriation to \$2.5 million (<i>Section 2 of the bill</i>).</p>
Transfer	<p>Transfers \$1.5 million on July 1, 2018 from the General Revenue Fund to the OhioCorps Fund established by the bill (<i>Section 4 of the bill</i>).</p>	<p>Same, but increases the transfer amount to \$2.5 million (<i>Section 4 of the bill</i>).</p>

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