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ABILL

То	amend sections 121.371, 3109.13, 3109.15, 3109.16,	-
	3109.17, 3109.18, 3701.23, and 3701.501 and to	2
	enact section 5.2226 of the Revised Code to revise	3
	the law regarding required screening of newborn	4
	children for genetic, endocrine, and metabolic	į
	disorders, the Wellness Block Grant Program, and	6
	the Children's Trust Fund and to designate	-
	September as "Sickle Cell Anemia Awareness Month."	8

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

Section 1. That sections 121.371, 3109.13, 3109.15, 3109.16,	9
3109.17, 3109.18, 3701.23, and 3701.501 be amended and section	10
5.2226 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:	11

Sec. 121.371. There is hereby created the wellness block grant program. The Ohio family and children first cabinet council shall oversee the program, and the children's trust fund board, created by section 3109.15 of the Revised Code, department of job and family services shall serve as the program's administrative agent. The board and the cabinet council shall establish guidelines for operating the wellness block grant program. A representative of the family and children first cabinet council and the chairperson of the children's trust fund board shall resolve any disagreements concerning the duties of the council and the board under this section.

The children's trust fund board may accept gifts, donations, grants, or other moneys for the wellness block grant program from any source. The board shall use the funds received to make block grants to county family and children first councils. The amount to be granted to each county council for the program shall be determined by the board and the cabinet council. To cover administrative expenses, the board may use in each state fiscal year an amount not to exceed one per cent of the total amount available for the program in that year.

County councils shall use the funds they receive through wellness block grants for the program to fund community-based programs of prevention services that address issues of broad social concern, as determined by the cabinet council and the board, and to fund state-directed training, evaluation, and education programs pertaining to the issues being addressed. Each county council shall submit to the board a program and fiscal plan that outlines its proposal for expenditure of its block grant and shall, after consulting with the board of county commissioners, designate a fiscal agent to receive the block grant.

As requested by the board on behalf of the cabinet council,	44
each county council shall submit program and fiscal accountings	45
regarding the use of its block grant. The board and the cabinet	46
council shall establish criteria for assessing a county council's	47
progress in achieving the goals of the wellness block grant	48
program. If a county council does not operate in accordance with	49
the program guidelines and criteria established by the board and	50
the cabinet council, the board and the cabinet council may revise	51
the allocation of funds that the county council receives.	52
The board shall prepare an annual report detailing the	53
results of the program. The report shall be submitted to the	54
governor, the president and minority leader of the senate, and the	55
speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives.	56
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Sec. 3109.13. As used in sections 3109.13 to 3109.18 of the	57
Revised Code , child:	58
(A) "Child abuse and child neglect prevention programs" means	59
programs designed to prevent child abuse and child neglect,	60
including, but not limited to, any of the following:	61
(A) Public awareness programs that pertain to child abuse or	62
child neglect;	63
(B) Community-based, family-focused support services and	64
activities that do any of the following:	65
(1) Build parenting skills;	66
(2) Promote parental behaviors that lead to healthy and	67
positive personal development of parents and children;	68
(3) Promote individual, family, and community strengths;	69
(4) Provide information, education, or health activities that	70
promote the well-being of families and children.	71
(C) Programs that train and place volunteers in programs that	72

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pertain to child abuse or child neglect that use primary and secondary prevention strategies that are conducted at the local level and activities and projects of statewide significance designed to strengthen families and prevent child abuse and child neglect.

(B) "Primary prevention strategies" are activities and services provided to the public designed to prevent or reduce the prevalence of child abuse and child neglect before signs of abuse or neglect can be observed.

(C) "Secondary prevention strategies" are activities and services that are provided to a specific population identified as having risk factors for child abuse and child neglect and are designed to intervene at the earliest warning signs of child abuse or child neglect, or whenever a child can be identified as being at risk of abuse or neglect.

Sec. 3109.15. There is hereby created within the department of job and family services the children's trust fund board consisting of fifteen members. The directors of alcohol and drug addiction services, health, and job and family services shall be members of the board. Eight public members shall be appointed by the governor. These members shall be persons with demonstrated knowledge in programs for children, shall be representative of the demographic composition of this state, and, to the extent practicable, shall be representative of the following categories: the educational community; the legal community; the social work community; the medical community; the voluntary sector; and professional providers of child abuse and child neglect services. Five of these members shall be residents of counties metropolitan statistical areas as defined by the United States office of management and budget where the population exceeds four hundred thousand; no more than one two such member members shall be a

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resident residents of the same county metropolitan statistical area. Two members of the board shall be members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and shall be members of two different political parties. Two members of the board shall be members of the senate appointed by the president of the senate and shall be members of two different political parties. All members of the board appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives or the president of the senate shall serve until the expiration of the sessions of the general assembly during which they were appointed. They may be reappointed to an unlimited number of successive terms of two years at the pleasure of the speaker of the house of representatives or president of the senate. Public members shall serve terms of three years. Each member shall serve until the member's successor is appointed, or until a period of sixty days has elapsed, whichever occurs first. No public member may serve more than two consecutive full terms, regardless of whether such terms were full or partial terms. All vacancies on the board shall be filled for the balance of the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment.

Any member of the board may be removed by the member's appointing authority for misconduct, incompetency, or neglect of duty after first being given the opportunity to be heard in the member's own behalf. Pursuant to section 3.17 of the Revised Code, a member, except a member of the general assembly or a judge of any court in the state, who fails to attend at least three-fifths of the regular and special meetings held by the board during any two-year period forfeits the member's position on the board.

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Each member of the board shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for all actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of official duties.

The speaker of the house of representatives and the president
of the senate shall jointly appoint the board chairperson from
among the legislative members of the board. At the beginning of
the first year of each even-numbered general assembly, the
chairperson of the board shall be appointed by the speaker of the
house of representatives from among members of the board who are
members of the house of representatives. At the beginning of the
first year of each odd-numbered general assembly, the chairperson
of the board shall be appointed by the president of the senate
from among the members of the board who are senate members.

The board shall biennially select a vice-chair from among its

nonlegislative members.

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Sec. 3109.16. The children's trust fund board, upon the recommendation of the director of job and family services, shall approve the employment of the staff that an executive director who will administer the programs of the board. The department of job and family services shall provide budgetary, procurement, accounting, and other related management functions for the board. An amount not to exceed three per cent of the total amount of fees deposited in the children's trust fund in each fiscal year may be used for costs directly related to these administrative functions of the department. Each fiscal year, the board shall approve a budget for administrative expenditures for the next fiscal year.

The board shall meet at least quarterly at the call of the chairperson to conduct its official business. All business transactions of the board shall be conducted in public meetings. Eight members of the board constitute a quorum. A majority of the quorum board members is required to approve adopt the state plan for the allocation of funds from the children's trust fund. A majority of the quorum is required to make all other decisions of the board.

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The board may apply for and accept federal and other funds 167 for the purpose of funding child abuse and child neglect 168 prevention programs. In addition, the board may accept gifts and 169 donations from any source, including individuals, philanthropic 170 foundations or organizations, corporations, or corporation 171 endowments. The acceptance and use of federal funds shall not 172 entail any commitment or pledge of state funds, nor obligate the 173 general assembly to continue the programs or activities for which 174 the federal funds are made available. All funds received in the 175 manner described in this section shall be transmitted to the 176 treasurer of state, who shall credit them to the children's trust 177 fund created in section 3109.14 of the Revised Code. 178

- Sec. 3109.17. (A) For each fiscal biennium, the children's trust fund board shall establish a biennial state plan for comprehensive child abuse and child neglect prevention. The plan shall be transmitted to the governor, the president and minority leader of the senate, and the speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives and shall be made available to the general public. The board shall include in the state plan the definition of "effective public notice" specified in rules adopted by the department of job and family services.
- (B) In developing and carrying out the state plan, the 188 children's trust fund board shall, in accordance with Chapter 119. 189 of the Revised Code, do all of the following: 190
- (1) Ensure that an opportunity exists for assistance through child abuse and child neglect prevention programs to persons throughout the state of various social and economic backgrounds;
- (2) Before the thirtieth day of October of each year, notify
 each child abuse and child neglect prevention advisory board of
 the amount estimated to be block granted allocated to that
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 advisory board for the following fiscal year.
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- (3) Develop criteria for county or district comprehensive 198 allocation plans, including criteria for determining the plans' 199 effectiveness; 200
 - (4) Review county or district comprehensive allocation plans; 201

(5) Make a block grant Allocate funds to each child abuse and child neglect prevention advisory board for the purpose of funding child abuse and child neglect prevention programs. The block grants Funds shall be allocated among advisory boards according to a formula based on the ratio of the number of children under age eighteen in the county or multicounty district to the number of children under age eighteen in the state, as shown in the most recent federal decennial census of population. Subject to the availability of funds, each advisory board shall receive a minimum of ten thousand dollars per fiscal year. In the case of an advisory board that serves a multicounty district, the advisory board shall receive, subject to available funds, a minimum of ten thousand dollars per fiscal year for each county in the district. Block grants Funds shall be disbursed to the advisory boards twice annually. At least fifty per cent of the amount of the block grant funds allocated to an advisory board for a fiscal year shall be disbursed to the advisory board not later than the thirtieth day of September. The remainder of the block grant funds allocated to the advisory board for that fiscal year shall be disbursed before the thirty-first day of March.

If the children's trust fund board determines, based on county or district performance or on the annual report submitted by an advisory board, that the advisory board is not operating in accordance with the criteria established in division (B)(3) of this section, it may revise the allocation of funds that the advisory board receives.

The board shall specify the criteria child abuse and child

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neglect prevention advisory boards are to use in reviewing	230
applications under division (F)(3) of section 3109.18 of the	231
Revised Code.	232
(6) Allocate funds to entities other than child abuse and	233
child neglect prevention advisory boards for the purpose of	234
funding child abuse and child neglect prevention programs approved	235
in the state plan;	236
(7) Provide for the monitoring of expenditures from the	237
children's trust fund and of programs that receive money from the	238
children's trust fund;	239
$\frac{(7)}{(8)}$ Establish reporting requirements for advisory boards;	240
(8)(9) Collaborate with appropriate persons and government	241
entities and facilitate the exchange of information among those	242
persons and entities for the purpose of child abuse and child	243
neglect prevention;	244
$\frac{(9)}{(10)}$ Provide for the education of the public and	245
professionals for the purpose of child abuse and child neglect	
prevention-:	247
(11) Create and provide to each advisory board a children's	248
trust fund grant application form;	249
(12) Specify the information to be included in an annual	250
report completed by a recipient of a children's trust fund grant	251
under division (K)(1) of section 3109.18 of the Revised Code.	252
(C) The children's trust fund board shall prepare a report	253
for each fiscal biennium that evaluates <u>delineates</u> the expenditure	254
of money from the children's trust fund. On or before January 1,	255
2002, and on or before the first day of January of a year that	256
follows the end of a fiscal biennium of this state, the board	257
shall file a copy of the report with the governor, the president	258
and minority leader of the senate, and the speaker and minority	259

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children's trust fund board requires.

(H)(I) A recipient of a grant from the children's trust fund shall use the grant funds only to fund primary and secondary child abuse and child neglect prevention programs. Any grant funds that are not spent by the recipient of the funds within the time specified by the terms of the grant shall be returned to the county treasurer. Any grant funds returned that are not redistributed by the advisory board within the time specified by the terms of the original grant state fiscal year in which they are received shall be returned to the treasurer of state. The treasurer of state shall deposit such unspent moneys into the children's trust fund to be spent for purposes consistent with the state plan adopted under section 3109.17 of the Revised Code.

(I)(J) Applications for grants from the children's trust fund shall be made to the advisory board on forms prescribed by the department of job and family services children's trust fund board.

- (J)(K)(1) Each recipient of a children's trust fund grant from an advisory board shall file with the advisory board a copy of an annual report that includes the information required by the advisory children's trust fund board.
- (2) Each advisory board shall file with the children's trust 404 fund board a copy of an annual report regarding the county or 405 district comprehensive allocation plan that contains the 406 information required by the children's trust fund board. 407
- Sec. 3701.23. (A) The director of health shall have charge of the laboratory authorized by section 3701.22 of the Revised Code. The director may employ an assistant for the laboratory who shall be a person skilled in chemistry and bacteriology, and receive such compensation as the director may allow. All expenses of such laboratory shall be paid from appropriations made for the

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(B)(1) The public health council, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall adopt, and may amend or rescind, rules establishing reasonable fees to be charged for services that the laboratory performs. The council need not prescribe fees to be charged in any case where the council believes that the charging of fees would significantly and adversely affect the public health. Except as provided in division (B)(2) of this section, all All fees collected for services that the laboratory performs shall be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the "laboratory handling fee fund," which is hereby created for the purpose of defraying expenses of operating the laboratory.

(2) The council, in accordance with division (B)(1) of this section, shall adopt a rule establishing a fee of not less than fourteen dollars for tests of newborn children conducted under section 3701.501 of the Revised Code. Of each such fee collected on or after the rule's effective date, not less than ten dollars and twenty-five cents shall be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the genetics services fund, which is hereby created, and not less than three dollars and seventy-five cents shall be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the sickle cell fund, which is hereby created. Not less than three dollars from each fee credited to the genetics services fund shall be used to defray costs of phenylketonuria programs. Not less than seven dollars and twenty-five cents of each fee credited to the genetics services fund shall be used to defray the costs of the programs authorized by section 3701.502 of the Revised Code. Money credited to the sickle cell fund shall be used to defray costs of programs authorized by section 3701.131 of the Revised Code.

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Sec. 3701.501. (A) The public health council shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code for

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without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for their actual and

necessary expenses incurred in attending meetings of the council

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or performing assignments for the council.	509
The council is not subject to sections 101.82 to 101.87 of	510
the Revised Code.	511
(C)(1) The director of health shall adopt rules in accordance	512
with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code specifying the disorders for	513
which each newborn child must be screened.	514
(2) The newborn screening advisory council shall evaluate	515
genetic, metabolic, and endocrine disorders to assist the director	516
in determining which disorders should be included in the	517
screenings required under this section. In determining whether a	518
disorder should be included, the council shall consider all of the	519
<pre>following:</pre>	520
(a) The disorder's incidence, mortality, and morbidity;	521
(b) Whether the disorder causes disability if diagnosis,	522
treatment, and early intervention are delayed;	523
(c) The potential for successful treatment of the disorder;	524
(d) The expected benefits to children and society in relation	525
to the risks and costs associated with screening for the disorder;	526
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(e) Whether a screening for the disorder can be conducted	528
without taking an additional blood sample or specimen.	529
(3) Based on the considerations specified in division (C)(2)	530
of this section, the council shall make recommendations to the	531
director of health for the adoption of rules under division (C)(1)	532
of this section. The director shall promptly and thoroughly review	533
each recommendation the council submits.	534
(D) The director shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter	535
119. of the Revised Code establishing standards and procedures for	536
the screenings required by this section. The rules shall include	537
standards and procedures for all of the following:	538

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the director shall enter into a written contract with the selected	570
laboratory. If the director determines that the laboratory is not	
complying with the terms of the contract, the director shall	
immediately terminate the contract and another laboratory shall be	
selected and contracted with in the same manner.	
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(3) Any rescreening caused to be performed pursuant to this	576
section may be performed by the laboratory authorized by section	577
3701.22 of the Revised Code or one or more other laboratories	578
designated by the director. Any laboratory the director considers	579
qualified to perform rescreenings may be designated, including a	580
laboratory located outside this state. If more than one laboratory	581
is designated, the person responsible for causing a rescreening to	582
be performed is also responsible for selecting the laboratory to	583
be used.	584
(F)(1) The director shall adopt rules in accordance with	585
Chapter 119. of the Revised Code establishing a fee that shall be	586
charged and collected in addition to or in conjunction with any	
laboratory fee that is charged and collected for performing the	588
screenings required by this section. The fee, which shall be not	589
less than fourteen dollars, shall be disbursed as follows:	590
(a) Not less than ten dollars and twenty-five cents shall be	591
deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the genetics	592
services fund, which is hereby created. Not less than seven	593
dollars and twenty-five cents of each fee credited to the genetics	594
services fund shall be used to defray the costs of the programs	595
authorized by section 3701.502 of the Revised Code. Not less than	596
three dollars from each fee credited to the genetics services fund	
shall be used to defray costs of phenylketonuria programs.	598
(b) Not less than three dollars and seventy-five cents shall	599
be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the sickle	600

cell fund, which is hereby created. Money credited to the sickle

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cell fund shall be used to defray costs of programs authorized by	602
section 3701.131 of the Revised Code.	603
(2) In adopting rules under division (F)(1) of this section,	604
the director shall not establish a fee that differs according to	605
whether a screening is performed by the laboratory authorized	606
under section 3701.22 of the Revised Code or by another laboratory	607
selected by the director pursuant to division (E)(2) of this	608
section.	609
Section 2. That existing sections 121.371, 3109.13, 3109.15,	610
3109.16, 3109.17, 3109.18, 3701.23, and 3701.501 of the Revised	611
Code are hereby repealed.	612