

John Kasich, Governor Bonnie Kantor-Burman, Director

NOTICE

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H.B. No. 153 authorizes ODA to file the proposed new chapter according to section 111.15, not section 119.03, of the Revised Code. Filing proposed new rules under section 111.15 of the Revised Code does not require ODA to conduct a public hearing. Nevertheless, ODA will conduct a public hearing to obtain comments concerning ODA's proposed new chapter of the Administrative Code. ODA will conduct the hearing on August 15, 2011 in Conference Rooms 10A & 10B of ODA's offices at 50 W. Broad Street, 10th floor; Columbus, OH 43215. The hearing will begin at 1:30PM and will continue until all parties in attendance at that time have had an opportunity to provide comment.

ODA will consolidate this public hearing with at least seven other public hearings on August 15, 2011 to reduce the state's administrative expenses and to reduce the general public's costs associated with traveling to Columbus to participate in public hearings.

Any person may direct written comments or requests for information concerning the proposed chapter to Tom Simmons, ODA's rules manager, by writing to rules@age.state.oh.us.

INTRODUCTION

ODA is proposing to adopt new Chapter 173-51 of the Administrative Code. H.B. No. 153's amendments to section 5111.89 of the Revised Code take effect on September 29, 2011. The amendments will authorize ODA to create the state-funded component of the Assisted Living Program and require ODA to adopt rules to implement the new program. ODA must now create Chapter 173-51 of the Administrative Code to implement the new program. ODA proposes for the new chapter of rules to take effect on September 29, 2011, the same day that H.B. No. 153's amendments take effect.

ODA is also proposing to adopt this new chapter after providing interested parties and the general public an opportunity to provide input. From June 30, 2011 to July 11, 2011, ODA posted the proposed amended rule on http://aging.ohio.gov/information/rules/proposed.aspx for a public-comment period.

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