

Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis (Part A)**Department of Aging**

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Rule Number

AMENDMENT

TYPE of rule filing

Rule Title/Tag Line

Enrollment process for the assisted living program.**RULE SUMMARY**

1. Is the rule being filed consistent with the requirements of the RC 119.032 review? **Yes**

2. Are you proposing this rule as a result of recent legislation? **Yes**

Bill Number: **HB153**General Assembly: **129**Sponsor: **Amstutz**

3. Statute prescribing the procedure in accordance with the agency is required to adopt the rule: **119.03**

4. Statute(s) authorizing agency to adopt the rule: **173.01, 173.02, 173.404, 5111.89**

5. Statute(s) the rule, as filed, amplifies or implements: **173.404, 5111.89, 5111.894**

6. State the reason(s) for proposing (i.e., why are you filing,) this rule:

ODA is proposing to amend this rule as part of a larger rule package.

ODA is proposing to amend Chapter 173-38 of the Administrative Code. In doing so, ODA has 4 basic goals:

1. To incorporate H.B. No. 153's amendments to the Assisted Living Program into Chapter 173-38 of the Administrative Code. H.B. No. 153's amendments to

sections 173.404 and 5111.894 of the Revised Code take effect on September 29, 2011. The amendments will change the Unified Waiting List and the Home First component of the Medicaid-Funded Component of the Assisted Living Program, by preventing ODA's designee (i.e., the PASSPORT administrative agency) from adding an individual to the Unified Waiting List only to immediately remove the individual from the list because he or she qualifies for Home First component of the program. This will allow ODA's designee to immediately enroll an eligible individual into the program any time a slot is available in the program without the formality of adding and removing the individual from the waiting list. H.B. No. 153's amendments also change the nomenclature for the program and now name the program the "Medicaid-Funded Component of the Assisted Living Program." ODA must now incorporate the changes into Chapter 173-38 of the Administrative Code. ODA proposes to adopt amendments to the chapter on September 29, 2011, the same day that H.B. No. 153's amendments take effect.

2. To correct an incorrect citation in rule 173-38-04 of the Administrative Code.
3. To comply with section 119.032 of the Revised Code, which requires each state agency to review each rule on or before the rule's designated review date.
4. To comply with Governor Kasich's Executive Order 2011-01K "Implementing Common Sense Business Regulation" and S.B. No. 2 (129th G.A.) which require each state agency to eliminate unnecessary regulations and to write easier-to-read and easier-to-comprehend rules to promote transparency in the agency's regulations. In 2009, ODA adopted the most-recent versions of chapter 173-38 of the Administrative Code after undergoing a similar process. After reviewing this chapter again, ODA has determined that:
 - a. The rule and the proposed amendment to the rule do not burden any Ohio business. The only business subject to the rule are ODA's designees and the rule proposals eliminate an unnecessary process that current rules require of ODA's designees.
 - b. ODA wrote the rule and the proposed amendment to the rule in a manner that is as easy to understand as the subject matter permits, including adding a helpful cross-reference, and aligning topics under standard rule titles for uniformity between chapters of the Administrative Code and between programs.

ODA is also proposing to amend this chapter after considering input from interested parties. From June 30, 2011 to July 11, 2011, ODA posted this rule on <http://aging.ohio.gov/information/rules/proposed.aspx> for a public-comment period on the proposed rule. After the public-comment period, ODA revised the proposed amended rule to correct two mistakes that one interested party identified.

7. If the rule is an AMENDMENT, then summarize the changes and the content of the proposed rule; If the rule type is RESCISSION, NEW or NO CHANGE,

then summarize the content of the rule:

Specifically, ODA is proposing to amend the rule to:

1. Add similarity to the enrollment rule for the Medicaid-funded component of the PASSPORT program by using "individual" instead of "applicant" throughout the rule to refer to the person who applies for the program.
2. Incorporate the language from rule 173-44-04 of the Administrative Code concerning the Home First component of the Assisted Living Program into this rule.
3. Describe the Unified Waiting List as one of two options ODA's designee shall take when enrolling an eligible individual into the Assisted Living Program when no slot is available. The other option is now the home-first component of the Assisted Living Program.
4. Use the new nomenclature for the program throughout the rule (i.e., "Medicaid-funded component of the Assisted Living program").
5. Add section 173.01 of the Revised Code to the list of sections that give ODA statutory authority to adopt this rule.

8. If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference and the agency claims the incorporation by reference is exempt from compliance with sections 121.71 to 121.74 of the Revised Code because the text or other material is **generally available** to persons who reasonably can be expected to be affected by the rule, provide an explanation of how the text or other material is generally available to those persons:

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9. If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference, and it was **infeasible** for the agency to file the text or other material electronically, provide an explanation of why filing the text or other material electronically was infeasible:

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10. If the rule is being **rescinded** and incorporates a text or other material by reference, and it was **infeasible** for the agency to file the text or other material, provide an explanation of why filing the text or other material was infeasible:

Not Applicable.

11. If **revising** or **refiling** this rule, identify changes made from the previously filed version of this rule; if none, please state so:

Not Applicable.

12. 119.032 Rule Review Date: **7/13/2011**

(If the rule is not exempt and you answered NO to question No. 1, provide the scheduled review date. If you answered YES to No. 1, the review date for this rule is the filing date.)

NOTE: If the rule is not exempt at the time of final filing, two dates are required: the current review date plus a date not to exceed 5 years from the effective date for Amended rules or a date not to exceed 5 years from the review date for No Change rules.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

13. Estimate the total amount by which *this proposed rule* would **increase / decrease** either **revenues / expenditures** for the agency during the current biennium (in dollars): Explain the net impact of the proposed changes to the budget of your agency/department.

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

\$0.00

Although ODA operates the Medicaid-funded component of the Assisted Living Program, H.B. No. 153 moved the Assisted Living Program's funding to budget line item GRF-600-525, which is under JFS, not ODA. Therefore, ODA estimates that the proposed amendment of this rule will have no impact upon the biennial budget that the Ohio General Assembly established for ODA in H.B. No. 153.

Additionally, the Ohio General Assembly factored H.B. No. 153's amendments to sections 173.404 and 5111.894 of the Revised Code into the impact upon line item GRF-600-525 and the Medicaid-funded component of the Assisted Living Program. Therefore, the savings H.B. No. 153's amendments generate are part of H.B. No. 153's biennial budget.

Nevertheless, it is helpful to explain that ODA estimates that H.B. No. 153's amendments may lower the administrative costs for the Medicaid-funded component of the Assisted Living Program which corresponds to a proposed 5% reduction in payments to PASSPORT administrative agencies in connection with

H.B. No. 153. The amendments may lower administrative costs because they will change the Unified Waiting List and the Home First component of the Medicaid-Funded Component of the Assisted Living Program by preventing ODA's designee (i.e., the PASSPORT administrative agency) from adding an individual to the Unified Waiting List only to immediately remove the individual from the list because he or she qualifies for Home First component of the program. This will allow ODA's designee to immediately enroll an eligible individual into the program any time a slot is available in the program without the formality of adding and removing the individual from the waiting list.

14. Identify the appropriation (by line item etc.) that authorizes each expenditure necessitated by the proposed rule:

GRF-600-525 Health Care/Medicaid (State and Federal).

15. Provide a summary of the estimated cost of compliance with the rule to all directly affected persons. When appropriate, please include the source for your information/estimated costs, e.g. industry, CFR, internal/agency:

ODA estimates that the proposed amendment of this rule will have no cost of compliance upon any directly-affected person. The organizations that ODA designates to administrate the Medicaid-funded component of the Assisted Living Program should not experience a new cost of compliance. Instead, they should experience a drop in administrative costs because H.B. No. 153's amendments to sections 173.404 and 5111.89 of the Revised Code will change the Unified Waiting List and the Home First component of the Medicaid-Funded Component of the Assisted Living Program, by preventing ODA's designee (i.e., the PASSPORT administrative agency) from adding an individual to the Unified Waiting List only to immediately remove the individual from the list because he or she qualifies for Home First component of the program. This will allow ODA's designee to immediately enroll an eligible individual into the program any time a slot is available in the program without the formality of adding and removing the individual from the waiting list.

16. Does this rule have a fiscal effect on school districts, counties, townships, or municipal corporations? **No**

17. Does this rule deal with environmental protection or contain a component dealing with environmental protection as defined in R. C. 121.39? **No**