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SUMMARY

- Establishes the New African Immigrants Grant and Gift Fund in the state treasury.

DETAILED ANALYSIS

New African Immigrants Grant and Gift Fund

The bill creates the New African Immigrants Grant and Gift Fund in the state treasury. The New African Immigrants Commission must use money in the fund to support the Commission's duties.¹ The fund consists of money transferred or appropriated by the General Assembly as well as money received as a gift or grant under the Commission's authority to accept gifts and grants.²

New African Immigrants Commission

Under continuing law, the duties of the New African Immigrants Commission include collecting and sharing information about problems and programs concerning sub-Saharan African people, securing recognition of the contributions of sub-Saharan African people to Ohio, cultivating awareness of sub-Saharan African people, developing programs for sub-Saharan African people, recommending policies to the Governor, General Assembly, and state agencies to address problems facing sub-Saharan African people, and more.³ Most relevant to the bill is the Commission's continuing duty to "apply for and accept grants and gifts from governmental

¹ R.C. 4112.33.

² R.C. 4112.33; R.C. 4112.31, not in the bill.

³ R.C. 4112.31 and 4112.32, not in the bill.

and private sources to be administered by the Commission or subcontracted to local agencies.”⁴

HISTORY

Action	Date
Introduced	02-14-23
Reported, S. Finance	03-29-23
Passed Senate (31-0)	03-29-23

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⁴ R.C. 4112.31(K), not in the bill.