



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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BILL SUMMARY

- Requires a community health or addiction services provider, in lieu of conducting an assessment of a client referred for treatment related to probation for a criminal offense, to accept an assessment conducted by another provider if certain conditions are met.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Mental health assessments by another provider

The bill requires a community mental health or addiction services provider, in lieu of conducting an assessment of a client referred for treatment related to the client's probation for a criminal offense, to accept an assessment conducted by another provider, if both of the following conditions are met:

(1) The assessment was conducted by a provider certified by the Department of Mental Health or contains elements comparable to those of an assessment required by rules adopted by the Department; and

(2) The assessment was completed not earlier than one year prior to the date the client is to begin receiving services from the provider.

The bill requires that a staff member who is authorized by the provider to conduct assessments must update, sign, and date a copy of an assessment accepted under the bill. The copy must be filed in the client's record maintained by the provider.¹

¹ R.C. 5119.366.

HISTORY

ACTION

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