

STATE OF OHIO  
**Executive Department**

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

*Columbus*

**VETO MESSAGE**

**STATEMENT OF THE REASONS FOR THE LINE ITEM VETO OF SUBSTITUTE  
SENATE BILL 144**

**July 25, 2024**

Pursuant to Article II, Section 16, of the Ohio Constitution, which states that the Governor may disapprove of any item in a bill appropriating money, I hereby disapprove of the following item in Substitute Senate Bill 144 and set forth the following reasons for so doing as it is not in the best interest of Ohioans. The text I disapprove of is identified in this message by reference to the corresponding page and boxed text of the bill.

**ITEM NUMBER ONE**

On page 1, delete the following boxed text, “;”.

On page 1, delete the following boxed text, “and to repeal section 3701.89”.

On page 1, delete the following boxed text, “, and regarding the Ohio Medical Quality”.

On page 1, delete the following boxed text, “Foundation”.

On page 59, delete the boxed text beginning with “SECTION 3.” and ending with “hereby repealed.”.

On page 60, delete the boxed text beginning with “SECTION 9.” and ending with “4731.25 of”.

On page 61, delete the boxed text.

**Ohio Medical Quality Foundation**

This item would dissolve the Ohio Medical Quality Foundation (OMQF) and transfer the substantial assets of OMQF to another entity. The Sunset Review Committee established under R.C. 101.84 was scheduled to conduct hearings on the OMQF. I believe that in this case the Sunset Review Committee should conduct hearings on the future of the OMQF. I encourage the affected parties to work together on a solution and look forward to working with all parties on this matter.

Therefore, the veto of this item is in the public interest.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Ohio to be affixed at Columbus this 25th day of July, Two Thousand Twenty-Four.

*Mike DeWine*  
Mike DeWine, Governor

This will acknowledge the receipt of a copy of this veto message of Substitute Senate Bill 144 that was disapproved in part by Governor Mike DeWine on July 25, 2024.

*Vincent Keen, Senate Clerk*  
Name and Title of Officer

*July 25, 2024 5:17 pm*  
Date and Time of Receipt

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