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A BILL

То	amend sections 5119.17 and 5139.01 and to enact	1
	sections 2151.26, 2945.65, and 3701.70 of the	2
	Revised Code regarding encouraging pregnant	3
	women who are addicted to controlled substances	4
	to seek treatment.	5

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 5119.17 and 5139.01 be amended	6
and sections 2151.26, 2945.65, and 3701.70 of the Revised Code	7
be enacted to read as follows:	8
Sec. 2151.26. (A) As used in this section:	9
(1) "Addiction services" and "alcohol and drug addiction	10
services" have the same meanings as in section 5119.01 of the	11
Revised Code.	12
(2) "Controlled substance" has the same meaning as in	13

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section 3719.01 of the Revised Code.	14
(3) "Newborn" means a child who is less than thirty days	15
old.	16
(B) A public children services agency shall not file a	17
complaint pursuant to section 2151.27 of the Revised Code	18
regarding a newborn solely because the newborn's mother used a	19
controlled substance while pregnant if the mother did all of the	20
following:	21
(1) Before the end of the twentieth week of pregnancy,	22
enrolled in a drug treatment program provided by a provider of	23
addiction services or alcohol and drug addiction services;	24
(2) Successfully completed the program or is in the	25
process of completing the program and is in compliance with the	26
<pre>program's terms and conditions as determined by the program;</pre>	27
(3) Maintained her regularly scheduled appointments and	28
prenatal care recommended by her health care provider for the	29
remaining duration of her pregnancy.	30
(C) If a pregnant woman enrolled in a drug treatment	31
program after the end of the twentieth week of pregnancy, the	32
court, in its discretion, may do either of the following in lieu	33
of considering a complaint filed pursuant to section 2151.27 of	34
the Revised Code based solely on the newborn's mother's use of a	35
<pre>controlled substance while pregnant:</pre>	36
(1) Hold the complaint in abeyance if the court finds that	37
the woman is in the process of completing the program and	38
maintained her regularly scheduled appointments and prenatal	39
care recommended by her health care provider for the remaining	40
duration of her pregnancy;	41

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(2) Dismiss the complaint if the court finds that the	42
woman successfully completed the program and maintained her	43
regularly scheduled appointments and prenatal care recommended	44
by her health care provider for the remaining duration of her	45
pregnancy.	46
(D) This section does not prevent a public children	47
services agency from filing a complaint pursuant to section	48
2151.27 of the Revised Code if the public children services	49
agency determines that the newborn's mother, or any other adult	50
caring for the newborn, is unable to provide adequate parental	51
care.	52
Sec. 2945.65. Evidence of the use of a controlled	53
substance obtained as part of a screening or test performed to	54
determine pregnancy or provide prenatal care is not admissible	55
in a criminal proceeding against the woman who was screened or	56
tested. This section does not prohibit criminal prosecution	57
based on evidence obtained through methods other than the	58
screening or testing described in this section.	59
Sec. 3701.70. (A) As used in this section:	60
(1) "Addiction services" and "alcohol and drug addiction	61
services" have the same meanings as in section 5119.01 of the	62
Revised Code.	63
(2) "Controlled substance" has the same massing as in	64
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section 3719.01 of the Revised Code.	65
(B) Any of the following health care professionals who	66
attends a pregnant woman for conditions relating to pregnancy	67
before the end of the twentieth week of pregnancy and who has	68
reason to believe that the woman is using or has used a	69
controlled substance in a manner that may place the woman's	70

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fetus in jeopardy shall encourage the woman to enroll in a drug	71
treatment program offered by a provider of addiction services or	72
alcohol and drug addiction services:	73
(1) Physicians authorized under Chapter 4731. of the	74
Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic	75
medicine and surgery;	76
(2) Registered nurses and licensed practical nurses	77
licensed under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code;	78
(3) Physician assistants licensed under Chapter 4730. of	79
the Revised Code.	80
(C) A health care professional is immune from civil	81
liability and is not subject to criminal prosecution with regard	82
to both of the following:	83
(1) Failure to recognize that a pregnant woman has used or	84
is using a controlled substance in a manner that may place the	85
woman's fetus in jeopardy;	86
(2) Any action taken in good faith compliance with this	87
section.	88
Sec. 5119.17. (A) The department of mental health and	89
addiction services, in accordance with division (B) of this	90
section, shall give priority to developing, and promptly shall	91
develop, with available public and private resources a program	92
that does all of the following:	93
(1) Provides a manner of identifying the aggregate number	94
of pregnant women in this state who are addicted to a drug of	95
abuse;	96
(2) Provides for an effective means of intervention to	97
eliminate the addiction of pregnant women to drugs of abuse	98

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supervised release.	186
(10) "Delinquent child" has the same meaning as in section	187
2152.02 of the Revised Code.	188
(11) "Felony delinquent" means any child who is at least	189
ten years of age but less than eighteen years of age and who is	190
adjudicated a delinquent child for having committed an act that	191
if committed by an adult would be a felony. "Felony delinquent"	192
includes any adult who is between the ages of eighteen and	193
twenty-one and who is in the legal custody of the department of	194
youth services for having committed an act that if committed by	195
an adult would be a felony.	196
(12) "Juvenile traffic offender" has the same meaning as	197
in section 2152.02 of the Revised Code.	198
(13) "Public safety beds" means all of the following:	199
(a) Felony delinquents who have been committed to the	200
department of youth services for the commission of an act, other	201
than a violation of section 2911.01 or 2911.11 of the Revised	202
Code, that is a category one offense or a category two offense	203
and who are in the care and custody of an institution or have	204
been diverted from care and custody in an institution and placed	205
in a community corrections facility;	206
(b) Felony delinquents who, while committed to the	207
department of youth services and in the care and custody of an	208
institution or a community corrections facility, are adjudicated	209
delinquent children for having committed in that institution or	210
community corrections facility an act that if committed by an	211
adult would be a misdemeanor or a felony;	212
(c) Children who satisfy all of the following:	213

- (D) of that section from the commitment to the department of 243 youth services for the act described in divisions (A) (13) (a) to 244 (e) of this section, who have violated the terms and conditions 245 of that release, and who, pursuant to an order of the court of 246 the county in which the particular felony delinquent was placed 2.47 on release that is issued pursuant to division (E) of section 248 2152.22 of the Revised Code, have been returned to the 249 department for institutionalization or institutionalization in a 250 251 secure facility.
- (g) Felony delinquents who have been committed to the 252 253 custody of the department of youth services, who have been granted supervised release from the commitment pursuant to 254 section 5139.51 of the Revised Code, who have violated the terms 255 and conditions of that supervised release, and who, pursuant to 256 an order of the court of the county in which the particular 257 child was placed on supervised release issued pursuant to 258 division (F) of section 5139.52 of the Revised Code, have had 259 the supervised release revoked and have been returned to the 260 department for institutionalization. A felony delinquent 261 described in this division shall be a public safety bed only for 262 the time during which the felony delinquent is institutionalized 263 as a result of the revocation subsequent to the initial ninety-264 day period of institutionalization required by division (F) of 265 section 5139.52 of the Revised Code. 266
- (14) Unless the context requires a different meaning,

 "community corrections facility" means a county or multicounty

 rehabilitation center for felony delinquents who have been

 committed to the department of youth services and diverted from

 care and custody in an institution and placed in the

 rehabilitation center pursuant to division (E) of section

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 5139.36 of the Revised Code.

department of youth services and with respect to other matters	331
specified in that section.	332
(25) "Member of the victim's family" means a spouse,	333
child, stepchild, sibling, parent, stepparent, grandparent,	334
other relative, or legal guardian of a child but does not	335
include a person charged with, convicted of, or adjudicated a	336
delinquent child for committing a criminal or delinquent act	337
against the victim or another criminal or delinquent act arising	338
out of the same conduct, criminal or delinquent episode, or plan	339
as the criminal or delinquent act committed against the victim.	340
(26) "Judicial release to court supervision" means a	341
release of a child from institutional care or institutional care	342
in a secure facility that is granted by a court pursuant to	343
division (B) of section 2152.22 of the Revised Code during the	344
period specified in that division or that is granted by a court	345
to court supervision pursuant to division (D) of that section	346
during the period specified in that division.	347
(27) "Judicial release to department of youth services	348
supervision" means a release of a child from institutional care	349
or institutional care in a secure facility that is granted by a	350
court pursuant to division (C) of section 2152.22 of the Revised	351
Code during the period specified in that division or that is	352
granted to department supervision by a court pursuant to	353
division (D) of that section during the period specified in that	354
division.	355
(28) "Juvenile justice system" includes all of the	356
functions of the juvenile courts, the department of youth	357
services, any public or private agency whose purposes include	358
the prevention of delinquency or the diversion, adjudication,	359
detention, or rehabilitation of delinquent children, and any of	360

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the functions of the criminal justice system that are applicable	361
to children.	362
(29) "Metropolitan county criminal justice services	363
agency" means an agency that is established pursuant to division	364
(A) of section 5502.64 of the Revised Code.	365
(30) "Administrative planning district" means a district	366
that is established pursuant to division (A) or (B) of section	367
5502.66 of the Revised Code.	368
(31) "Criminal justice coordinating council" means a	369
criminal justice services agency that is established pursuant to	370
division (D) of section 5502.66 of the Revised Code.	371
(32) "Comprehensive plan" means a document that	372
coordinates, evaluates, and otherwise assists, on an annual or	373
multi-year basis, all of the functions of the juvenile justice	374
systems of the state or a specified area of the state, that	375
conforms to the priorities of the state with respect to juvenile	376
justice systems, and that conforms with the requirements of all	377
federal criminal justice acts. These functions include, but are	378
not limited to, all of the following:	379
(a) Delinquency;	380
(b) Identification, detection, apprehension, and detention	381
of persons charged with delinquent acts;	382
(c) Assistance to crime victims or witnesses, except that	383
the comprehensive plan does not include the functions of the	384
attorney general pursuant to sections 109.91 and 109.92 of the	385
Revised Code;	386
(d) Adjudication or diversion of persons charged with	387
delinquent acts;	388