Sub. House Bill 153:
House Republicans Join Governor in Closing $8 Billion Structural Budget Deficit
Substitute bill maintains focus on jobs, education, and positions Ohio for a stronger recovery without raising taxes

For years, the House Republican Caucus has said that it is time to demonstrate that Ohio is “open for business” once again. We have the opportunity to choose one of two paths: we can choose to raise taxes to fill the budget gap or we can reconfigure the allocation of scarce resources as part of a broader future-based plan. We can make Ohio an attractive place for businesses to grow and prosper and this budget furthers that agenda.

FOCUSING ON JOBS: REVITALIZING OHIO’S ECONOMY THROUGH JOB CREATION

For Ohio High School Graduates...
• Encouraging Ohio high school graduates to return to Ohio for college. We are proposing to grant in-state tuition rates for all Ohio high school students who return to Ohio within 10 years to enroll in Ohio colleges or universities.

For Retired Ohioans...
• Encouraging retired Ohioans to remain in Ohio to protect their assets from the estate tax to strengthen Ohio’s economy and support small businesses, family farms and retirees.

BALANCING THE BUDGET WITHOUT RAISING TAXES AND BY ELIMINATING OTHERS
• Effective January 1, 2013, this bill eliminates the estate tax in its entirety

• Ends after two years the proposed total phase-out in tangible personal property (TPP) payments and electric generation assessment rate payments to local governments, including schools.

• Extends the Historic Building Preservation Tax Credit program with a cap of $25 million per year.

MAINTAINING OUR COMMITMENT TO A QUALITY EDUCATION FOR OHIO’S STUDENTS

Higher Education
• Provides that an Ohio high school graduate who has returned to Ohio within 10 years of their high school graduation is eligible for in-state tuition rates regardless of their residency.

• Keeps college tuition low by capping annual increases at 3.5%

• Allows students attending for-profit colleges and schools in-state to be eligible for the Ohio College Opportunity Grant awards, and increases the appropriation by $2 million per year.
Primary and Secondary Education

- This bill adds an additional $40 million per year ($80 million over the biennium) to the school foundation formula ($23 more per pupil in both FY’12 and in FY’13) and additionally, no district receives a cut in state aid of more than 20%.

Significant Expansion of School Choice

- Increases the value of the Cleveland Voucher Program to the same level available under the EdChoice Scholarship Program, increasing the foundation funding appropriation by $5 million for this purpose.

- Allows high school students to participate in the Cleveland Voucher Program.

- Expands the EdChoice Scholarship Program from 14,000 vouchers to 60,000 vouchers in FY ’13.

- Increases charter school sponsorship cap to 100.

Assisting Local Governments

- Local governments are given a new mechanism to deliver services at a lower cost by jumpstarting shared services projects.
  
  - Local governments will get one-time assistance of up to $250,000 each to join in projects approved on a competitive basis by existing local government integrating committees that are currently administering the Ohio Public Works program.
  
  - Provides $50 million per year from diverted commercial activity tax revenues for this new program.
  
  - Frequently there are up front investments required before local governments can achieve the savings through shared service contracts. This grant program will accelerate usage of broad, new authority granted in the budget for groups of local governments to contract with each other to provide more efficient services to taxpayers.
  
  - Up to 30 percent of these funds will be available alternatively to assist local governments experiencing fiscal emergencies resulting from revenue losses attributable to the recent economic downtown and loss of federal stimulus funds.

Healthcare and Medicaid

- We will continue to work with the Medicaid provider communities in conjunction with the Senate and the administration toward a reasonable, realistic and workable budget plan.

- The bill increases PASSPORT funding by $5 million in FY’12 and $10 million in FY’13, expanding the opportunities for seniors to have the option to stay in their homes if they prefer to do so.

- Provides more than $3 million over the biennium for Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), which enhance the provision of primary care services in underserved urban and rural communities.
**Healthcare Pooling**
- We are revising the proposed healthcare pooling proposal for state and local public employers with an eye to a more market-driven approach towards containing the costs of healthcare.

**Other Significant Legislative Items Contained in House Bill 153**

**Criminal Justice**
- We are advancing the governor’s recommended sentencing reforms that are more properly dealt with concurrently in HB 86, rather than in the state budget.
- Maintains the governor’s plan to sell five Ohio prisons.

**Ohio Consumers’ Counsel (OCC)**
- We propose to merge the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) and OCC call centers reducing bureaucratic overhead and duplication of services consumer-protection function.
- The bill prohibits the OCC from operating an individual call center, removes contact information from consumer utility bills and provides for the lowering of consumer bills to reflect reduced costs in OCC operations.

**Privatization of State Assets**
- The bill limits the privatization of state assets to highway services, but gives the Governor the authority to utilize this privatization mechanism. We require General Assembly authorization before expenditure of any sale proceeds that would also direct how and where those proceeds would be invested.

**Provisions for Our State and Local Public Employees**
- Removes the retirement system contribution shift proposal.

**Department of Youth Services**
- The bill is directing the administration to protect and expand job opportunities in Scioto County by either selling or long-term leasing the underutilized juvenile facility proposed for closure this fall. It is to be sold or long-term leased for use as an adult or juvenile facility to house federal or out of state contract prisoners.

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House Proposed changes to introduced version of HB 153 –biennial appropriations:

- Provides that an Ohio high school graduate who has returned to Ohio within 10 years of their high school graduation is eligible for in-state tuition rates regardless of their residency.
- Increases the appropriation 600-540, Second Harvest Food Banks, by $1M per year.
- Extends the Historic Preservation Tax Credit program with a cap of $25 million per year.
- Provides an additional $40M per year for the Foundation Formula, $23 more per pupil in FY'12 and $23 more per pupil in FY'13. Additionally, no district receives a cut in state formal aid of more than 20%.
- Renames the PWC integrating commissions the Local Government Integrating and Innovation Committees. Provide $50M per year from diverted CAT revenue to provide grants for local governments that collaborate.
- Suspends, beginning in FY'14, the phase-out of the tangible and public utility personal property tax reimbursement.
- Eliminates the Estate Tax effective January 1, 2013.
- Increased appropriations to 725-502, Soil and Water Conservation Districts, by $2.9M per year.
- Extends the tax abatement available to River Downs for an additional 3 years until 2017.
- Provides additional clarification that the CAT applies to the gross receipts of a casino operator without deductions for payouts.
- TAX018 -Repeals ORC section 5731.30 to allow for the compromise and settlement of inheritance tax cases that are open on temporary order.
- TAX019 – Clarifies the treatment of an entity that enters into a contract with the state to provide public services.
- Provides a $900,000 capital appropriation to CSRAB for boiler replacement.
- Eliminates the ability of the Director of DAS to make classification changes without following the Chapter 119 rulemaking process.
- Increases appropriation to 235-535, Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, by $2.5M per year.
- Increases appropriation to 235-511, Cooperative Extension Services, by $2M per year.
- Requires the Tax Commissioner to administer a tax amnesty program between January 1 and February 15, 2012.
- Provides $75,000 per year to Bliss Institute at the University of Akron, the Glenn School at OSU & the Voinovich School at Ohio University thru 235-649, Co-op/Internship Program.
- Requires GA approval before for the designation of a Charter University.
- Provides for several changes to the requirement that universities offer 3 year baccalaureate degree program.
- Creates a check-off on income tax forms for the Ohio Historical Society.
- Require the Chancellor to create a pilot program with digital textbooks and content. Creates the Ohio digital learning task force to issue a report on digital learning.
- Prohibits state institutions of higher education from denying benefits to a religious student group based on the group’s sincerely held religious beliefs or standards of conduct.
- Removes provisions in the bill relating to increasing workloads of faculty at institutions of higher learning.
- Allows the state board of pharmacy to enter into private contracts to accomplish the board’s duties.
- Provides $250,000 per year from 235-417, Ohio Learning Network, for the Ohio digital learning taskforce.
• Retains the DAS feasibility report regarding the pooling of healthcare benefits in the state. Eliminates all other provisions, and requires GA approval for further action on this issue.
• Allows students attending for-profit colleges and schools in state to be eligible for OCOG awards. Increases the appropriation by $2M per year and removes existing earmark.
• Removes caps on number of law school students funded through SSI.
• Exempt CSRAB from oversight of DAS IT division.
• Clarifies that CSRAB is a part of the legislative branch of government.
• Clarifies temporary language for 100-439.
• Maintains veteran’s preference during civil service testing.
• Permits the Director to make transfers of requested amounts of state share of instruction appropriation allocations between universities and regional branch campuses.
• Restores boilerplate language from HB 1, allowing agencies to assign exempt employees to duties of a higher classification for up to two years, with written consent of the employees.
• Grants that the Chancellor serves at the pleasure of the Governor and that the terms coincide.
• Establishes a threshold for a child support enforcement agency issuing a pre-suspension notice. Revises rules to allow for the relief of the suspension. Establishes a purge component to the suspension.
• Requires Help Me Grow providers to report to DOH data on program performance indicators including low birth weight & pre-term births. Requires the Director to issue an annual report.
• Requires the Director of JFS to amend the State Medicaid Plan to implement a federal option under which ambulatory prenatal care is made available to pregnant women during presumptive eligibility periods.
• Provides an appropriation of $2M per year for 600-537, Children’s Hospitals.
• Codifies an existing rule on not requiring prior authorization on anti-psychotic antidepressants.
• Requires an Accountable Care Organization to meet the same financial requirements under the Department of Insurance as a Managed Care Organization.
• Moves language which provides a 1% rate reduction for MCO’s if rules are not accepted by July 1, 2012 to temporary law.
• Clarifies that the sum of all withholdings for the Managed Care performance program shall equal no greater than 1% of total premiums.
• Clarifying language regarding the transition of Legal Rights Services into a non-profit corporation.
• Requires state certification be granted to an alcohol and drug addiction program or a community mental health agency if the applicant for certification holds acceptable national accreditation.
• Prohibits MH rules and ODADS rules regarding documentation be more stringent that comparable federal regulations.
• Reduces the required number of County Board meetings when a board shares a superintendent or other staff.
• Requires ICF/MR transition issues be dealt with in statute and that several items must occur prior to the transfer the administration of the ICF program from JFS to DODD.
• Requires the Department of Health to apply for Title V abstinence education funding.
• Authorizes an issuance of a certificate of need for creation of a new nursing home, with restrictions including purchase of beds from elsewhere, being operation for 12 years, having 25 or more residents and no more than 30 beds.
• Requires the Director of JFS to apply for a federal Medicaid waiver that makes federal Medicaid funds available for administrative costs at the James and Solove Research Institute.
- Replaces the moratorium on [health insurance plans'] most favored nation status clauses with ban on the practice. Provides that contracts with such provisions entered into prior to June 25, 2008 may continue, unless changed or renewed.
- Changes the number of hours paid at an hourly rate from 7 to 10 for Type B providers.
- Increases the break in eligibility from 6 weeks to 3 months for the grandfathered children between 125% FPL to 200% FPL.
- Requires the Department of Health to adopt rules that define "Health Home" for the purpose of Care Coordination.
- Increase PASSPORT funding by $5M in FY'12 and $10M in FY'13.
- Makes several changes to the study of the PACE program currently included in the bill.
- Reinstates current law regarding the regulation of marinas and agricultural labor camps.
- Removes a reference in 309.33.40 to a non-state entity.
- DMR040 – Technical, in line 90193 replace “adopt” with “adopted”.
- DMR039 – Eliminates a requirement that DODD specifies in rule the format in which the county boards of DD are to certify their incomes and operating expenditures.
- AGE030 - Remove duplicative language requiring the Department of Aging to adopt rules governing the non-waiver funded PASSPORT and Assisted Living programs.
- DMH057 – Corrects proposed language allocating state mental health subsidies, community mental health plans, payments for Medicaid mental health services and provides qualified immunity for facilities and agencies.
- DMR042 – Revises proposed language to allow the director of DD to fund respite care in non-emergency situations.
- DMR043 – Provides county boards of DD more administrative flexibility by replacing the separate county-specific floors for each waiver with a single, combined floor for all waivers.
- DOH032 – Adds a representative of JFS to the Early Intervention Workgroup.
- DOH033 - Clarifies intended proposed policy of the BCMH manufacturer rebate program created in this bill provides for either a rebate or a discount.
- DOH034 – Makes the transfer of the Adult Care Facility Licensure Program from ODH to ODMH effective immediately with the appropriation.
- JFS089 - Requires the Director of JFS to maintain, for fiscal years 2012 and 2013, the reimbursement rates established by H.B. 1 of the 128th General Assembly for Medicaid-covered hospital inpatient and outpatient services that are paid under the Medicaid program’s prospective payment system.
- JFS090 - Requires that rules for Medicaid reimbursement go through the Chapter 119 rulemaking process.
- JFS094 – Provide flexibility to the Departments of Job and Family Services and Aging in designing the unified long-term services and support waiver component.
- JFS096 – Clarifies that the indirect guarantee percentage on the nursing facility franchise fee is calculated on the class of providers rather than an individual taxpayer.
- JFS097 - Clarifies that the indirect guarantee percentage on the ICF/MR franchise fee is calculated on the class of providers rather than an individual taxpayer.
- JFS099 – Provides that JFS is not required to use a waiver for the establishment of centers of excellence.
- JFS104 – Requires the adoption that rules on Electronic Health Record incentive payments go through the 119 rulemaking process.
- JFS119 – Clarifies definitions and processes related to expanding the Alternative Response program statewide.
• JFS121 – Narrows the application of the 2% reduction in Medicaid reimbursement.
• Directs the sale or long-term lease of any DYS Facility that is closed before January 1, 2012 for use as a privately operated adult or juvenile correctional facility.
• Establishes the Transportation P3 Legislative Oversight Committee.
• Creates the Ohio Housing Study Committee to formulate a comprehensive review of the policies and results of OHFA.
• Harmonizes the relationship between all community base correctional facilities in regards to collective bargaining.
• Eliminates the limitation that counties and municipalities are only authorized to privatize jail operations that house misdemeanor prisoners.
• Expands Judicial Advisory Board subjects for making recommendations on to a local corrections commission, and adds the county auditor to the board if the number is even.
• Eliminates requirement that the Supreme Court send an annual report on it’s proceedings to Governor, SOS & State Library.
• Removes sentencing reform provisions. These items are more properly dealt with concurrently in HB 86.
• Updates the Interstate Compact on Juveniles.
• Directs that the Reclaim Ohio formula incorporate research-supported, outcome based programs and services.
• Inserts language inadvertently omitted from HB 114 regarding ODOT’s ability to make advance payments to the federal government for the processing of certain environmental permits.
• Resumes the Clean Diesel Grant Program.
• OBM - Reduce liquor enforcement - operating, 767-321, from $11,897,178 in FY'12 & FY'13 to $10,450,000 and $10,600,000.
• DRC016 – Authorizes deposits into the renamed institutional services fund by the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, inadvertently omitted.
• DRC021 – Provides the Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections the flexibility to explore possibilities for psychiatric hospitalization services.
• Revises language relating to the sale of the wholesale liquor enterprise to JobsOhio, directing the administration to submit a plan to the general assembly by August 1, 2011 then completing the transaction within 30 days of enactment of further legislation authorizing such a plan.
• Eliminates language combining the Division of Natural Preserves with the Division of Parks and Recreation.
• Provides EPA the authority for the implementation of a decentralized E-Check system.
• Removes proposed authorization for the Director of DNR to revise fee schedules for enhanced geologic and other data without GA approval.
• Eliminates GRF transfer providing for operating expenses of the Division of Liquor Control.
• Merges the PUCO and OCC call centers, prohibits the OCC from operating a individual call center, removes contact information from consumer utility bills and provides for adjustment to consumer bills to reflect assessment levels commensurate with appropriation level to the OCC.
• Sunsets the 25 cent per ton portion of the Solid Waste disposal fee that goes to the soil and water conservation district assistance fund through June 30, 2013 rather than June 30, 2012.
• Eliminate the Sports Incentive Program, created but never funded by HB 1.
• Harmonizes investment options of the small business linked deposit program with the other linked deposit programs.
• Prohibits the OCC from advocating a position contrary to development of competitive utility markets in Ohio.
- Clarifies that ODNR has oversight of all aspects of oil & gas industry.
- COM033 – Clarifies into which fund assessments on video service providers are deposited.
- COM034 – Requires the Director of OBM to make a transfer to the Video Service Authorization Fund.
- DEV063 – Corrects a proposed date involving the Department of Development from June 30, 2010 to June 30, 2012.
- DEV066 - Exempts port authorities from prevailing wage requirements.
- DNR017 – Permits a transfer from the Watercraft Revolving Loan Fund into the Waterways Safety Fund for the design and construction of a marina at Caesar Creek State Park.
- DNR043 – Provides a transfer of $1.5M to the Coal Mining Administration & Reclamation Reserve Fund from the BWC Coal Workers Pneumoconiosis Fund.
- DNR044 – Clarifies that the Mineral Royalties Trust Fund is in the custody of the Treasurer.
- Allows Ohio domiciled insurance companies to engage in the practice of derivative netting.
- Expands the scope of the contracting authority of a county sewer district when conveying water supply facilities and sewer facilities to a municipal corporation.
- Requires that a person requesting Freemason license plates must show documents that prove they are a member in good standing with the Grand Lodge of Ohio.
- Allows county treasurers the ability to set redemption terms of tax liens sold at public auction for terms of 3 or 6 years.
- Provides an extension for River Downs to stay open until 11 p.m.
- Conveys a parcel of state land to Ripley Union High School.
- Provides a limited time where a political subdivision in a RTA that includes a county with a population over 400,000 and that levies a property tax could ask voters whether or not to withdraw.
- Amends the A-1 permit to allow adults of legal drinking age who tour a brewery to have a sample, similar to current law for wineries.
- Makes several modifications to the New Community Authority Law.
- Requires newspapers to establish and charge public officers of a political subdivision, state officers government rates for publication. Rate may not exceed the lowest classified rate.
- Prohibits charging political subdivisions for using the state public notice website.
- Authorizes county commissioners to develop a quarterly spending plan for any county office/department who exceeded their original appropriation by 5% or more.
- Adds fiscal caution as a categorical designation by the state auditor for certain local governments.
- Allows a city park in a county with a population between 1.1M and 1.2M to receive an F-8 permit to sell individual beer and wine.
- Prohibits unemployment compensation benefits from being paid to any individual on the basis of seasonal employment for any week that commences during the period between two successive seasonal periods, if the individual performed them before and there is a reasonable assurance they will again.
- Allows a township board of trustees when required to reimburse expenses of a board of elections for a township tax levy to have those expenses withheld from a fund to which the levy is to be credited.
- Allows a township to pay a fiscal officer from multiple funds in accordance with the time the officer spent working with the fund.
- Expands the revised code definition of a caucus to include committee caucuses.
• Require political subdivisions that enter into an agreement for joint services under the bill to first obtain the written consent of a non-participating subdivision if the agreement impacts the non-participating subdivision.

• Provides that general obligation bonds issued by a county to finance the acquisition or construction of real property may have a maximum maturity of up to 40 years if supported by a certification as to its estimated useful life.

• Reinstates current law regarding proposed changes to employer and employee contribution rates to state retirement systems.

• Sunsets and limits proposed authorization for the private operation of public services.

• Limits FY'11 unobligated ending balance transfers to Disaster Services Fund & Teacher Incentive Program Fund to no more than $50 million total.

• Re-appropriates an amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered portion of GRF appropriation item 035407, Legislative Task Force on Redistricting, at the end of FY 2011 for the same purpose in FY 2012.

• Removes length and location publication requirements involving reapportionment plans.

• Reinstates current law regarding proposed changes to employer and employee contribution rates to state retirement systems.

• Re-appropriates an amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered portion of GRF appropriation item 035407, Legislative Task Force on Redistricting, at the end of FY 2011 for the same purpose in FY 2012.

• Requires local governments to adopt a state auditor approved financial recovery plan, providing that failure to do so within 120 days triggers financial emergency.

• OBM110 - Transfers bond issuing authority of the OBA to the Treasurer of State.

• Increases appropriation to 200-511, Auxiliary Services, by $4M per year and to 200-532, Nonpublic Administrative Cost Reimbursement, by $1M per year.

• Requires ODE to report annually to each district it's ratio of administrative vs. instructional spending, it's per pupil amount for each purpose and it's percentage of funds for operating and required the information be posted on the districts website.

• Removes the bill's provisions codifying and revising the authorization of the Corrective Action Program operated by the School Facilities Commission.

• Remove school facilities commission exceptional needs program rule providing ineligibility for funding for districts assumed to achieve regular funding eligibility in less than 3 years.

• Transfers rulemaking and regulatory authority of manufactured homes from the Department of Health to the Manufactured Homes Commission.

• Provides community schools that operate in more than one building a general IRN number and separate numbers for each individual building.

• Establish a pilot project in Columbiana County in which one or more school districts has to offer a multiple track H.S. curriculum with differing career paths.

• Lowers number of governing authorities from 5 to 3 members and provides clarity on replacement of governing authority members.

• Allows a person with a specialized skill, 3 years teaching experience or a completed teacher training program to teach a foreign language in a private school without a B.A. diploma.

• Allows the State Board of Education to act as a sponsor for a community school and grant a direct charter to the school.

• Modifies policy for participation in the school facilities assistance program to provide that when a district participates in an expedited program and then becomes eligible if the district's TPP makes up more than 18% of the personal property valuation the district's share will be the lesser
of the percentage locked in when the expedited agreement was signed or the percentage using the current wealth percentile rank.

- Requires transfer of all operations relating to the Ohio Penal Industries Braille textbook operation from Grafton (which is being sold) to another facility.
- Clarifies that a community school building is a public school building for purposes of taxation.
- Exempts E-schools from immunization requirements. Also specifies an end of the school year deadline for e-schools to withdraw students who have failed to participate in the spring admission of required assessments for two consecutive years.
- Requires that lottery tickets and lottery television advertisements to show the percentage of state support for schools that comes from the lottery.
- Authorizes “entities” and “groups of individuals” to form community schools and authorizes a community school to be established as a for-profit corporation or LLC.
- Exempts community schools from BMI testing. Provides that the State Board and Department of Education does not have the authority to promulgate regulations, issue requirements not specified in Chapter 3314 that does not otherwise apply to chartered nonpublic schools.
- Allows ESC to participate in joint projects with institutions of higher learning.
- Provides community school operators the right to have standing to bring an action and the right of first refusal for future management services and that an operator’s consent should also be required for renewal of any existing school contract.
- Permits an individual aged 22 - 29 who does not have a diploma or certificate of equivalence to enroll for up to two years in a dropout recovery program free of tuition and earmarks $1M per year from in economic development programs fund for this purpose.
- Removes expansions of state assessments for interpersonal skill, and eliminate the proposed sections regarding family & community engagement teams.
- Establishes a timeline for districts to notify ESC’s that they plan to transfer to another ESC.
- Requires a person aged 16 - 18 to get approval from the superintendent of a school district or principal of a community or STEM school before taking the GED. Specifies for purposes of calculating graduation rates this student must be counted as a dropout. Permits ODE to require such a student to have parental or judicial permission.
- Provides two new options for schools to make up missed calamity days: e-days and blizzard bags.
- Authorizes a joint superintendent for the Ohio Schools for the Deaf and Blind.
- Repeals the requirement for the Educator Standards Board to develop a measure of student academic improvement over a one year period and to make recommendations for incorporating measure into model teacher and parent evaluations. Replaces the board’s evaluation instruments and with evaluation frameworks established by the State Board of Education.
- Provides for traditional termination of the Collective Bargaining agreements a public school has when it is convert to a community school.
- Creates an in-state gambling hotline by July 1, 2013 funded by the Casino Control Commission.
- Allow a more than one charter school to operate in the same building.
- Requires the executive to conduct a shared services study of local governments, school districts, STEM & community schools, ESC and chartered non-publics to identify opportunities exist for enhancement.
- Removes requirement that ESCs maintain pupil records for districts.
- Reinstates the e-school moratorium.
- Reinstates current law requiring controlling board approval for lottery commission fees.
• Requires ODE to pay community schools for children with disabilities if the child enrolls after the federal reporting date of Dec. 1.
• Reinstates current law provisions that Controlling Board approval is required for distribution of formula payments.
• Removes a proposing to prohibit a community school sponsor that has one or more schools in academic watch or academic emergency on the provision's effective date from sponsoring additional schools and to prohibit the schools operator from operating additional schools.
• Establishes a process for the closure of ESC's patterned after procedures in law for dissolving cooperative education districts.
• Specifies that a student in a community school is re-enrolled the next year unless enrollment is formally terminated.
• Removes a provision which would allow authorization for all lottery games thru an abbreviated rule-making process.
• Eliminates caps on total number of community schools a sponsor can operate.
• Increases the value of the Cleveland Voucher Program to the same level available under the EdChoice Scholarship Program, increase foundation funding appropriation by $5M for this purpose.
• Provides for creation of a community school public college-preparatory boarding school.
• Allows districts to transfer unused textbook set aside money to the general fund after July 1, 2011.
• Permits the establishment of hybrid community schools that provide both remote technology-based and classroom-based instruction. Permits existing community schools to restructure themselves as hybrid community schools.
• Revises the process for disposal of school property.
• Specifies that a community school's per pupil transportation payment for FY'12 & FY'13 is the per pupil amount that it received in FY'11, instead of the per pupil amount of the resident district's total operating payment.
• Authorizes a school district to transfer unexpended balance of a bond retirement fund to a specific permanent improvement fund with approval of county budget commission rather than current law requiring common pleas court approval to transfer to the sinking fund or if that doesn't exist to any other fund.
• Generally prohibits community school employees from collectively bargaining except for transitioning conversion community schools.
• EDU037 - For the purposes of categorizing types of community schools for operating expenditure per pupil calculations in ORC 3302.20 splits brick and mortar community schools and e-schools into separate categories.
• EDU039 - Authorizes ODE to reallocate Career Technical Education funds to school districts in the event that a district is unable to spend its full CTE allocation in order to ensure the state is able to meet the maintenance of effort requirements for the federal Perkins grant. Provides for reallocation prioritized by districts having had the most enrollment growth.
• EDU041 – Use district enrollment, rather than number of students who reside in the district, as the basis for school districts required to contract with ESCs.
• EDU042 – Clarifies distribution of supplemental funding when ESC's close or merge.
• EDU047 – Remove Act One as a participating treatment center as it is no longer operational.
• EDU049 – Revises provisions for retesting of teachers making them applicable on a building, rather than on a district basis.
• EDU052 – Retains current transportation payments to parents where districts have decided it is impractical for the district to transport the student.
• EDU054 – Provides for $150,000 per year from 200-448, Educator Preparation, Ohio’s State System of Support, and allocates the rest to support the implementation of reforms.
• OBM102 – Eliminates the Harmon Commission.
• OBM105 – Corrects the definition of Total Resources in the TPP payment formula to include 2010 data, not 2012 data.
• LSC - Add language traditionally in Operating Budgets specifying that all uncodified sections not pertaining to an appropriation expire 2 years after the effective date of the bill.
• LSC – Conforms House Bill 153 to other recently enacted pieces of legislation.
• LSC - A technical amendment

This document does not reflect all changes. See Budget in Detail for complete appropriation changes.