

(129th General Assembly)
(Amended Substitute House Bill Number 487)

SECTION 737.91. It is expected that the Futures Committee of the Ohio Association of Health Commissioners will release a report in June 2012 on the future of local public health in Ohio. The Legislative Committee on Public Health Futures shall review the Future Committee's report, and, on the basis of its review, recommend legislative and fiscal policies that would improve local public health services in Ohio. The Legislative Committee, not later than October 31, 2012, shall prepare a report that describes its review of the Future Committee's report, and that states, and provides explanations of, its policy recommendations. The Legislative Committee shall transmit a copy of its report to the Governor, the President and Minority Leader of the Senate, and the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives for consideration as part of the operating budget for fiscal years 2014 and 2015. Upon transmitting its report, the Legislative Committee ceases to exist.

There is the Legislative Committee on Public Health Futures. Each of the following associations shall appoint one individual to the Legislative Committee: the County Commissioners Association of Ohio, the Ohio Township Association, the Department of Health, the Ohio Public Health Association, the Ohio Environmental Health Association, the Ohio Boards of Health Association, the Ohio Municipal League, and the Ohio Hospital Association. The Association of Ohio Health Commissioners shall appoint two individuals to the Legislative Committee. The President and Minority Leader of the Senate each shall appoint two members to the Legislative Committee. The Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives each shall appoint two members to the Legislative Committee. Of the two appointments made by each legislative leader, one shall be a member of the General Assembly from the appointing member's chamber. Appointments shall be made as soon as possible but not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Vacancies on the Legislative Committee shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

As soon as all members have been appointed to the Legislative Committee, the President of the Senate shall fix a time and place for the committee to hold its first meeting. At that meeting, the committee shall elect from among its membership a chairperson, a vice-chairperson, and a secretary. The Director of Health shall provide the Legislative Committee with meeting and office space, equipment, and professional, technical, and clerical staff as are necessary to enable the Legislative Committee successfully to complete its work.