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SECTION 257.30. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES OPERATIONS

The Director of Development Services may assess offices of the agency for the cost of central service operations. An assessment shall contain the characteristics of administrative ease and uniform application. A division's payments shall be credited to the Supportive Services Fund (Fund 1350) using an intrastate transfer voucher.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT INNOVATION FUND

On July 1, 2013, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management shall transfer \$4,600,000 in cash from the General Revenue Fund to the Local Government Innovation Fund (Fund 5KN0). On July 1, 2014, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management shall transfer \$5,900,000 in cash from the General Revenue Fund to the Local Government Innovation Fund (5KN0).

The foregoing appropriation item 195640, Local Government Innovation, shall be used for the purposes of making loans and grants to political subdivisions under the Local Government Innovation Program in accordance with sections 189.01 to 189.10 of the Revised Code, and for the purposes of making loans and grants to political subdivisions and grants to the Department of Administrative Services under the Local Government Efficiency Program in accordance with Section 701.40 of this act. Of the foregoing appropriation item 195640, Local Government Innovation, up to \$4,600,000 in fiscal year 2014 and up to \$5,900,000 in fiscal year 2015 may be used for the Local Government Efficiency Program established in section 701.40 of this act, and the amounts used are not subject to division (B) of Section 189.04 of the Revised Code.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 195640, Local Government Innovation, up to \$200,000 in each fiscal year shall be used for administrative costs incurred by the Development Services Agency, of which up to \$25,000 in each fiscal year may be used for the costs of preparing the report required under division (B) of Section 701.30 of this act. Of the foregoing appropriation item 195640, Local Government Innovation, up to \$75,000 in each fiscal year may be used to administer and provide technical assistance in providing the grants or loans under division (B)(2) of Section 701.40 of this act. In administering and providing this technical assistance, the Director of Development Services may enter into agreements with the Director of Administrative Services or other entities.

SECTION 701.30.

(A) As used in this section, "public record" has the meaning defined in section 149.43 of the Revised Code, and "public office" has the meaning defined in section 149.011 of the Revised Code.

Not later than May 31, 2014, the Director of Administrative Services shall deliver a report to the Governor, the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, and the President

and Minority Leader of the Senate that proposes uniform standards that should apply to a public office that chooses to post public records on an internet web site maintained by the public office. In developing the standards, the Director shall consider, at a minimum, the following factors: any recommended technology and/or software to use; the projected costs of implementing and maintaining such technology and software; and how a public office is to post a public record on its web site, or on a public web site maintained by the state, so that the public record, or the data contained in the public record, is capable of being searched and downloaded by the public in a uniform manner. The proposed uniform standards, as articulated in the report, shall seek to incorporate, insofar as practical, related practices of the Auditor of State and of other state agencies.

The Director may form, and seek advice from and consult with, an advisory committee. Members of the advisory committee shall include, but are not limited to, representatives of state and local governments and individuals having relevant expertise to assist in developing the report.

(B) Not later than May 31, 2014, the Director of Development Services, in cooperation with the Local Government Innovation Council, shall prepare and issue to the members of the General Assembly a report that recommends various means by which the information exchange may provide local governments with insights regarding efficiency and productivity, and various means by which the information exchange may help local governments improve services to vulnerable populations by providing insights regarding programs that benefit the poor, including general welfare support programs. The report also shall include recommendations, developed by the Director and the Council in consultation with the Third Frontier Commission, expressing various means by which data in the information exchange may create opportunities for private sector research institutions to develop value-added products or services that may be commercialized or create jobs, and thereby contribute to the betterment of the state economy.

SECTION 701.40.

(A) As used in this section, "political subdivision" has the meaning defined in section 2744.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) There is the Local Government Efficiency Program to be administered by the Local Government Innovation Council. The Council shall adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code as are necessary to administer the program, including application procedures and identification of approved training programs. Under the program, the Council may:

(1) Award scholarships to political subdivision employees, and make grants and loans to political subdivisions, and to regional councils of government or other similar cooperative governmental arrangements consisting of political subdivisions, for training in process efficiency programs including, but not limited to, Six Sigma, Kaizen, and Lean;

(2) Award grants or loans to political subdivisions to assist the political subdivisions in implementing the recommendations in the report published by the Director of Administrative Services under Section 701.30 of this act; and

(3) Award a grant, not to exceed \$200,000, to the Department of Administrative Services for the provision of training in process efficiency programs as described in division (B)(1) of this section.