

**RESOLUTION FY2023-01**

**HOUSE BILL 523**

**August 22, 2022**

**WHEREAS**, Ohio Revised Code Chapter 340 is the authorizing statute for Ohio’s Alcohol, Drug Addiction, and Mental Health Boards that empowers ADAMH Boards to assess, plan, develop, fund, administer, and evaluate the local system of mental health and addiction services, ensuring the provision of high quality, cost-effective, and culturally-appropriate services and supports; and

**WHEREAS**, local ADAMH Boards, who do not provide services, have a statutory requirement to ensure a local continuum of care through contracts with agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, Ohio is experiencing an increasing incidence of overdose and suicide deaths and the demand for treatment and support services continues to grow, the members of the Wood County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board have determined that there is a critical need for modernization of Chapter 340; and

**WHEREAS**, Boards are uniquely positioned to rapidly identify changing community needs, respond to crisis situations, and serve as a catalyst for change; and

**WHEREAS**, HB 523 will modernize governing board appointments, revise board contracting authority, allow for the exchange of Medicaid recipient data, and provide for consideration of additional information related to the certification of providers.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the Wood County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board respectfully request that the Ohio General Assembly support Ohioans impacted by mental illness and substance use disorders by expeditiously passing HB 523 to modernize Chapter 340.

Board Members	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Allan Baer			X	
Matthew Battiato	✓			
Karen Baron	✓			
Judy Ennis	✓			
Scott Kleiber			X	
Brandy Laux			X	
Dan Lambert	✓			
Leslie Miller	✓			
Rachel Moore	✓			
Jason Morris			X	
Hallie Nagel			X	
Erica Parish	✓			
Amanda Sharp	✓			
Corey Speweik			X	
Frank McLaughlin	✓			

Dan motioned to approve this resolution Karen seconded. This resolution (is) is not adopted by the majority of the Board. Resolution passed / not passed.

Frank McLaughlin 8/22/2022 \_\_\_\_\_  
Board Chair Date