



**JOHN R. KASICH**  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF OHIO

## **Executive Order 2015-03K**

### **Continuance and Reauthorization of the Ohio Statewide Independent Living Council**

**WHEREAS**, Ohio remains committed to promoting self-help, self-determination and full inclusion and integration of individuals with disabilities into the mainstream of Ohio's communities.

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended and reauthorized by the Rehabilitation Act Amendments of 1992, the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, and the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 (Public Law 113-128), were enacted to promote independent living, including self-help, self-determination, and equal access for, and to maximize the independence and productivity of, individuals with disabilities.

**WHEREAS**, those federal laws provide that a State that establishes a Statewide Independent Living Council will be eligible to receive federal financial assistance under those laws.

**WHEREAS**, the Ohio Statewide Independent Living Council ("OSILC") was created by Executive Order 2000-02T as a successor to the Ohio Independent Living Council established in 1993 by Executive Order 93-141V, and the OSILC was reauthorized in 2009 by Executive Order 2009-02S, and in 2012 by my Executive Order 2012-04K.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, do hereby order and direct that the OSILC is reauthorized and shall continue to operate in accordance with the provisions of this Executive Order, which sets forth OSILC's structure, power and duties, as follows:

1. There shall be fourteen (14) members of the OSILC, seven (7) voting and seven (7) non-voting, who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The seven (7) voting members shall include:
  - a. At least one director of a center for independent living chosen by the directors of centers for independent living within the State;

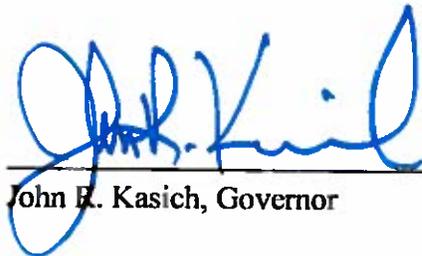


employed or must forfeit wages from other employment for each day the member is actively engaged in performing OSILC duties.

7. The OSILC shall provide a written report of its activities for the preceding calendar year not later than the first day of February of each year to the Governor and the Executive Director of OOD.
8. Because OOD receives, accounts for, and disburses independent living funds under the State Independent Living Services Program, the OSILC shall establish a detailed budget and be subject to audit by OOD or a designee of OOD.
9. The OSILC members shall carry out all other duties and responsibilities as set forth in the federal laws set forth above, including Public Law 113-128, and the regulations under those laws.
10. Effective with this Order, I revoke all Executive Orders which are inconsistent with this Order.

I signed this Executive Order on March 16, 2015, in Columbus, Ohio, and it shall expire on March 16, 2018, unless rescinded before that date.



  
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John E. Kasich, Governor

ATTEST:

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Jon Husted, Secretary of State