**Sec. 5123.0420.** (A) The director of developmental disabilities may authorize the implementation of one or more innovative pilot projects that, in the judgment of the director, are likely to assist in promoting the objectives of this chapter or Chapter 5126. of the Revised Code. Subject to division (B) of this section and notwithstanding any provision of this chapter and Chapter 5126. of the Revised Code, the director's authorization may permit a pilot project to be implemented in a manner inconsistent with one or more provisions of this chapter, Chapter 5126. of the Revised Code, or a rule adopted under either chapter. The director shall specify the period of time for which a pilot project is to be implemented. This period shall include a reasonable period of time for an evaluation of the pilot project's effectiveness.

(B) The director may not authorize a pilot project to be implemented in a manner that would cause the state to be out of compliance with any requirements for a program funded in whole or in part with federal funds.