moved to amend as follows:

1. In line 156 of the title, after "3107.035," insert "3311.242,"
2. In line 336, after "3107.035," insert "3311.242,"
3. After line 25577, insert:

   "Sec. 3311.242. (A) As used in this section:
   (1) "Eligible township" means a township that contains the territory of two or more school districts.
   (2) "Qualified electors" means electors residing within the territory proposed to be transferred.
   (B) The board of education of a school district with territory in an eligible township shall promptly do both of the following regarding a proposal to transfer territory from the district to another school district to which the territory is adjoining if a petition that is certified under division (C) of this section requests such a transfer:
   (1) File the proposal, together with a map showing the boundaries of the territory to be transferred, with the state board of education;
(2) Certify the proposal to the board of elections of the county in which the eligible township is located for the purposes of having the proposal placed on the ballot at the next general or primary election which occurs not less than ninety days after the date of the certification or at a special election, the date of which shall be specified in the certification, which date shall not be less than ninety days after the date of the certification.

(C) Upon receiving a petition of transfer signed by at least ten per cent of qualified electors voting at the last general election, the board of education shall cause the board of elections to check the sufficiency of signatures on the petition. If the board of elections determines the petition has been signed by at least ten per cent of qualified electors voting at the last general election, the board of elections shall certify the petition to the board of education for the purposes of division (B) of this section.

(D) Upon certification of a proposal under division (B)(2) of this section, the board of elections shall make the necessary arrangements for the submission of the question whether to approve the transfer to the qualified electors to vote thereon, and the election shall be conducted and canvassed and the results shall be certified in the same manner as in regular
elections for the election of members of a district board of education.

(E) If the proposal submitted to qualified electors under division (D) of this section is approved by at least a majority of the electors voting on the proposal, both of the following shall apply:

(1) The board of education of the district from which the territory is being transferred shall notify the state board of education of the results of the vote.

(2) The board of trustees of the eligible township shall enter into negotiations with the board of education of the district to which the territory is being transferred regarding the terms of the proposal to transfer the territory.

(F) If the board of trustees of the eligible township and the board of education to which the territory is being transferred enter into a formal agreement based on negotiations under division (E)(2) of this section, the board of education shall file the proposal and a copy of the formal agreement with the state board. However, the district board of education shall not be required to enter into a formal agreement.

(G) The state board shall approve any proposal submitted under division (F) of this section and thereafter provide written notification of the approval to the board of education of the district from which the territory is being transferred.
and the board of education to which the territory is being transferred.

(H) Upon receipt of the written notification from the state board under division (G) of this section, the board of education of the district to which the territory is being transferred shall file a map showing the boundaries of the territory transferred with the county auditor of the county in which the eligible township is located. In addition, the two district boards and the township board of trustees shall execute an equitable division of the funds and indebtedness between the districts. Thereafter, the transfer shall be complete and the legal title of the school property in the territory transferred shall be vested in the board of education of the district to which the territory is transferred."

The motion was ______ agreed to.

SYNOPSIS

Permits the transfer of school district territory through a petition and vote of qualified electors in an eligible township

R.C. 3311.242

Restores a provision of the House-passed version of the bill that does all of the following:

-- Permits electors residing in school district territory located within a township that is split between two or more
school districts to petition for the transfer of territory to another adjacent school district.

-- Specifies the board of education of the district from which the territory is being transferred must file the proposal to transfer territory with the State Board of Education and certify the proposal to the county board of elections, if the board of elections certifies that the initiating petition is signed by at least 10% of electors within the territory voting in the last general election.

-- Requires that, if the proposal is approved by at least a majority of electors voting, both of the following occur:

(1) The board of education of the district from which the territory is being transferred must notify the State Board of the results of the vote;

(2) The board of trustees of the township must enter into negotiations with the board of education of the district to which the territory is being transferred.

-- Requires that the State Board approve any submitted proposal, and provide written notification of the approval to both boards of education affected by the territory transfer.

-- Stipulates that, upon receiving written notification from the State Board, the board of education of the district to which the territory is being transferred must file a map showing the boundaries of the territory transferred with the county auditor of the county in which the eligible township is located.

-- Requires equitable distribution of funds indebtedness of the districts.

-- Provides that after the map is filed with the county auditor, the transfer is complete and the legal title of the school property in the territory must be vested in the board of education of the district to which the territory is being transferred.