## H. B. No. 485 As Introduced

moved to amend a	s follows:
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In line 3 of the title, delete "remove a requirement that owners of"	1
and insert "modify the process by which"	2
In line 4 of the title, delete "enrolled in the CAUV program must	3
file"	4
Delete line 5	5
In line 6 of the title, delete "remain in the program" and insert	6
"may qualify for the CAUV program"	7
In line 207, after "any" insert "tax"	8
In line 209, after "use" insert "or the use of the land changes in a	9
manner that would require modification of the manner by which its current	10
agricultural use value is calculated"	11
In line 210, after " <u>auditor</u> " insert " <u>before the first Monday in</u>	12
March of the following tax year"	13
In line 215, delete "provide" and insert "attest, on a form	14
prescribed by the tax commissioner,"; delete "county auditor	15
documentation" and insert "amount"	16

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In line 217, delete "documentation" and insert "form to the county	17
auditor"	18
In line 218, after "year." insert "Division (A)(3) of this section	19
does not apply if such land is devoted to and qualifies for payments or	20
other compensation under a land retirement or conservation program under	21
an agreement with an agency of the federal government."	22
After line 272, insert:	23
"In determining whether land is land devoted exclusively	24
to agricultural use, the auditor may use any information	25
available to the auditor, including information obtained from	26
the property owner or through visual inspection or overhead	27
<pre>photography.</pre>	28
If the auditor is unable to determine through visual	29
inspection or overhead photography if the owner's land is or	30
continues to be land devoted exclusively to agricultural use,	31
the auditor may require that the owner provide documentation to	32
enable the auditor to make this determination, but the auditor	33
shall require no more documentation than is necessary to do so."	34
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The motion was agreed to.	
<u>SYNOPSIS</u>	35
Verification of CAUV program eligibility	36
R.C. 5713.31(A)(2), (A)(3), and (G)	37
Requires a property owner to notify the county auditor if	38
the owner's land use changes so as to affect the land's current	30

agricultural use value (CAUV). The introduced bill also requires the owner to notify the county auditor if the owner's land is no longer eligible for the CAUV program.

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Specifies that this notification must be provided to the auditor before the first Monday in March of the year following the year in which the land use changes so as to affect its CAUV valuation or eligibility.

Requires that an owner of CAUV land of less than ten acres to attest to the land's annual gross income on a form prescribed by the Tax Commissioner, instead of furnishing other documentation of that income. (Such land's eligibility for CAUV may depend on whether its annual gross income exceeds a certain threshold.)

Clarifies that an owner of CAUV land of less than ten acres that is enrolled in a federal land conservation or retirement program does not have to annually certify the land's yearly income. (Such land qualifies for CAUV without regard to its income.)

Specifies that a county auditor may use any available information to determine whether land qualifies for the CAUV program, including information obtained from the property owner or through visual inspection or overhead photography. Authorizes the the county auditor to request documentation from an owner to verify land's eligibility for CAUV if the visual inspection or overhead photography is inconclusive, but limits the request to no more documentation than is necessary to verify that eligibility.