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A BILL
To enact section 3301.0730 of the Revised Code to authorize school credit for approved programs offered at times outside the normal school day.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 3301.0730 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 3301.0730. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Approved program" means either of the following:

(a) A program that receives funds under the "21st Century Community Learning Centers" program established under 20 U.S.C. 7171 to 7176.

(b) A program approved under division (B) of this section.

(2) "Board of education" means any of the following:

(a) The board of education of a school district;

(b) The governing authority of a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code;
(c) The governing body of a STEM school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code;

(d) The board of trustees of a college-preparatory boarding school established under Chapter 3328. of the Revised Code;

(e) The governing authority of a chartered nonpublic school.

(3) "Provider" means a school district or school, institution of higher education, community-based organization, faith-based organization, political subdivision, public entity, or private entity.

(B) Not later than the first day of July that next succeeds the effective date of this section, the state board of education shall develop a process by which a provider may submit to the department of education a proposal for a program to offer supervised learning opportunities for academic credit at times outside of the normal school day. The department shall approve a program that meets the criteria established under division (C) of this section.

(C) The department shall approve each program submitted under division (B) of this section that satisfies all of the following:

(1) The program provides students enrolled in any of grades six through twelve with regularly scheduled, structured, and supervised learning opportunities at times outside of the normal school day, which may include before or after school, on weekends, during the summer, or during seasonal breaks.

(2) The program provides learning opportunities that include multiple subjects and activities. The program shall not
provide learning opportunities that consist of a single subject or type of activity.

(3) The program operates ten hours or more per week on an ongoing basis.

(4) The program meets any additional standards determined necessary by the state board.

(D) Each board of education may adopt a policy authorizing students who participate in an approved program to do both of the following:

(1) For students enrolled in grades six through eight, meet part or all of the curriculum requirements set by the district board of education.

(2) Notwithstanding division (C)(8) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code, for students enrolled in grades nine through twelve, earn high school credits that may substitute for credits in the subjects listed in that division.

(E) The state board shall adopt rules to implement this section.