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A BILL

To amend section 3332.031 and to enact section 1
3333.0414 of the Revised Code to require the 2
State Board of Career Colleges and Schools to 3
report and post job placement information. 4

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

Section 1. That section 3332.031 be amended and section 5
3333.0414 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 6

Sec. 3332.031. The state board of career colleges and 7
schools shall: 8

(A) Adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code 9
necessary to carry out its duties and responsibilities under 10
this chapter; 11

(B) Establish minimum standards for the registration and 12
operation of private career schools including but not 13
necessarily limited to standards to ensure school financial 14
stability; 15

(C) Issue certificates of registration to private career 16
schools pursuant to division (A) of section 3332.05 of the 17

Revised Code;	18
(D) Suspend or revoke the certificate of registration of schools pursuant to sections 3332.09 and 3332.091 of the Revised Code;	19 20 21
(E) Establish minimum standards for certificate, diploma, and degree programs offered by schools;	22 23
(F) Issue program authorization pursuant to divisions (B) and (C) of section 3332.05 of the Revised Code;	24 25
(G) Suspend or revoke program authorization for schools pursuant to sections 3332.09 and 3332.091 of the Revised Code;	26 27
(H) Establish minimum standards, including but not necessarily limited to a code of ethics, for agents employed by schools registered under this chapter to reasonably ensure that such agents provide adequate, ethical, and accurate information to prospective students;	28 29 30 31 32
(I) Grant permits to agents pursuant to sections 3332.10 and 3332.11 of the Revised Code;	33 34
(J) Suspend or revoke an agent's permit pursuant to section 3123.47 or 3332.12 of the Revised Code;	35 36
(K) Monitor recruitment and admissions practices of schools holding certificates of registration to ensure compliance with this chapter and the rules of the board;	37 38 39
(L) (1) Adopt rules requiring all schools to provide all applicant students, prior to their signing enrollment agreements, written information concerning the school's graduation and placement rates for each of the preceding three years and any other information the board deems pertinent.	40 41 42 43 44

(2) Adopt rules requiring all schools to provide any 45
student or applicant student, prior to the signing of any 46
financial aid, grant, or loan application, written information 47
concerning the obligations of a student obtaining such financial 48
aid, grant, or loan. 49

(3) Upon request, a school shall furnish the board with a 50
copy of all information required by this division. The board 51
shall monitor schools to ensure their compliance with this 52
division. 53

(M) Adopt a rule requiring all schools to include, in the 54
enrollment agreement, notice that any problems the student is 55
having with the school, or complaints the student has about the 56
school, may be directed to the board, which notice shall include 57
the telephone number of the executive director of the board; 58

(N) Report annually to the governor and the general 59
assembly on the activities of the board and private career 60
schools, and make legislative recommendations when necessary to 61
enable the board to better serve the student population and the 62
schools registered under this chapter~~r~~. The report required 63
under division (N) of this section shall include the career 64
placement rates for each school disaggregated by program. 65

(O) Adopt a rule requiring a uniform tuition refund policy 66
for all schools subject to this chapter. In adopting the rule, 67
the board shall consider the tuition refund policies effectuated 68
by state-supported colleges and universities. Each school 69
subject to this chapter shall furnish to each prospective 70
student, prior to the signing of an enrollment agreement, a copy 71
of the tuition refund policy. 72

(P) Adopt a rule establishing minimum standards for all 73

faculty and instructional staff in all instructional programs at 74
a school. In the case of full-time faculty members employed for 75
degree programs, such standards shall include all of the 76
following: 77

(1) A prohibition against employing on or after July 1, 78
1993, any new full-time faculty member to teach the general 79
study portion of any degree program, unless the person holds a 80
master's degree in the subject matter discipline or holds a 81
master's degree in education with proficiency in the subject 82
matter discipline demonstrated in accordance with the standards 83
adopted by the board. 84

(2) Except as provided under the standards adopted 85
pursuant to division (P)(3) of this section, a prohibition 86
against employing or reemploying on or after July 1, 1998, any 87
full-time faculty member to teach the general study portion of 88
any degree program, unless the person holds a master's degree in 89
the subject matter discipline or holds a master's degree in 90
education with proficiency in the subject matter discipline 91
demonstrated in accordance with the standards adopted by the 92
board. 93

(3) Standards under which the board, upon written request 94
submitted to the board prior to July 1, 1994, by any school, may 95
exempt the school from the prohibition adopted pursuant to 96
division (P)(2) of this section with regard to any individual 97
full-time faculty member employed by the school who has 98
demonstrated outstanding teaching performance in the general 99
study portion of any degree program at the school for a period 100
of at least six years prior to July 1, 1993. 101

(4) Definitions of "full-time faculty member," "new 102
faculty member," and any other term the board considers 103

necessary to define. 104

(Q) Adopt a rule prohibiting a school or branch campus 105
thereof from claiming accreditation from an accrediting agency 106
in any of its advertising, recruiting, or promotional materials 107
unless the agency is recognized as an accrediting agency by the 108
United States department of education. 109

(R) Annually post on its web site the career placement 110
rates for each school disaggregated by program. The information 111
shall be presented in such a way that data can be searched by 112
school, degree or certificate type, and program. 113

Sec. 3333.0414. The director of higher education shall 114
post on the department of higher education's web site a link to 115
the information provided by the state board of career colleges 116
and schools under division (R) of section 3332.031 of the 117
Revised Code. 118

Section 2. That existing section 3332.031 of the Revised 119
Code is hereby repealed. 120