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To amend sections 127.16, 1561.07, 2925.01, 3307.01, 3307.24, 3309.01, 3309.011, 3313.68, 3313.7110, 3313.7113, 3313.721, 3319.22, 3319.222, 3319.223, 3319.227, 3701.33, 3717.27, 3717.47, 3718.011, 3718.03, 3728.04, 4104.32, 4104.34, 4104.36, 4104.37, 4117.103, 4169.02, 4169.03, 4169.04, 4169.05, 4169.06, 4701.06, 4701.17, 4713.01, 4713.14, 4713.17, 4713.42, 4713.56, 4730.11, 4731.04, 4731.15, 4731.16, 4731.171, 4731.19, 4731.22, 4731.293, 4731.298, 4731.36, 4731.572, 4734.211, 4734.31, 4736.01, 4736.02, 4736.03, 4736.05, 4736.06, 4736.08, 4736.09, 4736.10, 4736.11, 4736.12, 4736.14, 4736.15, 4745.04, 5107.541, and 6111.30; to enact new section 3319.221 and sections 1533.722, 4169.11, and 4762.011; and to repeal sections 3319.221, 3319.225, 3319.2210, 3745.14, 4104.33, 4104.35, and 4734.281 of the Revised Code to revise the state's occupational regulations.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio:

Section 1. That sections 127.16, 1561.07, 2925.01, 3307.01, 3307.24, 3309.01, 3309.011, 3313.68, 3313.7110, 3313.7113, 3313.721, 3319.22, 3319.222, 3319.223, 3319.227, 3701.33, 3717.27, 3717.47, 3718.011, 3718.03, 3728.04, 4104.32, 4104.34, 4104.36, 4104.37, 4117.103, 4169.02, 4169.03, 4169.04, 4169.05, 4169.06, 4701.06, 4701.17, 4713.01, 4713.14, 4713.17, 4713.42, 4713.56, 4730.11, 4731.04, 4731.15, 4731.16, 4731.171, 4731.19, 4731.22, 4731.293, 4731.298, 4731.36, 4731.572, 4734.211, 4734.31, 4736.01, 4736.02, 4736.03, 4736.05, 4736.06, 4736.08, 4736.09, 4736.10, 4736.11, 4736.12, 4736.14, 4736.15, 4745.04, 5107.541, and 6111.30 be amended and new section 3319.221 and sections 1533.722, 4169.11, and 4762.011 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 127.16. (A) Upon the request of either a state agency or the director of budget and management and after the controlling board determines that an emergency or a sufficient economic reason exists, the controlling board may approve the making of a purchase without competitive selection as provided in division (B) of this section.

- (B) Except as otherwise provided in this section, no state agency, using money that has been appropriated to it directly, shall:
- (1) Make any purchase from a particular supplier, that would amount to fifty thousand dollars or more when combined with both the amount of all disbursements to the supplier during the fiscal year for purchases made by the agency and the amount of all outstanding encumbrances for purchases made by the agency from the supplier, unless the purchase is made by competitive selection or with the approval of the controlling board;

(2) Lease real estate from a particular supplier, if the lease would amount to seventy-five thousand dollars or more when combined with both the amount of all disbursements to the supplier during the fiscal year for real estate leases made by the agency and the amount of all outstanding encumbrances for real estate leases made by the agency from the supplier, unless the lease is made by competitive selection or with the approval of the controlling board.

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- (C) Any person who authorizes a purchase in violation of division (B) of this section shall be liable to the state for any state funds spent on the purchase, and the attorney general shall collect the amount from the person.
  - (D) Nothing in division (B) of this section shall be construed as:
- (1) A limitation upon the authority of the director of transportation as granted in sections 5501.17, 5517.02, and 5525.14 of the Revised Code;
  - (2) Applying to medicaid provider agreements under the medicaid program;
- (3) Applying to the purchase of examinations from a sole supplier by a state licensing board under Title XLVII of the Revised Code;
- (4) Applying to entertainment contracts for the Ohio state fair entered into by the Ohio expositions commission, provided that the controlling board has given its approval to the commission to enter into such contracts and has approved a total budget amount for such contracts as agreed upon by commission action, and that the commission causes to be kept itemized records of the amounts of money spent under each contract and annually files those records with the clerk of the house of representatives and the clerk of the senate following the close of the fair;
- (5) Limiting the authority of the chief of the division of mineral resources management to contract for reclamation work with an operator mining adjacent land as provided in section 1513.27 of the Revised Code;
- (6) Applying to investment transactions and procedures of any state agency, except that the agency shall file with the board the name of any person with whom the agency contracts to make, broker, service, or otherwise manage its investments, as well as the commission, rate, or schedule of charges of such person with respect to any investment transactions to be undertaken on behalf of the agency. The filing shall be in a form and at such times as the board considers appropriate.
- (7) Applying to purchases made with money for the per cent for arts program established by section 3379.10 of the Revised Code;
- (8) Applying to purchases made by the opportunities for Ohioans with disabilities agency of services, or supplies, that are provided to persons with disabilities, or to purchases made by the agency in connection with the eligibility determinations it makes for applicants of programs administered by the social security administration;
- (9) Applying to payments by the department of medicaid under section 5164.85 of the Revised Code for group health plan premiums, deductibles, coinsurance, and other cost-sharing expenses;
  - (10) Applying to any agency of the legislative branch of the state government;
- (11) Applying to agreements or contracts entered into under section 5101.11, 5101.20, 5101.201, 5101.21, or 5101.214 of the Revised Code;
- (12) Applying to purchases of services by the adult parole authority under section 2967.14 of the Revised Code or by the department of youth services under section 5139.08 of the Revised Code;

- (13) Applying to dues or fees paid for membership in an organization or association;
- (14) Applying to purchases of utility services pursuant to section 9.30 of the Revised Code;
- (15) Applying to purchases made in accordance with rules adopted by the department of administrative services of motor vehicle, aviation, or watercraft fuel, or emergency repairs of such vehicles;
  - (16) Applying to purchases of tickets for passenger air transportation;
- (17) Applying to purchases necessary to provide public notifications required by law or to provide notifications of job openings;
  - (18) Applying to the judicial branch of state government;
  - (19) Applying to purchases of liquor for resale by the division of liquor control;
- (20) Applying to purchases of motor courier and freight services made in accordance with department of administrative services rules;
- (21) Applying to purchases from the United States postal service and purchases of stamps and postal meter replenishment from vendors at rates established by the United States postal service;
- (22) Applying to purchases of books, periodicals, pamphlets, newspapers, maintenance subscriptions, and other published materials;
- (23) Applying to purchases from other state agencies, including state-assisted institutions of higher education or the Ohio history connection;
- (24) Limiting the authority of the director of environmental protection to enter into contracts under division (D) of section 3745.14 of the Revised Code to conduct compliance reviews, as defined in division (A) of that section;
- (25) Applying to purchases from a qualified nonprofit agency pursuant to sections 125.60 to 125.6012 or 4115.31 to 4115.35 of the Revised Code;
- (26) (25) Applying to payments by the department of job and family services to the United States department of health and human services for printing and mailing notices pertaining to the tax refund offset program of the internal revenue service of the United States department of the treasury;
- (27) (26) Applying to contracts entered into by the department of developmental disabilities under section 5123.18 of the Revised Code;
- (28) (27) Applying to payments made by the department of mental health and addiction services under a physician recruitment program authorized by section 5119.185 of the Revised Code;
- (29) (28) Applying to contracts entered into with persons by the director of commerce for unclaimed funds collection and remittance efforts as provided in division (F) of section 169.03 of the Revised Code. The director shall keep an itemized accounting of unclaimed funds collected by those persons and amounts paid to them for their services.
- (30) (29) Applying to purchases made by a state institution of higher education in accordance with the terms of a contract between the vendor and an inter-university purchasing group comprised of purchasing officers of state institutions of higher education;
- (31) (30) Applying to the department of medicaid's purchases of health assistance services under the children's health insurance program;
- (32) (31) Applying to payments by the attorney general from the reparations fund to hospitals and other emergency medical facilities for performing medical examinations to collect physical evidence pursuant to section 2907.28 of the Revised Code;

- (33) (32) Applying to contracts with a contracting authority or administrative receiver under division (B) of section 5126.056 of the Revised Code;
- (34) (33) Applying to purchases of goods and services by the department of veterans services in accordance with the terms of contracts entered into by the United States department of veterans affairs;
- (35) (34) Applying to payments by the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation to the federal bureau of investigation for criminal records checks pursuant to section 109.572 of the Revised Code;
- (36) (35) Applying to contracts entered into by the department of medicaid under section 5164.47 of the Revised Code;
  - (37) (36) Applying to contracts entered into under section 5160.12 of the Revised Code;
  - (38) (37) Applying to payments to the Ohio history connection from other state agencies.
- (E) When determining whether a state agency has reached the cumulative purchase thresholds established in divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this section, all of the following purchases by such agency shall not be considered:
  - (1) Purchases made through competitive selection or with controlling board approval;
  - (2) Purchases listed in division (D) of this section;
- (3) For the purposes of the threshold of division (B)(1) of this section only, leases of real estate.
- (F) As used in this section, "competitive selection," "purchase," "supplies," and "services" have the same meanings as in section 125.01 of the Revised Code.
- Sec. 1533.722. The chief of the division of wildlife, by rule adopted pursuant to section 1531.08 of the Revised Code, may levy an administrative penalty against any person who violates section 1533.721 of the Revised Code or any division rule regarding wild animal hunting preserves. The chief shall levy the administrative penalty in accordance with procedures and in an amount established by rule.
- Sec. 1561.07. The mining laws of this state shall extend to and govern the operation of clay mines and clay stripping pits in so far as such laws are applicable thereto. The chief of the division of mineral resources management shall adopt, publish, and enforce specific rules particularly applicable to clay mining operations to safeguard life and property in the clay mining industry and to secure safe and sanitary working conditions in such clay mines and clay stripping pits.

Such rules adopted by the chief shall provide that:

- (A) Distances between break-throughs in clay mines shall not exceed one hundred feet, unless permission in special cases is granted by the chief, after maps have been filed with the chief showing the method of working and ventilating the same, if such distances would add to increased safety.
- (B) When, in the opinion of the mine foreperson or deputy mine inspector, line brattices or other approved methods of circulation are necessary to deliver sufficient air to the working face, they shall be provided by the owner, operator, or lessee.
- (C) Not more than a two days' supply of explosives shall be stored in a clay mine at any one time, and not more than one hundred pounds of explosives shall be stored in any one place at any one time.

- (D) Charges of explosives shall be made up at least one hundred feet away from any storage place for explosives.
- (E) There shall be no less than two persons in each working place when shots are being lighted.
- (F) Misfired shots in clay mines shall be posted on the bulletin board or other conspicuous place available for examination by the workers when shots are fired by other than the loaders.
  - (G) The use of electric blasting caps shall be encouraged as a safety measure.

The chief, in assigning deputy mine inspectors, shall designate inspectors who have had experience and are especially qualified in clay mining operations, to examine and inspect clay mining operations and enforce the law relating to such operations.

The A person does not need to be certified by the chief, in conducting as a clay mine foreperson to perform the duties of a foreperson at a clay mine or clay stripping pits. The chief shall not conduct examinations and issuing or issue certificates for clay mine forepersons, shall provide by rules adopted under section 1561.05 of the Revised Code for the examination of applicants for certificates as mine forepersons in a clay mine or clay stripping pits to test the applicant on experience and fitness on the problems and duties peculiar to the clay mining industry. An applicant for a certificate as a clay mine foreperson shall have at least three years' experience in mining operations.

Sec. 2925.01. As used in this chapter:

- (A) "Administer," "controlled substance," "controlled substance analog," "dispense," "distribute," "hypodermic," "manufacturer," "official written order," "person," "pharmacist," "pharmacy," "sale," "schedule I," "schedule II," "schedule III," "schedule IV," "schedule V," and "wholesaler" have the same meanings as in section 3719.01 of the Revised Code.
- (B) "Drug dependent person" and "drug of abuse" have the same meanings as in section 3719.011 of the Revised Code.
- (C) "Drug," "dangerous drug," "licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs," and "prescription" have the same meanings as in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code.
  - (D) "Bulk amount" of a controlled substance means any of the following:
- (1) For any compound, mixture, preparation, or substance included in schedule II, schedule II, or schedule III, with the exception of any controlled substance analog, marihuana, cocaine, L.S.D., heroin, any fentanyl-related compound, and hashish and except as provided in division (D)(2), (5), or (6) of this section, whichever of the following is applicable:
- (a) An amount equal to or exceeding ten grams or twenty-five unit doses of a compound, mixture, preparation, or substance that is or contains any amount of a schedule I opiate or opium derivative;
- (b) An amount equal to or exceeding ten grams of a compound, mixture, preparation, or substance that is or contains any amount of raw or gum opium;
- (c) An amount equal to or exceeding thirty grams or ten unit doses of a compound, mixture, preparation, or substance that is or contains any amount of a schedule I hallucinogen other than tetrahydrocannabinol or lysergic acid amide, or a schedule I stimulant or depressant;
- (d) An amount equal to or exceeding twenty grams or five times the maximum daily dose in the usual dose range specified in a standard pharmaceutical reference manual of a compound,

mixture, preparation, or substance that is or contains any amount of a schedule II opiate or opium derivative;

- (e) An amount equal to or exceeding five grams or ten unit doses of a compound, mixture, preparation, or substance that is or contains any amount of phencyclidine;
- (f) An amount equal to or exceeding one hundred twenty grams or thirty times the maximum daily dose in the usual dose range specified in a standard pharmaceutical reference manual of a compound, mixture, preparation, or substance that is or contains any amount of a schedule II stimulant that is in a final dosage form manufactured by a person authorized by the "Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act," 52 Stat. 1040 (1938), 21 U.S.C.A. 301, as amended, and the federal drug abuse control laws, as defined in section 3719.01 of the Revised Code, that is or contains any amount of a schedule II depressant substance or a schedule II hallucinogenic substance;
- (g) An amount equal to or exceeding three grams of a compound, mixture, preparation, or substance that is or contains any amount of a schedule II stimulant, or any of its salts or isomers, that is not in a final dosage form manufactured by a person authorized by the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and the federal drug abuse control laws.
- (2) An amount equal to or exceeding one hundred twenty grams or thirty times the maximum daily dose in the usual dose range specified in a standard pharmaceutical reference manual of a compound, mixture, preparation, or substance that is or contains any amount of a schedule III or IV substance other than an anabolic steroid or a schedule III opiate or opium derivative;
- (3) An amount equal to or exceeding twenty grams or five times the maximum daily dose in the usual dose range specified in a standard pharmaceutical reference manual of a compound, mixture, preparation, or substance that is or contains any amount of a schedule III opiate or opium derivative;
- (4) An amount equal to or exceeding two hundred fifty milliliters or two hundred fifty grams of a compound, mixture, preparation, or substance that is or contains any amount of a schedule V substance;
- (5) An amount equal to or exceeding two hundred solid dosage units, sixteen grams, or sixteen milliliters of a compound, mixture, preparation, or substance that is or contains any amount of a schedule III anabolic steroid;
- (6) For any compound, mixture, preparation, or substance that is a combination of a fentanyl-related compound and any other compound, mixture, preparation, or substance included in schedule III, schedule IV, or schedule V, if the defendant is charged with a violation of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code and the sentencing provisions set forth in divisions (C)(10)(b) and (C)(11) of that section will not apply regarding the defendant and the violation, the bulk amount of the controlled substance for purposes of the violation is the amount specified in division (D)(1), (2), (3), (4), or (5) of this section for the other schedule III, IV, or V controlled substance that is combined with the fentanyl-related compound.
- (E) "Unit dose" means an amount or unit of a compound, mixture, or preparation containing a controlled substance that is separately identifiable and in a form that indicates that it is the amount or unit by which the controlled substance is separately administered to or taken by an individual.
  - (F) "Cultivate" includes planting, watering, fertilizing, or tilling.
  - (G) "Drug abuse offense" means any of the following:

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- (1) A violation of division (A) of section 2913.02 that constitutes theft of drugs, or a violation of section 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.04, 2925.041, 2925.05, 2925.06, 2925.11, 2925.12, 2925.13, 2925.22, 2925.23, 2925.24, 2925.31, 2925.32, 2925.36, or 2925.37 of the Revised Code;
- (2) A violation of an existing or former law of this or any other state or of the United States that is substantially equivalent to any section listed in division (G)(1) of this section;
- (3) An offense under an existing or former law of this or any other state, or of the United States, of which planting, cultivating, harvesting, processing, making, manufacturing, producing, shipping, transporting, delivering, acquiring, possessing, storing, distributing, dispensing, selling, inducing another to use, administering to another, using, or otherwise dealing with a controlled substance is an element;
- (4) A conspiracy to commit, attempt to commit, or complicity in committing or attempting to commit any offense under division (G)(1), (2), or (3) of this section.
- (H) "Felony drug abuse offense" means any drug abuse offense that would constitute a felony under the laws of this state, any other state, or the United States.
- (I) "Harmful intoxicant" does not include beer or intoxicating liquor but means any of the following:
- (1) Any compound, mixture, preparation, or substance the gas, fumes, or vapor of which when inhaled can induce intoxication, excitement, giddiness, irrational behavior, depression, stupefaction, paralysis, unconsciousness, asphyxiation, or other harmful physiological effects, and includes, but is not limited to, any of the following:
- (a) Any volatile organic solvent, plastic cement, model cement, fingernail polish remover, lacquer thinner, cleaning fluid, gasoline, or other preparation containing a volatile organic solvent;
  - (b) Any aerosol propellant;
  - (c) Any fluorocarbon refrigerant;
  - (d) Any anesthetic gas.
  - (2) Gamma Butyrolactone:
  - (3) 1,4 Butanediol.
- (J) "Manufacture" means to plant, cultivate, harvest, process, make, prepare, or otherwise engage in any part of the production of a drug, by propagation, extraction, chemical synthesis, or compounding, or any combination of the same, and includes packaging, repackaging, labeling, and other activities incident to production.
- (K) "Possess" or "possession" means having control over a thing or substance, but may not be inferred solely from mere access to the thing or substance through ownership or occupation of the premises upon which the thing or substance is found.
- (L) "Sample drug" means a drug or pharmaceutical preparation that would be hazardous to health or safety if used without the supervision of a licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs, or a drug of abuse, and that, at one time, had been placed in a container plainly marked as a sample by a manufacturer.
- (M) "Standard pharmaceutical reference manual" means the current edition, with cumulative changes if any, of references that are approved by the state board of pharmacy.
  - (N) "Juvenile" means a person under eighteen years of age.
  - (O) "Counterfeit controlled substance" means any of the following:

- (1) Any drug that bears, or whose container or label bears, a trademark, trade name, or other identifying mark used without authorization of the owner of rights to that trademark, trade name, or identifying mark;
- (2) Any unmarked or unlabeled substance that is represented to be a controlled substance manufactured, processed, packed, or distributed by a person other than the person that manufactured, processed, packed, or distributed it;
- (3) Any substance that is represented to be a controlled substance but is not a controlled substance or is a different controlled substance;
- (4) Any substance other than a controlled substance that a reasonable person would believe to be a controlled substance because of its similarity in shape, size, and color, or its markings, labeling, packaging, distribution, or the price for which it is sold or offered for sale.
- (P) An offense is "committed in the vicinity of a school" if the offender commits the offense on school premises, in a school building, or within one thousand feet of the boundaries of any school premises, regardless of whether the offender knows the offense is being committed on school premises, in a school building, or within one thousand feet of the boundaries of any school premises.
- (Q) "School" means any school operated by a board of education, any community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, or any nonpublic school for which the state board of education prescribes minimum standards under section 3301.07 of the Revised Code, whether or not any instruction, extracurricular activities, or training provided by the school is being conducted at the time a criminal offense is committed.
  - (R) "School premises" means either of the following:
- (1) The parcel of real property on which any school is situated, whether or not any instruction, extracurricular activities, or training provided by the school is being conducted on the premises at the time a criminal offense is committed;
- (2) Any other parcel of real property that is owned or leased by a board of education of a school, the governing authority of a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, or the governing body of a nonpublic school for which the state board of education prescribes minimum standards under section 3301.07 of the Revised Code and on which some of the instruction, extracurricular activities, or training of the school is conducted, whether or not any instruction, extracurricular activities, or training provided by the school is being conducted on the parcel of real property at the time a criminal offense is committed.
- (S) "School building" means any building in which any of the instruction, extracurricular activities, or training provided by a school is conducted, whether or not any instruction, extracurricular activities, or training provided by the school is being conducted in the school building at the time a criminal offense is committed.
- (T) "Disciplinary counsel" means the disciplinary counsel appointed by the board of commissioners on grievances and discipline of the supreme court under the Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio.
- (U) "Certified grievance committee" means a duly constituted and organized committee of the Ohio state bar association or of one or more local bar associations of the state of Ohio that complies with the criteria set forth in Rule V, section 6 of the Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio.

- (V) "Professional license" means any license, permit, certificate, registration, qualification, admission, temporary license, temporary permit, temporary certificate, or temporary registration that is described in divisions (W)(1) to (37) of this section and that qualifies a person as a professionally licensed person.
  - (W) "Professionally licensed person" means any of the following:
- (1) A person who has received a certificate or temporary certificate as a certified public accountant or who has registered as a public accountant under Chapter 4701. of the Revised Code and who holds an Ohio permit issued under that chapter;
- (2) A person who holds a certificate of qualification to practice architecture issued or renewed and registered under Chapter 4703. of the Revised Code;
- (3) A person who is registered as a landscape architect under Chapter 4703. of the Revised Code or who holds a permit as a landscape architect issued under that chapter;
  - (4) A person licensed under Chapter 4707. of the Revised Code;
- (5) A person who has been issued a certificate of registration as a registered barber under Chapter 4709. of the Revised Code;
- (6) A person licensed and regulated to engage in the business of a debt pooling company by a legislative authority, under authority of Chapter 4710. of the Revised Code;
- (7) A person who has been issued a cosmetologist's license, hair designer's license, manicurist's license, esthetician's license, natural hair stylist's license, advanced cosmetologist's license, advanced hair designer's license, advanced manicurist's license, advanced esthetician's license, advanced natural hair stylist's license, cosmetology instructor's license, hair design instructor's license, manicurist instructor's license, esthetics instructor's license, natural hair style instructor's license, independent contractor's license, or tanning facility permit under Chapter 4713. of the Revised Code;
- (8) A person who has been issued a license to practice dentistry, a general anesthesia permit, a conscious sedation permit, a limited resident's license, a limited teaching license, a dental hygienist's license, or a dental hygienist's teacher's certificate under Chapter 4715. of the Revised Code;
- (9) A person who has been issued an embalmer's license, a funeral director's license, a funeral home license, or a crematory license, or who has been registered for an embalmer's or funeral director's apprenticeship under Chapter 4717. of the Revised Code;
- (10) A person who has been licensed as a registered nurse or practical nurse, or who has been issued a certificate for the practice of nurse-midwifery under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code;
- (11) A person who has been licensed to practice optometry or to engage in optical dispensing under Chapter 4725. of the Revised Code;
  - (12) A person licensed to act as a pawnbroker under Chapter 4727. of the Revised Code;
- (13) A person licensed to act as a precious metals dealer under Chapter 4728. of the Revised Code;
- (14) A person licensed under Chapter 4729. of the Revised Code as a pharmacist or pharmacy intern or registered under that chapter as a registered pharmacy technician, certified pharmacy technician, or pharmacy technician trainee;
- (15) A person licensed under Chapter 4729. of the Revised Code as a manufacturer of dangerous drugs, outsourcing facility, third-party logistics provider, repackager of dangerous drugs,

wholesale distributor of dangerous drugs, or terminal distributor of dangerous drugs;

- (16) A person who is authorized to practice as a physician assistant under Chapter 4730. of the Revised Code;
- (17) A person who has been issued a license to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine and surgery under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code or has been issued a certificate to practice a limited branch of medicine under that chapter;
- (18) A person licensed as a psychologist or school psychologist under Chapter 4732. of the Revised Code;
- (19) A person registered to practice the profession of engineering or surveying under Chapter 4733. of the Revised Code;
- (20) A person who has been issued a license to practice chiropractic under Chapter 4734. of the Revised Code;
- (21) A person licensed to act as a real estate broker or real estate salesperson under Chapter 4735. of the Revised Code;
- (22) A person registered as a registered sanitarian environmental health specialist under Chapter 4736. of the Revised Code;
- (23) A person licensed to operate or maintain a junkyard under Chapter 4737. of the Revised Code;
- (24) A person who has been issued a motor vehicle salvage dealer's license under Chapter 4738. of the Revised Code;
- (25) A person who has been licensed to act as a steam engineer under Chapter 4739. of the Revised Code;
- (26) A person who has been issued a license or temporary permit to practice veterinary medicine or any of its branches, or who is registered as a graduate animal technician under Chapter 4741. of the Revised Code;
- (27) A person who has been issued a hearing aid dealer's or fitter's license or trainee permit under Chapter 4747. of the Revised Code;
- (28) A person who has been issued a class A, class B, or class C license or who has been registered as an investigator or security guard employee under Chapter 4749. of the Revised Code;
- (29) A person licensed to practice as a nursing home administrator under Chapter 4751. of the Revised Code;
- (30) A person licensed to practice as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist under Chapter 4753. of the Revised Code;
- (31) A person issued a license as an occupational therapist or physical therapist under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code;
- (32) A person who is licensed as a licensed professional clinical counselor, licensed professional counselor, social worker, independent social worker, independent marriage and family therapist, or marriage and family therapist, or registered as a social work assistant under Chapter 4757. of the Revised Code;
  - (33) A person issued a license to practice dietetics under Chapter 4759. of the Revised Code;
- (34) A person who has been issued a license or limited permit to practice respiratory therapy under Chapter 4761. of the Revised Code;

- (35) A person who has been issued a real estate appraiser certificate under Chapter 4763. of the Revised Code;
- (36) A person who has been issued a home inspector license under Chapter 4764. of the Revised Code;
- (37) A person who has been admitted to the bar by order of the supreme court in compliance with its prescribed and published rules.
  - (X) "Cocaine" means any of the following:
- (1) A cocaine salt, isomer, or derivative, a salt of a cocaine isomer or derivative, or the base form of cocaine;
- (2) Coca leaves or a salt, compound, derivative, or preparation of coca leaves, including ecgonine, a salt, isomer, or derivative of ecgonine, or a salt of an isomer or derivative of ecgonine;
- (3) A salt, compound, derivative, or preparation of a substance identified in division (X)(1) or (2) of this section that is chemically equivalent to or identical with any of those substances, except that the substances shall not include decocainized coca leaves or extraction of coca leaves if the extractions do not contain cocaine or ecgonine.
  - (Y) "L.S.D." means lysergic acid diethylamide.
- (Z) "Hashish" means the resin or a preparation of the resin contained in marihuana, whether in solid form or in a liquid concentrate, liquid extract, or liquid distillate form.
- (AA) "Marihuana" has the same meaning as in section 3719.01 of the Revised Code, except that it does not include hashish.
- (BB) An offense is "committed in the vicinity of a juvenile" if the offender commits the offense within one hundred feet of a juvenile or within the view of a juvenile, regardless of whether the offender knows the age of the juvenile, whether the offender knows the offense is being committed within one hundred feet of or within view of the juvenile, or whether the juvenile actually views the commission of the offense.
- (CC) "Presumption for a prison term" or "presumption that a prison term shall be imposed" means a presumption, as described in division (D) of section 2929.13 of the Revised Code, that a prison term is a necessary sanction for a felony in order to comply with the purposes and principles of sentencing under section 2929.11 of the Revised Code.
- (DD) "Major drug offender" has the same meaning as in section 2929.01 of the Revised Code.
  - (EE) "Minor drug possession offense" means either of the following:
  - (1) A violation of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996;
- (2) A violation of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code as it exists on and after July 1, 1996, that is a misdemeanor or a felony of the fifth degree.
- (FF) "Mandatory prison term" has the same meaning as in section 2929.01 of the Revised Code.
- (GG) "Adulterate" means to cause a drug to be adulterated as described in section 3715.63 of the Revised Code.
- (HH) "Public premises" means any hotel, restaurant, tavern, store, arena, hall, or other place of public accommodation, business, amusement, or resort.
  - (II) "Methamphetamine" means methamphetamine, any salt, isomer, or salt of an isomer of

methamphetamine, or any compound, mixture, preparation, or substance containing methamphetamine or any salt, isomer, or salt of an isomer of methamphetamine.

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- (JJ) "Deception" has the same meaning as in section 2913.01 of the Revised Code.
- (KK) "Fentanyl-related compound" means any of the following:
- (1) Fentanyl;
- (2) Alpha-methylfentanyl (N-[1-(alpha-methyl-beta-phenyl)ethyl-4- piperidyl]propionanilide; 1-(1-methyl-2-phenylethyl)-4-(N-propanilido) piperidine);
- (3) Alpha-methylthiofentanyl (N-[1-methyl-2-(2-thienyl)ethyl-4- piperidinyl]-N-phenylpropanamide);
- (4) Beta-hydroxyfentanyl (N-[1-(2-hydroxy-2-phenethyl-4-piperidinyl] -N-phenylpropanamide);
- (5) Beta-hydroxy-3-methylfentanyl (other name: N-[1-(2-hydroxy-2- phenethyl)-3-methyl-4-piperidinyl]-N- phenylpropanamide);
  - (6) 3-methylfentanyl (N-[3-methyl-1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-piperidyl]-N- phenylpropanamide);
- (7) 3-methylthiofentanyl (N-[3-methyl-1-[2-(thienyl)ethyl]-4- piperidinyl]-N-phenylpropanamide);
  - (8) Para-fluorofentanyl (N-(4-fluorophenyl)-N-[1-(2-phenethyl)-4-piperidinyl]propanamide;
  - (9) Thiofentanyl (N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-thienyl)ethyl-4-piperidinyl]- propanamide;
  - (10) Alfentanil;
  - (11) Carfentanil;
  - (12) Remifentanil;
  - (13) Sufentanil;
- (14) Acetyl-alpha-methylfentanyl (N-[1-(1-methyl-2-phenethyl)-4- piperidinyl]-N-phenylacetamide); and
- (15) Any compound that meets all of the following fentanyl pharmacophore requirements to bind at the mu receptor, as identified by a report from an established forensic laboratory, including acetylfentanyl, furanylfentanyl, valerylfentanyl, butyrylfentanyl, isobutyrylfentanyl, 4-methoxybutyrylfentanyl, para-fluorobutyrylfentanyl, acrylfentanyl, and ortho-fluorofentanyl:
  - (a) A chemical scaffold consisting of both of the following:
- (i) A five, six, or seven member ring structure containing a nitrogen, whether or not further substituted;
- (ii) An attached nitrogen to the ring, whether or not that nitrogen is enclosed in a ring structure, including an attached aromatic ring or other lipophilic group to that nitrogen.
- (b) A polar functional group attached to the chemical scaffold, including but not limited to a hydroxyl, ketone, amide, or ester;
  - (c) An alkyl or aryl substitution off the ring nitrogen of the chemical scaffold; and
- (d) The compound has not been approved for medical use by the United States food and drug administration.
- (LL) "First degree felony mandatory prison term" means one of the definite prison terms prescribed in division (A)(1)(b) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code for a felony of the first degree, except that if the violation for which sentence is being imposed is committed on or after-the effective date of this amendment March 22, 2019, it means one of the minimum prison terms

prescribed in division (A)(1)(a) of that section for a felony of the first degree.

- (MM) "Second degree felony mandatory prison term" means one of the definite prison terms prescribed in division (A)(2)(b) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code for a felony of the second degree, except that if the violation for which sentence is being imposed is committed on or after—the effective date of this amendment March 22,2019, it means one of the minimum prison terms prescribed in division (A)(2)(a) of that section for a felony of the second degree.
- (NN) "Maximum first degree felony mandatory prison term" means the maximum definite prison term prescribed in division (A)(1)(b) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code for a felony of the first degree, except that if the violation for which sentence is being imposed is committed on or after the effective date of this amendment March 22, 2019, it means the longest minimum prison term prescribed in division (A)(1)(a) of that section for a felony of the first degree.
- (OO) "Maximum second degree felony mandatory prison term" means the maximum definite prison term prescribed in division (A)(2)(b) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code for a felony of the second degree, except that if the violation for which sentence is being imposed is committed on or after the effective date of this amendment March 22, 2019, it means the longest minimum prison term prescribed in division (A)(2)(a) of that section for a felony of the second degree.

Sec. 3307.01. As used in this chapter:

- (A) "Employer" means the board of education, school district, governing authority of any community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, college, university, institution, or other agency within the state by which a teacher is employed and paid.
  - (B)(1) "Teacher" means all of the following:
- (a) Any person paid from public funds and employed in the public schools of the state under any type of contract described in section 3311.77 or 3319.08 of the Revised Code in a position for which the person is required to have a license <u>or registration</u> issued pursuant to sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code;
- (b) Except as provided in division (B)(2)(b) or (c) of this section, any person employed as a teacher or faculty member in a community school or a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school pursuant to Chapter 3314. or 3326. of the Revised Code;
- (c) Any person having a license <u>or registration</u> issued pursuant to sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code and employed in a public school in this state in an educational position, as determined by the state board of education, under programs provided for by federal acts or regulations and financed in whole or in part from federal funds, but for which no licensure requirements for the position can be made under the provisions of such federal acts or regulations;
- (d) Any other teacher or faculty member employed in any school, college, university, institution, or other agency wholly controlled and managed, and supported in whole or in part, by the state or any political subdivision thereof, including Central state university, Cleveland state university, and the university of Toledo;
- (e) The educational employees of the department of education, as determined by the state superintendent of public instruction.

In all cases of doubt, the state teachers retirement board shall determine whether any person is a teacher, and its decision shall be final.

(2) "Teacher" does not include any of the following:

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- (a) Any eligible employee of a public institution of higher education, as defined in section 3305.01 of the Revised Code, who elects to participate in an alternative retirement plan established under Chapter 3305. of the Revised Code;
- (b) Any person employed by a community school operator, as defined in section 3314.02 of the Revised Code, if on or before February 1, 2016, the school's operator was withholding and paying employee and employer taxes pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 3101(a) and 3111(a) for persons employed in the school as teachers, unless the person had contributing service in a community school in the state within one year prior to the later of February 1, 2016, or the date on which the operator for the first time withholds and pays employee and employer taxes pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 3101(a) and 3111(a) for that person;
- (c) Any person who would otherwise be a teacher under division (B)(2)(b) of this section who terminates employment with a community school operator and has no contributing service in a community school in the state for a period of at least one year from the date of termination of employment.
- (C) "Member" means any person included in the membership of the state teachers retirement system, which shall consist of all teachers and contributors as defined in divisions (B) and (D) of this section and all disability benefit recipients, as defined in section 3307.50 of the Revised Code. However, for purposes of this chapter, the following persons shall not be considered members:
- (1) A student, intern, or resident who is not a member while employed part-time by a school, college, or university at which the student, intern, or resident is regularly attending classes;
  - (2) A person denied membership pursuant to section 3307.24 of the Revised Code;
- (3) An other system retirant, as defined in section 3307.35 of the Revised Code, or a superannuate;
- (4) An individual employed in a program established pursuant to the "Job Training Partnership Act," 96 Stat. 1322 (1982), 29 U.S.C.A. 1501;
- (5) The surviving spouse of a member or retirant if the surviving spouse's only connection to the retirement system is an account in an STRS defined contribution plan.
- (D) "Contributor" means any person who has an account in the teachers' savings fund or defined contribution fund, except that "contributor" does not mean a member or retirant's surviving spouse with an account in an STRS defined contribution plan.
- (E) "Beneficiary" means any person eligible to receive, or in receipt of, a retirement allowance or other benefit provided by this chapter.
- (F) "Year" means the year beginning the first day of July and ending with the thirtieth day of June next following, except that for the purpose of determining final average salary under the plan described in sections 3307.50 to 3307.79 of the Revised Code, "year" may mean the contract year.
- (G) "Local district pension system" means any school teachers pension fund created in any school district of the state in accordance with the laws of the state prior to September 1, 1920.
- (H) "Employer contribution" means the amount paid by an employer, as determined by the employer rate, including the normal and deficiency rates, contributions, and funds wherever used in this chapter.
  - (I) "Five years of service credit" means employment covered under this chapter and

employment covered under a former retirement plan operated, recognized, or endorsed by a college, institute, university, or political subdivision of this state prior to coverage under this chapter.

- (J) "Actuary" means an actuarial professional contracted with or employed by the state teachers retirement board, who shall be either of the following:
  - (1) A member of the American academy of actuaries;
- (2) A firm, partnership, or corporation of which at least one person is a member of the American academy of actuaries.
  - (K) "Fiduciary" means a person who does any of the following:
- (1) Exercises any discretionary authority or control with respect to the management of the system, or with respect to the management or disposition of its assets;
- (2) Renders investment advice for a fee, direct or indirect, with respect to money or property of the system;
  - (3) Has any discretionary authority or responsibility in the administration of the system.
- (L)(1)(a) Except as provided in this division, "compensation" means all salary, wages, and other earnings paid to a teacher by reason of the teacher's employment, including compensation paid pursuant to a supplemental contract. The salary, wages, and other earnings shall be determined prior to determination of the amount required to be contributed to the teachers' savings fund or defined contribution fund under section 3307.26 of the Revised Code and without regard to whether any of the salary, wages, or other earnings are treated as deferred income for federal income tax purposes.
- (b) Except as provided in division (L)(1)(c) of this section, "compensation" includes amounts paid by an employer as a retroactive payment of earnings, damages, or back pay pursuant to a court order, court-adopted settlement agreement, or other settlement agreement if the retirement system receives both of the following:
- (i) Teacher and employer contributions under sections 3307.26 and 3307.28 of the Revised Code, plus interest compounded annually at a rate determined by the state teachers retirement board, for each year or portion of a year for which amounts are paid under the order or agreement;
- (ii) Teacher and employer contributions under sections 3307.26 and 3307.28 of the Revised Code, plus interest compounded annually at a rate determined by the board, for each year or portion of a year not subject to division (L)(1)(b)(i) of this section for which the board determines the teacher was improperly paid, regardless of the teacher's ability to recover on such amounts improperly paid.
- (c) If any portion of an amount paid by an employer as a retroactive payment of earnings, damages, or back pay is for an amount, benefit, or payment described in division (L)(2) of this section, that portion of the amount is not compensation under this section.
  - (2) Compensation does not include any of the following:
- (a) Payments for accrued but unused sick leave or personal leave, including payments made under a plan established pursuant to section 124.39 of the Revised Code or any other plan established by the employer;
- (b) Payments made for accrued but unused vacation leave, including payments made pursuant to section 124.13 of the Revised Code or a plan established by the employer;
- (c) Payments made for vacation pay covering concurrent periods for which other salary, compensation, or benefits under this chapter or Chapter 145. or 3309. of the Revised Code are paid;
  - (d) Amounts paid by the employer to provide life insurance, sickness, accident, endowment,

health, medical, hospital, dental, or surgical coverage, or other insurance for the teacher or the teacher's family, or amounts paid by the employer to the teacher in lieu of providing the insurance;

- (e) Incidental benefits, including lodging, food, laundry, parking, or services furnished by the employer, use of the employer's property or equipment, and reimbursement for job-related expenses authorized by the employer, including moving and travel expenses and expenses related to professional development;
- (f) Payments made by the employer in exchange for a member's waiver of a right to receive any payment, amount, or benefit described in division (L)(2) of this section;
  - (g) Payments by the employer for services not actually rendered;
- (h) Any amount paid by the employer as a retroactive increase in salary, wages, or other earnings, unless the increase is one of the following:
- (i) A retroactive increase paid to a member employed by a school district board of education in a position that requires a license designated for teaching and not designated for being an administrator issued under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code that is paid in accordance with uniform criteria applicable to all members employed by the board in positions requiring the licenses;
- (ii) A retroactive increase paid to a member employed by a school district board of education in a position that requires a license designated for being an administrator issued under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code that is paid in accordance with uniform criteria applicable to all members employed by the board in positions requiring the licenses;
- (iii) A retroactive increase paid to a member employed by a school district board of education as a superintendent that is also paid as described in division (L)(2)(h)(i) of this section;
- (iv) A retroactive increase paid to a member employed by an employer other than a school district board of education in accordance with uniform criteria applicable to all members employed by the employer.
- (i) Payments made to or on behalf of a teacher that are in excess of the annual compensation that may be taken into account by the retirement system under division (a)(17) of section 401 of the "Internal Revenue Code of 1986," 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C.A. 401(a)(17), as amended. For a teacher who first establishes membership before July 1, 1996, the annual compensation that may be taken into account by the retirement system shall be determined under division (d)(3) of section 13212 of the "Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993," Pub. L. No. 103-66, 107 Stat. 472.
- (j) Payments made under division (B), (C), or (E) of section 5923.05 of the Revised Code, Section 4 of Substitute Senate Bill No. 3 of the 119th general assembly, Section 3 of Amended Substitute Senate Bill No. 164 of the 124th general assembly, or Amended Substitute House Bill No. 405 of the 124th general assembly;
- (k) Anything of value received by the teacher that is based on or attributable to retirement or an agreement to retire;
  - (3) The retirement board shall determine both of the following:
- (a) Whether particular forms of earnings are included in any of the categories enumerated in this division;
- (b) Whether any form of earnings not enumerated in this division is to be included in compensation.

Decisions of the board made under this division shall be final.

- (M) "Superannuate" means both of the following:
- (1) A former teacher receiving from the system a retirement allowance under section 3307.58 or 3307.59 of the Revised Code;
- (2) A former teacher receiving a benefit from the system under a plan established under section 3307.81 of the Revised Code, except that "superannuate" does not include a former teacher who is receiving a benefit based on disability under a plan established under section 3307.81 of the Revised Code.

For purposes of sections 3307.35 and 3307.353 of the Revised Code, "superannuate" also means a former teacher receiving from the system a combined service retirement benefit paid in accordance with section 3307.57 of the Revised Code, regardless of which retirement system is paying the benefit.

- (N) "STRS defined benefit plan" means the plan described in sections 3307.50 to 3307.79 of the Revised Code.
- (O) "STRS defined contribution plan" means the plans established under section 3307.81 of the Revised Code and includes the STRS combined plan under that section.
- (P) "Faculty" means the teaching staff of a university, college, or school, including any academic administrators.

Sec. 3307.24. The state teachers retirement board may deny the right to contribute or the right to become members to any class of teachers whose compensation is partly paid by the state, who are not serving on a per annum basis, who are on a temporary basis, or who are not required to have an educator license or registration, and it may also make optional with teachers in any such class their right to contribute, or their right to individual entrance into membership.

The state teachers retirement board may at any time deny the right to contribute or the right to membership to any teacher whose compensation, though disbursed by an employer, is reimbursed to the employer, in whole or in part, from other than public funds.

Sec. 3309.01. As used in this chapter:

- (A) "Employer" or "public employer" means boards of education, school districts, joint vocational districts, governing authorities of community schools established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, educational institutions, technical colleges, state, municipal, and community colleges, community college branches, universities, university branches, other educational institutions, or other agencies within the state by which an employee is employed and paid, including any organization using federal funds, provided the federal funds are disbursed by an employer as determined by the above. In all cases of doubt, the school employees retirement board shall determine whether any employer is an employer as defined in this chapter, and its decision shall be final.
  - (B) "Employee" means all of the following:
- (1) Any person employed by a public employer in a position for which the person is not required to have a <u>registration</u>, certificate, or license issued pursuant to sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code;
- (2) Any person who performs a service common to the normal daily operation of an educational unit even though the person is employed and paid by one who has contracted with an

employer to perform the service, and the contracting board or educational unit shall be the employer for the purposes of administering the provisions of this chapter;

(3) Any person, not a faculty member, employed in any school or college or other institution wholly controlled and managed, and wholly or partly supported by the state or any political subdivision thereof, the board of trustees, or other managing body of which shall accept the requirements and obligations of this chapter.

In all cases of doubt, the school employees retirement board shall determine whether any person is an employee, as defined in this division, and its decision is final.

- (C) "Prior service" means all service rendered prior to September 1, 1937:
- (1) As an employee as defined in division (B) of this section;
- (2) As an employee in a capacity covered by the public employees retirement system or the state teachers retirement system;
- (3) As an employee of an institution in another state, service credit for which was procured by a member under the provisions of section 3309.31 of the Revised Code.

Prior service, for service as an employee in a capacity covered by the public employees retirement system or the state teachers retirement system, shall be granted a member under qualifications identical to the laws and rules applicable to service credit in those systems.

Prior service shall not be granted any member for service rendered in a capacity covered by the public employees retirement system, the state teachers retirement system, and this system in the event the service credit has, in the respective systems, been received, waived by exemption, or forfeited by withdrawal of contributions, except as provided in this chapter.

If a member who has been granted prior service should, subsequent to September 16, 1957, and before retirement, establish three years of contributing service in the public employees retirement system, or one year in the state teachers retirement system, then the prior service granted shall become, at retirement, the liability of the other system, if the prior service or employment was in a capacity that is covered by that system.

The provisions of this division shall not cancel any prior service granted a member by the school employees retirement board prior to August 1, 1959.

- (D) "Total service," "total service credit," or "Ohio service credit" means all contributing service of a member of the school employees retirement system, and all prior service, computed as provided in this chapter, and all service established pursuant to sections 3309.31, 3309.311, and 3309.33 of the Revised Code. In addition, "total service" includes any period, not in excess of three years, during which a member was out of service and receiving benefits from the state insurance fund, provided the injury or incapacitation was the direct result of school employment.
- (E) "Member" means any employee, except an SERS retirant or other system retirant as defined in section 3309.341 of the Revised Code, who has established membership in the school employees retirement system. "Member" includes a disability benefit recipient.
- (F) "Contributor" means any person who has an account in the employees' savings fund. When used in the sections listed in division (B) of section 3309.82 of the Revised Code, "contributor" includes any person participating in a plan established under section 3309.81 of the Revised Code.
  - (G) "Retirant" means any former member who retired and is receiving a retirement allowance

under section 3309.36 or 3309.381 or former section 3309.38 of the Revised Code.

- (H) "Beneficiary" or "beneficiaries" means the estate or a person or persons who, as the result of the death of a contributor or retirant, qualifies for or is receiving some right or benefit under this chapter.
- (I) "Interest," as specified in division (E) of section 3309.60 of the Revised Code, means interest at the rates for the respective funds and accounts as the school employees retirement board may determine from time to time.
- (J) "Accumulated contributions" means the sum of all amounts credited to a contributor's account in the employees' savings fund together with any regular interest credited thereon at the rates approved by the retirement board prior to retirement.
- (K) "Final average salary" means the sum of the annual compensation for the three highest years of compensation for which contributions were made by the member, divided by three. If the member has a partial year of contributing service in the year in which the member terminates employment and the partial year is at a rate of compensation that is higher than the rate of compensation for any one of the highest three years of annual earnings, the board shall substitute the compensation earned for the partial year for the compensation earned for a similar fractional portion in the lowest of the three high years of annual compensation before dividing by three. If a member has less than three years of contributing membership, the final average salary shall be the total compensation divided by the total number of years, including any fraction of a year, of contributing service.
- (L) "Annuity" means payments for life derived from contributions made by a contributor and paid from the annuity and pension reserve fund as provided in this chapter. All annuities shall be paid in twelve equal monthly installments.
- (M)(1) "Pension" means annual payments for life derived from appropriations made by an employer and paid from the employers' trust fund or the annuity and pension reserve fund. All pensions shall be paid in twelve equal monthly installments.
- (2) "Disability retirement" means retirement as provided in section 3309.40 of the Revised Code.
  - (N) "Retirement allowance" means the pension plus the annuity.
- (O)(1) "Benefit" means a payment, other than a retirement allowance or the annuity paid under section 3309.344 of the Revised Code, payable from the accumulated contributions of the member or the employer, or both, under this chapter and includes a disability allowance or disability benefit.
- (2) "Disability allowance" means an allowance paid on account of disability under section 3309.401 of the Revised Code.
- (3) "Disability benefit" means a benefit paid as disability retirement under section 3309.40 of the Revised Code, as a disability allowance under section 3309.401 of the Revised Code, or as a disability benefit under section 3309.35 of the Revised Code.
- (P) "Annuity reserve" means the present value, computed upon the basis of mortality tables adopted by the school employees retirement board, of all payments to be made on account of any annuity, or benefit in lieu of any annuity, granted to a retirant.
  - (Q) "Pension reserve" means the present value, computed upon the basis of mortality tables

adopted by the school employees retirement board, of all payments to be made on account of any pension, or benefit in lieu of any pension, granted to a retirant or a beneficiary.

- (R) "Year" means the year beginning the first day of July and ending with the thirtieth day of June next following.
- (S) "Local district pension system" means any school employees' pension fund created in any school district of the state prior to September 1, 1937.
- (T) "Employer contribution" means the amount paid by an employer as determined under section 3309.49 of the Revised Code.
  - (U) "Fiduciary" means a person who does any of the following:
- (1) Exercises any discretionary authority or control with respect to the management of the system, or with respect to the management or disposition of its assets;
- (2) Renders investment advice for a fee, direct or indirect, with respect to money or property of the system;
  - (3) Has any discretionary authority or responsibility in the administration of the system.
- (V)(1) Except as otherwise provided in this division, "compensation" means all salary, wages, and other earnings paid to a contributor by reason of employment. The salary, wages, and other earnings shall be determined prior to determination of the amount required to be contributed to the employees' savings fund under section 3309.47 of the Revised Code and without regard to whether any of the salary, wages, or other earnings are treated as deferred income for federal income tax purposes.
  - (2) Compensation does not include any of the following:
- (a) Payments for accrued but unused sick leave or personal leave, including payments made under a plan established pursuant to section 124.39 of the Revised Code or any other plan established by the employer;
- (b) Payments made for accrued but unused vacation leave, including payments made pursuant to section 124.13 of the Revised Code or a plan established by the employer;
- (c) Payments made for vacation pay covering concurrent periods for which other salary or compensation is also paid or during which benefits are paid under this chapter;
- (d) Amounts paid by the employer to provide life insurance, sickness, accident, endowment, health, medical, hospital, dental, or surgical coverage, or other insurance for the contributor or the contributor's family, or amounts paid by the employer to the contributor in lieu of providing the insurance;
- (e) Incidental benefits, including lodging, food, laundry, parking, or services furnished by the employer, use of the employer's property or equipment, and reimbursement for job-related expenses authorized by the employer, including moving and travel expenses and expenses related to professional development;
- (f) Payments made to or on behalf of a contributor that are in excess of the annual compensation that may be taken into account by the retirement system under division (a)(17) of section 401 of the "Internal Revenue Code of 1986," 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C.A. 401(a)(17), as amended. For a contributor who first establishes membership before July 1, 1996, the annual compensation that may be taken into account by the retirement system shall be determined under division (d)(3) of section 13212 of the "Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993," Pub. L. No.

103-66, 107 Stat. 472;

- (g) Payments made under division (B), (C), or (E) of section 5923.05 of the Revised Code, Section 4 of Substitute Senate Bill No. 3 of the 119th general assembly, Section 3 of Amended Substitute Senate Bill No. 164 of the 124th general assembly, or Amended Substitute House Bill No. 405 of the 124th general assembly;
- (h) Anything of value received by the contributor that is based on or attributable to retirement or an agreement to retire, except that payments made on or before January 1, 1989, that are based on or attributable to an agreement to retire shall be included in compensation if both of the following apply:
- (i) The payments are made in accordance with contract provisions that were in effect prior to January 1, 1986.
- (ii) The employer pays the retirement system an amount specified by the retirement board equal to the additional liability from the payments.
- (3) The retirement board shall determine by rule whether any form of earnings not enumerated in this division is to be included in compensation, and its decision shall be final.
  - (W) "Disability benefit recipient" means a member who is receiving a disability benefit.
  - (X) "Actuary" means an individual who satisfies all of the following requirements:
  - (1) Is a member of the American academy of actuaries;
  - (2) Is an associate or fellow of the society of actuaries;
- (3) Has a minimum of five years' experience in providing actuarial services to public retirement plans.
- Sec. 3309.011. "Employee" as defined in division (B) of section 3309.01 of the Revised Code, does not include any of the following:
- (A) Any person having a license <u>or registration</u> issued pursuant to sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code and employed in a public school in this state in an educational position, as determined by the state board of education, under programs provided for by federal acts or regulations and financed in whole or in part from federal funds, but for which no licensure requirements for the position can be made under the provisions of such federal acts or regulations;
- (B) Any person who participates in an alternative retirement plan established under Chapter 3305. of the Revised Code;
- (C) Any person who elects to transfer from the school employees retirement system to the public employees retirement system under section 3309.312 of the Revised Code;
- (D) Any person whose full-time employment by the university of Akron as a state university law enforcement officer pursuant to section 3345.04 of the Revised Code commences on or after September 16, 1998;
  - (E) Any person described in division (B) of section 3309.013 of the Revised Code;
  - (F) Any person described in division (D) of section 145.011 of the Revised Code;
  - (G) Any person described in division (B)(1)(b) of section 3307.01 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3313.68. (A) The board of education of each city, exempted village, or local school district may appoint one or more school physicians and one or more school dentists. Two or more school districts may unite and employ one such physician and at least one such dentist whose duties shall be such as are prescribed by law. Said school physician shall hold a license to practice medicine

in Ohio, and each school dentist shall be licensed to practice in this state. School physicians and dentists may be discharged at any time by the board of education. School physicians and dentists shall serve one year and until their successors are appointed and shall receive such compensation as the board of education determines. The board of education may also employ registered nurses, as defined by section 4723.01 and licensed as school nurses under section 3319.221—of the Revised Code, to aid in such inspection in such ways as are prescribed by it, and to aid in the conduct and coordination of the school health service program. The school dentists shall make such examinations and diagnoses and render such remedial or corrective treatment for the school children as is prescribed by the board of education; provided that all such remedial or corrective treatment shall be limited to the children whose parents cannot otherwise provide for same, and then only with the written consent of the parents or guardians of such children. School dentists may also conduct such oral hygiene educational work as is authorized by the board of education.

The board of education may delegate the duties and powers provided for in this section to the board of health or officer performing the functions of a board of health within the school district, if such board or officer is willing to assume the same. Boards of education shall co-operate with boards of health in the prevention and control of epidemics.

- (B) Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised Code to the contrary, the board of education of each city, exempted village, or local school district may contract with an educational service center for the services of a school nurse, licensed under section 3319.221 of the Revised Code, or of a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse, licensed under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code, to provide services to students in the district pursuant to section 3313.7112 of the Revised Code.
- (C) In lieu of appointing or employing a school physician or dentist pursuant to division (A) of this section or entering into a contract for the services of a school nurse pursuant to division (B) of this section, the board of education of each city, exempted village, or local school district may enter into a contract under section 3313.721 of the Revised Code for the purpose of providing health care services to students.
- Sec. 3313.7110. (A) The board of education of each city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district may procure epinephrine autoinjectors for each school operated by the district to have on the school premises for use in emergency situations identified under division (C) (5) of this section by doing one of the following:
- (1) Having a licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs, acting in accordance with section 4723.483, 4730.433, or 4731.96 of the Revised Code, personally furnish the epinephrine autoinjectors to the school or school district or issue a prescription for them in the name of the school or district;
- (2) Having the district's superintendent obtain a prescriber-issued protocol that includes definitive orders for epinephrine autoinjectors and the dosages of epinephrine to be administered through them.

A district board that elects to procure epinephrine autoinjectors under this section is encouraged to maintain, at all times, at least two epinephrine <u>injectors</u> at each school operated by the district.

(B) A district board that elects to procure epinephrine autoinjectors under this section shall

require the district's superintendent to adopt a policy governing their maintenance and use. Before adopting the policy, the superintendent shall consult with a licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs.

- (C) The policy adopted under division (B) of this section shall do all of the following:
- (1) Identify the one or more locations in each school operated by the district in which an epinephrine autoinjector must be stored;
- (2) Specify the conditions under which an epinephrine autoinjector must be stored, replaced, and disposed;
- (3) Specify the individuals employed by or under contract with the district board, in addition to a school nurse licensed under section 3319.221 of the Revised Code or an athletic trainer, licensed under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code, who may access and use an epinephrine autoinjector to provide a dosage of epinephrine to an individual in an emergency situation identified under division (C)(5) of this section;
- (4) Specify any training that employees or contractors specified under division (C)(3) of this section, other than a school nurse or athletic trainer, must complete before being authorized to access and use an epinephrine autoinjector;
- (5) Identify the emergency situations, including when an individual exhibits signs and symptoms of anaphylaxis, in which a school nurse, athletic trainer, or other employees or contractors specified under division (C)(3) of this section may access and use an epinephrine autoinjector;
- (6) Specify that assistance from an emergency medical service provider must be requested immediately after an epinephrine autoinjector is used;
- (7) Specify the individuals, in addition to students, school employees or contractors, and school visitors, to whom a dosage of epinephrine may be administered through an epinephrine autoinjector in an emergency situation specified under division (C)(5) of this section.
- (D)(1) The following are not liable in damages in a civil action for injury, death, or loss to person or property that allegedly arises from an act or omission associated with procuring, maintaining, accessing, or using an epinephrine autoinjector under this section, unless the act or omission constitutes willful or wanton misconduct:
  - (a) A school or school district;

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- (b) A member of a district board of education;
- (c) A district or school employee or contractor:
- (d) A licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs who personally furnishes or prescribes epinephrine autoinjectors, consults with a superintendent, or issues a protocol pursuant to this section.
- (2) This section does not eliminate, limit, or reduce any other immunity or defense that a school or school district, member of a district board of education, district or school employee or contractor, or licensed health professional may be entitled to under Chapter 2744. or any other provision of the Revised Code or under the common law of this state.
- (E) A school district board of education may accept donations of epinephrine autoinjectors from a wholesale distributor of dangerous drugs or a manufacturer of dangerous drugs, as defined in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code, and may accept donations of money from any person to purchase epinephrine autoinjectors.

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- (F) A district board that elects to procure epinephrine autoinjectors under this section shall report to the department of education each procurement and occurrence in which an epinephrine autoinjector is used from a school's supply of epinephrine autoinjectors.
- (G) As used in this section, "licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs" and "prescriber" have the same meanings as in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code.
- Sec. 3313.7113. (A) As used in this section, "inhaler" means a device that delivers medication to alleviate asthmatic symptoms, is manufactured in the form of a metered dose inhaler or dry powdered inhaler, and may include a spacer, holding chamber, or other device that attaches to the inhaler and is used to improve the delivery of the medication.
- (B) The board of education of each city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district may procure inhalers for each school operated by the district to have on the school premises for use in emergency situations identified under division (D)(5) of this section. A district board that elects to procure inhalers under this section is encouraged to maintain, at all times, at least two inhalers at each school operated by the district.
- (C) A district board that elects to procure inhalers under this section shall require the district's superintendent to adopt a policy governing their maintenance and use. Before adopting the policy, the superintendent shall consult with a licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs, as defined in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code.
- (D) A component of a policy adopted by a superintendent under division (C) of this section shall be a prescriber-issued protocol specifying definitive orders for inhalers, including the dosages of medication to be administered through them, the number of times that each inhaler may be used before disposal, and the methods of disposal. The policy also shall do all of the following:
- (1) Identify the one or more locations in each school operated by the district in which an inhaler must be stored;
  - (2) Specify the conditions under which an inhaler must be stored, replaced, and disposed;
- (3) Specify the individuals employed by or under contract with the district board, in addition to a school nurse licensed under section 3319.221 of the Revised Code or an athletic trainer, licensed under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code, who may access and use an inhaler to provide a dosage of medication to an individual in an emergency situation identified under division (D)(5) of this section;
- (4) Specify any training that employees or contractors specified under division (D)(3) of this section, other than a school nurse or athletic trainer, must complete before being authorized to access and use an inhaler;
- (5) Identify the emergency situations, including when an individual exhibits signs and symptoms of asthma, in which a school nurse, athletic trainer, or other employees or contractors specified under division (D)(3) of this section may access and use an inhaler;
- (6) Specify that assistance from an emergency medical service provider must be requested immediately after an employee or contractor, other than a school nurse, athletic trainer, or another licensed health professional, uses an inhaler;
- (7) Specify the individuals, in addition to students, school employees or contractors, and school visitors, to whom a dosage of medication may be administered through an inhaler in an emergency situation specified under division (D)(5) of this section.
  - (E) A school or school district, a member of a district board of education, or a district or

school employee or contractor is not liable in damages in a civil action for injury, death, or loss to person or property that allegedly arises from an act or omission associated with procuring, maintaining, accessing, or using an inhaler under this section, unless the act or omission constitutes willful or wanton misconduct.

This section does not eliminate, limit, or reduce any other immunity or defense that a school or school district, member of a district board of education, or district or school employee or contractor may be entitled to under Chapter 2744. or any other provision of the Revised Code or under the common law of this state.

- (F) A school district board of education may accept donations of inhalers from a wholesale distributor of dangerous drugs or a manufacturer of dangerous drugs, as defined in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code, and may accept donations of money from any person to purchase inhalers.
- (G) A district board that elects to procure inhalers under this section shall report to the department of education each procurement and occurrence in which an inhaler is used from a school's supply of inhalers.
- Sec. 3313.721. (A) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Revised Code, the board of education of a school district may enter into a contract with a hospital registered under section 3701.07 of the Revised Code or an appropriately licensed health care provider for the purpose of providing health care services specifically authorized by the Revised Code to students.
- (B) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Revised Code, the board of education of a school district may enter into a contract with a federally qualified health center or federally qualified health center look-alike for the purpose of providing health care services specifically authorized by the Revised Code to students.
- (C) If the board enters into a contract with a hospital or health care provider under division (A) of this section or with a federally qualified health center or federally qualified health center lookalike under division (B) of this section, the requirement to obtain a school nurse license or school nurse wellness coordinator license under section 3319.221 of the Revised Code, or any rules related to this requirement, shall not apply to an each employee of the hospital, health care provider, federally qualified health center, or federally qualified health center look-alike who is providing the services of a nurse under that contract. However, at a minimum, the employee shall hold a credential that is equivalent to being licensed as a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code.
- (D) As used in this section, "federally qualified health center" and "federally qualified health center look-alike" have the same meanings as in section 3701.047 of the Revised Code.
  - Sec. 3319.22. (A)(1) The state board of education shall issue the following educator licenses:
- (a) A resident educator license, which shall be valid for four-two years and shall be renewable for reasons specified by rules adopted by the state board pursuant to division (A)(3) of this section. The state board, on a case-by-case basis, may extend the license's duration as necessary to enable the license holder to complete the Ohio teacher residency program established under section 3319.223 of the Revised Code;
- (b) A professional educator license, which shall be valid for five years and shall be renewable;
  - (c) A senior professional educator license, which shall be valid for five years and shall be

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renewable;

(d) A lead professional educator license, which shall be valid for five years and shall be renewable.

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Licenses issued under division (A)(1) of this section on and after the effective date of this amendment-November 2, 2018, shall specify whether the educator is licensed to teach grades pre-kindergarten through five, grades four through nine, or grades seven through twelve. The changes to the grade band specifications under this amendment shall not apply to a person who holds a license under division (A)(1) of this section prior to the effective date of this amendment-November 2, 2018. Further, the changes to the grade band specifications under this amendment shall not apply to any license issued to teach in the area of computer information science, bilingual education, dance, drama or theater, world language, health, library or media, music, physical education, teaching English to speakers of other languages, career-technical education, or visual arts or to any license issued to an intervention specialist, including a gifted intervention specialist, or to any other license that does not align to the grade band specifications.

- (2) The state board may issue any additional educator licenses of categories, types, and levels the board elects to provide.
- (3) The state board shall adopt rules establishing the standards and requirements for obtaining each educator license issued under this section. The rules shall also include the reasons for which a resident educator license may be renewed under division (A)(1)(a) of this section.
- (B) The rules adopted under this section shall require at least the following standards and qualifications for the educator licenses described in division (A)(1) of this section:
- (1) An applicant for a resident educator license shall hold at least a bachelor's degree from an accredited teacher preparation program or be a participant in the teach for America program and meet the qualifications required under section 3319.227 of the Revised Code.
  - (2) An applicant for a professional educator license shall:
- (a) Hold at least a bachelor's degree from an institution of higher education accredited by a regional accrediting organization;
- (b) Have successfully completed the Ohio teacher residency program established under section 3319.223 of the Revised Code, if the applicant's current or most recently issued license is a resident educator license issued under this section or an alternative resident educator license issued under section 3319.26 of the Revised Code.
  - (3) An applicant for a senior professional educator license shall:
- (a) Hold at least a master's degree from an institution of higher education accredited by a regional accrediting organization;
- (b) Have previously held a professional educator license issued under this section or section 3319.222 or under former section 3319.22 of the Revised Code;
- (c) Meet the criteria for the accomplished or distinguished level of performance, as described in the standards for teachers adopted by the state board under section 3319.61 of the Revised Code.
  - (4) An applicant for a lead professional educator license shall:
- (a) Hold at least a master's degree from an institution of higher education accredited by a regional accrediting organization;
  - (b) Have previously held a professional educator license or a senior professional educator

license issued under this section or a professional educator license issued under section 3319.222 or former section 3319.22 of the Revised Code;

- (c) Meet the criteria for the distinguished level of performance, as described in the standards for teachers adopted by the state board under section 3319.61 of the Revised Code;
- (d) Either hold a valid certificate issued by the national board for professional teaching standards or meet the criteria for a master teacher or other criteria for a lead teacher adopted by the educator standards board under division (F)(4) or (5) of section 3319.61 of the Revised Code.
- (C) The state board shall align the standards and qualifications for obtaining a principal license with the standards for principals adopted by the state board under section 3319.61 of the Revised Code.
- (D) If the state board requires any examinations for educator licensure, the department of education shall provide the results of such examinations received by the department to the chancellor of higher education, in the manner and to the extent permitted by state and federal law.
- (E) Any rules the state board of education adopts, amends, or rescinds for educator licenses under this section, division (D) of section 3301.07 of the Revised Code, or any other law shall be adopted, amended, or rescinded under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code except as follows:
- (1) Notwithstanding division (E) of section 119.03 and division (A)(1) of section 119.04 of the Revised Code, in the case of the adoption of any rule or the amendment or rescission of any rule that necessitates institutions' offering preparation programs for educators and other school personnel that are approved by the chancellor of higher education under section 3333.048 of the Revised Code to revise the curriculum of those programs, the effective date shall not be as prescribed in division (E) of section 119.03 and division (A)(1) of section 119.04 of the Revised Code. Instead, the effective date of such rules, or the amendment or rescission of such rules, shall be the date prescribed by section 3333.048 of the Revised Code.
- (2) Notwithstanding the authority to adopt, amend, or rescind emergency rules in division (G) of section 119.03 of the Revised Code, this authority shall not apply to the state board of education with regard to rules for educator licenses.
- (F)(1) The rules adopted under this section establishing standards requiring additional coursework for the renewal of any educator license shall require a school district and a chartered nonpublic school to establish local professional development committees. In a nonpublic school, the chief administrative officer shall establish the committees in any manner acceptable to such officer. The committees established under this division shall determine whether coursework that a district or chartered nonpublic school teacher proposes to complete meets the requirement of the rules. The department of education shall provide technical assistance and support to committees as the committees incorporate the professional development standards adopted by the state board of education pursuant to section 3319.61 of the Revised Code into their review of coursework that is appropriate for license renewal. The rules shall establish a procedure by which a teacher may appeal the decision of a local professional development committee.
- (2) In any school district in which there is no exclusive representative established under Chapter 4117. of the Revised Code, the professional development committees shall be established as described in division (F)(2) of this section.

Not later than the effective date of the rules adopted under this section, the board of education

of each school district shall establish the structure for one or more local professional development committees to be operated by such school district. The committee structure so established by a district board shall remain in effect unless within thirty days prior to an anniversary of the date upon which the current committee structure was established, the board provides notice to all affected district employees that the committee structure is to be modified. Professional development committees may have a district-level or building-level scope of operations, and may be established with regard to particular grade or age levels for which an educator license is designated.

Each professional development committee shall consist of at least three classroom teachers employed by the district, one principal employed by the district, and one other employee of the district appointed by the district superintendent. For committees with a building-level scope, the teacher and principal members shall be assigned to that building, and the teacher members shall be elected by majority vote of the classroom teachers assigned to that building. For committees with a district-level scope, the teacher members shall be elected by majority vote of the classroom teachers of the district, and the principal member shall be elected by a majority vote of the principals of the district, unless there are two or fewer principals employed by the district, in which case the one or two principals employed shall serve on the committee. If a committee has a particular grade or age level scope, the teacher members shall be licensed to teach such grade or age levels, and shall be elected by majority vote of the classroom teachers holding such a license and the principal shall be elected by all principals serving in buildings where any such teachers serve. The district superintendent shall appoint a replacement to fill any vacancy that occurs on a professional development committee, except in the case of vacancies among the elected classroom teacher members, which shall be filled by vote of the remaining members of the committee so selected.

Terms of office on professional development committees shall be prescribed by the district board establishing the committees. The conduct of elections for members of professional development committees shall be prescribed by the district board establishing the committees. A professional development committee may include additional members, except that the majority of members on each such committee shall be classroom teachers employed by the district. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration date of the term for which a predecessor was appointed shall hold office as a member for the remainder of that term.

The initial meeting of any professional development committee, upon election and appointment of all committee members, shall be called by a member designated by the district superintendent. At this initial meeting, the committee shall select a chairperson and such other officers the committee deems necessary, and shall adopt rules for the conduct of its meetings. Thereafter, the committee shall meet at the call of the chairperson or upon the filing of a petition with the district superintendent signed by a majority of the committee members calling for the committee to meet.

(3) In the case of a school district in which an exclusive representative has been established pursuant to Chapter 4117. of the Revised Code, professional development committees shall be established in accordance with any collective bargaining agreement in effect in the district that includes provisions for such committees.

If the collective bargaining agreement does not specify a different method for the selection of teacher members of the committees, the exclusive representative of the district's teachers shall select

the teacher members.

If the collective bargaining agreement does not specify a different structure for the committees, the board of education of the school district shall establish the structure, including the number of committees and the number of teacher and administrative members on each committee; the specific administrative members to be part of each committee; whether the scope of the committees will be district levels, building levels, or by type of grade or age levels for which educator licenses are designated; the lengths of terms for members; the manner of filling vacancies on the committees; and the frequency and time and place of meetings. However, in all cases, except as provided in division (F)(4) of this section, there shall be a majority of teacher members of any professional development committee, there shall be at least five total members of any professional development committee, and the exclusive representative shall designate replacement members in the case of vacancies among teacher members, unless the collective bargaining agreement specifies a different method of selecting such replacements.

- (4) Whenever an administrator's coursework plan is being discussed or voted upon, the local professional development committee shall, at the request of one of its administrative members, cause a majority of the committee to consist of administrative members by reducing the number of teacher members voting on the plan.
- (G)(1) The department of education, educational service centers, county boards of developmental disabilities, college and university departments of education, head start programs, and the Ohio education computer network may establish local professional development committees to determine whether the coursework proposed by their employees who are licensed or certificated under this section or section 3319.222 of the Revised Code, or under the former version of either section as it existed prior to October 16, 2009, meet the requirements of the rules adopted under this section. They may establish local professional development committees on their own or in collaboration with a school district or other agency having authority to establish them.

Local professional development committees established by county boards of developmental disabilities shall be structured in a manner comparable to the structures prescribed for school districts in divisions (F)(2) and (3) of this section, as shall the committees established by any other entity specified in division (G)(1) of this section that provides educational services by employing or contracting for services of classroom teachers licensed or certificated under this section or section 3319.222 of the Revised Code, or under the former version of either section as it existed prior to October 16, 2009. All other entities specified in division (G)(1) of this section shall structure their committees in accordance with guidelines which shall be issued by the state board.

(2) Educational service centers may establish local professional development committees to serve educators who are not employed in schools in this state, including pupil services personnel who are licensed under this section. Local professional development committees shall be structured in a manner comparable to the structures prescribed for school districts in divisions (F)(2) and (3) of this section.

These committees may agree to review the coursework, continuing education units, or other equivalent activities related to classroom teaching or the area of licensure that is proposed by an individual who satisfies both of the following conditions:

(a) The individual is licensed or certificated under this section or under the former version of

this section as it existed prior to October 16, 2009.

(b) The individual is not currently employed as an educator or is not currently employed by an entity that operates a local professional development committee under this section.

Any committee that agrees to work with such an individual shall work to determine whether the proposed coursework, continuing education units, or other equivalent activities meet the requirements of the rules adopted by the state board under this section.

- (3) Any public agency that is not specified in divisions division (G)(1) or (2) of this section but provides educational services and employs or contracts for services of classroom teachers licensed or certificated under this section or section 3319.222 of the Revised Code, or under the former version of either section as it existed prior to October 16, 2009, may establish a local professional development committee, subject to the approval of the department of education. The committee shall be structured in accordance with guidelines issued by the state board.
- (H) Not later than July 1, 2016, the state board, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall adopt rules pursuant to division (A)(3) of this section that do both of the following:
- (1) Exempt consistently high-performing teachers from the requirement to complete any additional coursework for the renewal of an educator license issued under this section or section 3319.26 of the Revised Code. The rules also shall specify that such teachers are exempt from any requirements prescribed by professional development committees established under divisions (F) and (G) of this section.
- (2) For purposes of division (H)(1) of this section, the state board shall define the term "consistently high-performing teacher."
- Sec. 3319.221. (A) The state board of education, the department of education, any city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational school district board of education, and any other public school, as defined in section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code, shall not require a separate pupil services license issued by the state board as a credential for working in a public school, on either a permanent basis or a substitute or other temporary basis, for the following licensed professionals:
- (1) A speech-language pathologist who holds a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4753. of the Revised Code;
- (2) An audiologist who holds a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4753. of the Revised Code;
- (3) A registered nurse who holds a bachelor's degree in nursing and a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code;
- (4) A physical therapist who holds a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code;
- (5) An occupational therapist who holds a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code;
- (6) A physical therapy assistant who holds a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4755, of the Revised Code;
- (7) An occupational therapy assistant who holds a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code;
  - (8) A social worker who holds a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4757. of the

## Revised Code.

(B) A person employed by a school district or school for any of the occupations listed in divisions (A)(1) to (8) of this section shall be required to apply for and receive a registration from the department of education. The registration shall be valid for five years. As a condition of registration under this section, an individual shall be subject to a criminal records check as prescribed by section 3319.391 of the Revised Code. In the manner prescribed by the department, the individual shall submit the criminal records check to the department. The department shall use the information submitted to enroll the individual in the retained applicant fingerprint database, established under section 109.5721 of the Revised Code, in the same manner as any teacher licensed under sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code.

If the department receives notification of the arrest or conviction of an individual registered under division (B) of this section, the department shall promptly notify the employing district and may take any action authorized under sections 3319.31 and 3319.311 of the Revised Code that it considers appropriate. No district shall employ any individual under division (A) of this section if the district learns that the individual has plead guilty to, has been found guilty by a jury or court of, or has been convicted of any of the offenses listed in division (C) of section 3319.31 of the Revised Code.

(C) The department shall charge a registration fee of one hundred fifty dollars each for the initial registration and one hundred fifty dollars for renewal of the registration.

Sec. 3319.222. (A) Notwithstanding the amendments to and repeal of statutes by the act that enacted this section, the state board of education shall accept applications for new, and renewal and upgrade of, temporary, associate, provisional, and professional educator licenses, alternative educator licenses, one-year conditional teaching permits, and school nurse licenses through December 31, 2010, and issue them on the basis of the applications received by that date in accordance with the former statutes in effect immediately prior to amendment or repeal by the act that enacted this section.

- (B) A permanent teacher's certificate issued under former sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code prior to October 29, 1996, or under former section 3319.222 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to the effective date of this section—October 16, 2009, shall be valid for teaching in the subject areas and grades for which the certificate was issued, except as the certificate is limited, suspended, or revoked under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code.
- (C) The following certificates, permits, or licenses shall be valid until the certificate, permit, or license expires for teaching in the subject areas and grades for which the certificate, permit, or license was issued, except as the certificate, permit, or license is limited, suspended, or revoked under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code:
- (1) Any professional teacher's certificate issued under former section 3319.222 of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the effective date of this section October 16, 2009;
- (2) Any temporary, associate, provisional, or professional educator license issued under former section 3319.22 of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the effective date of this section October 16, 2009, or under division (A) of this section;
- (3) Any alternative educator license issued under former section 3319.26 of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the effective date of this section October 16, 2009, or under division (A)

of this section;

- (4) Any one-year conditional teaching permit issued under former section 3319.302 or 3319.304 of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the effective date of this section—October 16, 2009, or under division (A) of this section.
- (D) Any school nurse license issued under former section 3319.22 of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the effective date of this section October 16, 2009, or under division (A) of this section shall be valid until the license expires for employment as a school nurse, except as the license is limited, suspended, or revoked under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code.
- (E) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a person from applying to the state board for an educator license issued under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code, a school nurse license or a school nurse wellness coordinator license issued under <u>former</u> section 3319.221 of the Revised Code, or an alternative resident educator license issued under section 3319.26 of the Revised Code, as the section exists on and after the <u>effective date of this section-October 16, 2009.</u>
- (F) On and after the effective date of this section October 16, 2009, any reference in the Revised Code to educator licensing is hereby deemed to refer also to certification or licensure under divisions (A) to (D) of this section.
- Sec. 3319.223. (A) Not later than January 1, 2011, the The superintendent of public instruction and the chancellor of higher education jointly shall establish the Ohio teacher residency program, which shall be a four-yeartwo-year, entry-level program for classroom teachers. Except as provided in division (B) of this section, the teacher residency program shall include at least the following components:
  - (1) Mentoring by teachers for the first two years of the program;
- (2) Counseling, as determined necessary by the school district or school, to ensure that program participants receive needed professional development;
- (3) Measures of appropriate progression through the program, which shall include the performance-based assessment prescribed by the state board of education for resident educators—in the third year of the program.
- (B)(1) For an individual who is teaching career-technical courses under an alternative-resident educator license issued under section 3319.26 of the Revised Code or rule of the state board, the Ohio teacher residency program shall include the following components:
- (a) Conditions that, as of September 29, 2015, were necessary for a participant in the third and fourth year of the program to complete prior to applying for the professional educator license under division (A)(2) of section 3319.22 of the Revised Code, except as provided in division (B)(2) (b) of this section;
- (b) Four years of successful teaching experience under the alternative resident educator license, as verified by the superintendent of the employing school district;
- (e) Successful completion of a career-technical workforce development teacher preparation program that meets the criteria described in division (C)(1) of section 3319.229 of the Revised Code.
- (2) No individual who is teaching career-technical courses under an alternative resident educator license issued under section 3319.26 of the Revised Code or rule of the state board shall be required to do either of the following:
  - (a) (1) Complete the conditions of the Ohio teacher residency program that a participant, as

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of September 29, 2015, would have been required to complete during the participant's first and second year of teaching under an alternative resident educator license.

- (b) (2) Take the <u>a</u> performance-based assessment-prescribed by the state board for resident educators.
- (C) The teacher residency program shall be aligned with the standards for teachers adopted by the state board under section 3319.61 of the Revised Code and best practices identified by the superintendent of public instruction.
- (D) Each person who holds a resident educator license issued under section 3319.22 or 3319.227 of the Revised Code or an alternative resident educator license issued under section 3319.26 of the Revised Code shall participate in the teacher residency program. Successful completion of the program shall be required to qualify any such person for a professional educator license issued under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3319.227. (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Revised Code or any rule adopted by the state board of education to the contrary, the state board shall issue a resident educator license under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code to each person who is assigned to teach in this state as a participant in the teach for America program and who satisfies the following conditions for the duration of the program:

- (1) Holds a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education;
- (2) Maintained a cumulative undergraduate grade point average of at least 2.5 out of 4.0, or its equivalent;
  - (3) Has passed an examination prescribed by the state board in the subject area to be taught;
  - (4) Has successfully completed the summer training institute operated by teach for America;
  - (5) Remains an active member of the teach for America two-year support program.
- (B) The state board shall issue a resident educator license under this section for teaching in any grade level or subject area for which a person may obtain a resident educator license under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code. The state board shall not adopt rules establishing any additional qualifications for the license beyond those specified in this section.
- (C) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Revised Code or any rule adopted by the state board to the contrary, the state board shall issue a resident educator license under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code to any applicant who has completed at least two years of teaching in another state as a participant in the teach for America program and meets all of the conditions of divisions (A)(1) to (4) of this section. The state board shall credit an applicant under this division as having completed two years of the teacher residency program under section 3319.223 of the Revised Code.
- (D) In order to place teachers in this state, the teach for America program shall enter into an agreement with one or more accredited four-year public or private institutions of higher education in the state to provide optional training of teach for America participants for the purpose of enabling those participants to complete an optional master's degree or an equivalent amount of coursework. Nothing in this division shall require any teach for America participant to complete a master's degree as a condition of holding a license issued under this section.
- (E) The state board shall revoke a resident educator license issued to a participant in the teach for America program who is assigned to teach in this state if the participant resigns or is dismissed from the program prior to completion of the two-year teach for America support program.

- Sec. 3701.33. (A) There is hereby created the Ohio public health advisory board. The board shall consist of the following members:
- (1) The following members appointed by the director of health from among individuals who are not employed by the state and are recommended by statewide trade or professional organizations that represent interests in public health:
- (a) One individual authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery;
- (b) One individual authorized under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code to practice nursing as a registered nurse;
- (c) Three members of the public, two of whom are representatives of entities licensed by the department of health or boards of health.
- (2) One representative of the association of Ohio health commissioners, appointed by the association;
  - (3) One representative of the Ohio public health association, appointed by the association;
- (4) One representative of the Ohio environmental health association, appointed by the association, who is registered as a sanitarian an environmental health specialist under Chapter 4736. of the Revised Code;
- (5) One representative of the Ohio association of boards of health, appointed by the association;
- (6) One representative of the Ohio society for public health education, appointed by the society;
  - (7) One representative of the Ohio hospital association, appointed by the association.

The director of health or the director's designee shall serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the board.

(B) Not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section September 10, 2012, initial appointments shall be made to the board. Of the initial appointments, the members specified in divisions (A)(5), (6), and (7) and division (A)(1)(c) of this section representing entities licensed by the department of health or boards of health shall serve terms ending June 30, 2014, and the members specified in divisions (A)(1)(a) and (b), divisions (A)(2), (3), and (4), and division (A)(1)(c) of this section not representing entities licensed by the department or boards of health shall serve terms ending June 30, 2015. Thereafter, terms of office for all members shall be three years, with each term ending on the same day of the same month as the term it succeeds. Each member shall hold office from the date of appointment until the end of the term for which the member was appointed. Members may be reappointed, except that no member who has served two consecutive terms may be reappointed until three years have elapsed since the member's last term ended.

Each member shall hold office from the date of appointment until the end of the term for which the member was appointed. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments.

Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which the member's predecessor was appointed shall hold office for the remainder of that term. A member shall continue in office subsequent to the expiration date of the member's term until the member's successor takes office or until a period of ninety days has elapsed, whichever occurs first.

(C) The board shall annually select from among its members a chairperson and vice-chairperson. The director shall designate an officer or employee of the department to act as the board's secretary. The secretary shall be a nonvoting board member.

The board may adopt by laws governing its operation. The chairperson may appoint subcommittees as the chairperson considers necessary.

(D) The board shall meet at the call of the chairperson, but not less than four times per year. A majority of the members of the board constitutes a quorum. Special meetings may be called by the chairperson and shall be called by the chairperson at the request of the director. In a request for a special meeting, the director shall specify the purpose of the meeting and the date and place the meeting is to be held. No other business shall be considered at a special meeting except by a unanimous vote of members present at the meeting.

In conducting any meeting, the board and its subcommittees may use an interactive video teleconferencing system. If provisions are made that allow public attendance at a designated location with respect to a meeting using such a system, the board members who attend the meeting by video teleconference shall be counted for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present and shall be permitted to vote.

Members shall be expected to attend a majority of meetings of the board. Unexcused absence from three consecutive meetings shall be considered notice of a member's intent to resign from the board.

- (E)(1) The department shall provide meeting space and staff and other administrative support for the board to carry out its duties.
- (2) To facilitate the board's review of proposed rules under division (A)(1) of section 3701.34 of the Revised Code, the department shall establish and maintain an electronic web-based database of board meeting agendas, board meeting minutes, proposed rules, public comments, and other documents relevant to the work of the board.
- (F) Notice of meetings shall be provided to members through the board's mailing list, the department's web site, or any other means available to the board.

The minutes of previous meetings, the next meeting's agenda, and information on any matters to be presented to the board at any regular or special meeting shall be provided to the board in an electronic format.

- (G) Members shall attend annual ethics training provided by the Ohio ethics commission.
- (H) Members shall serve without compensation, but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.
- (I) Sections 101.82 to 101.87 of the Revised Code do not apply to the Ohio public health advisory board.

Sec. 3717.27. (A) All inspections of retail food establishments conducted by a licensor under this chapter shall be conducted according to the procedures and schedule of frequency specified in rules adopted under section 3717.33 of the Revised Code. An inspection may be preformed only by an individual registered as a sanitarian—an environmental health specialist or sanitarian—intraining—environmental health specialist in training—under Chapter 4736. of the Revised Code. Each inspection shall be recorded on a form prescribed and furnished by the director of agriculture or a form approved by the director that has been prescribed by a board of health acting as licensor. With

the assistance of the director, a board acting as licensor, to the extent practicable, shall computerize the inspection process and standardize the manner in which its inspections are conducted.

(B) A person or government entity holding a retail food establishment license shall permit the licensor to inspect the retail food establishment for purposes of determining compliance with this chapter and the rules adopted under it or investigating a complaint concerning the establishment. On request of the licensor, the license holder shall permit the licensor to examine the records of the retail food establishment to obtain information about the purchase, receipt, or use of food, supplies, and equipment.

A licensor may inspect any mobile retail food establishment being operated within the licensor's district. If an inspection of a mobile retail food establishment is conducted by a licensor other than the licensor that issued the license for the establishment, a report of the inspection shall be sent to the issuing licensor. The issuing licensor may use the inspection report to suspend or revoke the license under section 3717.29 or 3717.30 of the Revised Code.

- (C) An inspection may include the following:
- (1) An investigation to determine the identity and source of a particular food;
- (2) Removal from use of any equipment, utensils, hand tools, or parts of facilities found to be maintained in a condition that presents a clear and present danger to the public health.
- Sec. 3717.47. (A) All inspections of food service operations conducted by a licensor under this chapter shall be conducted according to the procedures and schedule of frequency specified in rules adopted under section 3717.51 of the Revised Code. An inspection may be performed only by an individual registered as a sanitarian an environmental health specialist or sanitarian-in-training environmental health specialist in training under Chapter 4736. of the Revised Code. Each inspection shall be recorded on a form prescribed and furnished by the director of health or a form approved by the director that has been prescribed by a board of health acting as licensor. With the assistance of the director, a board acting as licensor, to the extent practicable, shall computerize the inspection process and shall standardize the manner in which its inspections are conducted.
- (B) A person or government entity holding a food service operation license shall permit the licensor to inspect the food service operation for purposes of determining compliance with this chapter and the rules adopted under it or investigating a complaint regarding foodborne disease. On request of the licensor, the license holder shall permit the licensor to examine the records of the food service operation to obtain information about the purchase, receipt, or use of food, supplies, and equipment.

A licensor may inspect any mobile food service operation or catering food service operation being operated within the licensor's district. If an inspection of a mobile or catering food service operation is conducted by a licensor other than the licensor that issued the license for the operation, a report of the inspection shall be sent to the issuing licensor. The issuing licensor may use the inspection report to suspend or revoke the license under section 3717.49 of the Revised Code.

- (C) An inspection may include an investigation to determine the identity and source of a particular food.
- Sec. 3718.011. (A) For purposes of this chapter, a sewage treatment system is causing a public health nuisance if any of the following situations occurs and, after notice by a board of health to the applicable property owner, timely repairs are not made to that system to eliminate the situation:

- (1) The sewage treatment system is not operating properly due to a missing component, incorrect settings, or a mechanical or electrical failure.
- (2) There is a blockage in a known sewage treatment system component or pipe that causes a backup of sewage or effluent affecting the treatment process or inhibiting proper plumbing drainage.
- (3) An inspection conducted by, or under the supervision of, the environmental protection agency or a sanitarian an environmental health specialist registered under Chapter 4736. of the Revised Code documents that there is ponding of liquid or bleeding of liquid onto the surface of the ground or into surface water and the liquid has a distinct sewage odor, a black or gray coloration, or the presence of organic matter and any of the following:
  - (a) The presence of sewage effluent identified through a dye test;

- (b) The presence of fecal coliform at a level that is equal to or greater than five thousand colonies per one hundred milliliters of liquid as determined in two or more samples of the liquid when five or fewer samples are collected or in more than twenty per cent of the samples when more than five samples of the liquid are collected;
- (c) Water samples that exceed one thousand thirty e. coli counts per one hundred milliliters in two or more samples when five or fewer samples are collected or in more than twenty per cent of the samples when more than five samples are collected.
- (4) With respect to a discharging system for which an NPDES permit has been issued under Chapter 6111. of the Revised Code and rules adopted under it, the system routinely exceeds the effluent discharge limitations specified in the permit.
- (B) With respect to divisions (A)(1) and (2) of this section, a property owner may request a test to be conducted by a board of health to verify that the sewage treatment system is causing a public health nuisance. The property owner is responsible for the costs of the test.
- Sec. 3718.03. (A) There is hereby created the sewage treatment system technical advisory committee consisting of the director of health or the director's designee and thirteen members who are knowledgeable about sewage treatment systems and technologies. The director or the director's designee shall serve as committee secretary and may vote on actions taken by the committee. Of the thirteen members, five shall be appointed by the governor, four shall be appointed by the president of the senate, and four shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.
- (1) Of the members appointed by the governor, one shall represent academia and shall be active in teaching or research in the area of on-site wastewater treatment, one shall be a representative of the public who is not employed by the state or any of its political subdivisions and who does not have a pecuniary interest in sewage treatment systems, one shall be a registered professional engineer employed by the environmental protection agency, one shall be selected from among soil scientists in the division of soil and water conservation in the department of agriculture, and one shall be a representative of a statewide organization representing townships.
- (2) Of the members appointed by the president of the senate, one shall be a health commissioner who is a member of and recommended by the association of Ohio health commissioners, one shall represent the interests of manufacturers of sewage treatment systems, one shall represent installers and service providers, and one shall be a person with demonstrated experience in the design of sewage treatment systems.
  - (3) Of the members appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, one shall be a

health commissioner who is a member of and recommended by the association of Ohio health commissioners, one shall represent the interests of manufacturers of sewage treatment systems, one shall be a sanitarian—an environmental health specialist who is registered under Chapter 4736. of the Revised Code and who is a member of the Ohio environmental health association, and one shall be a registered professional engineer with experience in sewage treatment systems.

(B) Terms of members appointed to the committee shall be for three years, with each term ending on the same day of the same month as did the term that it succeeds. Each member shall serve from the date of appointment until the end of the term for which the member was appointed.

Members may be reappointed. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as provided for original appointments. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration date of the term for which the member was appointed shall hold office for the remainder of that term. A member shall continue to serve after the expiration date of the member's term until the member's successor is appointed or until a period of sixty days has elapsed, whichever occurs first. The applicable appointing authority may remove a member from the committee for failure to attend two consecutive meetings without showing good cause for the absences.

- (C) The technical advisory committee annually shall select from among its members a chairperson and a vice-chairperson. The secretary shall keep a record of its proceedings. A majority vote of the members of the full committee is necessary to take action on any matter. The committee may adopt bylaws governing its operation, including bylaws that establish the frequency of meetings.
- (D) Serving as a member of the sewage treatment system technical advisory committee does not constitute holding a public office or position of employment under the laws of this state and does not constitute grounds for removal of public officers or employees from their offices or positions of employment. Members of the committee shall serve without compensation for attending committee meetings.
- (E) A member of the committee shall not have a conflict of interest with the position. For the purposes of this division, "conflict of interest" means the taking of any action that violates any provision of Chapter 102. or 2921. of the Revised Code.
  - (F) The sewage treatment system technical advisory committee shall do all of the following:
- (1) Develop with the department of health standards, guidelines, and protocols for approving or disapproving a sewage treatment system or components of a system under section 3718.04 of the Revised Code. Any guideline requiring the submission of scientific information or testing data shall specify, in writing, the protocol and format to be used in submitting the information or data.
- (2) Develop with the department an application form to be submitted to the director by an applicant for approval or disapproval of a sewage treatment system or components of a system and specify the information that must be included with an application form;
- (3) Make recommendations to the director regarding the approval or disapproval of an application sent to the director under section 3718.04 of the Revised Code requesting approval of a sewage treatment system or components of a system;
- (4) Pursue and recruit in an active manner the research, development, introduction, and timely approval of innovative and cost-effective sewage treatment systems and components of a system for use in this state, which shall include conducting pilot projects to assess the effectiveness of a system or components of a system.

(G) The chairperson of the committee shall prepare and submit an annual report concerning the activities of the committee to the general assembly not later than ninety days after the end of the calendar year. The report shall discuss the number of applications submitted under section 3718.04 of the Revised Code for the approval of a new sewage treatment system or a component of a system, the number of such systems and components that were approved, any information that the committee considers beneficial to the general assembly, and any other information that the chairperson determines is beneficial to the general assembly. If other members of the committee determine that certain information should be included in the report, they shall submit the information to the chairperson not later than thirty days after the end of the calendar year.

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- (H) The department shall provide meeting space for the committee. The committee shall be assisted in its duties by the staff of the department.
- (I) Sections 101.82 to 101.87 of the Revised Code do not apply to the sewage treatment system technical advisory committee.
- Sec. 3728.04. (A) The anaphylaxis training required by section 3728.03 of the Revised Code may be any of the following:
- (1) Training conducted by a nationally recognized organization that has experience in providing training in emergency health care to individuals who are not health care professionals;
- (2) Training by individuals or organizations approved by the department of health under section 3728.11 of the Revised Code;
  - (3) Classes approved by the department under section 3728.11 of the Revised Code.
- (B) Training may be completed in person or through an online system. The training must cover all of the following and may include any other material the organization or individual conducting it or the department considers appropriate:
- (1) Ways of recognizing the signs and symptoms of severe allergic reactions, including anaphylaxis;
- (2) Standards and procedures for administration of epinephrine and storage of epinephrine autoinjectors;
  - (3) Emergency follow-up procedures.
- (C) An individual must successfully complete training before being authorized to administer epinephrine under section 3728.03 of the Revised Code-and every two years thereafter. A qualified entity may authorize an individual to administer epinephrine only if the individual provides the entity with a certificate issued by the organization or individual conducting the training attesting to successful completion. The certificate must be on a form developed by the department of health under section 3728.11 of the Revised Code.
- Sec. 4104.32. Except as provided pursuant to section 4104.37 of the Revised Code, no person shall operate a historical boiler in this state in a place that is open to the public unless both of the following requirements are satisfied:
  - (A) The person operating the boiler is licensed under section 4104.35 of the Revised Code.
- (B) The the owner of the boiler holds a current valid certificate of operation for the historical boiler pursuant to section 4104.36 of the Revised Code.
- Sec. 4104.34. The historical boilers licensing board division of industrial compliance in the department of commerce shall do all of the following:

- (A) Adopt rules concerning all of the following:
- (1) Criteria that inspectors of historical boilers shall utilize in determining the safe operation of historical boilers;
  - (2) Procedures for the inspection of historical boilers;
  - (3) The standards for riveted or welded repairs or alterations made to historical boilers;
- (4) Standards and procedures for the revocation of a historical boiler operator's license, which shall include an opportunity for appeal and hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code:
  - (5) Standards for requalifying for a license after revocation of a license;
- (6)-Standards and procedures for conducting hydrostatic tests, and requirements for reporting the results of those tests to the boarddivision, as required under division (F) of section 4104.36 of the Revised Code;
- (7)-(5) Standards for the public display and operation of historical boilers in this state by historical boiler operators who reside outside of this state.
- (B) Issue triennial certificates of operation for historical boilers that pass the inspection required under section 4104.36 of the Revised Code;
- (C) Conduct hearings in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code for any person who appeals a decision made by an inspector regarding whether the person should be denied a certificate of operation for the person's historical boiler;
- (D) Establish a fee for the inspection of historical boilers conducted pursuant to division (B) of section 4104.36 of the Revised Code in an amount sufficient to reimburse the department of commerce for the cost of conducting those inspections;
- (E) Reimburse the department of commerce for the cost of inspections performed by the division of boiler inspection pursuant to section 4104.36 of the Revised Code;
- (F) Issue licenses to operate historical boilers in public to persons who meet the requirements of section 4104.35 of the Revised Code;
  - (G) Grant approval of historical boiler operator's courses as the board determines appropriate;
- (H) Grant approval of written or verbal examinations that are developed to test competence in operating historical boilers;
- (1)—For purposes of section 4104.37 of the Revised Code, determine the smallest size of historical boilers that are subject to sections 4104.32 to 4104.36 of the Revised Code;
- (J) (F) For purposes of inspection criteria adopted by the <u>board division</u> pursuant to division (A)(1) of this section, establish the criteria based upon the manufacturing standards for safe operation that are established by the various manufacturers of historical boilers;
- (K) (G) Appoint safety committees to conduct the hydrostatic tests required under division (F) of section 4104.36 of the Revised Code;
- (L)-(H) Establish requirements for the minimum amount of liability insurance that an owner of historical boilers shall carry on each historical boiler operated in public that the owner owns, if the board division determines that a minimum amount should be established.
- Sec. 4104.36. (A) The owner of a historical boiler that is operated in public shall maintain a current valid certificate of operation for the historical boiler in accordance with the requirements of this section.

(B) At least once every three years, inspectors designated by the <u>chief of the division of boiler inspection in the department of commerce superintendent of industrial compliance</u> shall inspect thoroughly, internally and externally, and under operating conditions, all historical boilers that are operated in public and their appurtenances. Inspectors shall examine the smoke box, barrel, wrapped sheet, dome, water column and water glass, firebox, external plumbing, fusible plug, pressure relief valve, and pressure <u>gagegauge</u>.

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- (C) After conducting the inspection required under division (B) of this section, the inspector shall evaluate whether the historical boiler is in safe operating condition according to rules adopted by the historical boiler licensing board division of industrial compliance pursuant to division (A)(1) of section 4104.34 of the Revised Code. If the inspector finds that the historical boiler is in safe operating condition, the inspector shall recommend that the board division issue a certificate of operation for the historical boiler. If the board division concurs with the recommendation of the inspector, the board division shall issue a certificate of operation for the historical boiler inspected by that inspector. A certificate of operation is valid for a period of three years after the date of issuance.
- (D) If an inspector does not recommend the issuance of a certificate of operation for the historical boiler or if the <u>board\_division\_decides</u> not to issue a certificate of operation, the owner of the historical boiler may file an appeal with the <u>board\_division</u>, and the <u>board\_division\_shall\_conduct</u> a hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.
- (E) The owner of a historical boiler that is operated in public shall display the certificate of operation in a prominent place on the historical boiler during its operation.
- (F) At least once every three years, a safety committee appointed by the board division pursuant to division (K) (G) of section 4104.34 of the Revised Code shall conduct a hydrostatic test at one and one-quarter of the maximum allowable working pressure on all publicly operated historical boilers that are assigned by the board division for testing by that safety committee. The safety committee shall submit the results of each hydrostatic test to the board division in accordance with rules adopted by the board division pursuant to division (A)(6) (A)(4) of section 4104.34 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4104.37. Sections 4104.32 to 4104.36 of the Revised Code do not apply to historical boilers that are smaller than the size determined by the historical boilers licensing board division of industrial compliance pursuant to division (I) (E) of section 4104.34 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4117.103. Notwithstanding any provision of section 4117.08 or 4117.10 of the Revised Code to the contrary, no agreement entered into under this chapter on or after the effective date of this section September 29, 2005, shall prohibit a school district board of education from utilizing volunteers to assist the district and its schools in performing any of their functions, other than functions for which a license, permit, or certificate issued by the state board of education under section 3301.074 or Chapter 3319. of the Revised Code or a certificate issued under division (A) or (B) of section 3327.10 of the Revised Code is required.

Sec. 4169.02. (A) For the purposes of The division of industrial compliance in the department of commerce shall be responsible for regulating the construction, maintenance, mechanical operation, and inspection of passenger tramways that are associated with ski areas and of for registering operators of passenger tramways in this state, there is hereby established in the division of industrial compliance in the department of commerce a ski tramway board to be

appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate. The board shall consist of three members, one of whom shall be a public member who is an experienced skier and familiar with ski areas in this state, one of whom shall be a ski area operator actively engaged in the business of recreational skiing in this state, and one of whom shall be a professional engineer who is knowledgeable in the design or operation of passenger tramways.

Of the initial appointments, one member shall be appointed for a term of one year, one for a term of two years, and one for a term of three years. The member appointed to the term beginning on July 1, 1996, shall be appointed to a term ending on June 30, 1997; the member appointed to a term beginning on July 1, 1997, shall be appointed to a term ending on June 30, 1999; and the member appointed to a term beginning on July 1, 1998, shall be appointed to a term ending on June 30, 2001. Thereafter, each of the members shall be appointed for a term of six years. Each member shall hold office from the date of appointment until the end of the term for which the member was appointed. In the event of a vacancy, the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, shall appoint a successor who shall hold office for the remainder of the term for which the successor's predecessor was appointed. A member shall continue in office subsequent to the expiration date of the member's term until the member's successor takes office or until a period of sixty days has elapsed, whichever occurs first. The board shall elect a chairperson from its members.

The governor may remove any member of the board at any time for misfeasance, nonfeasance, or malfeasance in office after giving the member a copy of the charges against the member and an opportunity to be heard publicly in person or by counsel in the member's defense. Any such act of removal by the governor is final. A statement of the findings of the governor, the reason for the governor's action, and the answer, if any, of the member shall be filed by the governor with the secretary of state and shall be open to public inspection.

Members of the board shall be paid two hundred fifty dollars for each meeting that the member attends, except that no member shall be paid or receive more than seven hundred fifty dollars for attending meetings during any calendar year. Each member shall be reimbursed for the member's actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of official board duties. The chairperson shall be paid two hundred fifty dollars annually in addition to any compensation the chairperson receives under this division for attending meetings and any other compensation the chairperson receives for serving on the board.

The division shall provide the board with such offices and such clerical, professional, and other assistance as may be reasonably necessary for the board to carry on its work. The division shall maintain accurate copies of the board's rules as promulgated in accordance with division (B) of this section and shall keep all of the board's records, including business records, and inspection reports as well as its own records and reports. The cost of administering the board and conducting inspections shall be included in the budget of the division based on revenues generated by the registration fees established under section 4169.03 of the Revised Code.

(B) In accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the <u>board-division</u> shall adopt and may amend or rescind rules relating to public safety in the construction, maintenance, mechanical operation, and inspection of passenger tramways. The rules shall be in accordance with established standards in the business of ski area operation, if any, and shall not discriminate in their application to ski area operators.

No person shall violate the rules of the boarddivision.

- (C) The authority of the <u>board division</u> shall not extend to any matter relative to the operation of a ski area other than the construction, maintenance, mechanical operation, and inspection of passenger tramways.
- (D) A majority of the board constitutes a quorum and may perform and exercise all the duties and powers devolving upon the board.

Sec. 4169.03. (A) Before a passenger tramway operator may operate any passenger tramway in the state, the operator shall apply to the ski tramway boarddivision of industrial compliance in the department of commerce, on forms prepared by it, for registration by the board division. The application shall contain an inventory of the passenger tramways that the applicant intends to operate and other information as the board division may reasonably require and shall be accompanied by the following annual fees:

- (1) Each aerial passenger tramway, five hundred dollars;
- (2) Each skimobile, two hundred dollars;
- (3) Each chair lift, two hundred dollars;
- (4) Each J bar, T bar, or platter pull, one hundred dollars;
- (5) Each rope tow, fifty dollars;
- (6) Each wire rope tow, seventy-five dollars;
- (7) Each conveyor, one hundred dollars.

When an operator operates an aerial passenger tramway, a skimobile, or a chair lift during both a winter and summer season, the annual fee shall be one and one-half the above amount for the respective passenger tramway.

- (B) Upon payment of the appropriate annual fees in accordance with division (A) of this section and successful completion of the inspection described in section 4169.04 of the Revised Code, the board-division shall issue a registration certificate to the operator. Each certificate shall remain in force until the thirtieth day of September next ensuing. The board-division shall renew an operator's certificate in accordance with the standard renewal procedure in Chapter 4745. of the Revised Code upon payment of the appropriate annual fees.
- (C) Money received from the registration fees and from the fines collected pursuant to section 4169.99 of the Revised Code shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the industrial compliance operating fund created in section 121.084 of the Revised Code.
- (D) No person shall operate a passenger tramway in this state unless the person has been registered by the board division.

Sec. 4169.04. (A) The division of industrial compliance in the department of commerce shall make such require inspection of the construction, maintenance, and mechanical operation of passenger tramways as the ski tramway board annually or more often as the division may reasonably require. The division may contract with other qualified engineers to make such Each inspection or may accept the inspection report by any shall be performed by a qualified inspector of an insurance company authorized to insure passenger tramways in this state.

(B) If, as the result of an inspection, an employee of the division or other agent with whom the division has contracted finds that a violation of the board's division's rules exists or a condition in passenger tramway construction, maintenance, or mechanical operation exists that endangers public

safety, the employee or agent shall make an immediate report to the <u>board\_division\_for appropriate</u> investigation and order.

Sec. 4169.05. Any person may make a written complaint to the ski tramway board division of industrial compliance in the department of commerce setting forth an alleged violation of the board's division's rules by a registered passenger tramway operator or a condition in passenger tramway construction, maintenance, or mechanical operation that allegedly endangers public safety. The board division shall forward a copy of the complaint to the operator named in it and may accompany it with an order that requires the operator to answer the complaint in writing within a specified period of time. The board division may investigate the complaint if it determines that there are reasonable grounds for such an investigation.

Sec. 4169.06. (A) When facts are presented to any member of the ski tramway board division of industrial compliance in the department of commerce that indicate that immediate danger exists in the continued operation of a passenger tramway, any member of the boardthe division, after such verification of the facts as is practical under the circumstances and consistent with immediate public safety, may by an emergency written order require the operator of the tramway to cease using the tramway immediately for the transportation of passengers. Any person may serve notice on the operator or the operator's agent who is in immediate control of the tramway by delivering a true and attested copy of the order, and the operator or the operator's agent shall furnish proof of receipt of such notice by signing an affidavit on the back of the copy of the order. The emergency order shall be effective for a period not to exceed forty-eight hours from the time of notification.

- (B) Immediately after the issuance of an emergency order pursuant to this section, the <u>board division</u> shall investigate the facts of the case. If the <u>board division</u> finds that a violation of any of its rules exists or that a condition in passenger tramway construction, maintenance, or mechanical operation exists that endangers public safety, it shall issue a written order setting forth its findings and the corrective action to be taken and fixing a reasonable time for compliance.
- (C) After an investigation pursuant to division (B) of this section, if the board division determines that danger to public safety exists in the continued operation of a passenger tramway, it shall so state in the order, describe in detail the basis for its findings, and in the order may require the operator not to operate the tramway until the operator has taken the corrective action ordered pursuant to this section. If the operator continues to use the tramway following receipt of such order, the board division may request the court of common pleas having jurisdiction in the county where the tramway is located to issue an injunction forbidding operation of the tramway.
- (D) An operator of a passenger tramway may request a hearing by the <u>board\_division</u> on any order issued pursuant to this chapter and may appeal the results of such a hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. An operator may appeal an order suspending the operation of the operator's tramway without first requesting a hearing.
- (E) If an operator fails to comply with an order of the <u>board\_division\_issued</u> pursuant to this chapter within the specified time, the <u>board\_division\_may</u> suspend the registration certificate of the operator for such time as it considers necessary to gain compliance with its order.

No operator shall operate a passenger tramway while the operator's registration certificate is under suspension by the <u>boarddivision</u>.

Sec. 4169.11. A ski area operator shall maintain liability insurance in an amount determined

by the superintendent of industrial compliance.

- Sec. 4701.06. (A) The accountancy board shall grant the certificate of "certified public accountant" to any person who satisfies the following requirements:
- (A)(1) The person is a resident of this state or has a place of business in this state or, as an employee, is regularly employed in this state. The board may determine by rule circumstances under which the residency requirement may be waived.
  - (B)(2) The person has attained the age of eighteen years.
  - (C)(3) The person is of good moral character.
  - (D)(4) The person meets the following requirements of education and experience:
- (1)(a) Prior to January 1, 2000, graduation with a baccalaureate degree conferred by a college or university recognized by the board, with a concentration in accounting that includes related courses in other areas of business administration, or what the board determines to be substantially the equivalent of the foregoing;
- (b) On and after January 1, 2000, graduation (a) Graduation with a baccalaureate or higher degree that includes successful completion of one hundred fifty semester hours of undergraduate or graduate education. The board by rule shall specify graduate degrees that satisfy this requirement and also by rule shall require any subjects that it considers appropriate. The total educational program shall include an accounting concentration with related courses in other areas of business administration, as defined by board rule.
- (2)(a) The experience requirement for candidates meeting the educational requirements set forth in division (D)(1)(a) or (b) of this section is(b) Acquisition of one year of experience satisfactory to the board in any of the following:
  - (i) A public accounting firm;
  - (ii) Government;
  - (iii) Business;
  - (iv) Academia.
- (b) Except as provided in division (D)(2)(e) of this section, the experience requirement for any candidate who, on and after January 1, 2000, does not meet the educational requirement set forth in division (D)(1)(b) of this section is four years of experience described in division (D)(2)(a) of this section. The experience requirement for any candidate who, prior to January 1, 2000, does not meet the educational requirement set forth in division (D)(1)(a) of this section is two years of experience described in division (D)(2)(a) of this section.
- (c) On and after January 1, 2000, the experience requirement for any candidate who, subsequent to obtaining a baccalaureate or higher degree, other than a baccalaureate or higher degree described in division (D)(1)(b) of this section, successfully completes coursework that meets the educational requirement set forth in division (D)(1)(b) of this section is two years of experience described in division (D)(2)(a) of this section.
- (E)(5) The person has passed an examination that is administered in the manner and that covers the subjects that the board prescribes by rule. In adopting the relevant rules, the board shall ensure to the extent possible that the examination, the examination process, and the examination's passing standard are uniform with the examinations, examination processes, and examination passing standards of all other states and may provide for the use of all or parts of the uniform certified public

accountant examination and advisory grading service of the American institute of certified public accountants. The board may contract with third parties to perform administrative services that relate to the examination and that the board determines are appropriate in order to assist the board in performing its duties in relation to the examination.

None of the educational requirements specified in division (D) of this section apply to a candidate who has a PA registration, but the (B)(1) The experience requirement for the a candidate who does not meet those the educational requirements under division (A)(4)(a) of this section because the board has waived them under division (B)(2) of this section is four years of the experience described in division  $\frac{(D)(2)(a)}{(A)(4)(b)}$  of this section.

Prior to January 1, 2000, the board shall waive the educational requirement set forth in division (D)(1)(a) of this section for any candidate if it finds that the candidate has attained the equivalent education by attendance at a business school, by self-study, or otherwise, and if it is satisfied from the results of special examinations that the board gives the candidate to test the candidate's educational qualifications that the candidate is as well equipped, educationally, as if the candidate met the applicable educational requirement specified in division (D)(1)(a) of this section.

On and after January 1, 2000, the (2) The board shall waive the educational requirement set forth in division (D)(1)(b) (A)(4)(a) of this section for any candidate if the board finds that the candidate has obtained from an accredited college or university approved by the board, either an associate degree or a baccalaureate degree, other than a baccalaureate degree described in division (D)(1)(b) (A)(4)(a) of this section, with a concentration in accounting that includes related courses in other areas of business administration, and if the board is satisfied from the results of special examinations that the board gives the candidate to test the candidate's educational qualification that the candidate is as well equipped, educationally, as if the candidate met the applicable educational requirement specified in division (D)(1)(b) (A)(4)(a) of this section.

The board shall provide by rule for the general scope of any special examinations for a waiver of the educational requirements under division (D)(1)(a) or (b) (A)(4)(a) of this section and may obtain any advice and assistance that it considers appropriate to assist it in preparing and grading those special examinations. The board may use any existing examinations or may prepare any number of new examinations to assist in determining the equivalent training of a candidate. The board by rule shall prescribe any special examinations for a waiver of the educational requirements under division (D)(1)(a) or (b) (A)(4)(a) of this section and the passing score required for each examination.

The board shall hold the examination referred to in division (E) of this section and the special examinations for a waiver of the educational requirements under division (D)(1)(a) or (b) of this section as often as the board determines to be desirable, but the examination referred to in division (E) of this section shall be held not less frequently than once each year. The board by rule may provide for granting credit to a candidate for satisfactory completion of an examination that a licensing authority of another state gave in one or more of the subjects referred to in division (E) of this section.

(C) A candidate who has met the educational requirements, or with respect to whom they either do not apply or have been waived, graduated with a baccalaureate degree or its equivalent or a higher degree that includes successful completion of at least one hundred twenty semester hours of

undergraduate or graduate education is eligible to take the examination referred to in division (E)(A) (5) of this section without waiting until the candidate meets the education or experience requirements, provided the candidate also meets the requirements of divisions (A)(1) and (C)(3) of this section. The board by rule shall specify degrees that make a candidate eligible under this division and by rule shall require any subjects that it considers appropriate.

- (D) A candidate for the certificate of certified public accountant who has successfully completed the examination under division (E)(A)(5) of this section has no status as a certified public accountant, unless and until the candidate has the requisite education and experience and has received a certificate as a certified public accountant. The board shall determine and charge a fee for issuing the certificate that is adequate to cover the expense.
- (E) The board by rule may prescribe the terms and conditions under which a candidate who passes part but not all of the examination may retake the examination. It also may provide by rule for a reasonable waiting period for a candidate's reexamination.

The applicable educational and experience requirements under division (D)divisions (A)(4), (B), and (C) of this section shall be those in effect on the date on which the candidate first sits for the examination.

- (F) The board shall charge a candidate a reasonable fee, to be determined by the board, that is adequate to cover all rentals, compensation for proctors, and other administrative expenses of the board related to examination or reexamination, including the expenses of procuring and grading the examination provided for in division (E)(A)(5) of this section and for any special examinations for a waiver of the educational requirements under division (D)(1)(a) or (b)(A)(4)(a) of this section. Fees for reexamination under division (E) of this section shall be charged by the board in amounts determined by it. The applicable fees shall be paid by the candidate at the time the candidate applies for examination or reexamination.
- (G) Any person who has received from the board a certificate as a certified public accountant and who holds an Ohio permit shall be styled and known as a "certified public accountant" and also may use the abbreviation "CPA." The board shall maintain a list of certified public accountants. Any certified public accountant also may be known as a "public accountant."
- (H) Persons who, on the effective date of an amendment of this section, held certified public accountant certificates previously issued under the laws of this state shall not be required to obtain additional certificates under this section but shall otherwise be subject to all provisions of this section, and those previously issued certificates, for all purposes, shall be considered certificates issued under this section and subject to its provisions.
- (I) The board may waive the examination under division (E)(A)(5) of this section and, upon payment of a fee determined by it, may issue a certificate as a "certified public accountant" to any person who possesses the qualifications specified in divisions (A)(1), (B)(2), and (C)(3) of this section and what the board determines to be substantially the equivalent of the applicable qualifications under division (D)(A)(4) of this section and who is the holder of a certificate as a certified public accountant, then in full force and effect, issued under the laws of any state, or is the holder of a certificate, license, or degree in a foreign country that constitutes a recognized qualification for the practice of public accounting in that country, that is comparable to that of a certified public accountant of this state, and that is then in full force and effect.

Sec. 4701.17. Upon application in writing and after hearing pursuant to notice, the accountancy board may reissue or reinstate a certificate to a certified public accountant whose certificate has been revoked or suspended or reregister anyone whose registration has been revoked or suspended.

The board may require a reasonable waiting period, commensurate with the offense, before a certificate holder or registrant whose certificate or registration has been revoked or suspended may apply to have the certificate or registration reissued or reinstated. The board may require compliance with any or all requirements of section 4701.06 of the Revised Code, including the taking of any examination described in division (E)(A)(5) of that section as a prerequisite for recertification. The board may require compliance with any or all of the requirements of section 4701.07 of the Revised Code, including the taking of any examination described in division (E) of that section as a prerequisite for reregistration.

Sec. 4713.01. As used in this chapter:

"Apprentice instructor" means an individual holding a practicing license issued by the state cosmetology and barber board who is engaged in learning or acquiring knowledge of the occupation of an instructor of a branch of cosmetology at a school of cosmetology.

"Beauty salon" means a salon in which an individual is authorized to engage in all branches of cosmetology.

"Biennial licensing period" means the two-year period beginning on the first day of February of an odd-numbered year and ending on the last day of January of the next odd-numbered year.

"Boutique salon" means a salon in which an individual engages in boutique services and no other branch of cosmetology.

"Boutique services" means braiding, threading, shampooing, and makeup artistry.

"Braiding" means intertwining the hair in a systematic motion to create patterns in a threedimensional form, inverting the hair against the scalp along part of a straight or curved row of intertwined hair, or twisting the hair in a systematic motion, and includes extending the hair with natural or synthetic hair fibers.

"Branch of cosmetology" means the practice of cosmetology, practice of esthetics, practice of hair design, practice of manicuring, practice of natural hair styling, or practice of boutique services.

"Cosmetic therapy" has the same meaning as in section 4731.15 of the Revised Codemeans the permanent removal of hair from the human body through the use of electric modalities and may include the systematic friction, stroking, slapping, and kneading or tapping of the face, neck, scalp, or shoulders.

"Cosmetologist" means an individual authorized to engage in all branches of cosmetology in a licensed facility.

"Cosmetology" means the art or practice of embellishment, cleansing, beautification, and styling of hair, wigs, postiches, face, body, or nails.

"Cosmetology instructor" means an individual authorized to teach the theory and practice of all branches of cosmetology at a school of cosmetology.

"Esthetician" means an individual who engages in the practice of esthetics but no other branch of cosmetology in a licensed facility.

"Esthetics instructor" means an individual who teaches the theory and practice of esthetics,

but no other branch of cosmetology, at a school of cosmetology.

"Esthetics salon" means a salon in which an individual engages in the practice of esthetics but no other branch of cosmetology.

"Eye lash extensions" include temporary and semi-permanent enhancements designed to add length, thickness, and fullness to natural eyelashes.

"Hair designer" means an individual who engages in the practice of hair design but no other branch of cosmetology in a licensed facility.

"Hair design instructor" means an individual who teaches the theory and practice of hair design, but no other branch of cosmetology, at a school of cosmetology.

"Hair design salon" means a salon in which an individual engages in the practice of hair design but no other branch of cosmetology.

"Hair removal" includes tweezing, waxing, sugaring, and threading. "Hair removal" does not include electrolysis.

"Independent contractor" means an individual who is not an employee of a salon but practices a branch of cosmetology within a salon in a licensed facility.

"Instructor license" means a license to teach the theory and practice of a branch of cosmetology at a school of cosmetology.

"Licensed facility" means any premises, building, or part of a building licensed under section 4713.41 of the Revised Code in which cosmetology services are authorized by the state cosmetology and barber board to be performed.

"Advanced cosmetologist" means an individual authorized to work in a beauty salon and engage in all branches of cosmetology.

"Advanced esthetician" means an individual authorized to work in an esthetics salon, but no other type of salon, and engage in the practice of esthetics, but no other branch of cosmetology.

"Advanced hair designer" means an individual authorized to work in a hair design salon, but no other type of salon, and engage in the practice of hair design, but no other branch of cosmetology.

"Advanced license" means a license to work in a salon and practice the branch of cosmetology practiced at the salon.

"Advanced manicurist" means an individual authorized to work in a nail salon, but no other type of salon, and engage in the practice of manicuring, but no other branch of cosmetology.

"Advanced natural hair stylist" means an individual authorized to work in a natural hair style salon, but no other type of salon, and engage in the practice of natural hair styling, but no other branch of cosmetology.

"Makeup artistry" means the application of cosmetics for the purpose of skin beautification. "Makeup artistry" does not include any other services described in the practice of any other branch of cosmetology.

"Manicurist" means an individual who engages in the practice of manicuring but no other branch of cosmetology in a licensed facility.

"Manicurist instructor" means an individual who teaches the theory and practice of manicuring, but no other branch of cosmetology, at a school of cosmetology.

"Nail salon" means a salon in which an individual engages in the practice of manicuring but no other branch of cosmetology.

"Natural hair stylist" means an individual who engages in the practice of natural hair styling but no other branch of cosmetology in a licensed facility.

"Natural hair style instructor" means an individual who teaches the theory and practice of natural hair styling, but no other branch of cosmetology, at a school of cosmetology.

"Natural hair style salon" means a salon in which an individual engages in the practice of natural hair styling but no other branch of cosmetology.

"Practice of braiding" means utilizing the technique of intertwining hair in a systematic motion to create patterns in a three-dimensional form, including patterns that are inverted, upright, or singled against the scalp that follow along straight or curved partings. It may include twisting or locking the hair while adding bulk or length with human hair, synthetic hair, or both and using simple devices such as clips, combs, and hairpins. "Practice of braiding" does not include application of weaving, bonding, and fusion of individual strands or wefts; application of dyes, reactive chemicals, or other preparations to alter the color or straighten, curl, or alter the structure of hair; embellishing or beautifying hair by cutting or singeing, except as needed to finish the ends of synthetic fibers used to add bulk to or lengthen hair.

"Practice of cosmetology" means the practice of all branches of cosmetology.

"Practice of esthetics" means the application of cosmetics, tonics, antiseptics, creams, lotions, or other preparations for the purpose of skin beautification and includes preparation of the skin by manual massage techniques or by use of electrical, mechanical, or other apparatus; enhancement of the skin by skin care, facials, body treatments, hair removal, and other treatments; and eye lash extension services.

"Practice of hair design" means embellishing or beautifying hair, wigs, or hairpieces by arranging, dressing, pressing, curling, waving, permanent waving, cleansing, cutting, singeing, bleaching, coloring, braiding, weaving, or similar work. "Practice of hair design" includes utilizing techniques performed by hand that result in tension on hair roots such as twisting, wrapping, weaving, extending, locking, or braiding of the hair.

"Practice of manicuring" means cleaning, trimming, shaping the free edge of, or applying polish to the nails of any individual; applying nail enhancements and embellishments to any individual; massaging the hands and lower arms up to the elbow of any individual; massaging the feet and lower legs up to the knee of any individual; using lotions or softeners on the hands and feet of any individual; or any combination of these types of services.

"Practice of natural hair styling" means utilizing techniques performed by hand that result in tension on hair roots such as twisting, wrapping, weaving, extending, locking, or braiding of the hair. "Practice of natural hair styling" does not include the application of dyes, reactive chemicals, or other preparations to alter the color or to straighten, curl, or alter the structure of the hair. "Practice of natural hair styling" also does not include embellishing or beautifying hair by cutting or singeing, except as needed to finish off the end of a braid, or by dressing, pressing, curling, waving, permanent waving, or similar work.

"Practicing license" means a license to practice a branch of cosmetology in a licensed facility.

"Salon" means a licensed facility on any premises, building, or part of a building in which an individual engages in the practice of one or more branches of cosmetology. "Salon" does not include a barber shop licensed under Chapter 4709. of the Revised Code. "Salon" does not mean a tanning

facility, although a tanning facility may be located in a salon.

"School of cosmetology" means any premises, building, or part of a building in which students are instructed in the theories and practices of one or more branches of cosmetology.

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"Shampooing" means the act of cleansing and conditioning an individual's hair under the supervision of an individual licensed under this chapter and in preparation to immediately receive a service from a licensee.

"Student" means an individual, other than an apprentice instructor, who is engaged in learning or acquiring knowledge of the practice of a branch of cosmetology at a school of cosmetology.

"Tanning facility" means any premises, building, or part of a building that contains one or more rooms or booths with any of the following:

- (A) Equipment or beds used for tanning human skin by the use of fluorescent sun lamps using ultraviolet or other artificial radiation;
- (B) Equipment or booths that use chemicals applied to human skin, including chemical applications commonly referred to as spray-on, mist-on, or sunless tans;
  - (C) Equipment or beds that use visible light for cosmetic purposes.

"Threading" includes a service that results in the removal of hair from its follicle from around the eyebrows and from other parts of the face with the use of a single strand of thread and an astringent, if the service does not use chemicals of any kind, wax, or any implements, instruments, or tools to remove hair.

Sec. 4713.14. No individual shall do any of the following:

- (A) Use fraud or deceit in making application for a license, permit, or registration;
- (B) Aid or abet any individual or entity in any of the following:
- (1) Violating this chapter or a rule adopted under it;
- (2) Obtaining a license, permit, or registration fraudulently;
- (3) Falsely pretending to hold a current, valid license or permit.
- (C) Practice a branch of cosmetology, for pay, free, or otherwise, without one of the following authorizing the practice of that branch of cosmetology:
  - (1) A current, valid license under section 4713.28, 4713.30, or 4713.34 of the Revised Code;
- (2) A current, valid temporary pre-examination work permit issued under section 4713.22 of the Revised Code;
- (3) A current, valid temporary special occasion work permit issued under section 4713.37 of the Revised Code;
- (4) A current, valid temporary work permit issued under rules adopted by the board pursuant to section 4713.08 of the Revised Code;
  - (5) A current, valid registration under section 4713.69 of the Revised Code.
- (D) Employ an individual to practice a branch of cosmetology if the individual does not hold one of the following authorizing the practice of that branch of cosmetology:
  - (1) A current, valid license under section 4713.28, 4713.30, or 4713.34 of the Revised Code;
- (2) A current, valid temporary pre-examination work permit issued under section 4713.22 of the Revised Code;
  - (3) A current, valid temporary special occasion work permit issued under section 4713.37 of

the Revised Code;

- (4) A current, valid temporary work permit issued under rules adopted by the board pursuant to section 4713.08 of the Revised Code;
  - (5) A current, valid registration under section 4713.69 of the Revised Code.
- (E) Except for apprentice instructors and as provided in section 4713.45 of the Revised Code, teach the theory or practice of a branch of cosmetology at a school of cosmetology without either of the following authorizing the teaching of that branch of cosmetology:
  - (1) A current, valid license under section 4713.31 or 4713.34 of the Revised Code;
- (2) A current, valid temporary special occasion work permit issued under section 4713.37 of the Revised Code.
- (F) Advertise or operate a glamour photography service in which a branch of cosmetology is practiced unless the individual practicing the branch of cosmetology holds either of the following authorizing the practice of that branch of cosmetology:
  - (1) A current, valid license under section 4713.28, 4713.30, or 4713.34 of the Revised Code;
- (2) A current, valid temporary special occasion work permit issued under section 4713.37 of the Revised Code.
- (G) Advertise or operate a glamour photography service in which a branch of cosmetology is practiced at a location not specified by rules adopted under section 4713.08 of the Revised Code;
- (H) Practice a branch of cosmetology at a salon as an independent contractor without a current, valid independent contractor license issued under section 4713.39 of the Revised Code;
- (I) Operate a salon without a current, valid license under section 4713.41 of the Revised Code:
- (J) Provide eosmetic therapy or massage therapy any of the following at a salon for pay, free, or otherwise without:
- (1) Massage therapy, unless the individual has a current, valid license issued by the state medical board under section 4731.15 of the Revised Code or provide any;
- (2) Any other professional service at a salon for pay, free, or otherwise without, unless the individual has a current, valid license or certificate issued by the professional regulatory board of this state that regulates the profession;
- (3) Cosmetic therapy, unless the individual is authorized by rules adopted under section 4713.08 of the Revised Code.
- (K) Teach a branch of cosmetology at a salon, unless the individual receiving the instruction holds either of the following authorizing the practice of that branch of cosmetology:
  - (1) A current, valid license under section 4713.28, 4713.30, or 4713.34 of the Revised Code;
- (2) A current, valid temporary pre-examination work permit issued under section 4713.22 of the Revised Code.
- (L) Operate a school of cosmetology without a current, valid license under section 4713.44 of the Revised Code;
  - (M) At a salon or school of cosmetology, do any of the following:
- (1) Use or possess a cosmetic product containing an ingredient that the United States food and drug administration has prohibited by regulation;
  - (2) Use a cosmetic product in a manner inconsistent with a restriction established by the

United States food and drug administration by regulation;

- (3) Use or possess a liquid nail monomer containing any trace of methyl methacrylate (MMA).
- (N) While in charge of a salon or school of cosmetology, permit any individual to sleep in, or use for residential purposes, any room used wholly or in part as the salon or school of cosmetology;
- (O) Maintain, as an established place of business for the practice of one or more of the branches of cosmetology, a room used wholly or in part for sleeping or residential purposes;
- (P) Operate a tanning facility that is offered to the public for a fee or other compensation without a current, valid permit under section 4713.48 of the Revised Code;
- (Q) Practice a branch of cosmetology in a location other than a licensed facility unless otherwise exempted under section 4713.16 or 4713.17 of the Revised Code;
- (R) Use any of the services or arts that are part of cosmetology to treat or attempt to cure a physical or mental disease or ailment.
- Sec. 4713.17. (A) The following persons are exempt from the provisions of this chapter, except, as applicable, section 4713.42 of the Revised Code:
- (1) All individuals authorized to practice medicine, surgery, dentistry, and nursing or any of its branches in this state;
- (2) Commissioned surgical and medical officers of the United States army, navy, air force, or marine hospital service when engaged in the actual performance of their official duties, and attendants attached to same;
- (3) Funeral directors, embalmers, and apprentices licensed or registered under Chapter 4717. of the Revised Code;
- (4) Persons who are engaged in the retail sale, cleaning, or beautification of wigs and hairpieces but who do not engage in any other act constituting the practice of a branch of cosmetology;
- (5) Volunteers of hospitals, and homes as defined in section 3721.01 of the Revised Code, who render service to registered patients and inpatients who reside in such hospitals or homes. Such volunteers shall not use or work with any chemical products such as permanent wave, hair dye, or chemical hair relaxer, which without proper training would pose a health or safety problem to the patient.
- (6) Nurse aides and other employees of hospitals and homes as defined in section 3721.01 of the Revised Code, who practice a branch of cosmetology on registered patients only as part of general patient care services and who do not charge patients directly on a fee for service basis;
- (7) Cosmetic therapists and massage therapists who hold current, valid licenses to practice eosmetic or massage therapy issued by the state medical board under section 4731.15 of the Revised Code, to the extent their actions are authorized by their licenses;
- (8) Inmates who provide services related to a branch of cosmetology to other inmates, except when those services are provided in a licensed school of cosmetology within a state correctional institution for females.
- (B) The director of rehabilitation and correction shall oversee the services described in division (A)(8) of this section with respect to sanitation and adopt rules governing those types of services provided by inmates.

Sec. 4713.42. An individual holding a current, valid license issued under section 4731.15 of the Revised Code to provide eosmetic therapy or massage therapy may provide eosmetic therapy or massage therapy, as appropriate, in a salon. An individual holding a current, valid license or certificate issued by a professional regulatory board of this state may practice the individual's profession in a salon if the individual's profession is authorized by rules adopted under section 4713.08 of the Revised Code to practice in a salon. An individual may provide cosmetic therapy in a salon if authorized by rules adopted under section 4713.08 of the Revised Code to practice in a salon.

An individual providing cosmetic therapy, massage therapy, or other professional service in a salon pursuant to this section shall satisfy the standards established by rules adopted under section 4713.08 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4713.56. Every holder of a practicing license, instructor license, independent contractor license, or boutique service registration issued by the state cosmetology and barber board shall maintain the board-issued, wallet-sized license or electronically generated license certification or registration and a current government-issued photo identification that can be produced upon inspection or request.

Every holder of a license to operate a salon issued by the board shall display the license in a public and conspicuous place in the salon.

Every holder of a license to operate a school of cosmetology issued by the board shall display the license in a public and conspicuous place in the school.

Every individual who provides eosmetic therapy, massage therapy, or other professional service in a salon under section 4713.42 of the Revised Code shall maintain the individual's professional license or certificate or electronically generated license certification or registration and a state of Ohio issued photo identification that can be produced upon inspection or request.

Sec. 4730.11. (A) To be eligible to receive a license to practice as a physician assistant, all of the following apply to an applicant:

- (1) The applicant shall be at least eighteen years of age.
- (2) The applicant shall be of good moral character.
- (3) The applicant shall hold current certification by the national commission on certification of physician assistants or a successor organization that is recognized by the state medical board.
  - (4) The applicant shall meet either of the following requirements:
  - (a) The educational requirements specified in division (B)(1) or (2) of this section;
- (b) The educational or other applicable requirements specified in division (C)(1), (2), or (3) of this section.
- (B) For purposes of division (A)(4)(a) of this section, an applicant shall meet either of the following educational requirements:
- (1) The applicant shall hold a master's or higher degree obtained from a program accredited by the accreditation review commission on education for the physician assistant or a predecessor or successor an organization recognized by the board.
  - (2) The applicant shall hold both of the following degrees:
- (a) A degree other than a master's or higher degree obtained from a program accredited by the accreditation review commission on education for the physician assistant or a predecessor or successor an organization recognized by the board;

- (b) A master's or higher degree in a course of study with clinical relevance to the practice of physician assistants and obtained from a program accredited by a regional or specialized and professional accrediting agency recognized by the eouncil for higher education accreditation board.
- (C) For purposes of division (A)(4)(b) of this section, an applicant shall present evidence satisfactory to the board of meeting one of the following requirements in lieu of meeting the educational requirements specified in division (B)(1) or (2) of this section:
- (1) The applicant shall hold a current, valid license or other form of authority to practice as a physician assistant issued by another jurisdiction and either have been in active practice in any jurisdiction throughout the two-year period immediately preceding the date of application or have met one or more of the following requirements as specified by the board:
- (a) Passed an oral or written examination or assessment, or both types of examination or assessment, that determined the applicant's present fitness to resume practice;
- (b) Obtained additional training and passed an examination or assessment on completion of the training;
  - (c) Agreed to limitations on the applicant's extent, scope, or type of practice.
- (2) The applicant shall hold a degree obtained as a result of being enrolled on January 1, 2008, in a program in this state that was accredited by the accreditation review commission on education for the physician assistant but did not grant a master's or higher degree to individuals enrolled in the program on that date, and completing the program on or before December 31, 2009.
- (3) The applicant shall hold a degree obtained from a program accredited by the accreditation review commission on education for the physician assistant an organization recognized by the board and meet either of the following experience requirements:
- (a) Either have experience practicing as a physician assistant for at least two consecutive years immediately preceding the date of application while on active duty, with evidence of service under honorable conditions, in any of the armed forces of the United States or the national guard of any state, including any experience attained while practicing as a physician assistant at a health care facility or clinic operated by the United States department of veterans affairs or have met one or more of the following requirements as specified by the board:
- (i) Passed an oral or written examination or assessment, or both types of examination or assessment, that determined the applicant's present fitness to resume practice;
- (ii) Obtained additional training and passed an examination or assessment on completion of the training;
  - (iii) Agreed to limitations on the applicant's extent, scope, or type of practice;
- (b) Either have experience practicing as a physician assistant for at least two consecutive years immediately preceding the date of application while on active duty in the United States public health service commissioned corps or have met one or more of the following requirements as specified by the board:
- (i) Passed an oral or written examination or assessment, or both types of examination or assessment, that determined the applicant's present fitness to resume practice;
- (ii) Obtained additional training and passed an examination or assessment on completion of the training:
  - (iii) Agreed to limitations on the applicant's extent, scope, or type of practice.

- (D) This section does not require an individual to obtain a master's or higher degree as a condition of retaining or renewing a license to practice as a physician assistant if the individual received the license without holding a master's or higher degree as provided in either of the following:
- (1) Before the educational requirements specified in division (B)(1) or (2) of this section became effective January 1, 2008;
- (2) By meeting the educational or other applicable requirements specified in division (C)(1), (2), or (3) of this section.

Sec. 4731.04. As used in this chapter:

- (A) "Cosmetic therapy" means the permanent removal of hair from the human body through the use of electric modalities approved by the state medical board for use in cosmetic therapy and may include the systematic friction, stroking, slapping, and kneading or tapping of the face, neck, sealp, or shoulders.
- (B) "Fifth pathway training" means supervised clinical training obtained in the United States as a substitute for the internship or social service requirements of a foreign medical school.
- (C) (B) "Graduate medical education" means education received through any of the following:
- (1) An internship, residency, or clinical fellowship program conducted in the United States and accredited by either the accreditation council for graduate medical education of the American medical association or the American osteopathic association;
- (2) A clinical fellowship program that is not accredited as described in division (C)(1) (B)(1) of this section, but is conducted in the United States at an institution with a residency program that is accredited as described in that division and is in a clinical field the same as or related to the clinical field of the fellowship program;
- (3) An internship program conducted in Canada and accredited by the committee on accreditation of preregistration physician training programs of the federation of provincial medical licensing authorities of Canada;
- (4) A residency program conducted in Canada and accredited by either the royal college of physicians and surgeons of Canada or the college of family physicians of Canada.
- (D) (C) "Massage therapy" means the treatment of disorders of the human body by the manipulation of soft tissue through the systematic external application of massage techniques including touch, stroking, friction, vibration, percussion, kneading, stretching, compression, and joint movements within the normal physiologic range of motion; and adjunctive thereto, the external application of water, heat, cold, topical preparations, and mechanical devices.
- Sec. 4731.15. (A) The state medical board also shall regulate the following limited branches of medicine: massage therapy—and cosmetic therapy, and to the extent specified in section 4731.151 of the Revised Code, naprapathy and mechanotherapy. The board shall adopt rules governing the limited branches of medicine under its jurisdiction. The rules shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.
- (B) A license to practice a limited branch of medicine issued by the state medical board is valid for a two-year period unless revoked or suspended and expires on the date that is two years after the date of issuance. The license may be renewed for additional two-year periods in accordance

with division (C) of this section.

- (C) Both of the following apply with respect to the renewal of licenses to practice a limited branch of medicine:
- (1) Each person seeking to renew a license to practice a limited branch of medicine shall apply for biennial renewal with the state medical board in a manner prescribed by the board. An applicant for renewal shall pay a biennial renewal fee of one hundred dollars.
- (2) At least one month before a license expires, the board shall provide a renewal notice to the license holder.
- (D) All persons who hold a license to practice a limited branch of medicine issued by the state medical board shall provide the board notice of any change of address. The notice shall be submitted to the board not later than thirty days after the change of address.
- (E) A license to practice a limited branch of medicine shall be automatically suspended if the license holder fails to renew the license in accordance with division (C) of this section. Continued practice after the suspension of the license to practice shall be considered as practicing in violation of sections 4731.34 and 4731.41 of the Revised Code.

If a license has been suspended pursuant to this division for two years or less, it may be reinstated. The board shall reinstate the license upon an applicant's submission of a renewal application and payment of a reinstatement fee of one hundred twenty-five dollars. With regard to reinstatement of a license to practice cosmetic therapy, the applicant also shall submit with the application a certification that the number of hours of continuing education necessary to have a suspended license reinstated have been completed, as specified in rules the board shall adopt in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

If a license has been suspended pursuant to this division for more than two years, it may be restored. Subject to section 4731.222 of the Revised Code, the board may restore the license upon an applicant's submission of a restoration application and a restoration fee of one hundred fifty dollars and compliance with sections 4776.01 to 4776.04 of the Revised Code. The board shall not restore to an applicant a license to practice unless the board, in its discretion, decides that the results of the criminal records check do not make the applicant ineligible for a license issued pursuant to section 4731.17 of the Revised Code.

- Sec. 4731.16. (A) The state medical board shall determine the standing of the schools, colleges, or institutions giving instruction in the limited branches branch of medicine of massage therapy and cosmetic therapy.
- (B) The board may administer an examination of competency to practice a limited branch of medicine. If it administers an examination, the board shall establish by rule a fee to cover the cost of administering the examination.

If it does not administer an examination, the board shall adopt rules under section 4731.05 of the Revised Code that specify both of the following:

- (1) An examination acceptable to the board as an examination of competency to practice a limited branch of medicine;
  - (2) The score that constitutes evidence of passing the examination.

Sec. 4731.171. In addition to any other eligibility requirement set forth in this chapter, each applicant for a license to practice massage therapy or cosmetic therapy shall comply with sections

4776.01 to 4776.04 of the Revised Code. The state medical board shall not grant to an applicant a license to practice massage therapy or cosmetic therapy unless the board, in its discretion, decides that the results of the criminal records check do not make the applicant ineligible for a license issued pursuant to section 4731.17 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4731.19. (A) A person seeking a license to practice a limited branch of medicine shall file with the state medical board an application in a manner prescribed by the board. The application shall include or be accompanied by all of the following:

- (1) Evidence that the applicant is at least eighteen years of age and of good moral character;
- (2) Evidence that the applicant has attained high school graduation or its equivalent;
- (3) Evidence that the applicant holds one of the following:
- (a) A diploma or certificate from a school, college, or institution in good standing as determined by the board, showing the completion of the <u>following</u> required courses of instruction:
  - (i) Two hundred seventy-five hours in anatomy and physiology and pathology;
  - (ii) Two hundred seventy-five hours in massage theory and practical, including hygiene;
  - (iii) Twenty-five hours in ethics;

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- (iv) Twenty-five hours in business and law.
- (b) A diploma or certificate from a school, college, or institution in another state or jurisdiction showing completion of a course of instruction that meets the requirements of division (A) (3)(a) of this section and any other course requirements determined by the board through rules adopted under section 4731.05 of the Revised Code;
- (c) During the five-year period immediately preceding the date of application, a current license, registration, or certificate in good standing in another state for massage therapy—or cosmetic therapy.
- (4) Evidence that the applicant has successfully passed an examination, prescribed in rules described in section 4731.16 of the Revised Code, to determine competency to practice the applicable limited branch of medicine;
- (5) An attestation that the information submitted under this section is accurate and truthful and that the applicant consents to release of information;
  - (6) Any other information the board requires.
- (B) An applicant for a license to practice a limited branch of medicine shall comply with the requirements of section 4731.171 of the Revised Code.
- (C) At the time of making application for a license to practice a limited branch of medicine, the applicant shall pay to the board a fee of one hundred fifty dollars, no part of which shall be returned. No application shall be considered filed until the board receives the appropriate fee.
- (D) The board may investigate the application materials received under this section and contact any agency or organization for recommendations or other information about the applicant.

Sec. 4731.22. (A) The state medical board, by an affirmative vote of not fewer than six of its members, may limit, revoke, or suspend a license or certificate to practice or certificate to recommend, refuse to grant a license or certificate, refuse to reinstate a license or certificate, or reprimand or place on probation the holder of a license or certificate if the individual applying for or holding the license or certificate is found by the board to have committed fraud during the administration of the examination for a license or certificate to

practice or to have committed fraud, misrepresentation, or deception in applying for, renewing, or securing any license or certificate to practice or certificate to recommend issued by the board.

- (B) The board, by an affirmative vote of not fewer than six members, shall, to the extent permitted by law, limit, revoke, or suspend a license or certificate to practice or certificate to recommend, refuse to issue a license or certificate, refuse to renew a license or certificate, refuse to reinstate a license or certificate, or reprimand or place on probation the holder of a license or certificate for one or more of the following reasons:
- (1) Permitting one's name or one's license or certificate to practice to be used by a person, group, or corporation when the individual concerned is not actually directing the treatment given;
- (2) Failure to maintain minimal standards applicable to the selection or administration of drugs, or failure to employ acceptable scientific methods in the selection of drugs or other modalities for treatment of disease;
- (3) Except as provided in section 4731.97 of the Revised Code, selling, giving away, personally furnishing, prescribing, or administering drugs for other than legal and legitimate therapeutic purposes or a plea of guilty to, a judicial finding of guilt of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction of, a violation of any federal or state law regulating the possession, distribution, or use of any drug;
  - (4) Willfully betraying a professional confidence.

For purposes of this division, "willfully betraying a professional confidence" does not include providing any information, documents, or reports under sections 307.621 to 307.629 of the Revised Code to a child fatality review board; does not include providing any information, documents, or reports to the director of health pursuant to guidelines established under section 3701.70 of the Revised Code; does not include written notice to a mental health professional under section 4731.62 of the Revised Code; and does not include the making of a report of an employee's use of a drug of abuse, or a report of a condition of an employee other than one involving the use of a drug of abuse, to the employer of the employee as described in division (B) of section 2305.33 of the Revised Code. Nothing in this division affects the immunity from civil liability conferred by section 2305.33 or 4731.62 of the Revised Code upon a physician who makes a report in accordance with section 2305.33 or notifies a mental health professional in accordance with section 4731.62 of the Revised Code. As used in this division, "employee," "employer," and "physician" have the same meanings as in section 2305.33 of the Revised Code.

(5) Making a false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading statement in the solicitation of or advertising for patients; in relation to the practice of medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, podiatric medicine and surgery, or a limited branch of medicine; or in securing or attempting to secure any license or certificate to practice issued by the board.

As used in this division, "false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading statement" means a statement that includes a misrepresentation of fact, is likely to mislead or deceive because of a failure to disclose material facts, is intended or is likely to create false or unjustified expectations of favorable results, or includes representations or implications that in reasonable probability will cause an ordinarily prudent person to misunderstand or be deceived.

(6) A departure from, or the failure to conform to, minimal standards of care of similar practitioners under the same or similar circumstances, whether or not actual injury to a patient is

established;

- (7) Representing, with the purpose of obtaining compensation or other advantage as personal gain or for any other person, that an incurable disease or injury, or other incurable condition, can be permanently cured;
- (8) The obtaining of, or attempting to obtain, money or anything of value by fraudulent misrepresentations in the course of practice;
- (9) A plea of guilty to, a judicial finding of guilt of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, a felony;
- (10) Commission of an act that constitutes a felony in this state, regardless of the jurisdiction in which the act was committed;
- (11) A plea of guilty to, a judicial finding of guilt of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, a misdemeanor committed in the course of practice;
- (12) Commission of an act in the course of practice that constitutes a misdemeanor in this state, regardless of the jurisdiction in which the act was committed;
- (13) A plea of guilty to, a judicial finding of guilt of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude;
- (14) Commission of an act involving moral turpitude that constitutes a misdemeanor in this state, regardless of the jurisdiction in which the act was committed;
- (15) Violation of the conditions of limitation placed by the board upon a license or certificate to practice;
  - (16) Failure to pay license renewal fees specified in this chapter;
- (17) Except as authorized in section 4731.31 of the Revised Code, engaging in the division of fees for referral of patients, or the receiving of a thing of value in return for a specific referral of a patient to utilize a particular service or business;
- (18) Subject to section 4731.226 of the Revised Code, violation of any provision of a code of ethics of the American medical association, the American osteopathic association, the American podiatric medical association, or any other national professional organizations that the board specifies by rule. The state medical board shall obtain and keep on file current copies of the codes of ethics of the various national professional organizations. The individual whose license or certificate is being suspended or revoked shall not be found to have violated any provision of a code of ethics of an organization not appropriate to the individual's profession.

For purposes of this division, a "provision of a code of ethics of a national professional organization" does not include any provision that would preclude the making of a report by a physician of an employee's use of a drug of abuse, or of a condition of an employee other than one involving the use of a drug of abuse, to the employer of the employee as described in division (B) of section 2305.33 of the Revised Code. Nothing in this division affects the immunity from civil liability conferred by that section upon a physician who makes either type of report in accordance with division (B) of that section. As used in this division, "employee," "employer," and "physician" have the same meanings as in section 2305.33 of the Revised Code.

(19) Inability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care by reason of mental illness or physical illness, including, but not limited to, physical deterioration that adversely affects cognitive, motor, or perceptive skills.

In enforcing this division, the board, upon a showing of a possible violation, may compel any individual authorized to practice by this chapter or who has submitted an application pursuant to this chapter to submit to a mental examination, physical examination, including an HIV test, or both a mental and a physical examination. The expense of the examination is the responsibility of the individual compelled to be examined. Failure to submit to a mental or physical examination or consent to an HIV test ordered by the board constitutes an admission of the allegations against the individual unless the failure is due to circumstances beyond the individual's control, and a default and final order may be entered without the taking of testimony or presentation of evidence. If the board finds an individual unable to practice because of the reasons set forth in this division, the board shall require the individual to submit to care, counseling, or treatment by physicians approved or designated by the board, as a condition for initial, continued, reinstated, or renewed authority to practice. An individual affected under this division shall be afforded an opportunity to demonstrate to the board the ability to resume practice in compliance with acceptable and prevailing standards under the provisions of the individual's license or certificate. For the purpose of this division, any individual who applies for or receives a license or certificate to practice under this chapter accepts the privilege of practicing in this state and, by so doing, shall be deemed to have given consent to submit to a mental or physical examination when directed to do so in writing by the board, and to have waived all objections to the admissibility of testimony or examination reports that constitute a privileged communication.

(20) Except as provided in division (F)(1)(b) of section 4731.282 of the Revised Code or when civil penalties are imposed under section 4731.225 of the Revised Code, and subject to section 4731.226 of the Revised Code, violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of, or conspiring to violate, any provisions of this chapter or any rule promulgated by the board.

This division does not apply to a violation or attempted violation of, assisting in or abetting the violation of, or a conspiracy to violate, any provision of this chapter or any rule adopted by the board that would preclude the making of a report by a physician of an employee's use of a drug of abuse, or of a condition of an employee other than one involving the use of a drug of abuse, to the employer of the employee as described in division (B) of section 2305.33 of the Revised Code. Nothing in this division affects the immunity from civil liability conferred by that section upon a physician who makes either type of report in accordance with division (B) of that section. As used in this division, "employee," "employer," and "physician" have the same meanings as in section 2305.33 of the Revised Code.

- (21) The violation of section 3701.79 of the Revised Code or of any abortion rule adopted by the director of health pursuant to section 3701.341 of the Revised Code;
- (22) Any of the following actions taken by an agency responsible for authorizing, certifying, or regulating an individual to practice a health care occupation or provide health care services in this state or another jurisdiction, for any reason other than the nonpayment of fees: the limitation, revocation, or suspension of an individual's license to practice; acceptance of an individual's license surrender; denial of a license; refusal to renew or reinstate a license; imposition of probation; or issuance of an order of censure or other reprimand;
  - (23) The violation of section 2919.12 of the Revised Code or the performance or inducement

of an abortion upon a pregnant woman with actual knowledge that the conditions specified in division (B) of section 2317.56 of the Revised Code have not been satisfied or with a heedless indifference as to whether those conditions have been satisfied, unless an affirmative defense as specified in division (H)(2) of that section would apply in a civil action authorized by division (H)(1) of that section;

- (24) The revocation, suspension, restriction, reduction, or termination of clinical privileges by the United States department of defense or department of veterans affairs or the termination or suspension of a certificate of registration to prescribe drugs by the drug enforcement administration of the United States department of justice;
- (25) Termination or suspension from participation in the medicare or medicaid programs by the department of health and human services or other responsible agency;
- (26) Impairment of ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care because of habitual or excessive use or abuse of drugs, alcohol, or other substances that impair ability to practice.

For the purposes of this division, any individual authorized to practice by this chapter accepts the privilege of practicing in this state subject to supervision by the board. By filing an application for or holding a license or certificate to practice under this chapter, an individual shall be deemed to have given consent to submit to a mental or physical examination when ordered to do so by the board in writing, and to have waived all objections to the admissibility of testimony or examination reports that constitute privileged communications.

If it has reason to believe that any individual authorized to practice by this chapter or any applicant for licensure or certification to practice suffers such impairment, the board may compel the individual to submit to a mental or physical examination, or both. The expense of the examination is the responsibility of the individual compelled to be examined. Any mental or physical examination required under this division shall be undertaken by a treatment provider or physician who is qualified to conduct the examination and who is chosen by the board.

Failure to submit to a mental or physical examination ordered by the board constitutes an admission of the allegations against the individual unless the failure is due to circumstances beyond the individual's control, and a default and final order may be entered without the taking of testimony or presentation of evidence. If the board determines that the individual's ability to practice is impaired, the board shall suspend the individual's license or certificate or deny the individual's application and shall require the individual, as a condition for initial, continued, reinstated, or renewed licensure or certification to practice, to submit to treatment.

Before being eligible to apply for reinstatement of a license or certificate suspended under this division, the impaired practitioner shall demonstrate to the board the ability to resume practice in compliance with acceptable and prevailing standards of care under the provisions of the practitioner's license or certificate. The demonstration shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

- (a) Certification from a treatment provider approved under section 4731.25 of the Revised Code that the individual has successfully completed any required inpatient treatment;
  - (b) Evidence of continuing full compliance with an aftercare contract or consent agreement;
- (c) Two written reports indicating that the individual's ability to practice has been assessed and that the individual has been found capable of practicing according to acceptable and prevailing

standards of care. The reports shall be made by individuals or providers approved by the board for making the assessments and shall describe the basis for their determination.

The board may reinstate a license or certificate suspended under this division after that demonstration and after the individual has entered into a written consent agreement.

When the impaired practitioner resumes practice, the board shall require continued monitoring of the individual. The monitoring shall include, but not be limited to, compliance with the written consent agreement entered into before reinstatement or with conditions imposed by board order after a hearing, and, upon termination of the consent agreement, submission to the board for at least two years of annual written progress reports made under penalty of perjury stating whether the individual has maintained sobriety.

- (27) A second or subsequent violation of section 4731.66 or 4731.69 of the Revised Code;
- (28) Except as provided in division (N) of this section:
- (a) Waiving the payment of all or any part of a deductible or copayment that a patient, pursuant to a health insurance or health care policy, contract, or plan that covers the individual's services, otherwise would be required to pay if the waiver is used as an enticement to a patient or group of patients to receive health care services from that individual;
- (b) Advertising that the individual will waive the payment of all or any part of a deductible or copayment that a patient, pursuant to a health insurance or health care policy, contract, or plan that covers the individual's services, otherwise would be required to pay.
- (29) Failure to use universal blood and body fluid precautions established by rules adopted under section 4731.051 of the Revised Code;
- (30) Failure to provide notice to, and receive acknowledgment of the notice from, a patient when required by section 4731.143 of the Revised Code prior to providing nonemergency professional services, or failure to maintain that notice in the patient's medical record;
- (31) Failure of a physician supervising a physician assistant to maintain supervision in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 4730. of the Revised Code and the rules adopted under that chapter;
- (32) Failure of a physician or podiatrist to enter into a standard care arrangement with a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner with whom the physician or podiatrist is in collaboration pursuant to section 4731.27 of the Revised Code or failure to fulfill the responsibilities of collaboration after entering into a standard care arrangement;
- (33) Failure to comply with the terms of a consult agreement entered into with a pharmacist pursuant to section 4729.39 of the Revised Code;
- (34) Failure to cooperate in an investigation conducted by the board under division (F) of this section, including failure to comply with a subpoena or order issued by the board or failure to answer truthfully a question presented by the board in an investigative interview, an investigative office conference, at a deposition, or in written interrogatories, except that failure to cooperate with an investigation shall not constitute grounds for discipline under this section if a court of competent jurisdiction has issued an order that either quashes a subpoena or permits the individual to withhold the testimony or evidence in issue;
- (35) Failure to supervise an oriental medicine practitioner or acupuncturist in accordance with Chapter 4762. of the Revised Code and the board's rules for providing that supervision;

- (36) Failure to supervise an anesthesiologist assistant in accordance with Chapter 4760. of the Revised Code and the board's rules for supervision of an anesthesiologist assistant;
  - (37) Assisting suicide, as defined in section 3795.01 of the Revised Code;
  - (38) Failure to comply with the requirements of section 2317.561 of the Revised Code;
- (39) Failure to supervise a radiologist assistant in accordance with Chapter 4774. of the Revised Code and the board's rules for supervision of radiologist assistants;
- (40) Performing or inducing an abortion at an office or facility with knowledge that the office or facility fails to post the notice required under section 3701.791 of the Revised Code;
- (41) Failure to comply with the standards and procedures established in rules under section 4731.054 of the Revised Code for the operation of or the provision of care at a pain management clinic;
- (42) Failure to comply with the standards and procedures established in rules under section 4731.054 of the Revised Code for providing supervision, direction, and control of individuals at a pain management clinic;
- (43) Failure to comply with the requirements of section 4729.79 or 4731.055 of the Revised Code, unless the state board of pharmacy no longer maintains a drug database pursuant to section 4729.75 of the Revised Code;
- (44) Failure to comply with the requirements of section 2919.171, 2919.202, or 2919.203 of the Revised Code or failure to submit to the department of health in accordance with a court order a complete report as described in section 2919.171 or 2919.202 of the Revised Code;
- (45) Practicing at a facility that is subject to licensure as a category III terminal distributor of dangerous drugs with a pain management clinic classification unless the person operating the facility has obtained and maintains the license with the classification;
- (46) Owning a facility that is subject to licensure as a category III terminal distributor of dangerous drugs with a pain management clinic classification unless the facility is licensed with the classification;
- (47) Failure to comply with any of the requirements regarding making or maintaining medical records or documents described in division (A) of section 2919.192, division (C) of section 2919.193, division (B) of section 2919.195, or division (A) of section 2919.196 of the Revised Code;
- (48) Failure to comply with the requirements in section 3719.061 of the Revised Code before issuing for a minor a prescription for an opioid analgesic, as defined in section 3719.01 of the Revised Code;
- (49) Failure to comply with the requirements of section 4731.30 of the Revised Code or rules adopted under section 4731.301 of the Revised Code when recommending treatment with medical marijuana;
- (50) Practicing at a facility, clinic, or other location that is subject to licensure as a category III terminal distributor of dangerous drugs with an office-based opioid treatment classification unless the person operating that place has obtained and maintains the license with the classification;
- (51) Owning a facility, clinic, or other location that is subject to licensure as a category III terminal distributor of dangerous drugs with an office-based opioid treatment classification unless that place is licensed with the classification;
  - (52) A pattern of continuous or repeated violations of division (E)(2) or (3) of section

3963.02 of the Revised Code.

(C) Disciplinary actions taken by the board under divisions (A) and (B) of this section shall be taken pursuant to an adjudication under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, except that in lieu of an adjudication, the board may enter into a consent agreement with an individual to resolve an allegation of a violation of this chapter or any rule adopted under it. A consent agreement, when ratified by an affirmative vote of not fewer than six members of the board, shall constitute the findings and order of the board with respect to the matter addressed in the agreement. If the board refuses to ratify a consent agreement, the admissions and findings contained in the consent agreement shall be of no force or effect.

A telephone conference call may be utilized for ratification of a consent agreement that revokes or suspends an individual's license or certificate to practice or certificate to recommend. The telephone conference call shall be considered a special meeting under division (F) of section 121.22 of the Revised Code.

If the board takes disciplinary action against an individual under division (B) of this section for a second or subsequent plea of guilty to, or judicial finding of guilt of, a violation of section 2919.123 of the Revised Code, the disciplinary action shall consist of a suspension of the individual's license or certificate to practice for a period of at least one year or, if determined appropriate by the board, a more serious sanction involving the individual's license or certificate to practice. Any consent agreement entered into under this division with an individual that pertains to a second or subsequent plea of guilty to, or judicial finding of guilt of, a violation of that section shall provide for a suspension of the individual's license or certificate to practice for a period of at least one year or, if determined appropriate by the board, a more serious sanction involving the individual's license or certificate to practice.

- (D) For purposes of divisions (B)(10), (12), and (14) of this section, the commission of the act may be established by a finding by the board, pursuant to an adjudication under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, that the individual committed the act. The board does not have jurisdiction under those divisions if the trial court renders a final judgment in the individual's favor and that judgment is based upon an adjudication on the merits. The board has jurisdiction under those divisions if the trial court issues an order of dismissal upon technical or procedural grounds.
- (E) The sealing of conviction records by any court shall have no effect upon a prior board order entered under this section or upon the board's jurisdiction to take action under this section if, based upon a plea of guilty, a judicial finding of guilt, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction, the board issued a notice of opportunity for a hearing prior to the court's order to seal the records. The board shall not be required to seal, destroy, redact, or otherwise modify its records to reflect the court's sealing of conviction records.
- (F)(1) The board shall investigate evidence that appears to show that a person has violated any provision of this chapter or any rule adopted under it. Any person may report to the board in a signed writing any information that the person may have that appears to show a violation of any provision of this chapter or any rule adopted under it. In the absence of bad faith, any person who reports information of that nature or who testifies before the board in any adjudication conducted under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code shall not be liable in damages in a civil action as a result of the report or testimony. Each complaint or allegation of a violation received by the board shall be

assigned a case number and shall be recorded by the board.

- (2) Investigations of alleged violations of this chapter or any rule adopted under it shall be supervised by the supervising member elected by the board in accordance with section 4731.02 of the Revised Code and by the secretary as provided in section 4731.39 of the Revised Code. The president may designate another member of the board to supervise the investigation in place of the supervising member. No member of the board who supervises the investigation of a case shall participate in further adjudication of the case.
- (3) In investigating a possible violation of this chapter or any rule adopted under this chapter, or in conducting an inspection under division (E) of section 4731.054 of the Revised Code, the board may question witnesses, conduct interviews, administer oaths, order the taking of depositions, inspect and copy any books, accounts, papers, records, or documents, issue subpoenas, and compel the attendance of witnesses and production of books, accounts, papers, records, documents, and testimony, except that a subpoena for patient record information shall not be issued without consultation with the attorney general's office and approval of the secretary and supervising member of the board.
- (a) Before issuance of a subpoena for patient record information, the secretary and supervising member shall determine whether there is probable cause to believe that the complaint filed alleges a violation of this chapter or any rule adopted under it and that the records sought are relevant to the alleged violation and material to the investigation. The subpoena may apply only to records that cover a reasonable period of time surrounding the alleged violation.
- (b) On failure to comply with any subpoena issued by the board and after reasonable notice to the person being subpoenaed, the board may move for an order compelling the production of persons or records pursuant to the Rules of Civil Procedure.
- (c) A subpoena issued by the board may be served by a sheriff, the sheriff's deputy, or a board employee or agent designated by the board. Service of a subpoena issued by the board may be made by delivering a copy of the subpoena to the person named therein, reading it to the person, or leaving it at the person's usual place of residence, usual place of business, or address on file with the board. When serving a subpoena to an applicant for or the holder of a license or certificate issued under this chapter, service of the subpoena may be made by certified mail, return receipt requested, and the subpoena shall be deemed served on the date delivery is made or the date the person refuses to accept delivery. If the person being served refuses to accept the subpoena or is not located, service may be made to an attorney who notifies the board that the attorney is representing the person.
- (d) A sheriff's deputy who serves a subpoena shall receive the same fees as a sheriff. Each witness who appears before the board in obedience to a subpoena shall receive the fees and mileage provided for under section 119.094 of the Revised Code.
- (4) All hearings, investigations, and inspections of the board shall be considered civil actions for the purposes of section 2305.252 of the Revised Code.
- (5) A report required to be submitted to the board under this chapter, a complaint, or information received by the board pursuant to an investigation or pursuant to an inspection under division (E) of section 4731.054 of the Revised Code is confidential and not subject to discovery in any civil action.

The board shall conduct all investigations or inspections and proceedings in a manner that

protects the confidentiality of patients and persons who file complaints with the board. The board shall not make public the names or any other identifying information about patients or complainants unless proper consent is given or, in the case of a patient, a waiver of the patient privilege exists under division (B) of section 2317.02 of the Revised Code, except that consent or a waiver of that nature is not required if the board possesses reliable and substantial evidence that no bona fide physician-patient relationship exists.

The board may share any information it receives pursuant to an investigation or inspection, including patient records and patient record information, with law enforcement agencies, other licensing boards, and other governmental agencies that are prosecuting, adjudicating, or investigating alleged violations of statutes or administrative rules. An agency or board that receives the information shall comply with the same requirements regarding confidentiality as those with which the state medical board must comply, notwithstanding any conflicting provision of the Revised Code or procedure of the agency or board that applies when it is dealing with other information in its possession. In a judicial proceeding, the information may be admitted into evidence only in accordance with the Rules of Evidence, but the court shall require that appropriate measures are taken to ensure that confidentiality is maintained with respect to any part of the information that contains names or other identifying information about patients or complainants whose confidentiality was protected by the state medical board when the information was in the board's possession. Measures to ensure confidentiality that may be taken by the court include sealing its records or deleting specific information from its records.

- (6) On a quarterly basis, the board shall prepare a report that documents the disposition of all cases during the preceding three months. The report shall contain the following information for each case with which the board has completed its activities:
  - (a) The case number assigned to the complaint or alleged violation;
- (b) The type of license or certificate to practice, if any, held by the individual against whom the complaint is directed;
  - (c) A description of the allegations contained in the complaint;
  - (d) The disposition of the case.

The report shall state how many cases are still pending and shall be prepared in a manner that protects the identity of each person involved in each case. The report shall be a public record under section 149.43 of the Revised Code.

- (G) If the secretary and supervising member determine both of the following, they may recommend that the board suspend an individual's license or certificate to practice or certificate to recommend without a prior hearing:
- (1) That there is clear and convincing evidence that an individual has violated division (B) of this section;
- (2) That the individual's continued practice presents a danger of immediate and serious harm to the public.

Written allegations shall be prepared for consideration by the board. The board, upon review of those allegations and by an affirmative vote of not fewer than six of its members, excluding the secretary and supervising member, may suspend a license or certificate without a prior hearing. A telephone conference call may be utilized for reviewing the allegations and taking the vote on the

summary suspension.

The board shall issue a written order of suspension by certified mail or in person in accordance with section 119.07 of the Revised Code. The order shall not be subject to suspension by the court during pendency of any appeal filed under section 119.12 of the Revised Code. If the individual subject to the summary suspension requests an adjudicatory hearing by the board, the date set for the hearing shall be within fifteen days, but not earlier than seven days, after the individual requests the hearing, unless otherwise agreed to by both the board and the individual.

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Any summary suspension imposed under this division shall remain in effect, unless reversed on appeal, until a final adjudicative order issued by the board pursuant to this section and Chapter 119. of the Revised Code becomes effective. The board shall issue its final adjudicative order within seventy-five days after completion of its hearing. A failure to issue the order within seventy-five days shall result in dissolution of the summary suspension order but shall not invalidate any subsequent, final adjudicative order.

- (H) If the board takes action under division (B)(9), (11), or (13) of this section and the judicial finding of guilt, guilty plea, or judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction is overturned on appeal, upon exhaustion of the criminal appeal, a petition for reconsideration of the order may be filed with the board along with appropriate court documents. Upon receipt of a petition of that nature and supporting court documents, the board shall reinstate the individual's license or certificate to practice. The board may then hold an adjudication under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to determine whether the individual committed the act in question. Notice of an opportunity for a hearing shall be given in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. If the board finds, pursuant to an adjudication held under this division, that the individual committed the act or if no hearing is requested, the board may order any of the sanctions identified under division (B) of this section.
- (I) The license or certificate to practice issued to an individual under this chapter and the individual's practice in this state are automatically suspended as of the date of the individual's second or subsequent plea of guilty to, or judicial finding of guilt of, a violation of section 2919.123 of the Revised Code. In addition, the license or certificate to practice or certificate to recommend issued to an individual under this chapter and the individual's practice in this state are automatically suspended as of the date the individual pleads guilty to, is found by a judge or jury to be guilty of, or is subject to a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction in this state or treatment or intervention in lieu of conviction in another jurisdiction for any of the following criminal offenses in this state or a substantially equivalent criminal offense in another jurisdiction: aggravated murder, murder, voluntary manslaughter, felonious assault, kidnapping, rape, sexual battery, gross sexual imposition, aggravated arson, aggravated robbery, or aggravated burglary. Continued practice after suspension shall be considered practicing without a license or certificate.

The board shall notify the individual subject to the suspension by certified mail or in person in accordance with section 119.07 of the Revised Code. If an individual whose license or certificate is automatically suspended under this division fails to make a timely request for an adjudication under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the board shall do whichever of the following is applicable:

(1) If the automatic suspension under this division is for a second or subsequent plea of guilty to, or judicial finding of guilt of, a violation of section 2919.123 of the Revised Code, the board shall

enter an order suspending the individual's license or certificate to practice for a period of at least one year or, if determined appropriate by the board, imposing a more serious sanction involving the individual's license or certificate to practice.

- (2) In all circumstances in which division (I)(1) of this section does not apply, enter a final order permanently revoking the individual's license or certificate to practice.
- (J) If the board is required by Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to give notice of an opportunity for a hearing and if the individual subject to the notice does not timely request a hearing in accordance with section 119.07 of the Revised Code, the board is not required to hold a hearing, but may adopt, by an affirmative vote of not fewer than six of its members, a final order that contains the board's findings. In that final order, the board may order any of the sanctions identified under division (A) or (B) of this section.
- (K) Any action taken by the board under division (B) of this section resulting in a suspension from practice shall be accompanied by a written statement of the conditions under which the individual's license or certificate to practice may be reinstated. The board shall adopt rules governing conditions to be imposed for reinstatement. Reinstatement of a license or certificate suspended pursuant to division (B) of this section requires an affirmative vote of not fewer than six members of the board.
- (L) When the board refuses to grant or issue a license or certificate to practice to an applicant, revokes an individual's license or certificate to practice, refuses to renew an individual's license or certificate to practice, or refuses to reinstate an individual's license or certificate to practice, the board may specify that its action is permanent. An individual subject to a permanent action taken by the board is forever thereafter ineligible to hold a license or certificate to practice and the board shall not accept an application for reinstatement of the license or certificate or for issuance of a new license or certificate.
  - (M) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Revised Code, all of the following apply:
- (1) The surrender of a license or certificate issued under this chapter shall not be effective unless or until accepted by the board. A telephone conference call may be utilized for acceptance of the surrender of an individual's license or certificate to practice. The telephone conference call shall be considered a special meeting under division (F) of section 121.22 of the Revised Code. Reinstatement of a license or certificate surrendered to the board requires an affirmative vote of not fewer than six members of the board.
- (2) An application for a license or certificate made under the provisions of this chapter may not be withdrawn without approval of the board.
- (3) Failure by an individual to renew a license or certificate to practice in accordance with this chapter or a certificate to recommend in accordance with rules adopted under section 4731.301 of the Revised Code shall not remove or limit the board's jurisdiction to take any disciplinary action under this section against the individual.
- (4) At the request of the board, a license or certificate holder shall immediately surrender to the board a license or certificate that the board has suspended, revoked, or permanently revoked.
- (N) Sanctions shall not be imposed under division (B)(28) of this section against any person who waives deductibles and copayments as follows:
  - (1) In compliance with the health benefit plan that expressly allows such a practice. Waiver of

the deductibles or copayments shall be made only with the full knowledge and consent of the plan purchaser, payer, and third-party administrator. Documentation of the consent shall be made available to the board upon request.

- (2) For professional services rendered to any other person authorized to practice pursuant to this chapter, to the extent allowed by this chapter and rules adopted by the board.
- (O) Under the board's investigative duties described in this section and subject to division (F) of this section, the board shall develop and implement a quality intervention program designed to improve through remedial education the clinical and communication skills of individuals authorized under this chapter to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, and podiatric medicine and surgery. In developing and implementing the quality intervention program, the board may do all of the following:
- (1) Offer in appropriate cases as determined by the board an educational and assessment program pursuant to an investigation the board conducts under this section;
- (2) Select providers of educational and assessment services, including a quality intervention program panel of case reviewers;
- (3) Make referrals to educational and assessment service providers and approve individual educational programs recommended by those providers. The board shall monitor the progress of each individual undertaking a recommended individual educational program.
- (4) Determine what constitutes successful completion of an individual educational program and require further monitoring of the individual who completed the program or other action that the board determines to be appropriate;
- (5) Adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to further implement the quality intervention program.

An individual who participates in an individual educational program pursuant to this division shall pay the financial obligations arising from that educational program.

- Sec. 4731.293. (A) The state medical board may shall issue, without examination, a clinical research faculty certificate to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine and surgery to any person who applies for the certificate and provides to the board all satisfactory evidence of both of the following:
  - (1) Evidence satisfactory to the board of all of the following:
- (a) That the applicant holds a current, unrestricted license to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine and surgery issued by another state or country;
- (b) (2) That the applicant has been appointed to serve in this state on the academic staff of a medical school accredited by the liaison committee on medical education, an osteopathic medical school accredited by the American osteopathic association, or a college of podiatric medicine and surgery in good standing with the board;
- (c) That the applicant is an international medical graduate who holds a medical degree from an educational institution listed in the international medical education directory.
- (2) An affidavit and supporting documentation from the dean of the school or college, or the department director or chairperson of a teaching hospital affiliated with the school or college, that the applicant is qualified to perform teaching and research activities and will be permitted to work only

under the authority of the department director or chairperson of a teaching hospital affiliated with the school or college where the applicant's teaching and research activities will occur;

- (3) A description from the school, college, or teaching hospital of the scope of practice in which the applicant will be involved, including the types of teaching, research, and procedures in which the applicant will be engaged;
- (4) A description from the school, college, or teaching hospital of the type and amount of patient contact that will occur in connection with the applicant's teaching and research activities.
- (B) An applicant for an initial clinical research faculty certificate shall pay a fee of three-hundred seventy-five dollars.
- (C) The holder of a clinical research faculty certificate may do one of the following, as applicable:
- (1) Practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery only as is incidental to the certificate holder's teaching or research duties at the medical school or a teaching hospital affiliated with the school;
- (2) Practice podiatric medicine and surgery only as is incidental to the certificate holder's teaching or research duties at the college of podiatric medicine and surgery or a teaching hospital affiliated with the college.
- (D) (C) The board may revoke a certificate on receiving proof satisfactory to the board that the certificate holder has engaged in practice in this state outside the scope of the certificate or that there are grounds for action against the certificate holder under section 4731.22 of the Revised Code.
- (E) (D) A clinical research faculty certificate is valid for three years, except that the certificate ceases to be valid if the holder's academic staff appointment described in division (A)(1) (b) (A)(2) of this section is no longer valid or the certificate is revoked pursuant to division (D) (C) of this section.
- (F)(1) (E)(1) The board shall provide a renewal notice to the certificate holder at least one month before the certificate expires. Failure of a certificate holder to receive a notice of renewal from the board shall not excuse the certificate holder from the requirements contained in this section. The notice shall inform the certificate holder of the renewal procedure. The notice also shall inform the certificate holder of the reporting requirement established by division (H) of section 3701.79 of the Revised Code. At the discretion of the board, the information may be included on the application for renewal or on an accompanying page.
- (2) A clinical research faculty certificate may be renewed for an additional three-year period. There is no limit on the number of times a certificate may be renewed. A person seeking renewal of a certificate shall apply to the board. The board shall provide the application for renewal in a form determined by the board.
  - (3) An applicant is eligible for renewal if the applicant does all of the following:
  - (a) Pays a renewal fee of three hundred seventy-five dollars;
- (b)—Reports any criminal offense to which the applicant has pleaded guilty, of which the applicant has been found guilty, or for which the applicant has been found eligible for intervention in lieu of conviction, since last filing an application for a clinical research faculty certificate;
- (e) Provides to the board an affidavit and supporting documentation from the dean of the school or college, or the department director or chairperson of a teaching hospital affiliated with the

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school or college, that the applicant is in compliance with the applicant's current clinical research faculty certificate;

- (d) (b) Provides evidence satisfactory to the board of all both of the following:
- (i) That the applicant continues to maintain a current, unrestricted license to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine and surgery issued by another state or country;
- (ii) That the applicant's initial appointment to serve in this state on the academic staff of a school or college is still valid or has been renewed;
- (iii) That the applicant has completed seventy-five hours of continuing medical education that meet the requirements set forth in section 4731.282 of the Revised Code.
- (4) Regardless of whether the certificate has expired, a person who was granted a visiting medical faculty certificate under this section as it existed immediately prior to June 6, 2012, may apply for a clinical research faculty certificate as a renewal. The board may issue the clinical research faculty certificate if the applicant meets the requirements of division (F)(3) (E)(3) of this section. The board may not issue a clinical research faculty certificate if the visiting medical faculty certificate was revoked.
- (G) (F) The board may adopt any rules it considers necessary to implement this section. The rules shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.
- Sec. 4731.298. (A) The state medical board shall issue, without examination, to an applicant who meets the requirements of this section a visiting clinical professional development certificate authorizing the practice of medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery as part of the applicant's participation in a clinical professional development program.
- (B) To be eligible for a visiting clinical professional development certificate, an applicant shall provide to the board both of the following:
  - (1) Documentation satisfactory to the board of all of the following:
- (a) Verification from the school or hospital conducting the program that the applicant has sufficient financial resources to support the applicant and any dependents based on the cost of living in the geographic area of the school or hospital conducting the program, including room, board, transportation, and related living expenses;
- (b) Valid health and evacuation insurance for the duration of the applicant's stay in the United States;
- (e) Professional liability insurance provided by the program or the school or hospital-conducting the program for the duration of the applicant's participation in the program;
- (d) Proficiency in spoken English as demonstrated by passing the examination described in section 4731.142 of the Revised Code;
- (e) A description from the school or hospital conducting the program of the scope of medical or surgical activities permitted during the applicant's participation in the program that includes all of the following:
  - (i) The type of practice in which the applicant will be involved;
  - (ii) The type of patient contact that will occur;
  - (iii) The type of supervision the applicant will experience;
  - (iv) A list of procedures the applicant will learn;

- (v) A list of any patient-based research projects in which the applicant will be involved;
- (vi) Whether the applicant will act as a consultant to a person who holds a license to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery issued under this chapter;
  - (vii) Any other details of the applicant's participation in the program.

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- (f) A statement from the school or hospital conducting the program regarding why the applicant needs advanced training and the benefits to the applicant's home country of the applicant receiving the training.
- (2) Evidence satisfactory to the board evidence that the applicant meets all both of the following requirements:
- (a) (1) Has been accepted for participation in a clinical professional development program of a medical school or osteopathic medical school in this state that is accredited by the liaison committee on medical education or the American osteopathic association or of a teaching hospital affiliated with such a medical school;
- (b) Is an international medical graduate who holds a medical degree from an educational institution listed in the international medical education directory;
- (e) Has practiced medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery for at least five years after completing graduate medical education, including postgraduate residency and advanced training;
- (d) Has credentials that are primary-source verified by the educational commission forforeign medical graduates or the federation credentials verification service;
- (e) (2) Holds a current, unrestricted license to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery issued in another country;
- (f) Agrees to comply with all state and federal laws regarding health, health care, and patient privacy;
- (g) Agrees to return to the applicant's home state or country at the conclusion of the clinical professional development program.
- (C) The applicant shall pay a fee of three hundred seventy-five dollars. The board shall maintain a register of all persons who hold visiting clinical professional development certificates.
- (D) The holder of a visiting clinical professional development certificate may practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery only as part of the clinical professional development program in which the certificate holder participates. The certificate holder's practice must be under the direct supervision of a qualified faculty member of the medical school, osteopathic medical school, or teaching hospital conducting the program who holds a license to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery issued under this chapter.

The program in which the certificate holder participates shall ensure that the certificate holder does not do any of the following:

- (1) Write orders or prescribe medication;
- (2) Bill for services performed;
- (3) Occupy a residency or fellowship position approved by the accreditation council for graduate medical education;
- (4) Attempt to have participation in a clinical professional development program pursuant to this section counted toward meeting the graduate medical education requirements specified in section

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- (E) The board may revoke a certificate issued under this section on receiving proof satisfactory to the board that the certificate holder has engaged in practice in this state outside the scope of the certificate or that there are grounds for action against the certificate holder under section 4731.22 of the Revised Code.
- (F) A visiting clinical professional development certificate is valid for the shorter of one year or the duration of the program in which the holder is participating. The certificate ceases to be valid if the holder resigns or is otherwise terminated from the program. The certificate may not be extended.
- (G) The program in which a certificate holder participates shall obtain from each patient or patient's parent or legal guardian written consent to any medical or surgical procedure or course of procedures in which the certificate holder participates.
- (H) The board may adopt any rules it considers necessary to implement this section. The rules shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.
- Sec. 4731.36. (A) Sections 4731.01 to 4731.47 of the Revised Code shall not prohibit service in case of emergency, domestic administration of family remedies, or provision of assistance to another individual who is self-administering drugs.

Sections 4731.01 to 4731.47 of the Revised Code shall not apply to any of the following:

- (1) A commissioned medical officer of the armed forces of the United States or an employee of the veterans administration of the United States or the United States public health service in the discharge of the officer's or employee's professional duties;
- (2) A dentist authorized under Chapter 4715. of the Revised Code to practice dentistry when engaged exclusively in the practice of dentistry or when administering anesthetics in the practice of dentistry;
- (3) A physician or surgeon in another state or territory who is a legal practitioner of medicine or surgery therein when providing consultation to an individual holding a license to practice issued under this chapter who is responsible for the examination, diagnosis, and treatment of the patient who is the subject of the consultation, if one of the following applies:
- (a) The physician or surgeon does not provide consultation in this state on a regular or frequent basis.
- (b) The physician or surgeon provides the consultation without compensation of any kind, direct or indirect, for the consultation.
- (c) The consultation is part of the curriculum of a medical school or osteopathic medical school of this state or a program described in division (A)(2) of section 4731.291 of the Revised Code.
- (4) A physician or surgeon in another state or territory who is a legal practitioner of medicine or surgery therein and provided services to a patient in that state or territory, when providing, not later than one year after the last date services were provided in another state or territory, follow-up services in person or through the use of any communication, including oral, written, or electronic communication, in this state to the patient for the same condition;
- (5) A physician or surgeon residing on the border of a contiguous state and authorized under the laws thereof to practice medicine and surgery therein, whose practice extends within the limits of

this state. Such practitioner shall not either in person or through the use of any communication, including oral, written, or electronic communication, open an office or appoint a place to see patients or receive calls within the limits of this state.

- (6) A board, committee, or corporation engaged in the conduct described in division (A) of section 2305.251 of the Revised Code when acting within the scope of the functions of the board, committee, or corporation;
- (7) The conduct of an independent review organization accredited by the superintendent of insurance under section 3922.13 of the Revised Code for the purpose of external reviews conducted under Chapter 3922. of the Revised Code.

As used in division (A)(1) of this section, "armed forces of the United States" means the army, air force, navy, marine corps, coast guard, and any other military service branch that is designated by congress as a part of the armed forces of the United States.

- (B)(1) Subject to division (B)(2) of this section, this chapter does not apply to a person who holds a current, unrestricted license to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery in another state when the person, pursuant to a written agreement with an athletic team located in the state in which the person holds the license, provides medical services to any of the following while the team is traveling to or from or participating in a sporting event in this state:
  - (a) A member of the athletic team;

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- (b) A member of the athletic team's coaching, communications, equipment, or sports medicine staff;
  - (c) A member of a band or cheerleading squad accompanying the athletic team;
  - (d) The athletic team's mascot.
- (2) In providing medical services pursuant to division (B)(1) of this section, the person shall not provide medical services at a health care facility, including a hospital, an ambulatory surgical facility, or any other facility in which medical care, diagnosis, or treatment is provided on an inpatient or outpatient basis.
- (C) Sections 4731.51 to 4731.61 of the Revised Code do not apply to any graduate of a podiatric school or college while performing those acts that may be prescribed by or incidental to participation in an accredited podiatric internship, residency, or fellowship program situated in this state approved by the state medical board.
- (D) This chapter does not apply to an <u>individual engaged in the practice of</u> oriental medicine <u>practitioner\_or\_to an</u> acupuncturist who complies with Chapter 4762. of the Revised Code.
  - (E) This chapter does not prohibit the administration of drugs by any of the following:
- (1) An individual who is licensed or otherwise specifically authorized by the Revised Code to administer drugs;
- (2) An individual who is not licensed or otherwise specifically authorized by the Revised Code to administer drugs, but is acting pursuant to the rules for delegation of medical tasks adopted under section 4731.053 of the Revised Code;
- (3) An individual specifically authorized to administer drugs pursuant to a rule adopted under the Revised Code that is in effect on April 10, 2001, as long as the rule remains in effect, specifically authorizing an individual to administer drugs.
  - (F) The exemptions described in divisions (A)(3), (4), and (5) of this section do not apply to a

physician or surgeon whose license to practice issued under this chapter is under suspension or has been revoked or permanently revoked by action of the state medical board.

- Sec. 4731.572. (A) The state medical board <u>may shall</u> issue, without examination, a visiting podiatric faculty certificate to any person who holds a current, unrestricted license to practice podiatric medicine and surgery issued by another state or country and has been appointed to serve in this state on the academic staff of an approved college of podiatric medicine and surgery in good standing, as determined by the board.
- (B) An applicant for a visiting podiatric faculty certificate shall submit evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant meets the requirements of division (A) of this section. The applicant shall pay a fee of one hundred twenty-five dollars.
- (C) The holder of a visiting podiatric faculty certificate may practice podiatric medicine and surgery only as is incidental to the certificate holder's teaching duties at the college or the teaching hospitals affiliated with the college. The board may revoke a certificate on receiving proof satisfactory to the board that the holder of the certificate has engaged in practice in this state outside the scope of the certificate or that there are grounds for action against the certificate holder under section 4731.22 of the Revised Code.
- (D) A visiting podiatric faculty certificate is valid for the shorter of one year or the duration of the holder's appointment to the academic staff of the college. The certificate may not be renewed.
- Sec. 4734.211. (A) In consultation with the state medical board, the state chiropractic board shall approve courses of study in acupuncture that prepare a chiropractor licensed under this chapter to receive a certificate to practice acupuncture issued under section 4732.283 of the Revised Code.
- (B) To be approved, a course of study must require the successful completion of at least three hundred hours of instruction. Of the three hundred hours of instruction, at least two hundred hours must consist of direct clinical instruction that covers all of the following:
  - (1) Application of acupuncture techniques;
  - (2) An introduction to traditional Chinese acupuncture;
  - (3) Acupuncture points;

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- (4) Applications of acupuncture in modern western medicine;
- (5) Guidelines on safety in acupuncture;
- (6) Treatment techniques.
- (C) In determining whether to approve a course of study, the state chiropractic board shall take into consideration the qualifications of the entity that administers the course of study. The board may approve a course of study that is administered by any of the following:
- (1) A school or college of chiropractic that has been approved by a national entity acceptable to the board;
- (2) An institution with an acupuncture program that is accredited by the accreditation commission for acupuncture and oriental medicine;
- (3) A school or college of medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine and surgery;
  - (4) A hospital;
  - (5) An institution that holds a certificate of authorization from the board of regents;

- (6) An institution that holds program authorization from the state board of career colleges and schools under section 3332.05 of the Revised Code.
- Sec. 4734.31. (A) The state chiropractic board may take any of the actions specified in division (B) of this section against an individual who has applied for or holds a license to practice chiropractic in this state if any of the reasons specified in division (C) of this section for taking action against an individual are applicable. Except as provided in division (D) of this section, actions taken against an individual shall be taken in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. The board may specify that any action it takes is a permanent action. The board's authority to take action against an individual is not removed or limited by the individual's failure to renew a license.
- (B) In its imposition of sanctions against an individual, the board may do any of the following:
- (1) Refuse to issue, renew, restore, or reinstate a license to practice chiropractic or a certificate to practice acupuncture;
  - (2) Reprimand or censure a license holder;
  - (3) Place limits, restrictions, or probationary conditions on a license holder's practice;
- (4) Impose a civil fine of not more than five thousand dollars according to a schedule of fines specified in rules that the board shall adopt in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.
- (5) Suspend a license to practice chiropractic or a certificate to practice acupuncture for a limited or indefinite period;
  - (6) Revoke a license to practice chiropractic or a certificate to practice acupuncture.
- (C) The board may take the actions specified in division (B) of this section for any of the following reasons:
- (1) A plea of guilty to, a judicial finding of guilt of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, a felony in any jurisdiction, in which case a certified copy of the court record shall be conclusive evidence of the conviction;
- (2) Commission of an act that constitutes a felony in this state, regardless of the jurisdiction in which the act was committed;
- (3) A plea of guilty to, a judicial finding of guilt of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, as determined by the board, in which case a certified copy of the court record shall be conclusive evidence of the matter;
- (4) Commission of an act involving moral turpitude that constitutes a misdemeanor in this state, regardless of the jurisdiction in which the act was committed;
- (5) A plea of guilty to, a judicial finding of guilt of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, a misdemeanor committed in the course of practice, in which case a certified copy of the court record shall be conclusive evidence of the matter;
- (6) Commission of an act in the course of practice that constitutes a misdemeanor in this state, regardless of the jurisdiction in which the act was committed;
- (7) A violation or attempted violation of this chapter or the rules adopted under it governing the practice of chiropractic and the practice of acupuncture by a chiropractor licensed under this chapter;
- (8) Failure to cooperate in an investigation conducted by the board, including failure to comply with a subpoena or order issued by the board or failure to answer truthfully a question

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presented by the board at a deposition or in written interrogatories, except that failure to cooperate with an investigation shall not constitute grounds for discipline under this section if the board or a court of competent jurisdiction has issued an order that either quashes a subpoena or permits the individual to withhold the testimony or evidence in issue;

- (9) Engaging in an ongoing professional relationship with a person or entity that violates any provision of this chapter or the rules adopted under it, unless the chiropractor makes a good faith effort to have the person or entity comply with the provisions;
- (10) Retaliating against a chiropractor for the chiropractor's reporting to the board or any other agency with jurisdiction any violation of the law or for cooperating with the board of another agency in the investigation of any violation of the law;
- (11) Aiding, abetting, assisting, counseling, or conspiring with any person in that person's violation of any provision of this chapter or the rules adopted under it, including the practice of chiropractic without a license, the practice of acupuncture without a certificate, or aiding, abetting, assisting, counseling, or conspiring with any person in that person's unlicensed practice of any other health care profession that has licensing requirements;
- (12) With respect to a report or record that is made, filed, or signed in connection with the practice of chiropractic or acupuncture, knowingly making or filing a report or record that is false, intentionally or negligently failing to file a report or record required by federal, state, or local law or willfully impeding or obstructing the required filing, or inducing another person to engage in any such acts:
- (13) Making a false, fraudulent, or deceitful statement to the board or any agent of the board during any investigation or other official proceeding conducted by the board under this chapter or in any filing that must be submitted to the board;
- (14) Attempting to secure a license to practice chiropractic or certificate to practice acupuncture or to corrupt the outcome of an official board proceeding through bribery or any other improper means;
- (15) Willfully obstructing or hindering the board or any agent of the board in the discharge of the board's duties;
- (16) Habitually using drugs or intoxicants to the extent that the person is rendered unfit for the practice of chiropractic or acupuncture;
- (17) Inability to practice chiropractic or acupuncture according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care by reason of chemical dependency, mental illness, or physical illness, including conditions in which physical deterioration has adversely affected the person's cognitive, motor, or perceptive skills and conditions in which a chiropractor's continued practice may pose a danger to the chiropractor or the public;
- (18) Any act constituting gross immorality relative to the person's practice of chiropractic or acupuncture, including acts involving sexual abuse, sexual misconduct, or sexual exploitation;
  - (19) Exploiting a patient for personal or financial gain;
- (20) Failing to maintain proper, accurate, and legible records in the English language documenting each patient's care, including, as appropriate, records of the following: dates of treatment, services rendered, examinations, tests, x-ray reports, referrals, and the diagnosis or clinical impression and clinical treatment plan provided to the patient;

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- (21) Except as otherwise required by the board or by law, disclosing patient information gained during the chiropractor's professional relationship with a patient without obtaining the patient's authorization for the disclosure;
- (22) Commission of willful or gross malpractice, or willful or gross neglect, in the practice of chiropractic or acupuncture;
- (23) Failing to perform or negligently performing an act recognized by the board as a general duty or the exercise of due care in the practice of chiropractic or acupuncture, regardless of whether injury results to a patient from the failure to perform or negligent performance of the act;
- (24) Engaging in any conduct or practice that impairs or may impair the ability to practice chiropractic or acupuncture safely and skillfully;
- (25) Practicing, or claiming to be capable of practicing, beyond the scope of the practice of chiropractic or acupuncture as established under this chapter and the rules adopted under this chapter;
- (26) Accepting and performing professional responsibilities as a chiropractor or chiropractor with a certificate to practice acupuncture when not qualified to perform those responsibilities, if the person knew or had reason to know that the person was not qualified to perform them;
- (27) Delegating any of the professional responsibilities of a chiropractor or chiropractor with a certificate to practice acupuncture to an employee or other individual when the delegating chiropractor knows or had reason to know that the employee or other individual is not qualified by training, experience, or professional licensure to perform the responsibilities;
- (28) Delegating any of the professional responsibilities of a chiropractor or chiropractor with a certificate to practice acupuncture to an employee or other individual in a negligent manner or failing to provide proper supervision of the employee or other individual to whom the responsibilities are delegated;
- (29) Failing to refer a patient to another health care practitioner for consultation or treatment when the chiropractor knows or has reason to know that the referral is in the best interest of the patient;
- (30) Obtaining or attempting to obtain any fee or other advantage by fraud or misrepresentation;
- (31) Making misleading, deceptive, false, or fraudulent representations in the practice of chiropractic or acupuncture;
- (32) Being guilty of false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading advertising or other solicitations for patients or knowingly having professional connection with any person that advertises or solicits for patients in such a manner;
- (33) Violation of a provision of any code of ethics established or adopted by the board under section 4734.16 of the Revised Code;
- (34) Failing to meet the examination requirements for receipt of a license specified under section 4734.20 of the Revised Code;
- (35) Actions taken for any reason, other than nonpayment of fees, by the chiropractic or acupuncture licensing authority of another state or country;
- (36) Failing to maintain clean and sanitary conditions at the clinic, office, or other place in which chiropractic services or acupuncture services are provided;
  - (37) Except as provided in division (G) of this section:

- (a) Waiving the payment of all or any part of a deductible or copayment that a patient, pursuant to a health insurance or health care policy, contract, or plan that covers the chiropractor's services, otherwise would be required to pay if the waiver is used as an enticement to a patient or group of patients to receive health care services from that chiropractor;
- (b) Advertising that the chiropractor will waive the payment of all or any part of a deductible or copayment that a patient, pursuant to a health insurance or health care policy, contract, or plan that covers the chiropractor's services, otherwise would be required to pay.
- (38) Failure to supervise an oriental medicine practitioner performing acupuncture or an acupuncturist in accordance with the provisions of section 4762.11 of the Revised Code that are applicable to a supervising chiropractor.
- (D) The adjudication requirements of Chapter 119. of the Revised Code apply to the board when taking actions against an individual under this section, except as follows:
- (1) An applicant is not entitled to an adjudication for failing to meet the conditions specified under section 4734.20 of the Revised Code for receipt of a license that involve the board's examination on jurisprudence or the examinations of the national board of chiropractic examiners.
- (2) A person is not entitled to an adjudication if the person fails to make a timely request for a hearing, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.
- (3) In lieu of an adjudication, the board may accept the surrender of a license to practice chiropractic or certificate to practice acupuncture from a chiropractor.
- (4) In lieu of an adjudication, the board may enter into a consent agreement with an individual to resolve an allegation of a violation of this chapter or any rule adopted under it. A consent agreement, when ratified by the board, shall constitute the findings and order of the board with respect to the matter addressed in the agreement. If the board refuses to ratify a consent agreement, the admissions and findings contained in the consent agreement shall be of no force or effect.
- (E) This section does not require the board to hire, contract with, or retain the services of an expert witness when the board takes action against a chiropractor concerning compliance with acceptable and prevailing standards of care in the practice of chiropractic or acupuncture. As part of an action taken concerning compliance with acceptable and prevailing standards of care, the board may rely on the knowledge of its members for purposes of making a determination of compliance, notwithstanding any expert testimony presented by the chiropractor that contradicts the knowledge and opinions of the members of the board.
- (F) The sealing of conviction records by a court shall have no effect on a prior board order entered under this section or on the board's jurisdiction to take action under this section if, based on a plea of guilty, a judicial finding of guilt, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction, the board issued a notice of opportunity for a hearing prior to the court's order to seal the records. The board shall not be required to seal, destroy, redact, or otherwise modify its records to reflect the court's sealing of conviction records.
- (G) Actions shall not be taken pursuant to division (C)(37) of this section against any chiropractor who waives deductibles and copayments as follows:
- (1) In compliance with the health benefit plan that expressly allows a practice of that nature. Waiver of the deductibles or copayments shall be made only with the full knowledge and consent of

the plan purchaser, payer, and third-party administrator. Documentation of the consent shall be made available to the board upon request.

(2) For professional services rendered to any other person licensed pursuant to this chapter, to the extent allowed by this chapter and the rules of the board.

Sec. 4736.01. As used in this chapter:

- (A) "Environmental health science" means the aspect of public health science that includes, but is not limited to, the following bodies of knowledge: air quality, food quality and protection, hazardous and toxic substances, consumer product safety, housing, institutional health and safety, community noise control, radiation protection, recreational facilities, solid and liquid waste management, vector control, drinking water quality, milk sanitation, and rabies control.
- (B) "Sanitarian" "Environmental health specialist" means a person who performs for compensation educational, investigational, technical, or administrative duties requiring specialized knowledge and skills in the field of environmental health science.
- (C) "Registered sanitarian" "Registered environmental health specialist" means a person who is registered as a sanitarian an environmental health specialist in accordance with this chapter.
- (D) "Sanitarian-in-training" "Environmental health specialist in training" means a person who is registered as a sanitarian-in-training an environmental health specialist in training in accordance with this chapter.
- (E) "Practice of environmental health" means consultation, instruction, investigation, inspection, or evaluation by an employee of a city health district, a general health district, the environmental protection agency, the department of health, or the department of agriculture requiring specialized knowledge, training, and experience in the field of environmental health science, with the primary purpose of improving or conducting administration or enforcement under any of the following:
  - (1) Chapter 911., 913., 917., 3717., 3718., 3721., 3729., or 3733. of the Revised Code;
  - (2) Chapter 3734. of the Revised Code as it pertains to solid waste;
- (3) Section 955.26, 3701.344, 3707.01, or 3707.03, sections 3707.38 to 3707.99, or section 3715.21 of the Revised Code;
- (4) Rules adopted under former section 3701.34 of the Revised Code pertaining to rabies control or swimming pools;
- (5) Rules adopted under section 3701.935 of the Revised Code for school health and safety network inspections and rules adopted under section 3707.26 of the Revised Code for sanitary inspections.

"Practice of environmental health" does not include sampling, testing, controlling of vectors, reporting of observations, or other duties that do not require application of specialized knowledge and skills in environmental health science performed under the supervision of a registered sanitarianenvironmental health specialist.

The director of health may further define environmental health science in relation to specific functions in the practice of environmental health through rules adopted by the director under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4736.02. There is hereby created the sanitarian environmental health specialist advisory board consisting of seven members appointed by the director of health with the advice and consent of

the senate for terms established in accordance with rules adopted by the director under section 4736.03 of the Revised Code. The advisory board shall advise the director regarding the registration of sanitarians-in-training environmental health specialists in training and sanitariansenvironmental health specialists, continuing education requirements for sanitariansenvironmental health specialists, the administration of examinations prescribed manner in which the passage of an examination required by section 4736.09 of the Revised Code is verified, the education criteria required under section 4736.08 of the Revised Code, and any other matters as may be of assistance to the director in the regulation of sanitarians—environmental health specialists and sanitarians—intrainingenvironmental health specialists in training.

Each member appointed by the director shall be a registered sanitarian environmental health specialist who meets the education and experience requirements of section 4736.08 of the Revised Code for registration as a sanitarian environmental health specialist. At least one and not more than two of the members shall be employees of a general health district; at least one and not more than two shall be employees of a city health district; and at least one and not more than two shall be employed in private industry. Not more than one member may be employed by a university and not more than one member may be employed by an agency or department of the state.

Within ninety days of the effective date of this amendment September 29, 2017, the director shall make initial appointments to the advisory board.

Sec. 4736.03. The director of health shall adopt and may amend or rescind rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code governing the administration of the examinations prescribed manner in which the passage of an examination required by section 4736.09 of the Revised Code is verified, prescribing the form for application, establishing criteria for determining what courses may be included toward fulfillment of the science course requirements of section 4736.08 of the Revised Code, determining the continuing education program requirements of section 4736.11 of the Revised Code, and for the administration and enforcement of this chapter.

The director shall adopt, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, rules establishing terms of office for members of the sanitarian environmental health specialist advisory board created in section 4736.02 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4736.05. The director of health shall review and evaluate applications each application for registration as sanitarians—an environmental health specialist registration and sanitarians—intraining, conduct examinations, environmental health specialists in training registration. The director also shall review and approve expenses, prepare and approve reports, and transact all other business as may be necessary to administer and enforce Chapter 4736. of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4736.06. All receipts of the department of health that are associated with sanitarian environmental health specialist and sanitarian-in-training environmental health specialist in training registration and renewal fees shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the general operations fund created in section 3701.83 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4736.08. An application for registration A person seeking to register as a sanitarian an environmental health specialist shall be made submit an application to the director of health on a form prescribed by the director and accompanied by the Along with the application, the person shall submit the application fee prescribed in section 4736.12 of the Revised Code. The director shall register an applicant if the applicant is of good moral character, passes an examination conducted by

the director in accordance with complies with the examination requirements specified under section 4736.09 of the Revised Code, and meets the education and experience requirements of division (A), (B), or (C) of this section:

- (A) Graduated from an accredited college or university with at least a baccalaureate degree, including at least forty-five quarter units or thirty semester units of science courses approved by the director; and completed at least two years of full-time employment as a sanitarianan environmental health specialist;
- (B) Graduated from an accredited college or university with at least a baccalaureate degree, completed a major in environmental health science which included an internship program approved by the director; and completed at least one year of full-time employment as a sanitarianan environmental health specialist;
- (C) Graduated from an accredited college or university with a degree higher than a baccalaureate degree, including at least forty-five quarter units or thirty semester units of science courses approved by the director; and completed at least one year of full-time employment as a sanitarianan environmental health specialist.

Sec. 4736.09. Examinations required by section 4736.08 of the Revised Code shall be conducted not less than once each calendar year at such times and places as the director of health prescribes. Such examinations shall be written and shall include applicable subjects in the field of environmental health science and such other subjects as the director may prescribe. The examination shall be objective and practical. Any examination papers shall not disclose the name of the applicant, but shall be identified by a number assigned by the director. The preparation of the examination shall be the responsibility of the director; however, the director may use material prepared by recognized examination agencies Prior to applying for an initial environmental health specialist registration, a person shall take the credentialed national environmental health association examination administered by the department of health.

No person shall be registered—The director of health shall not register the person if the person fails to meet the minimum grade requirements—requirement for the examination specified by the directornational environmental health association. An applicant who fails to meet such minimum grade requirements in the applicant's first examination may be reexamined at any time and place specified by the director, upon resubmission of an application and payment of the fee prescribed in section 4736.12 of the Revised Code. An applicant for registration who meets the minimum grade requirement shall verify the grade with the director on a form and in a manner prescribed by the director.

Sec. 4736.10. Any person who meets the educational qualifications of division (A), (B), or (C) of section 4736.08 of the Revised Code, but does not meet the experience requirement of such division may make application to the director of health on a form prescribed by the director for registration as a sanitarian-in-training environmental health specialist in training. The director shall register such the person as a sanitarian-in-training-an environmental health specialist in training upon payment of the fee required by section 4736.12 of the Revised Code, if the person passes any examination which the director may require for registration as a sanitarian-in-training. Any such examination shall be conducted in the same manner as the examination required for registration as a sanitarian under section 4736.09 of the Revised Code.

A sanitarian-in-training An environmental health specialist in training shall apply for registration as a sanitarian an environmental health specialist within three years after registration as a sanitarian-in-training environmental health specialist in training. The director may extend the registration of any sanitarian-in-training environmental health specialist in training who furnishes, in writing, sufficient cause for not applying for registration as a sanitarian an environmental health specialist within the three-year period. However, the director shall not extend the registration more than an additional two years beyond the three-year period.

Sec. 4736.11. (A) The director of health shall issue a certificate of registration to any applicant whom it registers as a sanitarian an environmental health specialist or a sanitarian-intraining nenvironmental health specialist in training. Such certificate shall bear:

- (A) (1) The name of the person;
- (B) (2) The date of issue;
- (C)(3) A serial number, designated by the director;
- (D) (4) The signature of the director;
- (E) (5) The designation "registered sanitarian" "registered environmental health specialist" or "sanitarian-in-training." "environmental health specialist in training."
- (B) Certificates of registration shall expire annually biennially on the date fixed by the director and become invalid on that date unless renewed pursuant to this section. All registered sanitarians shall be environmental health specialists are required annually biennially to complete a continuing education program in subjects relating to practices of the profession as a sanitarian to the end—an environmental health specialist. The purpose of the program is that the utilization and application of new techniques, scientific advancements, and research findings will assure comprehensive service to the public. The-
- (C) The director shall prescribe by rule a continuing education program for registered sanitarians environmental health specialists to meet this requirement. The length of study for this program Under the program, an environmental health specialist shall be determined by the director but shall be not less than six nor more than twenty-five complete twenty-four hours of continuing education during the ealendar year biennial period. At least once annually the director shall provide to each registered sanitarian environmental health specialist a list of courses approved by the director as satisfying the program prescribed by rule. Upon the request of a registered sanitarian environmental health specialist, the director shall supply a list of applicable courses that the director has approved.
- (D) A certificate may be renewed for a period of one year-two years at any time prior to the date of expiration upon payment of the renewal fee prescribed by section 4736.12 of the Revised Code and upon showing proof of having complied with the continuing education requirements of this section. The director may waive the continuing education requirement in cases of certified illness or disability which prevents the attendance at any qualified educational seminars during the twelve-twenty-four months immediately preceding the annual biennial certificate of registration renewal date. Certificates which that expire may be reinstated under rules adopted by the director.
- (E) An environmental health specialist shall not be required to pass an examination for purposes of renewal.
  - Sec. 4736.12. (A) The director of health shall charge the following fees:

- (1) To apply as a sanitarian-in-training an environmental health specialist in training, eighty fifty dollars;
- (2) For sanitarians-in-training an environmental health specialist in training to apply for registration as sanitarians an environmental health specialist, eighty fifty dollars. The applicant shall pay this fee only once regardless of the number of times the applicant takes an examination required under section 4736.08 of the Revised Code.
- (3) For persons other than sanitarians-in-training environmental health specialists in training to apply for registration as sanitariansenvironmental health specialists, one hundred sixty-dollars. The applicant shall pay this fee only once regardless of the number of times the applicant takes an examination required under section 4736.08 of the Revised Code.
- (4) The renewal fee for <u>a</u> registered <del>sanitarians shall be ninety environmental health specialist</del> <u>is seventy-five</u> dollars.
- (5) The renewal fee for sanitarians-in-training shall be ninety a registered environmental health specialist in training is thirty-five dollars.
  - (6) For late application for renewal, an additional seventy-five dollars.

The director, with the approval of the controlling board, may establish fees in excess of the amounts provided in this section, provided that such fees do not exceed the amounts permitted by this section by more than fifty per cent.

- (B) The director shall charge separate fees a fee for examinations as the examination required by section 4736.08 of the Revised Code, provided that the fees are fee is not in excess of the actual cost to the department of health of conducting the examinations.
  - (C) The director may adopt rules establishing fees for all of the following:
- (1) Application for the registration of a training agency approved under rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 4736.11 of the Revised Code and for the annual registration renewal of an approved training agency;
- (2) Application for the review of continuing education hours submitted for the director's approval by approved training agencies or by registered sanitarians environmental health specialists or sanitarians-in-trainingenvironmental health specialists in training;
  - (3) Additional copies of pocket identification cards and wall certificates.
- Sec. 4736.14. The director of health may, upon application and proof of valid registration, issue a certificate of registration to any person who is or has been registered as a sanitarian an environmental health specialist by any other state, if the requirements of that state at the time of such registration are determined by the director to be at least equivalent to the requirements of this chapter.

Sec. 4736.15. No person shall engage in, or offer to engage in, the practice of environmental health without being registered in accordance with sections 4736.01 to 4736.15 of the Revised Code. A sanitarian-in-training An environmental health specialist in training may engage in the practice of environmental health for a period not to exceed five years, provided the sanitarian-in-training environmental health specialist in training is supervised by a registered sanitarian-environmental health specialist. No person except a registered sanitarian environmental health specialist shall use the title "registered sanitarian" "registered environmental health specialist" or the abbreviation "R.S." "R.E.H.S." after the person's name, or represent self as a registered sanitarian-environmental health specialist. Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.

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Sec. 4745.04. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Indigent and uninsured person" and "volunteer" have the same meanings as in section 2305.234 of the Revised Code.

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- (2) "Licensing agency that licenses health care professionals" means all of the following:
- (a) The state dental board established under Chapter 4715. of the Revised Code;
- (b) The board of nursing established under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code;
- (c) The state vision professionals board established under Chapter 4725. of the Revised Code;
- (d) The state board of pharmacy established under Chapter 4729. of the Revised Code;
- (e) The state medical board established under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code;
- (f) The state board of psychology established under Chapter 4732. of the Revised Code;
- (g) The state chiropractic board established under Chapter 4734. of the Revised Code;
- (h) The Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board established under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code;
- (i) The counselor, social worker, and marriage and family therapist board established under Chapter 4757. of the Revised Code;
- (j) The chemical dependency professionals board established under Chapter 4758. of the Revised Code;
- (k) The state board of emergency medical services established under Chapter 4765. of the Revised Code;
- (l) The state speech and hearing professionals board established under Chapter 4744. of the Revised Code;
  - (m) Any other licensing agency that considers its licensees to be health care professionals.
- (B) Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised Code to the contrary, a licensing agency that licenses health care professionals shall apply toward the satisfaction of a portion of a licensee's continuing education requirement the provision of health care services if all of the following apply:
- (1) The licensing agency that licenses health care professionals requires a licensee to complete continuing education as a condition of having a license renewed by the agency.
  - (2) The licensee provides the health care services to an indigent and uninsured person.
  - (3) The licensee provides the health care services as a volunteer.
- (4) The licensee satisfies the requirements of section 2305.234 of the Revised Code to qualify for the immunity from liability granted under that section.
- (5) The health care services provided are within the scope of authority of the licensee renewing the license.
- (C)(1) Except as provided in division (C)(2) of this section, a licensing agency that licenses health care professionals shall permit a licensee to satisfy up to one-third of the licensee's continuing education requirement by providing health care services as a volunteer. A licensing agency that licenses health care professionals shall permit a licensee to earn continuing education credits at the rate of one credit hour for each sixty minutes spent providing health care services as a volunteer.
- (2) In the case of a person holding a license to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine and surgery, the state medical board shall permit the person to satisfy not more than three-ten hours of the person's continuing education requirement by providing health care services as a volunteer. The board shall permit a licensee to earn continuing

education credits at the rate of one credit hour for every five hours spent providing health care services as a volunteer.

- (D) A licensing agency that licenses health care professionals shall adopt rules as necessary to implement this section. The rules shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.
- (E) Continuing education credit received under this section for providing health care services is not compensation or any other form of remuneration for purposes of section 2305.234 of the Revised Code and does not make the provider of those services ineligible for the immunity from liability granted under that section.

Sec. 4762.011. On and after the effective date of this section, this chapter no longer applies to oriental medicine practitioners.

Sec. 5107.541. A county department of job and family services may contract with the chief administrator of a nonpublic school or with any school district board of education that has adopted a resolution under section 3319.089 of the Revised Code to provide for a participant of the work experience program who has a minor child enrolled in the nonpublic school or a public school in the district to be assigned under the work experience program to volunteer or work for compensation at the school in which the child is enrolled. Unless it is not possible or practical, a contract shall provide for a participant to volunteer or work at the school as a classroom aide. If that is impossible or impractical, the contract may provide for the participant to volunteer to work in another position at the school. A contract may provide for the nonpublic school or board of education to receive funding to pay for coordinating, training, and supervising participants volunteering or working in schools.

Notwithstanding section 3319.088 of the Revised Code, a A participant volunteering or working as a classroom aide under this section is not required to obtain an educational aide permit or paraprofessional license. The participant shall not be considered an employee of a political subdivision for purposes of Chapter 2744. of the Revised Code and is not entitled to any immunity or defense available under that chapter, the common law of this state, or section 9.86 of the Revised Code.

An assignment under this section shall include attending academic home enrichment classes that provide instruction for parents in creating a home environment that prepares and enables children to learn at school.

- Sec. 6111.30. (A) Applications for a section 401 water quality certification required under division (O) of section 6111.03 of the Revised Code shall be submitted on forms provided by the director of environmental protection and shall include all information required on those forms as well as all of the following:
- (1) A copy of a letter from the United States army corps of engineers documenting its jurisdiction over the wetlands, streams, or other waters of the state that are the subject of the section 401 water quality certification application;
- (2) If the project involves impacts to a wetland, a wetland characterization analysis consistent with the Ohio rapid assessment method;
- (3) If the project involves a stream for which a specific aquatic life use designation has not been made, data sufficient to determine the existing aquatic life use;
  - (4) A specific and detailed mitigation proposal, including the location and proposed real

estate instrument or other available mechanism for protecting the property long term;

- (5) Applicable fees;
- (6) Site photographs;
- (7) Adequate documentation confirming that the applicant has requested comments from the department of natural resources and the United States fish and wildlife service regarding threatened and endangered species, including the presence or absence of critical habitat;
- (8) Descriptions, schematics, and appropriate economic information concerning the applicant's preferred alternative, nondegradation alternatives, and minimum degradation alternatives for the design and operation of the project;
- (9) The applicant's investigation report of the waters of the United States in support of a section 404 permit application concerning the project;
- (10) A copy of the United States army corps of engineers' public notice regarding the section 404 permit application concerning the project.
- (B) Not later than fifteen business days after the receipt of an application for a section 401 water quality certification, the director shall review the application to determine if it is complete and shall notify the applicant in writing as to whether the application is complete. If the director fails to notify the applicant within fifteen business days regarding the completeness of the application, the application is considered complete. If the director determines that the application is not complete, the director shall include with the written notification an itemized list of the information or materials that are necessary to complete the application. If the applicant fails to provide the information or materials within sixty days after the director's receipt of the application, the director may return the incomplete application to the applicant and take no further action on the application. If the application is returned to the applicant because it is incomplete, the director shall return the review fee levied under division (A)(1), (2), or (3) of section 3745.114 of the Revised Code to the applicant, but shall retain the application fee levied under that section.
- (C) Not later than twenty-one days after a determination that an application is complete under division (B) of this section, the applicant shall publish public notice of the director's receipt of the complete application in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the project that is the subject of the application is located. The public notice shall be in a form acceptable to the director. The applicant shall promptly provide the director with proof of publication. The applicant may choose, subject to review by and approval of the director, to include in the public notice an advertisement for an antidegradation public hearing on the application pursuant to section 6111.12 of the Revised Code. There shall be a public comment period of thirty days following the publication of the public notice.
- (D) If the director determines that there is significant public interest in a public hearing as evidenced by the public comments received concerning the application and by other requests for a public hearing on the application, the director or the director's representative shall conduct a public hearing concerning the application. Notice of the public hearing shall be published by the applicant, subject to review and approval by the director, at least thirty days prior to the date of the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the project that is the subject of the application is to take place. If a public hearing is requested concerning an application, the director shall accept comments concerning the application until five business days after the public hearing. A

public hearing conducted under this division shall take place not later than one hundred days after the application is determined to be complete.

- (E) The director shall forward all public comments concerning an application submitted under this section that are received through the public involvement process required by rules adopted under this chapter to the applicant not later than five business days after receipt of the comments by the director.
- (F) The applicant shall respond in writing to written comments or to deficiencies identified by the director during the course of reviewing the application not later than fifteen days after receiving or being notified of them.
- (G) The director shall issue or deny a section 401 water quality certification not later than one hundred eighty days after the complete application for the certification is received. The director shall provide an applicant for a section 401 water quality certification with an opportunity to review the certification prior to its issuance. However, when a certified water quality professional conducts a stream or wetland assessment to support an application and the application does not require or necessitate a public hearing, the director shall issue or deny a section 401 water quality certification not later than ninety days after the complete application for the certification is received.
- (H) The director shall maintain an accessible database that includes environmentally beneficial water restoration and protection projects that may serve as potential mitigation projects for projects in the state for which a section 401 water quality certification is required. A project's inclusion in the database does not constitute an approval of the project.
- (I) Mitigation required by a section 401 water quality certification may be accomplished by any of the following:
  - (1) Purchasing credits at a mitigation bank approved in accordance with 33 C.F.R. 332.8;
- (2) Participating in an in-lieu fee mitigation program approved in accordance with 33 C.F.R. 332.8;
  - (3) Constructing individual mitigation projects.

Notwithstanding the mitigation hierarchy specified in section 3745-1-54 of the Administrative Code, mitigation projects shall be approved in accordance with the hierarchy specified in 33 C.F.R. 332.3 unless the director determines that the size or quality of the impacted resource necessitates reasonably identifiable, available, and practicable mitigation conducted by the applicant. The director shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code consistent with the mitigation hierarchy specified in 33 C.F.R. 332.3.

(J) The director shall establish a program and adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code for the purpose of certifying water quality professionals to assess streams to determine existing aquatic life use and to categorize wetlands in support of applications for section 401 water quality certification under divisions (A)(2) and (3) of this section and isolated wetland-permits under sections 6111.022 to 6111.024 of the Revised Code. The director shall establish amulti-sector work group to assist in the development of rules adopted under this division. The director shall use information submitted by certified water quality professionals in the review of those applications.

Rules adopted under this division shall do all of the following:

(1) Provide for the certification of water quality professionals to conduct activities in support

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of applications for section 401 water quality certification and isolated wetland permits, including work necessary to determine existing aquatic life use of streams and categorize wetlands. Rules adopted under division (J)(1) of this section shall do at least all of the following:

- (a) Authorize the director to require an applicant for water quality professional certification to submit information considered necessary by the director to assess a water quality professional's experience in conducting stream assessments and wetlands categorizations;
- (b) Authorize the director to establish experience requirements and to use tests to determine the competency of applicants for water quality professional certification;
- (e) Authorize the director to approve applicants for water quality professional certification who comply with the requirements established in rules and deny applicants that do not comply with those requirements;
- (d) Require the director to revoke the certification of a water quality professional if the director finds that the professional falsified any information on the professional's application for certification regarding the professional's credentials;
- (e) Require periodic renewal of a water quality professional's certification and establish-continuing education requirements for purposes of that renewal.
- (2) Establish an annual fee to be paid by water quality professionals certified under rules adopted under division (J)(1) of this section in an amount calculated to defray the costs incurred by the environmental protection agency for reviewing applications for water quality professional certification and for issuing those certifications;
- (3) Authorize the director to suspend or revoke the certification of a water quality-professional if the director finds that the professional's performance has resulted in submission of documentation that is inconsistent with standards established in rules adopted under division (J)(7) of this section;
- (4) Authorize the director to review documentation submitted by a certified water quality-professional to ensure compliance with requirements established in rules adopted under division (*J*) (7) of this section;
- (5) Require a certified water quality professional to submit any documentation developed in support of an application for a section 401 water quality certification or an isolated wetland permit upon the request of the director;
- (6) Authorize audits by the director of documentation developed or submitted by certified water quality professionals to ensure compliance with requirements established in rules adopted under division (J)(7) of this section;
- (7) Establish technical standards to be used by certified water quality professionals inconducting stream assessments and wetlands categorizations;
- (8) Authorize the director to require public disclosure, including publication on the environmental protection agency's web site, of all of the following information for each certified water quality professional:
  - (a) Name;
  - (b) Qualifications and credentials;
  - (e) Status of the professional's certifications;
  - (d) Documents and reports submitted by the certified water quality professional;

- (e) Documentation and results of agency audits of the certified water quality professional's work:
- (f) Any final disciplinary action related to the certified water quality professional's performance.
- (K) Nothing in this section requires an applicant for a section 401 water quality certification or a permit for impacts to an isolated wetland under this chapter to use the services of a certified water quality professional.
- (L) (J) As used in this section and section 6111.31 of the Revised Code, "section 401 water quality certification" means certification pursuant to section 401 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and this chapter and rules adopted under it that any discharge, as set forth in section 401, will comply with sections 301, 302, 303, 306, and 307 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.
- Section 2. That existing sections 127.16, 1561.07, 2925.01, 3307.01, 3307.24, 3309.01, 3309.011, 3313.68, 3313.7110, 3313.7113, 3313.721, 3319.22, 3319.222, 3319.223, 3319.227, 3701.33, 3717.27, 3717.47, 3718.011, 3718.03, 3728.04, 4104.32, 4104.34, 4104.36, 4104.37, 4117.103, 4169.02, 4169.03, 4169.04, 4169.05, 4169.06, 4701.06, 4701.17, 4713.01, 4713.14, 4713.17, 4713.42, 4713.56, 4730.11, 4731.04, 4731.15, 4731.16, 4731.171, 4731.19, 4731.22, 4731.293, 4731.298, 4731.36, 4731.572, 4734.211, 4734.31, 4736.01, 4736.02, 4736.03, 4736.05, 4736.06, 4736.08, 4736.09, 4736.10, 4736.11, 4736.12, 4736.14, 4736.15, 4745.04, 5107.541, and 6111.30 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.
- Section 3. That sections 3319.221, 3319.225, 3319.2210, 3745.14, 4104.33, 4104.35, and 4734.281 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.
- Section 4. Sections 3319.22, 3319.223, and 3319.227 of the Revised Code take effect two years after the effective date of this section. During that two-year period, the State Board of Education shall determine a method to condense the four-year Teacher Residency program under section 3319.223 of the Revised Code into a two-year program, including a timeframe by which individuals enrolled in the program before the effective date of section 3319.223 of the Revised Code, as amended by this act, shall complete the program.
- Section 5. A sanitarian or sanitarian-in-training registration that is valid on the effective date of this section remains valid as a biennial environmental health specialist or environmental health specialist in training registration, as applicable, until the date that is two calendar years from the date the registration was issued.
- Section 6. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, on the effective date of this section, the Ski Tramway Board in the Division of Industrial Compliance in the Department of Commerce is hereby abolished. All of the authority, functions, assets, and liabilities of the Ski Tramway Board are transferred to the Division of Industrial Compliance. The Division is thereupon

and thereafter successor to, and assumes the obligations, duties, authorities, and responsibilities of, the Board. Any registration that was issued by the Board that is current and valid on the effective date of this section is deemed to be a registration issued by the Division.

Any business commenced but not completed by the effective date of this section shall be completed by the Division in the same manner, and with the same effect, as if completed by the Board.

No validation, cure, right, privilege, remedy, obligation, or liability is lost or impaired by reason of this act's transfer of responsibility from the Board to the Division.

All rules, orders, and determinations made or undertaken pursuant to the authority and responsibilities of the Board shall continue in effect as rules, orders, and determinations of the Division until modified or rescinded by the Division. If necessary to ensure the integrity of the numbering system of the Administrative Code, the Director of the Legislative Service Commission shall renumber the rules to reflect the transfer.

Any action or proceeding that is related to the functions or duties of the Board pending on the effective date of this section is not affected by the transfer and shall be prosecuted or defended in the name of the Division. In all such actions and proceedings, the Division, on application to the court, shall be substituted as a party.

All employees of the Board shall be employees of the Division and shall serve in the positions previously held within their respective agencies unless the Division determines otherwise. The transfer of responsibility from the Board to the Division shall not be deemed a transfer of employees pursuant to division (D)(3)(b) of section 124.11 of the Revised Code.

Section 7. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, on the effective date of this section, the Historical Boilers Licensing Board in the Division of Industrial Compliance in the Department of Commerce is hereby abolished. All of the authority, functions, assets, and liabilities of the Historical Boilers Licensing Board are transferred to the Division of Industrial Compliance. The Division is thereupon and thereafter successor to, and assumes the obligations, duties, authorities, and responsibilities of, the Board. Any certificate that was issued by the Board that is current and valid on the effective date of this section is deemed to be a certificate issued by the Division.

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Section 8. (A) For the purposes of this section, "occupational licensing board" has the same meaning as in section 4798.01 of the Revised Code.

- (B) Pursuant to division (E) of section 101.62 of the Revised Code, the following occupational licensing boards are hereby renewed and, subject to the revisions prescribed by this act, the statutes creating, empowering, governing, and regulating those boards are continued:
  - (1) The State Board of Education created under section 3301.01 of the Revised Code;
  - (2) The Ohio Athletic Commission created under section 3773.33 of the Revised Code;
- (3) The Environmental Protection Agency created under section 3745.01 of the Revised Code:
  - (4) The Department of Natural Resources described in Chapter 1501. of the Revised Code;
  - (5) The Department of Health described in Chapter 3701. of the Revised Code;
  - (6) The State Medical Board created under section 4731.01 of the Revised Code;
- (7) The Ohio Home Inspector Board within the Department of Commerce created under section 4764.04 of the Revised Code;
- (8) The Division of Securities within the Department of Commerce described in Chapter 1707. of the Revised Code; and
- (9) The Ohio Construction Industry Licensing Board within the Department of Commerce created under section 4740.02 of the Revised Code.
- (C) The occupational licensing boards listed in this section shall be triggered to expire under division (B) of section 101.62 of the Revised Code at the end of the thirty-first day of December of the sixth year following enactment of this section.

Section 9. The General Assembly, applying the principle stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of simultaneous operation, finds that the following sections, presented in this act as composites of the sections as amended by the acts indicated, are the resulting versions of the sections in effect prior to the effective date of the sections as presented in this act:

Section 3319.22 of the Revised Code as amended by both H.B. 438 and S.B. 216 of the 132nd General Assembly.

Section 6111.30 of the Revised Code is presented in this act as a composite of the section as amended by both S.B. 2 and H.B. 49 of the 132nd General Assembly.

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