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A BILL

To enact section 9.16 of the Revised Code to allow
a governmental entity to utilize distributed
ledger technology, including blockchain
technology.

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

Section 1. That section 9.16 of the Revised Code be
enacted to read as follows:

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Sec. 9.16. (A) As used in this section:

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(1) "Governmental entity" means the state or a political
subdivision.

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(2) "Political subdivision" has the same meaning as in
section 9.48 of the Revised Code.

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(3) "State" has the same meaning as in section 2744.01 of

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<u>the Revised Code.</u>	13
<u>(B) A governmental entity may utilize distributed ledger</u>	14
<u>technology, including blockchain technology, in the exercise of</u>	15
<u>its authority.</u>	16