

AN ACT

To amend sections 124.152, 2901.01, and 2929.18 and to enact sections 2917.321 and 5503.031 of the Revised Code to prohibit swatting, to add swatting to the definition of an offense of violence, and to make changes regarding exempt employee pay ranges and pay ranges for certain State Highway Patrol officers.

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

SECTION 1. That sections 124.152, 2901.01, and 2929.18 be amended and sections 2917.321 and 5503.031 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 124.152. (A)(1) Except as provided in division (A)(2) of this section, each exempt employee shall be paid a salary or wage in accordance with schedule E-1 or schedule E-2 of division (B) of this section.

(2) Each exempt employee who holds a position in the unclassified civil service pursuant to division (A)(26) or (30) of section 124.11 of the Revised Code may be paid a salary or wage in accordance with schedule E-1 or schedule E-2 of division (B) of this section, as applicable.

(B)(1) Each exempt employee who must be paid in accordance with schedule E-1 or schedule E-2 of this section shall be paid a salary or wage in accordance with the following schedule of rates as of the pay period that includes July 1, 2021:

Schedule E-1

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
A	Pay Ranges and Step Values									
B										
C		Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7	Step 8	
D	Range									

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
A	1	Hourly	12.14	12.69	13.21	13.80				
B		Annually	25251	26395	27476	28704				
C	2	Hourly	14.73	15.36	16.01	16.72				
D		Annually	30638	31948	33300	34777				
E	3	Hourly	15.44	16.13	16.84	17.56				
F		Annually	32115	33550	35027	36524				
G	4	Hourly	16.20	16.93	17.75	18.51				
H		Annually	33696	35214	36920	38500				
I	5	Hourly	17.00	17.78	18.51	19.33				
J		Annually	35360	36982	38500	40206				
K	6	Hourly	17.91	18.66	19.47	20.27				
L		Annually	37252	38812	40497	42161				
M	7	Hourly	19.01	19.72	20.54	21.25	22.07			
N		Annually	39540	41017	42723	44200	45905			
O	8	Hourly	20.11	21.00	21.90	22.89	23.97			
P		Annually	41828	43680	45552	47611	49857			
Q	9	Hourly	21.45	22.56	23.67	24.85	26.11			
R		Annually	44616	46924	49233	51688	54308			
S	10	Hourly	23.13	24.41	25.72	27.20	28.64			
T		Annually	48110	50772	53497	56576	59571			
U	11	Hourly	25.20	26.66	28.20	29.80	31.49			

V		Annually	52416	55452	58656	61984	65499			
W	12	Hourly	27.80	29.36	30.93	32.64	34.46	36.34	37.82	39.60
X		Annually	57824	61068	64334	67891	71676	75587	78665	82368
Y	13	Hourly	30.64	32.32	34.09	35.92	37.95	39.99	41.63	43.59
Z		Annually	63731	67225	70907	74713	78936	83179	86590	90667
A	14	Hourly	33.69	35.61	37.52	39.56	41.80	44.13	45.95	48.10
A										
AB		Annually	70075	74068	78041	82284	86944	91790	95576	100048
AC	15	Hourly	37.02	39.10	41.30	43.57	45.99	48.51	50.50	52.88
A		Annually	77001	81328	85904	90625	95659	100900	105040	109990
D										
AE	16	Hourly	40.81	43.08	45.45	48.00	50.63	53.53	55.73	58.34
AF		Annually	84884	89606	94536	99840	105310	111342	115918	121347
A	17	Hourly	44.96	47.44	50.10	52.86	55.83	58.94		
G										
A		Annually	93516	98675	104208	109948	116126	122595		
H										
AI	18	Hourly	49.55	52.29	55.24	58.28	61.50	64.94		
AJ		Annually	103064	108763	114899	121222	127920	135075		

Schedule E-2

	1	2	3	4
A	Range		Minimum	Maximum

B	41	Hourly	16.23	48.99
C		Annually	33758	101899
D	42	Hourly	17.89	54.09
E		Annually	37211	112507
F	43	Hourly	19.70	59.56
G		Annually	40976	123884
H	44	Hourly	21.73	65.08
I		Annually	45198	135366
J	45	Hourly	24.01	71.05
K		Annually	49941	147784
L	46	Hourly	26.43	77.65
M		Annually	54974	161512
N	47	Hourly	29.14	84.75
O		Annually	60611	176280
P	48	Hourly	32.14	92.45
Q		Annually	66851	192296
R	49	Hourly	35.44	99.83
S		Annually	73715	207646

(2) Each exempt employee who must be paid in accordance with schedule E-1 or schedule E-2 of this section shall be paid a salary or wage in accordance with the following schedule of rates as of the pay period that includes July 1, 2022:

Schedule E-1

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
A	Pay Ranges and Step Values									
B		Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7	Step 8	
C	Range									

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
A	1	Hourly	12.50	13.07	13.61	14.21				
B		Annually	26000	27185	28308	29556				
C	2	Hourly	15.17	15.82	16.49	17.22				
D		Annually	31553	32905	34299	35817				
E	3	Hourly	15.90	16.61	17.35	18.09				
F		Annually	33072	34548	36088	37627				
G	4	Hourly	16.69	17.44	18.28	19.07				
H		Annually	34715	36275	38022	39665				
I	5	Hourly	17.51	18.31	19.07	19.91				
J		Annually	36420	38084	39665	41412				
K	6	Hourly	18.45	19.22	20.05	20.88				
L		Annually	38376	39977	41704	43430				
M	7	Hourly	19.58	20.31	21.16	21.89	22.73			
N		Annually	40726	42244	44012	45531	47278			
O	8	Hourly	20.71	21.63	22.56	23.58	24.69			

P	Annually	43076	44990	46924	49046	51355			
Q	9 Hourly	22.09	23.24	24.38	25.60	26.89			
R	Annually	45947	48339	50710	53248	55931			
S	10 Hourly	23.82	25.14	26.49	28.02	29.50			
T	Annually	49545	52291	55099	58281	61360			
U	11 Hourly	25.96	27.46	29.05	30.69	32.43			
V	Annually	53996	57116	60424	63835	67454			
W	12 Hourly	28.63	30.24	31.86	33.62	35.49	37.43	38.95	40.79
X	Annually	59550	62889	66268	69929	73819	77854	81016	84843
Y	13 Hourly	31.56	33.29	35.11	37.00	39.09	41.19	42.88	44.90
Z	Annually	65644	69243	73028	76960	81307	85675	89190	93392
A	14 Hourly	34.70	36.68	38.65	40.75	43.05	45.45	47.33	49.54
A									
AB	Annually	72176	76294	80392	84760	89544	94536	98446	103043
AC	15 Hourly	38.13	40.27	42.54	44.88	47.37	49.97	52.02	54.47
A	Annually	79310	83761	88483	93350	98529	103937	108201	113297
D									
AE	16 Hourly	42.03	44.37	46.81	49.44	52.15	55.14	57.40	60.09
AF	Annually	87422	92289	97364	102835	108472	114691	119392	124987
A	17 Hourly	46.31	48.86	51.60	54.45	57.50	60.71		
G									
A	Annually	96324	101628	107328	113256	119600	126276		
H									
AI	18 Hourly	51.04	53.86	56.90	60.03	63.35	66.89		

AJ Annually 106163 112028 118352 124862 131768 139131

Schedule E-2

	1	2	3	4
A	Range		Minimum	Maximum
B	41	Hourly	16.23	50.46
C		Annually	33758	104956
D	42	Hourly	17.89	55.71
E		Annually	37211	115,876 <u>115876</u>
F	43	Hourly	19.70	61.35
G		Annually	40976	127608
H	44	Hourly	21.73	67.03
I		Annually	45198	139422
J	45	Hourly	24.01	73.18
K		Annually	49941	152214
L	46	Hourly	26.43	79.98
M		Annually	54974	166358
N	47	Hourly	29.14	87.29
O		Annually	60611	181563
P	48	Hourly	32.14	95.22
Q		Annually	66851	198057

R	49	Hourly	35.44	102.82
S		Annually	73715	213865

(3) Each exempt employee who must be paid in accordance with schedule E-1 or schedule E-2 of this section shall be paid a salary or wage in accordance with the following schedule of rates as of the pay period that includes July 1, 2023:

Schedule E-1

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
A	Pay Ranges and Step Values									
B			Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7	Step 8
C	Range									
D	1	Hourly	12.88	13.46	14.02	14.64				
E		Annually	26790	27996	29161	30451				
F	2	Hourly	15.63	16.29	16.98	17.74				
G		Annually	32510	33883	35318	36899				
H	3	Hourly	16.38	17.11	17.87	18.63				
I		Annually	34070	35588	37169	38750				
J	4	Hourly	17.19	17.96	18.83	19.64				
K		Annually	35755	37356	39166	40851				
L	5	Hourly	18.04	18.86	19.64	20.51				
M		Annually	37523	39228	40851	42660				
N	6	Hourly	19.00	19.80	20.65	21.51				
O		Annually	39520	41184	42952	44740				

P	7	Hourly	20.17	20.92	21.79	22.55	23.41			
Q		Annually	41953	43513	45323	46904	48692			
R	8	Hourly	21.33	22.28	23.24	24.29	25.43			
S		Annually	44366	46342	48339	50523	52894			
T	9	Hourly	22.75	23.94	25.11	26.37	27.70			
U		Annually	47320	49795	52228	54849	57616			
V	10	Hourly	24.53	25.89	27.28	28.86	30.39			
W		Annually	51022	53851	56742	60028	63211			
X	11	Hourly	26.74	28.28	29.92	31.61	33.40			
Y		Annually	55619	58822	62233	65748	69472			
Z	12	Hourly	29.49	31.15	32.82	34.63	36.55	38.55	40.12	42.01
A A		Annually	61339	64792	68265	72030	76024	80184	83449	87380
A B	13	Hourly	32.51	34.29	36.16	38.11	40.26	42.43	44.17	46.25
A C		Annually	67620	71323	75212	79268	83740	88254	91873	96200
A D	14	Hourly	35.74	37.78	39.81	41.97	44.34	46.81	48.75	51.03
AE		Annually	74339	78582	82804	87297	92227	97364	101400	106142
AF	15	Hourly	39.27	41.48	43.82	46.23	48.79	51.47	53.58	56.10
A G		Annually	81681	86278	91145	96158	101483	107057	111446	116688
A	16	Hourly	43.29	45.70	48.21	50.92	53.71	56.79	59.12	61.89

H

AI Annually 90043 95056 100276 105913 111716 118123 122969 128731

AJ 17 Hourly 47.70 50.33 53.15 56.08 59.23 62.53

A Annually 99216 104686 110552 116646 123198 130062
K

AL 18 Hourly 52.57 55.48 58.61 61.83 65.25 68.90

A Annually 109345 115398 121908 128606 135720 143312
M

Schedule E-2

	1	2	3	4
A	Range		Minimum	Maximum
B	41	Hourly	16.23	51.97
C		Annually	33758	108097
D	42	Hourly	17.89	57.38
E		Annually	37211	119350
F	43	Hourly	19.70	63.19
G		Annually	40976	131435
H	44	Hourly	21.73	69.04
I		Annually	45198	143603
J	45	Hourly	24.01	75.38
K		Annually	49941	156790

L	46	Hourly	26.43	82.38
M		Annually	54974	171350
N	47	Hourly	29.14	89.91
O		Annually	60611	187012
P	48	Hourly	32.14	98.08
Q		Annually	66851	204006
R	49	Hourly	35.44	105.90
S		Annually	73715	220272

(C) As used in this section:

(1) "Exempt employee" means a permanent full-time or permanent part-time employee paid directly by warrant of the director of budget and management whose position is included in the job classification plan established under division (A) of section 124.14 of the Revised Code but who is not considered a public employee for the purposes of Chapter 4117. of the Revised Code. "Exempt employee" also includes a permanent full-time or permanent part-time employee of the secretary of state, auditor of state, treasurer of state, or attorney general who has not been placed in an appropriate bargaining unit by the state employment relations board.

(2) "Base rate of pay" means the rate of pay established under schedule E-1 of this section, plus the supplement provided under division (E) of section 124.181 of the Revised Code, plus any supplements enacted into law that are added to schedule E-1 of this section.

(D)(1) The director of administrative services shall adopt rules establishing pay range 19 in schedule E-1 of division (B)(3) of this section. In the rules, the director shall do both of the following:

(a) Require that an individual paid in accordance with range 19 be paid a minimum annual salary of \$101,935 up to a maximum annual salary of \$122,465.

(b) Establish the step values within range 19 and determine the hourly rates of pay that correspond to the annual salaries assigned to the steps.

(2) The director of administrative services shall adopt rules identifying a step value 7 in range 17 of schedule E-1 of division (B)(3) of this section. In the rules, the director shall identify the hourly and annual pay for step value 7 in range 17, which shall be proportionally higher than the hourly and annual pay for step value 6 in range 17.

Sec. 2901.01. (A) As used in the Revised Code:

(1) "Force" means any violence, compulsion, or constraint physically exerted by any means upon or against a person or thing.

(2) "Deadly force" means any force that carries a substantial risk that it will proximately result in the death of any person.

(3) "Physical harm to persons" means any injury, illness, or other physiological impairment, regardless of its gravity or duration.

(4) "Physical harm to property" means any tangible or intangible damage to property that, in any degree, results in loss to its value or interferes with its use or enjoyment. "Physical harm to property" does not include wear and tear occasioned by normal use.

(5) "Serious physical harm to persons" means any of the following:

(a) Any mental illness or condition of such gravity as would normally require hospitalization or prolonged psychiatric treatment;

(b) Any physical harm that carries a substantial risk of death;

(c) Any physical harm that involves some permanent incapacity, whether partial or total, or that involves some temporary, substantial incapacity;

(d) Any physical harm that involves some permanent disfigurement or that involves some temporary, serious disfigurement;

(e) Any physical harm that involves acute pain of such duration as to result in substantial suffering or that involves any degree of prolonged or intractable pain.

(6) "Serious physical harm to property" means any physical harm to property that does either of the following:

(a) Results in substantial loss to the value of the property or requires a substantial amount of time, effort, or money to repair or replace;

(b) Temporarily prevents the use or enjoyment of the property or substantially interferes with its use or enjoyment for an extended period of time.

(7) "Risk" means a significant possibility, as contrasted with a remote possibility, that a certain result may occur or that certain circumstances may exist.

(8) "Substantial risk" means a strong possibility, as contrasted with a remote or significant possibility, that a certain result may occur or that certain circumstances may exist.

(9) "Offense of violence" means any of the following:

(a) A violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.15, 2903.21, 2903.211, 2903.22, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.11, 2905.32, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.05, 2909.02, 2909.03, 2909.24, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2917.01, 2917.02, 2917.03, 2917.31, 2917.321, 2919.25, 2921.03, 2921.04, 2921.34, or 2923.161, of division (A)(1) of section 2903.34, of division (A)(1), (2), or (3) of section 2911.12, or of division (B)(1), (2), (3), or (4) of section 2919.22 of the Revised Code or felonious sexual penetration in violation of former section 2907.12 of the Revised Code;

(b) A violation of an existing or former municipal ordinance or law of this or any other state or the United States, substantially equivalent to any section, division, or offense listed in division (A) (9)(a) of this section;

(c) An offense, other than a traffic offense, under an existing or former municipal ordinance or law of this or any other state or the United States, committed purposely or knowingly, and involving physical harm to persons or a risk of serious physical harm to persons;

(d) A conspiracy or attempt to commit, or complicity in committing, any offense under division (A)(9)(a), (b), or (c) of this section.

(10)(a) "Property" means any property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, and any

interest or license in that property. "Property" includes, but is not limited to, cable television service, other telecommunications service, telecommunications devices, information service, computers, data, computer software, financial instruments associated with computers, other documents associated with computers, or copies of the documents, whether in machine or human readable form, trade secrets, trademarks, copyrights, patents, and property protected by a trademark, copyright, or patent. "Financial instruments associated with computers" include, but are not limited to, checks, drafts, warrants, money orders, notes of indebtedness, certificates of deposit, letters of credit, bills of credit or debit cards, financial transaction authorization mechanisms, marketable securities, or any computer system representations of any of them.

(b) As used in division (A)(10) of this section, "trade secret" has the same meaning as in section 1333.61 of the Revised Code, and "telecommunications service" and "information service" have the same meanings as in section 2913.01 of the Revised Code.

(c) As used in divisions (A)(10) and (13) of this section, "cable television service," "computer," "computer software," "computer system," "computer network," "data," and "telecommunications device" have the same meanings as in section 2913.01 of the Revised Code.

(11) "Law enforcement officer" means any of the following:

(a) A sheriff, deputy sheriff, constable, police officer of a township or joint police district, marshal, deputy marshal, municipal police officer, member of a police force employed by a metropolitan housing authority under division (D) of section 3735.31 of the Revised Code, or state highway patrol trooper;

(b) An officer, agent, or employee of the state or any of its agencies, instrumentalities, or political subdivisions, upon whom, by statute, a duty to conserve the peace or to enforce all or certain laws is imposed and the authority to arrest violators is conferred, within the limits of that statutory duty and authority;

(c) A mayor, in the mayor's capacity as chief conservator of the peace within the mayor's municipal corporation;

(d) A member of an auxiliary police force organized by county, township, or municipal law enforcement authorities, within the scope of the member's appointment or commission;

(e) A person lawfully called pursuant to section 311.07 of the Revised Code to aid a sheriff in keeping the peace, for the purposes and during the time when the person is called;

(f) A person appointed by a mayor pursuant to section 737.01 of the Revised Code as a special patrolling officer during riot or emergency, for the purposes and during the time when the person is appointed;

(g) A member of the organized militia of this state or the armed forces of the United States, lawfully called to duty to aid civil authorities in keeping the peace or protect against domestic violence;

(h) A prosecuting attorney, assistant prosecuting attorney, secret service officer, or municipal prosecutor;

(i) A veterans' home police officer appointed under section 5907.02 of the Revised Code;

(j) A member of a police force employed by a regional transit authority under division (Y) of section 306.35 of the Revised Code;

(k) A special police officer employed by a port authority under section 4582.04 or 4582.28 of

the Revised Code;

(l) The house of representatives sergeant at arms if the house of representatives sergeant at arms has arrest authority pursuant to division (E)(1) of section 101.311 of the Revised Code and an assistant house of representatives sergeant at arms;

(m) The senate sergeant at arms and an assistant senate sergeant at arms;

(n) A special police officer employed by a municipal corporation at a municipal airport, or other municipal air navigation facility, that has scheduled operations, as defined in section 119.3 of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations, 14 C.F.R. 119.3, as amended, and that is required to be under a security program and is governed by aviation security rules of the transportation security administration of the United States department of transportation as provided in Parts 1542. and 1544. of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as amended.

(12) "Privilege" means an immunity, license, or right conferred by law, bestowed by express or implied grant, arising out of status, position, office, or relationship, or growing out of necessity.

(13) "Contraband" means any property that is illegal for a person to acquire or possess under a statute, ordinance, or rule, or that a trier of fact lawfully determines to be illegal to possess by reason of the property's involvement in an offense. "Contraband" includes, but is not limited to, all of the following:

(a) Any controlled substance, as defined in section 3719.01 of the Revised Code, or any device or paraphernalia;

(b) Any unlawful gambling device or paraphernalia;

(c) Any dangerous ordnance or obscene material.

(14) A person is "not guilty by reason of insanity" relative to a charge of an offense only if the person proves, in the manner specified in section 2901.05 of the Revised Code, that at the time of the commission of the offense, the person did not know, as a result of a severe mental disease or defect, the wrongfulness of the person's acts.

(B)(1)(a) Subject to division (B)(2) of this section, as used in any section contained in Title XXIX of the Revised Code that sets forth a criminal offense, "person" includes all of the following:

(i) An individual, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, and association;

(ii) An unborn human who is viable.

(b) As used in any section contained in Title XXIX of the Revised Code that does not set forth a criminal offense, "person" includes an individual, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, and association.

(c) As used in division (B)(1)(a) of this section:

(i) "Unborn human" means an individual organism of the species *Homo sapiens* from fertilization until live birth.

(ii) "Viable" means the stage of development of a human fetus at which there is a realistic possibility of maintaining and nourishing of a life outside the womb with or without temporary artificial life-sustaining support.

(2) Notwithstanding division (B)(1)(a) of this section, in no case shall the portion of the definition of the term "person" that is set forth in division (B)(1)(a)(ii) of this section be applied or construed in any section contained in Title XXIX of the Revised Code that sets forth a criminal offense in any of the following manners:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in division (B)(2)(a) of this section, in a manner so that the offense prohibits or is construed as prohibiting any pregnant woman or her physician from performing an abortion with the consent of the pregnant woman, with the consent of the pregnant woman implied by law in a medical emergency, or with the approval of one otherwise authorized by law to consent to medical treatment on behalf of the pregnant woman. An abortion that violates the conditions described in the immediately preceding sentence may be punished as a violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.05, 2903.06, 2903.08, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.14, 2903.21, or 2903.22 of the Revised Code, as applicable. An abortion that does not violate the conditions described in the second immediately preceding sentence, but that does violate section 2919.12, division (B) of section 2919.13, or section 2919.15, 2919.151, 2919.17, or 2919.18 of the Revised Code, may be punished as a violation of section 2919.12, division (B) of section 2919.13, or section 2919.15, 2919.151, 2919.17, or 2919.18 of the Revised Code, as applicable. Consent is sufficient under this division if it is of the type otherwise adequate to permit medical treatment to the pregnant woman, even if it does not comply with section 2919.12 of the Revised Code.

(b) In a manner so that the offense is applied or is construed as applying to a woman based on an act or omission of the woman that occurs while she is or was pregnant and that results in any of the following:

- (i) Her delivery of a stillborn baby;
- (ii) Her causing, in any other manner, the death in utero of a viable, unborn human that she is carrying;
- (iii) Her causing the death of her child who is born alive but who dies from one or more injuries that are sustained while the child is a viable, unborn human;
- (iv) Her causing her child who is born alive to sustain one or more injuries while the child is a viable, unborn human;
- (v) Her causing, threatening to cause, or attempting to cause, in any other manner, an injury, illness, or other physiological impairment, regardless of its duration or gravity, or a mental illness or condition, regardless of its duration or gravity, to a viable, unborn human that she is carrying.

(C) As used in Title XXIX of the Revised Code:

(1) "School safety zone" consists of a school, school building, school premises, school activity, and school bus.

(2) "School," "school building," and "school premises" have the same meanings as in section 2925.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) "School activity" means any activity held under the auspices of a board of education of a city, local, exempted village, joint vocational, or cooperative education school district; a governing authority of a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code; a governing board of an educational service center, or the governing body of a school for which the state board of education prescribes minimum standards under section 3301.07 of the Revised Code.

(4) "School bus" has the same meaning as in section 4511.01 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 2917.321. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Emergency response" means an action taken by a law enforcement agency to preserve the life, health, safety, or property of any person.

(2) "Public safety answering point" and "emergency service provider" have the same

meanings as in section 128.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Telecommunications device" and "telecommunications service" have the same meanings as in section 2913.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) No person by means of a telecommunications device or telecommunications service shall report or cause to be reported false or misleading information to a law enforcement agency, emergency service provider, or public safety answering point, knowing the information to be false or misleading, with reckless disregard as to whether the report may cause bodily harm to any individual as a direct result of an emergency response to the report, and under circumstances where the report is reasonably likely to cause an emergency response from a law enforcement agency, emergency service provider, or public safety answering point and the report does cause an emergency response.

(C) This section does not apply to any person conducting an authorized emergency drill.

(D)(1) Whoever violates this section is guilty of swatting.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in division (D)(3) of this section, swatting is a felony of the fourth degree.

(3) If a violation of this section results in serious physical harm to any person, it is a felony of the second degree.

(E) Prior to the sentencing of a person who has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a violation of this section, the court shall enter an order that directs any law enforcement agency or emergency service provider involved in the emergency response that wishes to be reimbursed for the costs incurred by the agency or provider during the emergency response, to file with the court within a specified time an itemized statement of those costs. The court may then order the offender to reimburse the agency for all or a portion of those costs under section 2929.18 of the Revised Code.

(F) Any act that is a violation of this section and any other section of the Revised Code may be prosecuted under this section, the other section, or both sections.

Sec. 2929.18. (A) Except as otherwise provided in this division and in addition to imposing court costs pursuant to section 2947.23 of the Revised Code, the court imposing a sentence upon an offender for a felony may sentence the offender to any financial sanction or combination of financial sanctions authorized under this section or, in the circumstances specified in section 2929.32 of the Revised Code, may impose upon the offender a fine in accordance with that section. Financial sanctions that may be imposed pursuant to this section include, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) Restitution by the offender to the victim of the offender's crime or any survivor of the victim, in an amount based on the victim's economic loss. If the court imposes restitution, the court shall order that the restitution be made to the victim in open court, to the adult probation department that serves the county on behalf of the victim, to the clerk of courts, or to another agency designated by the court. If the court imposes restitution, at sentencing, the court shall determine the amount of restitution to be made by the offender. If the court imposes restitution, the court may base the amount of restitution it orders on an amount recommended by the victim, the offender, a presentence investigation report, estimates or receipts indicating the cost of repairing or replacing property, and other information, provided that the amount the court orders as restitution shall not exceed the amount of the economic loss suffered by the victim as a direct and proximate result of the commission of the offense. If the court imposes restitution for the cost of accounting or auditing done to determine the extent of economic loss, the court may order restitution for any amount of the

victim's costs of accounting or auditing provided that the amount of restitution is reasonable and does not exceed the value of property or services stolen or damaged as a result of the offense. If the court decides to impose restitution, the court shall hold a hearing on restitution if the offender, victim, or survivor disputes the amount. All restitution payments shall be credited against any recovery of economic loss in a civil action brought by the victim or any survivor of the victim against the offender.

If the court imposes restitution, the court may order that the offender pay a surcharge of not more than five per cent of the amount of the restitution otherwise ordered to the entity responsible for collecting and processing restitution payments.

The victim or survivor may request that the prosecutor in the case file a motion, or the offender may file a motion, for modification of the payment terms of any restitution ordered. If the court grants the motion, it may modify the payment terms as it determines appropriate.

(2) Except as provided in division (B)(1), (3), or (4) of this section, a fine payable by the offender to the state, to a political subdivision, or as described in division (B)(2) of this section to one or more law enforcement agencies, with the amount of the fine based on a standard percentage of the offender's daily income over a period of time determined by the court and based upon the seriousness of the offense. A fine ordered under this division shall not exceed the maximum conventional fine amount authorized for the level of the offense under division (A)(3) of this section.

(3) Except as provided in division (B)(1), (3), or (4) of this section, a fine payable by the offender to the state, to a political subdivision when appropriate for a felony, or as described in division (B)(2) of this section to one or more law enforcement agencies, in the following amount:

- (a) For a felony of the first degree, not more than twenty thousand dollars;
- (b) For a felony of the second degree, not more than fifteen thousand dollars;
- (c) For a felony of the third degree, not more than ten thousand dollars;
- (d) For a felony of the fourth degree, not more than five thousand dollars;
- (e) For a felony of the fifth degree, not more than two thousand five hundred dollars.

(4) A state fine or costs as defined in section 2949.111 of the Revised Code.

(5)(a) Reimbursement by the offender of any or all of the costs of sanctions incurred by the government, including the following:

(i) All or part of the costs of implementing any community control sanction, including a supervision fee under section 2951.021 of the Revised Code;

(ii) All or part of the costs of confinement under a sanction imposed pursuant to section 2929.14, 2929.142, or 2929.16 of the Revised Code, provided that the amount of reimbursement ordered under this division shall not exceed the total amount of reimbursement the offender is able to pay as determined at a hearing and shall not exceed the actual cost of the confinement;

(iii) All or part of the cost of purchasing and using an immobilizing or disabling device, including a certified ignition interlock device, or a remote alcohol monitoring device that a court orders an offender to use under section 4510.13 of the Revised Code.

(b) If the offender is sentenced to a sanction of confinement pursuant to section 2929.14 or 2929.16 of the Revised Code that is to be served in a facility operated by a board of county commissioners, a legislative authority of a municipal corporation, or another local governmental entity, if, pursuant to section 307.93, 341.14, 341.19, 341.23, 753.02, 753.04, 753.16, 2301.56, or

2947.19 of the Revised Code and section 2929.37 of the Revised Code, the board, legislative authority, or other local governmental entity requires prisoners to reimburse the county, municipal corporation, or other entity for its expenses incurred by reason of the prisoner's confinement, and if the court does not impose a financial sanction under division (A)(5)(a)(ii) of this section, confinement costs may be assessed pursuant to section 2929.37 of the Revised Code. In addition, the offender may be required to pay the fees specified in section 2929.38 of the Revised Code in accordance with that section.

(c) Reimbursement by the offender for costs pursuant to section 2929.71 of the Revised Code;

(d) Reimbursement by the offender for costs pursuant to section 2917.321 of the Revised Code.

(B)(1) For a first, second, or third degree felony violation of any provision of Chapter 2925., 3719., or 4729. of the Revised Code, the sentencing court shall impose upon the offender a mandatory fine of at least one-half of, but not more than, the maximum statutory fine amount authorized for the level of the offense pursuant to division (A)(3) of this section. If an offender alleges in an affidavit filed with the court prior to sentencing that the offender is indigent and unable to pay the mandatory fine and if the court determines the offender is an indigent person and is unable to pay the mandatory fine described in this division, the court shall not impose the mandatory fine upon the offender.

(2) Any mandatory fine imposed upon an offender under division (B)(1) of this section and any fine imposed upon an offender under division (A)(2) or (3) of this section for any fourth or fifth degree felony violation of any provision of Chapter 2925., 3719., or 4729. of the Revised Code shall be paid to law enforcement agencies pursuant to division (F) of section 2925.03 of the Revised Code.

(3) For a fourth degree felony OVI offense and for a third degree felony OVI offense, the sentencing court shall impose upon the offender a mandatory fine in the amount specified in division (G)(1)(d) or (e) of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code, whichever is applicable. The mandatory fine so imposed shall be disbursed as provided in the division pursuant to which it is imposed.

(4) Notwithstanding any fine otherwise authorized or required to be imposed under division (A)(2) or (3) or (B)(1) of this section or section 2929.31 of the Revised Code for a violation of section 2925.03 of the Revised Code, in addition to any penalty or sanction imposed for that offense under section 2925.03 or sections 2929.11 to 2929.18 of the Revised Code and in addition to the forfeiture of property in connection with the offense as prescribed in Chapter 2981. of the Revised Code, the court that sentences an offender for a violation of section 2925.03 of the Revised Code may impose upon the offender a fine in addition to any fine imposed under division (A)(2) or (3) of this section and in addition to any mandatory fine imposed under division (B)(1) of this section. The fine imposed under division (B)(4) of this section shall be used as provided in division (H) of section 2925.03 of the Revised Code. A fine imposed under division (B)(4) of this section shall not exceed whichever of the following is applicable:

(a) The total value of any personal or real property in which the offender has an interest and that was used in the course of, intended for use in the course of, derived from, or realized through conduct in violation of section 2925.03 of the Revised Code, including any property that constitutes proceeds derived from that offense;

(b) If the offender has no interest in any property of the type described in division (B)(4)(a) of this section or if it is not possible to ascertain whether the offender has an interest in any property of that type in which the offender may have an interest, the amount of the mandatory fine for the offense imposed under division (B)(1) of this section or, if no mandatory fine is imposed under division (B)(1) of this section, the amount of the fine authorized for the level of the offense imposed under division (A)(3) of this section.

(5) Prior to imposing a fine under division (B)(4) of this section, the court shall determine whether the offender has an interest in any property of the type described in division (B)(4)(a) of this section. Except as provided in division (B)(6) or (7) of this section, a fine that is authorized and imposed under division (B)(4) of this section does not limit or affect the imposition of the penalties and sanctions for a violation of section 2925.03 of the Revised Code prescribed under those sections or sections 2929.11 to 2929.18 of the Revised Code and does not limit or affect a forfeiture of property in connection with the offense as prescribed in Chapter 2981. of the Revised Code.

(6) If the sum total of a mandatory fine amount imposed for a first, second, or third degree felony violation of section 2925.03 of the Revised Code under division (B)(1) of this section plus the amount of any fine imposed under division (B)(4) of this section does not exceed the maximum statutory fine amount authorized for the level of the offense under division (A)(3) of this section or section 2929.31 of the Revised Code, the court may impose a fine for the offense in addition to the mandatory fine and the fine imposed under division (B)(4) of this section. The sum total of the amounts of the mandatory fine, the fine imposed under division (B)(4) of this section, and the additional fine imposed under division (B)(6) of this section shall not exceed the maximum statutory fine amount authorized for the level of the offense under division (A)(3) of this section or section 2929.31 of the Revised Code. The clerk of the court shall pay any fine that is imposed under division (B)(6) of this section to the county, township, municipal corporation, park district as created pursuant to section 511.18 or 1545.04 of the Revised Code, or state law enforcement agencies in this state that primarily were responsible for or involved in making the arrest of, and in prosecuting, the offender pursuant to division (F) of section 2925.03 of the Revised Code.

(7) If the sum total of the amount of a mandatory fine imposed for a first, second, or third degree felony violation of section 2925.03 of the Revised Code plus the amount of any fine imposed under division (B)(4) of this section exceeds the maximum statutory fine amount authorized for the level of the offense under division (A)(3) of this section or section 2929.31 of the Revised Code, the court shall not impose a fine under division (B)(6) of this section.

(8)(a) If an offender who is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violation of section 2905.01, 2905.02, 2907.21, 2907.22, or 2923.32, division (A)(1) or (2) of section 2907.323 involving a minor, or division (B)(1), (2), (3), (4), or (5) of section 2919.22 of the Revised Code also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.1422 of the Revised Code that charges that the offender knowingly committed the offense in furtherance of human trafficking, the sentencing court shall sentence the offender to a financial sanction of restitution by the offender to the victim or any survivor of the victim, with the restitution including the costs of housing, counseling, and medical and legal assistance incurred by the victim as a direct result of the offense and the greater of the following:

(i) The gross income or value to the offender of the victim's labor or services;

(ii) The value of the victim's labor as guaranteed under the minimum wage and overtime provisions of the "Federal Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938," 52 Stat. 1060, 20 U.S.C. 207, and state labor laws.

(b) If a court imposing sentence upon an offender for a felony is required to impose upon the offender a financial sanction of restitution under division (B)(8)(a) of this section, in addition to that financial sanction of restitution, the court may sentence the offender to any other financial sanction or combination of financial sanctions authorized under this section, including a restitution sanction under division (A)(1) of this section.

(9) In addition to any other fine that is or may be imposed under this section, the court imposing sentence upon an offender for a felony that is a sexually oriented offense or a child-victim oriented offense, as those terms are defined in section 2950.01 of the Revised Code, may impose a fine of not less than fifty nor more than five hundred dollars.

(10) For a felony violation of division (A) of section 2921.321 of the Revised Code that results in the death of the police dog or horse that is the subject of the violation, the sentencing court shall impose upon the offender a mandatory fine from the range of fines provided under division (A)(3) of this section for a felony of the third degree. A mandatory fine imposed upon an offender under division (B)(10) of this section shall be paid to the law enforcement agency that was served by the police dog or horse that was killed in the felony violation of division (A) of section 2921.321 of the Revised Code to be used as provided in division (E)(1)(b) of that section.

(11) In addition to any other fine that is or may be imposed under this section, the court imposing sentence upon an offender for any of the following offenses that is a felony may impose a fine of not less than seventy nor more than five hundred dollars, which shall be transmitted to the treasurer of state to be credited to the address confidentiality program fund created by section 111.48 of the Revised Code:

- (a) Domestic violence;
- (b) Menacing by stalking;
- (c) Rape;
- (d) Sexual battery;
- (e) Trafficking in persons;

(f) A violation of section 2905.01, 2905.02, 2907.21, 2907.22, or 2923.32, division (A)(1) or (2) of section 2907.323 involving a minor, or division (B)(1), (2), (3), (4), or (5) of section 2919.22 of the Revised Code, if the offender also is convicted of a specification of the type described in section 2941.1422 of the Revised Code that charges that the offender knowingly committed the offense in furtherance of human trafficking.

(C)(1) Except as provided in section 2951.021 of the Revised Code, the offender shall pay reimbursements imposed upon the offender pursuant to division (A)(5)(a) of this section to pay the costs incurred by a county pursuant to any sanction imposed under this section or section 2929.16 or 2929.17 of the Revised Code or in operating a facility used to confine offenders pursuant to a sanction imposed under section 2929.16 of the Revised Code to the county treasurer. The county treasurer shall deposit the reimbursements in the sanction cost reimbursement fund that each board of county commissioners shall create in its county treasury. The county shall use the amounts deposited in the fund to pay the costs incurred by the county pursuant to any sanction imposed under this

section or section 2929.16 or 2929.17 of the Revised Code or in operating a facility used to confine offenders pursuant to a sanction imposed under section 2929.16 of the Revised Code.

(2) Except as provided in section 2951.021 of the Revised Code, the offender shall pay reimbursements imposed upon the offender pursuant to division (A)(5)(a) of this section to pay the costs incurred by a municipal corporation pursuant to any sanction imposed under this section or section 2929.16 or 2929.17 of the Revised Code or in operating a facility used to confine offenders pursuant to a sanction imposed under section 2929.16 of the Revised Code to the treasurer of the municipal corporation. The treasurer shall deposit the reimbursements in a special fund that shall be established in the treasury of each municipal corporation. The municipal corporation shall use the amounts deposited in the fund to pay the costs incurred by the municipal corporation pursuant to any sanction imposed under this section or section 2929.16 or 2929.17 of the Revised Code or in operating a facility used to confine offenders pursuant to a sanction imposed under section 2929.16 of the Revised Code.

(3) Except as provided in section 2951.021 of the Revised Code, the offender shall pay reimbursements imposed pursuant to division (A)(5)(a) of this section for the costs incurred by a private provider pursuant to a sanction imposed under this section or section 2929.16 or 2929.17 of the Revised Code to the provider.

(D) Except as otherwise provided in this division, a financial sanction imposed pursuant to division (A) or (B) of this section is a judgment in favor of the state or a political subdivision in which the court that imposed the financial sanction is located, and the offender subject to the financial sanction is the judgment debtor. A financial sanction of reimbursement imposed pursuant to division (A)(5)(a)(ii) of this section upon an offender who is incarcerated in a state facility or a municipal jail is a judgment in favor of the state or the municipal corporation, and the offender subject to the financial sanction is the judgment debtor. A financial sanction of reimbursement imposed upon an offender pursuant to this section for costs incurred by a private provider of sanctions is a judgment in favor of the private provider, and the offender subject to the financial sanction is the judgment debtor. A financial sanction of a mandatory fine imposed under division (B) (10) of this section that is required under that division to be paid to a law enforcement agency is a judgment in favor of the specified law enforcement agency, and the offender subject to the financial sanction is the judgment debtor. A financial sanction of restitution imposed pursuant to division (A) (1) or (B)(8) of this section is an order in favor of the victim of the offender's criminal act that can be collected through a certificate of judgment as described in division (D)(1) of this section, through execution as described in division (D)(2) of this section, or through an order as described in division (D)(3) of this section, and the offender shall be considered for purposes of the collection as the judgment debtor. Imposition of a financial sanction and execution on the judgment does not preclude any other power of the court to impose or enforce sanctions on the offender. Once the financial sanction is imposed as a judgment or order under this division, the victim, private provider, state, or political subdivision may do any of the following:

(1) Obtain from the clerk of the court in which the judgment was entered a certificate of judgment that shall be in the same manner and form as a certificate of judgment issued in a civil action;

(2) Obtain execution of the judgment or order through any available procedure, including:

(a) An execution against the property of the judgment debtor under Chapter 2329. of the Revised Code;

(b) An execution against the person of the judgment debtor under Chapter 2331. of the Revised Code;

(c) A proceeding in aid of execution under Chapter 2333. of the Revised Code, including:

(i) A proceeding for the examination of the judgment debtor under sections 2333.09 to 2333.12 and sections 2333.15 to 2333.27 of the Revised Code;

(ii) A proceeding for attachment of the person of the judgment debtor under section 2333.28 of the Revised Code;

(iii) A creditor's suit under section 2333.01 of the Revised Code.

(d) The attachment of the property of the judgment debtor under Chapter 2715. of the Revised Code;

(e) The garnishment of the property of the judgment debtor under Chapter 2716. of the Revised Code.

(3) Obtain an order for the assignment of wages of the judgment debtor under section 1321.33 of the Revised Code.

(E) A court that imposes a financial sanction upon an offender may hold a hearing if necessary to determine whether the offender is able to pay the sanction or is likely in the future to be able to pay it.

(F) Each court imposing a financial sanction upon an offender under this section or under section 2929.32 of the Revised Code may designate the clerk of the court or another person to collect the financial sanction. The clerk or other person authorized by law or the court to collect the financial sanction may enter into contracts with one or more public agencies or private vendors for the collection of amounts due under the financial sanction imposed pursuant to this section or section 2929.32 of the Revised Code. Before entering into a contract for the collection of amounts due from an offender pursuant to any financial sanction imposed pursuant to this section or section 2929.32 of the Revised Code, a court shall comply with sections 307.86 to 307.92 of the Revised Code.

(G) If a court that imposes a financial sanction under division (A) or (B) of this section finds that an offender satisfactorily has completed all other sanctions imposed upon the offender and that all restitution that has been ordered has been paid as ordered, the court may suspend any financial sanctions imposed pursuant to this section or section 2929.32 of the Revised Code that have not been paid.

(H) No financial sanction imposed under this section or section 2929.32 of the Revised Code shall preclude a victim from bringing a civil action against the offender.

Sec. 5503.031. (A) Beginning July 1, 2023, the following officers of the state highway patrol shall be paid in accordance with the indicated pay ranges from schedule E-1 of division (B) of section 124.152 of the Revised Code:

(1) A lieutenant or equivalent officer shall be paid in accordance with pay range 15.

(2) A staff lieutenant or equivalent officer shall be paid in accordance with pay range 16.

(3) A captain or equivalent officer shall be paid in accordance with pay range 17.

(4) A major or equivalent officer shall be paid in accordance with pay range 18.

(5) A lieutenant colonel or equivalent officer shall be paid in accordance with pay range 19.

established in rules adopted in accordance with division (D) of section 124.152 of the Revised Code.

SECTION 2. That existing sections 124.152, 2901.01, and 2929.18 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.

Speaker _____ *of the House of Representatives.*

President _____ *of the Senate.*

Passed _____, 20____

Approved _____, 20____

Governor.

The section numbering of law of a general and permanent nature is complete and in conformity with the Revised Code.

Director, Legislative Service Commission.

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State at Columbus, Ohio, on the ____ day of _____, A. D. 20 ____.

Secretary of State.

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