

Sub. H.B. 33
As Passed by the Senate
BORCD102, BORCD103,
and OBMCD37

_____ moved to amend as follows:

In line 255 of the title, after "3333.303," insert "3333.393,
3333.394," 1
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In line 948, after "3333.303," insert "3333.393, 3333.394," 3

After line 57418, insert: 4

"Sec. 3333.393. (A) As used in this section and in section 5
3333.394 of the Revised Code: 6

(1) "Academic year" shall be as defined by the chancellor of 7
higher education. 8

(2) "Parent" means the parent, guardian, or custodian of a 9
qualified student as described by this section. 10

(3) "Qualified service" means teaching at a qualifying 11
school. 12

(4) "Qualifying school" means a school district building 13
identified as "high need" by the chancellor and meets both of the 14
following conditions: 15

(a) The school building has difficulty attracting and 16
retaining classroom teachers who hold a valid educator license 17

issued under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code;

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(b) The school is operated by the same school district from which the recipient of a scholarship graduated from high school or was employed.

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(5) "Qualifying employee" means an individual employed at a qualifying school and who either holds an educational aide permit or educational paraprofessional license issued under section 3319.088 or a substitute license under section 3319.226 of the Revised Code.

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(B) The grow your own teacher college scholarship program is hereby established. Under the program, the chancellor of higher education, in conjunction with the department of education and workforce, shall award scholarships to the following:

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(1) Low-income high school seniors who commit to teaching in a qualifying school for a minimum of four years upon graduation from a teacher training program at a state institution of higher education or an Ohio nonprofit institution of higher education that has a certificate of authorization under Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code.

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(2) Qualifying employees who commit to teaching in a qualifying school for a minimum of four years upon graduation from a teacher training program at a state institution of higher education or an Ohio nonprofit institution of higher education that has a certificate of authorization under Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code.

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Each scholarship shall be awarded for up to four academic years and shall not exceed \$7,500 for each academic year.

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(C) The department and the chancellor shall develop an application process for awarding scholarships under the program.

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The department and the chancellor also shall appoint a highly qualified and diverse application committee to assist in the selection of scholarship recipients.

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(D)(1) Scholarships shall be awarded to students under division (B)(1) of this section who meet both of the following conditions:

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(a) Received a high school diploma or honors diploma under section 3313.61 of the Revised Code;

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(b) Commit to completing the four-year teaching obligation within not more than six years after graduating from the teacher training program.

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(2) Scholarships shall be awarded to qualifying employees under division (B)(2) of this section who commit to completing the four-year teaching obligation within not more than six years after graduating from the teacher training program. Qualifying employees shall be permitted to complete coursework associated with a teacher training program on evenings or weekends as necessary while maintaining employment at a qualifying school.

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(E) A teacher training program, in consultation with the department of education and workforce, may grant credit to a qualifying employee who has commensurate work experience at a qualifying school under this section for completion of a teacher training program.

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(F) The chancellor shall require that all applicants to the grow your own teacher program file a statement of service status in compliance with section 3345.32 of the Revised Code, if applicable, and that all applicants have not been convicted of, plead guilty to, or adjudicated a delinquent child for any violation listed in section 3333.38 of the Revised Code.

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(G) Recipients shall complete the four-year teaching commitment within not more than six years after graduating from the teacher training program. Failure to fulfill the commitment shall convert the scholarship into a loan to be repaid under section 3333.394 of the Revised Code. 76
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Sec. 3333.394. (A)(1) Each recipient who accepts a scholarship under the grow your own teacher program under section 3333.393 of the Revised Code shall sign a promissory note payable to the state in the event the recipient does not satisfy the service requirement under division (G) of section 3333.393 of the Revised Code or the scholarship is terminated. The amount payable under the note shall be the amount of total scholarships accepted by the recipient under the program. 81
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(2) Each recipient shall be awarded an amount of up to \$7,500 at the beginning of each school year in which the recipient begins or maintains qualifying employment as defined in section 3333.393 of the Revised Code. Upon completion of that school year, the amount the recipient received at the beginning of the year shall be forgiven. An individual may receive an award under this division for up to four years. 89
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(3) Failure to complete a full school year of employment converts the award made under division (A)(1) of this section into a loan to be repaid. The loan to be repaid shall be the amount of the award made at the beginning of that school year. 96
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(4) An award made under this division shall not exceed \$7,500 in each school year. The total amount awarded to an individual under this section and section 3333.393 of the Revised Code shall not exceed the total cost of a qualifying employee's loans for a teacher training program. 100
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(B)(1) As specified in division (A)(2) of this section, the amount of the annual award made under division (A) of this section shall be forgiven following completion of one year of qualified employment by the recipient in accordance with division (G) of section 3333.393 of the Revised Code.

(2) An award also shall be forgiven in the event that a recipient dies, becomes totally and permanently disabled, or is unable to complete the required qualified service as a result of a reduction in force at the recipient's school of employment before the end of the academic year.

(C) The scholarship shall be deemed terminated upon the recipient's separation from employment at a qualifying school or the recipient's failure to meet the standards of the scholarship as determined by the department and the chancellor and shall be converted to a loan to be repaid under division (A) of this section.

(D) The chancellor and the attorney general shall collect payments on the converted loan in accordance with section 131.02 of the Revised Code, but shall not charge an interest rate on such payments."

After line 275426a, insert:

"5ZY0 235592 Grow Your Own Teacher Program \$5,000,000 \$10,000,000"

In line 275429, add \$5,000,000 to fiscal year 2024 and \$10,000,000 to fiscal year 2025

In line 275441, add \$5,000,000 to fiscal year 2024 and \$10,000,000 to fiscal year 2025

After line 276992, insert:

"Section 381.655. GROW YOUR OWN TEACHER PROGRAM 133

The foregoing appropriation item 235592, Grow Your Own 134
Teacher Program, shall be used by the Chancellor of Higher 135
Education to implement and administer the Grow Your Own Teacher 136
Program pursuant to sections 3333.393 and 3333.394 of the Revised 137
Code." 138

After line 279035, insert: 139

"GROW YOUR OWN TEACHER PROGRAM FUND 140

On July 1, 2023, or as soon as possible thereafter, the 141
Director of Budget and Management shall transfer \$5,000,000 cash 142
from the General Revenue Fund to the Grow Your Own Teacher Program 143
Fund (Fund 5ZY0), which is hereby created in the state treasury. 144

On July 1, 2024, or as soon as possible thereafter, the 145
Director of Budget and Management shall transfer \$10,000,000 cash 146
from the General Revenue Fund to the Grow Your Own Teacher Program 147
Fund (Fund 5ZY0)." 148

The motion was _____ agreed to.

SYNOPSIS

Grow Your Own Teacher Program 149

R.C. 3333.393 and 3333.394 150

Restores a House-passed provision that: 151

(1) Establishes the Grow Your Own Teacher Program, under 152
which certain low-income high school seniors and certain employees 153
are awarded scholarships of up to \$7,500 for up to four years who 154
commit to teaching in a qualifying school for at least four years 155

after graduating from a teacher training program;	156
(2) Requires the Department of Education and Workforce (DEW)	157
and the Chancellor of Higher Education to develop an application	158
process for awarding scholarships under the program and appoint a	159
highly qualified and diverse application committee to assist in	160
the selection of scholarship recipients;	161
(3) Permits a teacher training program, in consultation with	162
DEW, to grant credit to a qualifying employee who has commensurate	163
work experience at a qualifying school for completion of a teacher	164
training program;	165
(4) Requires any scholarship awarded under this program be	166
converted into a loan if the recipient fails to fulfill the	167
teaching commitment within six years after graduating;	168
(5) Requires each recipient who accepts a scholarship to sign	169
a promissory note payable to the state in the event the recipient	170
does not satisfy the requirements of the program. Specifies that	171
the amount payable under the note be the amount of total	172
scholarships accepted by the recipient under the program;	173
(6) Requires that each recipient be awarded an amount of up	174
to \$7,500 at the beginning of each school year in which the	175
recipient begins or maintains qualifying employment and requires	176
that the amount received be forgiven upon completion of that	177
school year; and	178
(7) Requires the Chancellor and the Attorney General to	179
collect payments on a converted loan, but prohibits charging	180
interest on those payments.	181
Department of Higher Education	182
Sections 381.10, 381.655, and 512.10	183

Restores to the As Passed by the House bill Fund 5ZY0 ALI 184
235592, Grow Your Own Teacher Program, with appropriations of 185
\$5,000,000 in FY 2024 and \$10,000,000 in FY 2025, to be used by 186
the Chancellor to implement and administer the Grow Your Own 187
Teacher Program. 188

Requires the OBM Director in FY 2024 and FY 2025 to transfer 189
\$5,000,000 cash and \$10,000,000 cash, respectively, from the GRF 190
to the newly created Grow Your Own Teacher Program Fund (Fund 191
5ZY0). 192