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A BILL

| То | amend sections 3310.13, 3310.15, 3314.03, | 1 |
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| | 3319.324, 3326.11, and 3328.24 and to enact | 2 |
| | sections 3301.165, 3301.166, 3302.0311, and | 3 |
| | 3313.6612 of the Revised Code regarding | 4 |
| | chartered nonpublic schools that participate in | 5 |
| | certain scholarship programs and disciplinary | 6 |
| | record requirements for schools. | 7 |

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

| Section 1. That sections 3310.13, 3310.15, 3314.03, | 8 |
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| 3319.324, 3326.11, and 3328.24 be amended and sections 3301.165, | 9 |
| 3301.166, 3302.0311, and 3313.6612 of the Revised Code be | 10 |
| enacted to read as follows: | 11 |
| Sec. 3301.165. (A) As used in this section: | 12 |
| (1) "Community school" means a community school | 13 |
| established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code. | 14 |
| (2) "Qualifying school" means a chartered nonpublic school | 15 |
| in which at least twenty per cent of its total enrollment is | 16 |
| made up of scholarship students. | 17 |



| (3) "Scholarship student" means a student who is | 18 |
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| participating in the educational choice scholarship pilot | 19 |
| program established under sections 3310.01 to 3310.17 of the | 20 |
| Revised Code or the pilot project scholarship program | 21 |
| established under sections 3313.974 to 3313.979 of the Revised | 22 |
| Code. | 23 |
| (4) "STEM school" means a STEM school established under | 24 |
| Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code. | 25 |
| (B) Each chartered nonpublic school that enrolls | 26 |
| scholarship students shall include in its admission procedure a | 27 |
| method to determine which students to admit if the number of | 28 |
| applicants for a grade level, school building, or education | 29 |
| program exceeds the school's capacity. Each school shall report | 30 |
| to the department of education and workforce, in a form and | 31 |
| manner established by the department, its method for such | 32 |
| determinations. | 33 |
| (C) Annually, each qualifying school shall report to the | 34 |
| department, in a form and manner established by the department, | 35 |
| all of the following for the school year: | 36 |
| (1) The school's total enrollment and its capacity limits | 37 |
| by grade level, school building, and education program; | 38 |
| (2) The number of scholarship students enrolled in the | 39 |
| school, disaggregated by whether, in the prior school year, the | 40 |
| students were enrolled in one of the following: | 41 |
| (a) That school; | 42 |
| (b) A different chartered nonpublic school; | 43 |
| (c) A nonchartered nonpublic school; | 44 |
| (d) A city, local, or exempted village school district; | 45 |

| (e) A community school; | 46 |
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| (f) A STEM school; | 47 |
| (g) If the student was not enrolled in a district or | 48 |
| school in the prior school year, whether either of the following | 49 |
| apply to the student: | 50 |
| (i) The student, in the prior school year, was exempted | 51 |
| from attendance at school for the purpose of home education | 52 |
| under section 3321.042 of the Revised Code. | 53 |
| (ii) The student, in the current school year, is enrolling | 54 |
| in school in this state for the first time. | 55 |
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| Sec. 3301.166. (A) As used in this section: | 56 |
| (1) "Adjusted gross income" has the same meaning as in | 57 |
| section 5747.01 of the Revised Code. | 58 |
| (2) "Federal poverty guidelines" has the same meaning as | 59 |
| in section 5101.46 of the Revised Code. | 60 |
| (3) "Community school" means a community school | 61 |
| established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code. | 62 |
| (4) "Scholarship student" has the same meaning as in | 63 |
| section 3301.165 of the Revised Code. | 64 |
| (5) "STEM school" means a STEM school established under | 65 |
| <u>Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code.</u> | 66 |
| chapter 5520. Of the Kevised code. | 00 |
| (B) The department of education and workforce shall | 67 |
| establish a system by which an individual may compare the | 68 |
| performance data of scholarship students enrolled in a chartered | 69 |
| nonpublic school with the performance data of similar students | 70 |
| enrolled in the school district in which the school is located | 71 |
| or a community school, STEM school, or other chartered nonpublic | 72 |

school in that district. The department shall make the system 73 available on its publicly accessible web site. 74 In calculating the performance of similar students under 75 this section, the department shall consider age, grade, race and 76 ethnicity, gender, and socioeconomic status. 77 (C) (1) Annually, the department shall post on its publicly 78 accessible web site the number of scholarship students 79 disaggregated according to the following categories: 80 81 (a) Students with a family adjusted gross income at or below four hundred fifty per cent of the federal poverty 82 83 quidelines; (b) Students with a family adjusted gross income above 84 four hundred fifty per cent of the federal poverty guidelines, 85 but at or below five hundred per cent of the federal poverty 86 quidelines; 87 (c) Students with a family adjusted gross income above 88 five hundred per cent of the federal poverty guidelines, but at 89 or below five hundred fifty per cent of the federal poverty 90 guidelines; 91 (d) Students with a family adjusted gross income above 92 five hundred fifty per cent of the federal poverty quidelines, 93 but at or below six hundred per cent of the federal poverty 94 quidelines; 95 (e) Students with a family adjusted gross income above six 96 hundred per cent of the federal poverty guidelines, but at or 97 below six hundred fifty per cent of the federal poverty 98 q<u>uidelines;</u> 99 (f) Students with a family adjusted gross income above six 100

| hundred fifty per cent of the federal poverty guidelines, but at | 101 |
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| or below seven hundred per cent of the federal poverty | 102 |
| <u>guidelines;</u> | 103 |
| (g) Students with a family adjusted gross income above | 104 |
| seven hundred per cent of the federal poverty guidelines, but at | 105 |
| or below seven hundred fifty per cent of the federal poverty | 106 |
| guidelines; | 107 |
| (h) Students with a family adjusted gross income above | 108 |
| seven hundred fifty per cent of the federal poverty guidelines. | 109 |
| The department may disaggregate data under division (C)(1) | 110 |
| of this section according to other categories that the | 111 |
| department determines are appropriate. | 112 |
| (2) The dependence of education and workforce shell | 110 |
| (2) The department of education and workforce shall | 113 |
| request from the department of taxation any data necessary for | 114 |
| the department of education and workforce to compute and post | 115 |
| data as required under division (C)(1) of this section. | 116 |
| Sec. 3302.0311. As used in this section, "qualifying | 117 |
| school" has the same meaning as in section 3301.165 of the | 118 |
| Revised Code. | 119 |
| The department of education and workforce shall establish | 120 |
| a report card for qualifying schools. To the extent practicable, | 121 |
| the department shall make that report card similar to the report | 122 |
| card issued under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code. The | 123 |
| department annually shall issue a report card for each | 124 |
| qualifying school not later than the fifteenth day of September | 125 |
| or the preceding Friday when that day falls on Saturday or | 126 |
| Sunday. The department shall include in the report card issued | 127 |
| for a qualifying school the report the school is required to | 128 |
| make to the department under section 3301.165 of the Revised | 129 |

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| <u>Code.</u> | 130 |
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| Sec. 3310.13. (A) No chartered nonpublic school shall | 131 |
| charge any student whose family income is at or below two | 132 |
| hundred per cent of the federal poverty guidelines, as defined | 133 |
| in section 5101.46 of the Revised Code, a tuition fee that is | 134 |
| greater than the total amount paid for that student under | 135 |
| section 3317.022 of the Revised Code. | 136 |
| (B) A chartered nonpublic school may charge any other | 137 |
| student who is paid a scholarship under that section up to the | 138 |
| difference between the amount of the scholarship and the regular | 139 |
| tuition charge of the school. Each chartered nonpublic school | 140 |
| may permit such an eligible student's family to provide | 141 |
| volunteer services in lieu of cash payment to pay all or part of | 142 |
| the amount of the school's tuition not covered by the | 143 |
| scholarship paid under section 3317.022 of the Revised Code. | 144 |
| (C) Each chartered nonpublic school that charges a | 145 |
| scholarship student an additional amount as authorized under | 146 |
| division (B) of this section shall annually report to the | 147 |
| department of education and workforce in the manner prescribed | 148 |
| by the department the following: | 149 |
| (1) The number of students charged; | 150 |
| (2) The average of the amounts charged to such students. | 151 |
| (D) On and after July 1, 2024, the department shall not | 152 |
| require the parent of a student to submit a complete copy of the | 153 |
| parent's federal income tax return, or a return filed under | 154 |
| section 5747.08 of the Revised Code, to determine a student's | 155 |

scholarship pilot program. Rather, the department may require a 157 parent to submit a partial federal income tax return, or a 158

family income for the purposes of the educational choice

return filed under section 5747.08 of the Revised Code, that 159 only contains the minimum amount of information necessary to 160 determine a student's family income. 161

(E) No chartered nonpublic school participating in the
educational choice scholarship pilot program shall require the
parent of a student to disclose, as part of the school's
admission procedure, whether the student's family income is at
or below two hundred per cent of the federal poverty guidelines.

(F) A chartered nonpublic school may accept scholarships 167 issued by a scholarship granting organization authorized under 168 section 5747.73 of the Revised Code as payment for the 169 difference between the amount of the scholarship paid under 170 section 3317.022 of the Revised Code and the regular tuition 171 charge of the school, as well as for any fees regularly charged 172 by the school. Annually, the department shall post on its 173 publicly accessible web site aggregate data including the family 174 income of each student who receives a scholarship from a 175 scholarship granting organization described in this division. 176 The department of education and workforce shall request from the 177 department of taxation any data necessary for the department of 178 education and workforce to aggregate and post data as required 179 under this division. 180

(G) Not later than the thirtieth day of June of each year,
each chartered nonpublic school that enrolls students who
receive educational choice scholarships shall submit to the
department of education and workforce, in a form and manner
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prescribed by the department, the tuition rates charged by the
school for the following school year.

Sec. 3310.15. (A) The department of education and187workforce annually shall compile the scores attained by188

scholarship students to whom an assessment is administered under 189 section 3310.14 of the Revised Code. The scores shall be 190 aggregated as follows: 191 (1) By state, which shall include all students awarded a 192 scholarship under the educational choice scholarship pilot 193 program and who were required to take an assessment under 194 section 3310.14 of the Revised Code; 195 (2) By school district, which shall include all 196 scholarship students who were required to take an assessment 197 under section 3310.14 of the Revised Code and for whom the 198 district is the student's resident district; 199 (3) By chartered nonpublic school, which shall include all 200 scholarship students enrolled in that school who were required 201 to take an assessment under section 3310.14 of the Revised Code. 202 (B) The department shall disaggregate the student 203 performance data described in division (A) of this section 204 according to the following categories: 205 (1) Grade level; 206 (2) Race and ethnicity; 207 (3) Gender; 208 (4) Students who have participated in the scholarship 209 210 program for three or more years; (5) Students who have participated in the scholarship 211 program for more than one year and less than three years; 212 (6) Students who have participated in the scholarship 213 program for one year or less; 214 (7) Economically disadvantaged students. 215

(C) The department shall post the student performance data 216 required under divisions (A) and (B) of this section on its web 217 site and, by the <u>first_fifteenth_</u>day of <u>February_September or</u> 218 the preceding Friday when that day falls on a Saturday or Sunday 219 each year, shall distribute that data to the parent of each 220 eligible student. In reporting student performance data under 221 this division, the department shall not include any data that is 222 statistically unreliable or that could result in the 223 identification of individual students. For this purpose, the 224 department shall not report performance data for any group that 225 contains less than ten students. 226

Not later than July 1, 2025, the department shall develop a measure of student growth for scholarship students enrolled in chartered nonpublic schools. The measure of student growth shall be used to report data annually on student growth for students in grades four through eight during the school year in which data is reported. No data shall be reported for schools with fewer than ten scholarship students. The department shall make the growth reports available on its publicly accessible web site.

(D) The department shall provide the parent of each 236 scholarship student with information comparing the student's 237 performance on the assessments administered under section 238 3310.14 of the Revised Code with the average performance of 239 similar students enrolled in the building operated by the 240 student's resident district that the scholarship student would 241 otherwise attend. In calculating the performance of similar 242 students, the department shall consider age, grade, race and 243 ethnicity, gender, and socioeconomic status. 244

Sec. 3313.6612. Each school district and chartered

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| nonpublic school shall maintain a disciplinary record for each | 246 |
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| student who is subject to a disciplinary action. The record | |
| shall include a description of each incident that resulted in | |
| disciplinary action by the district or school. | 249 |
| The disciplinary record of a student who is enrolled in a | 250 |
| public school is subject to section 3319.321 of the Revised Code | 250 |
| and the "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974," 20 | 251 |
| U.S.C. 1232g. | 252 |
| <u>0.3.C. 12329.</u> | 233 |
| Sec. 3314.03. A copy of every contract entered into under | 254 |
| this section shall be filed with the director of education and | 255 |
| workforce. The department of education and workforce shall make | 256 |
| available on its web site a copy of every approved, executed | 257 |
| contract filed with the director under this section. | 258 |
| (A) Each contract entered into between a sponsor and the | 259 |
| governing authority of a community school shall specify the | 260 |
| following: | |
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| (1) That the school shall be established as either of the | 262 |
| following: | 263 |
| (a) A nonprofit corporation established under Chapter | 264 |
| 1702. of the Revised Code, if established prior to April 8, | 265 |
| 2003; | 266 |
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| (b) A public benefit corporation established under Chapter | 267 |
| 1702. of the Revised Code, if established after April 8, 2003. | 268 |
| (2) The education program of the school, including the | 269 |
| school's mission, the characteristics of the students the school | 270 |
| is expected to attract, the ages and grades of students, and the | 271 |
| focus of the curriculum; | 272 |
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(3) The academic goals to be achieved and the method of 273

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measurement that will be used to determine progress toward those 274 goals, which shall include the statewide achievement 275 assessments; 276 (4) Performance standards, including but not limited to 277 all applicable report card measures set forth in section 3302.03 278 or 3314.017 of the Revised Code, by which the success of the 279 school will be evaluated by the sponsor; 280 (5) The admission standards of section 3314.06 of the 281 Revised Code and, if applicable, section 3314.061 of the Revised 282 283 Code; 284 (6) (a) Dismissal procedures; (b) A requirement that the governing authority adopt an 285 attendance policy that includes a procedure for automatically 286 withdrawing a student from the school if the student without a 287 legitimate excuse fails to participate in seventy-two 288 consecutive hours of the learning opportunities offered to the 289 student. 290 (7) The ways by which the school will achieve racial and 291 ethnic balance reflective of the community it serves; 292 (8) Requirements for financial audits by the auditor of 293 294 state. The contract shall require financial records of the school to be maintained in the same manner as are financial 295 records of school districts, pursuant to rules of the auditor of 296 state. Audits shall be conducted in accordance with section 297 117.10 of the Revised Code. 298 (9) An addendum to the contract outlining the facilities 299 to be used that contains at least the following information: 300

(a) A detailed description of each facility used for 301

instructional purposes; 302 (b) The annual costs associated with leasing each facility 303 that are paid by or on behalf of the school; 304 (c) The annual mortgage principal and interest payments 305 306 that are paid by the school; (d) The name of the lender or landlord, identified as 307 such, and the lender's or landlord's relationship to the 308 operator, if any. 309 (10) Qualifications of employees, including both of the 310 following: 311 (a) A requirement that the school's classroom teachers be 312 licensed in accordance with sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the 313 Revised Code, except that a community school may engage 314 noncertificated persons to teach up to twelve hours or forty 315 hours per week pursuant to section 3319.301 of the Revised Code; 316 (b) A prohibition against the school employing an 317 individual described in section 3314.104 of the Revised Code in 318 319 any position. (11) That the school will comply with the following 320 321 requirements: (a) The school will provide learning opportunities to a 322 minimum of twenty-five students for a minimum of nine hundred 323 324 twenty hours per school year. (b) The governing authority will purchase liability 325 insurance, or otherwise provide for the potential liability of 326 the school. 327 (c) The school will be nonsectarian in its programs, 328

| admission policies, employment practices, and all other | 329 |
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| operations, and will not be operated by a sectarian school or | 330 |
| religious institution. | 331 |
| (d) The school will comply with sections 9.90, 9.91, | 332 |
| 109.65, 121.22, 149.43, 2151.357, 2151.421, 2313.19, 3301.0710, | 333 |
| 3301.0711, 3301.0712, 3301.0715, 3301.0729, 3301.948, 3302.037, | 334 |
| 3313.472, 3313.50, 3313.539, 3313.5310, 3313.5318, 3313.5319, | 335 |
| 3313.608, 3313.609, 3313.6012, 3313.6013, 3313.6014, 3313.6020, | 336 |
| 3313.6024, 3313.6025, 3313.6026, 3313.6028, 3313.6029, 3313.643, | 337 |
| 3313.648, 3313.6411, 3313.6413, 3313.66, 3313.661, 3313.662, | 338 |
| 3313.666, 3313.667, 3313.668, 3313.669, 3313.6610, <u>3313.6612,</u> | 339 |
| 3313.67, 3313.671, 3313.672, 3313.673, 3313.69, 3313.71, | 340 |
| 3313.716, 3313.718, 3313.719, 3313.7112, 3313.7117, 3313.721, | 341 |
| 3313.753, 3313.80, 3313.814, 3313.816, 3313.817, 3313.818, | 342 |
| 3313.819, 3313.86, 3313.89, 3313.96, 3319.073, 3319.077, | 343 |
| 3319.078, 3319.0812, 3319.238, 3319.318, 3319.321, 3319.324, | 344 |
| 3319.39, 3319.391, 3319.393, 3319.41, 3319.46, 3319.614, | 345 |
| 3320.01, 3320.02, 3320.03, 3320.04, 3321.01, 3321.041, 3321.13, | 346 |
| 3321.14, 3321.141, 3321.17, 3321.18, 3321.19, 3322.20, 3322.24, | 347 |
| 3323.251, 3327.10, 4111.17, 4113.52, 5502.262, 5502.703, and | 348 |
| 5705.391 and Chapters 117., 1347., 2744., 3365., 3742., 4112., | 349 |
| 4123., 4141., and 4167. of the Revised Code as if it were a | 350 |
| school district and will comply with section 3301.0714 of the | 351 |
| Revised Code in the manner specified in section 3314.17 of the | 352 |
| Revised Code. | 353 |
| (e) The school shall comply with Chapter 102. and section | 354 |
| 2921.42 of the Revised Code. | 355 |
| 2721.72 OF the Neviber Code. | |
| (f) The school will comply with sections 3313.61, | 356 |
| 3313.611, 3313.614, 3313.617, 3313.618, and 3313.6114 of the | 357 |
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Revised Code, except that for students who enter ninth grade for 358

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the first time before July 1, 2010, the requirement in sections 359 3313.61 and 3313.611 of the Revised Code that a person must 360 successfully complete the curriculum in any high school prior to 361 receiving a high school diploma may be met by completing the 362 curriculum adopted by the governing authority of the community 363 school rather than the curriculum specified in Title XXXIII of 364 the Revised Code or any rules of the department. Beginning with 365 students who enter ninth grade for the first time on or after 366 July 1, 2010, the requirement in sections 3313.61 and 3313.611 367 of the Revised Code that a person must successfully complete the 368 curriculum of a high school prior to receiving a high school 369 diploma shall be met by completing the requirements prescribed 370 in section 3313.6027 and division (C) of section 3313.603 of the 371 Revised Code, unless the person qualifies under division (D) or 372 (F) of that section. Each school shall comply with the plan for 373 awarding high school credit based on demonstration of subject 374 area competency, and beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, 375 with the updated plan that permits students enrolled in seventh 376 and eighth grade to meet curriculum requirements based on 377 subject area competency adopted by the department under 378 divisions (J)(1) and (2) of section 3313.603 of the Revised 379 Code. Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, the school shall 380 comply with the framework for granting units of high school 381 credit to students who demonstrate subject area competency 382 through work-based learning experiences, internships, or 383 cooperative education developed by the department under division 384 (J) (3) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code. 385

(g) The school governing authority will submit within four
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months after the end of each school year a report of its
activities and progress in meeting the goals and standards of
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divisions (A) (3) and (4) of this section and its financial
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status to the sponsor and the parents of all students enrolled in the school.

(h) The school, unless it is an internet- or computerbased community school, will comply with section 3313.801 of the
Revised Code as if it were a school district.

(i) If the school is the recipient of moneys from a grant
awarded under the federal race to the top program, Division (A),
Title XIV, Sections 14005 and 14006 of the "American Recovery
and Reinvestment Act of 2009," Pub. L. No. 111-5, 123 Stat. 115,
the school will pay teachers based upon performance in
accordance with section 3317.141 and will comply with section
3319.111 of the Revised Code as if it were a school district.

(j) If the school operates a preschool program that is
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licensed by the department under sections 3301.52 to 3301.59 of
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the Revised Code, the school shall comply with sections 3301.50
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to 3301.59 of the Revised Code and the minimum standards for
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preschool programs prescribed in rules adopted by the department
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of children and youth under section 3301.53 of the Revised Code.

(k) The school will comply with sections 3313.6021 and 408
3313.6023 of the Revised Code as if it were a school district 409
unless it is either of the following: 410

(i) An internet- or computer-based community school;

(ii) A community school in which a majority of the
enrolled students are children with disabilities as described in
division (B) (2) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code.
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(1) The school will comply with section 3321.191 of the
Revised Code, unless it is an internet- or computer-based
community school that is subject to section 3314.261 of the
Revised Code.

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(12) Arrangements for providing health and other benefits419to employees;420

(13) The length of the contract, which shall begin at the
beginning of an academic year. No contract shall exceed five
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years unless such contract has been renewed pursuant to division
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(E) of this section.

(14) The governing authority of the school, which shall be425responsible for carrying out the provisions of the contract;426

(15) A financial plan detailing an estimated school budget
for each year of the period of the contract and specifying the
total estimated per pupil expenditure amount for each such year.

(16) Requirements and procedures regarding the disposition
of employees of the school in the event the contract is
terminated or not renewed pursuant to section 3314.07 of the
Revised Code;

(17) Whether the school is to be created by converting all 434 or part of an existing public school or educational service 435 center building or is to be a new start-up school, and if it is 436 a converted public school or service center building, 437 specification of any duties or responsibilities of an employer 438 that the board of education or service center governing board 439 that operated the school or building before conversion is 440 delegating to the governing authority of the community school 441 with respect to all or any specified group of employees provided 442 the delegation is not prohibited by a collective bargaining 443 agreement applicable to such employees; 444

(18) Provisions establishing procedures for resolving
disputes or differences of opinion between the sponsor and the
governing authority of the community school;
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(19) A provision requiring the governing authority to 448 adopt a policy regarding the admission of students who reside 449 outside the district in which the school is located. That policy 450 shall comply with the admissions procedures specified in 451 sections 3314.06 and 3314.061 of the Revised Code and, at the 4.52 sole discretion of the authority, shall do one of the following: 453 (a) Prohibit the enrollment of students who reside outside 454 the district in which the school is located; 455 (b) Permit the enrollment of students who reside in 456 districts adjacent to the district in which the school is 457 located; 458 (c) Permit the enrollment of students who reside in any 459 other district in the state. 460 (20) A provision recognizing the authority of the 461 department to take over the sponsorship of the school in 462 accordance with the provisions of division (C) of section 463 3314.015 of the Revised Code; 464 (21) A provision recognizing the sponsor's authority to 465 assume the operation of a school under the conditions specified 466 in division (B) of section 3314.073 of the Revised Code; 467 (22) A provision recognizing both of the following: 468 (a) The authority of public health and safety officials to 469 inspect the facilities of the school and to order the facilities 470 closed if those officials find that the facilities are not in 471 compliance with health and safety laws and regulations; 472 (b) The authority of the department as the community 473 school oversight body to suspend the operation of the school 474 under section 3314.072 of the Revised Code if the department has 475 evidence of conditions or violations of law at the school that476pose an imminent danger to the health and safety of the school's477students and employees and the sponsor refuses to take such478action.479

(23) A description of the learning opportunities that will
be offered to students including both classroom-based and nonclassroom-based learning opportunities that is in compliance
with criteria for student participation established by the
department under division (H) (2) of section 3314.08 of the
Revised Code;

(24) The school will comply with sections 3302.04 and 3302.041 of the Revised Code, except that any action required to be taken by a school district pursuant to those sections shall be taken by the sponsor of the school.

(25) Beginning in the 2006-2007 school year, the school 490 will open for operation not later than the thirtieth day of 491 September each school year, unless the mission of the school as 492 specified under division (A)(2) of this section is solely to 493 serve dropouts. In its initial year of operation, if the school 494 fails to open by the thirtieth day of September, or within one 495 year after the adoption of the contract pursuant to division (D) 496 of section 3314.02 of the Revised Code if the mission of the 497 school is solely to serve dropouts, the contract shall be void. 498

(26) Whether the school's governing authority is planning
to seek designation for the school as a STEM school equivalent
under section 3326.032 of the Revised Code;
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(27) That the school's attendance and participation 502
policies will be available for public inspection; 503

(28) That the school's attendance and participation 504

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records shall be made available to the department, auditor of 505 state, and school's sponsor to the extent permitted under and in 506 accordance with the "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act 507 of 1974," 88 Stat. 571, 20 U.S.C. 1232g, as amended, and any 508 regulations promulgated under that act, and section 3319.321 of 509 the Revised Code; 510

(29) If a school operates using the blended learning
model, as defined in section 3301.079 of the Revised Code, all
of the following information:
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(a) An indication of what blended learning model or models514will be used;515

(b) A description of how student instructional needs will be determined and documented;

(c) The method to be used for determining competency,granting credit, and promoting students to a higher grade level;519

(d) The school's attendance requirements, including how
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the school will document participation in learning
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opportunities;
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(e) A statement describing how student progress will be 523
monitored; 524

(f) A statement describing how private student data will 525 be protected; 526

(g) A description of the professional development527activities that will be offered to teachers.528

(30) A provision requiring that all moneys the school's
operator loans to the school, including facilities loans or cash
flow assistance, must be accounted for, documented, and bear
interest at a fair market rate;
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(31) A provision requiring that, if the governing 533 authority contracts with an attorney, accountant, or entity 534 specializing in audits, the attorney, accountant, or entity 535 shall be independent from the operator with which the school has 536 contracted. 537 (32) A provision requiring the governing authority to 538 adopt an enrollment and attendance policy that requires a 539 student's parent to notify the community school in which the 540 student is enrolled when there is a change in the location of 541 the parent's or student's primary residence. 542 (33) A provision requiring the governing authority to 543 adopt a student residence and address verification policy for 544 students enrolling in or attending the school. 545 (B) The community school shall also submit to the sponsor 546 a comprehensive plan for the school. The plan shall specify the 547 following: 548 (1) The process by which the governing authority of the 549 school will be selected in the future; 550 (2) The management and administration of the school; 551 (3) If the community school is a currently existing public 552 school or educational service center building, alternative 553 arrangements for current public school students who choose not 554 to attend the converted school and for teachers who choose not 555 to teach in the school or building after conversion; 556 (4) The instructional program and educational philosophy 557 of the school; 558 (5) Internal financial controls. 559

When submitting the plan under this division, the school 560

shall also submit copies of all policies and procedures561regarding internal financial controls adopted by the governing562authority of the school.563

(C) A contract entered into under section 3314.02 of the 564 Revised Code between a sponsor and the governing authority of a 565 community school may provide for the community school governing 566 authority to make payments to the sponsor, which is hereby 567 authorized to receive such payments as set forth in the contract 568 between the governing authority and the sponsor. The total 569 amount of such payments for monitoring, oversight, and technical 570 assistance of the school shall not exceed three per cent of the 571 total amount of payments for operating expenses that the school 572 receives from the state. 573

(D) The contract shall specify the duties of the sponsor which shall be in accordance with the written agreement entered into with the department under division (B) of section 3314.015 of the Revised Code and shall include the following:

(1) Monitor the community school's compliance with all
1aws applicable to the school and with the terms of the
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contract;
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(2) Monitor and evaluate the academic and fiscal performance and the organization and operation of the community school on at least an annual basis;

(3) Provide technical assistance to the community school
 in complying with laws applicable to the school and terms of the
 contract;

(4) Take steps to intervene in the school's operation to
correct problems in the school's overall performance, declare
the school to be on probationary status pursuant to section
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3314.073 of the Revised Code, suspend the operation of the590school pursuant to section 3314.072 of the Revised Code, or591terminate the contract of the school pursuant to section 3314.07592of the Revised Code as determined necessary by the sponsor;593

(5) Have in place a plan of action to be undertaken in the
event the community school experiences financial difficulties or
closes prior to the end of a school year.

(E) Upon the expiration of a contract entered into under 597 this section, the sponsor of a community school may, with the 598 approval of the governing authority of the school, renew that 599 contract for a period of time determined by the sponsor, but not 600 ending earlier than the end of any school year, if the sponsor 601 finds that the school's compliance with applicable laws and 602 terms of the contract and the school's progress in meeting the 603 academic goals prescribed in the contract have been 604 satisfactory. Any contract that is renewed under this division 605 remains subject to the provisions of sections 3314.07, 3314.072, 606 and 3314.073 of the Revised Code. 607

(F) If a community school fails to open for operation 608 within one year after the contract entered into under this 609 section is adopted pursuant to division (D) of section 3314.02 610 of the Revised Code or permanently closes prior to the 611 expiration of the contract, the contract shall be void and the 612 school shall not enter into a contract with any other sponsor. A 613 school shall not be considered permanently closed because the 614 operations of the school have been suspended pursuant to section 615 3314.072 of the Revised Code. 616

Sec. 3319.324. (A) As used in this section, "school617records" includes any academic records, student assessment data,618disciplinary record, or other information for which there is a619

legitimate educational interest.

(B) Except as provided for in division (C) of this 621 section, when any school district or chartered nonpublic school 622 receives a request from another district or school to which a 623 student has transferred for that student's school records, the 624 district or school receiving the request shall respond, within 625 five school days after receiving the request, by transmitting to 626 the requesting district or school either the student's school 627 records as authorized under section 3319.321 of the Revised Code 628 or, if the district or school has no record of the student's 629 attendance, a statement of that fact. 630

(C) A district or school may withhold a student's school records if there is two thousand five hundred dollars or more of outstanding debt attributed to the student. The district or school shall transmit the student's school records in the manner specified under division (A) of this section once the debt is paid.

(D) The provisions of this section are in addition to, and
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do not affect the obligations of a school district or school to
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comply with, the requirements of division (D) of section
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3313.642 and section 3313.672 of the Revised Code.
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Sec. 3326.11. Each science, technology, engineering, and 641 mathematics school established under this chapter and its 642 governing body shall comply with sections 9.90, 9.91, 109.65, 643 121.22, 149.43, 2151.357, 2151.421, 2313.19, 2921.42, 2921.43, 644 3301.0714, 3301.0715, 3301.0729, 3301.948, 3302.037, 3313.14, 645 3313.15, 3313.16, 3313.18, 3313.201, 3313.26, 3313.472, 3313.48, 646 3313.481, 3313.482, 3313.50, 3313.539, 3313.5310, 3313.5318, 647 3313.5319, 3313.608, 3313.6012, 3313.6013, 3313.6014, 3313.6020, 648 3313.6021, 3313.6023, 3313.6024, 3313.6025, 3313.6026, 649

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Sec. 3328.24. A college-preparatory boarding school established under this chapter and its board of trustees shall 668 comply with sections 102.02, 3301.0710, 3301.0711, 3301.0712, 669 3301.0714, 3301.0729, 3301.948, 3302.037, 3313.5318, 3313.5319, 670 3313.6013, 3313.6021, 3313.6023, 3313.6024, 3313.6025, 671 3313.6026, 3313.6029, 3313.617, 3313.618, 3313.6114, 3313.6411, 672 3313.6413, 3313.668, 3313.669, 3313.6610, <u>3313.6612,</u> 3313.717, 673 3313.7112, 3313.7117, 3313.721, 3313.753, 3313.89, 3319.073, 674 3319.077, 3319.078, 3319.318, 3319.324, 3319.39, 3319.391, 675 3319.393, 3319.46, 3320.01, 3320.02, 3320.03, 3320.04, 3323.251, 676 and 5502.262, and Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code as if the 677 school were a school district and the school's board of trustees 678 were a district board of education. 679

Section 2. That existing sections 3310.13, 3310.15,

3314.03, 3319.324, 3326.11, and 3328.24 of the Revised Code are 681 hereby repealed. 682 Section 3. The General Assembly, applying the principle 683 stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that 684 amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of 685 simultaneous operation, finds that the following sections, 686 presented in this act as composites of the sections as amended 687 by the acts indicated, are the resulting versions of the 688 sections in effect prior to the effective date of the sections 689 690 as presented in this act: Section 3314.03 of the Revised Code as amended by H.B. 691 214, H.B. 250, and S.B. 168, all of the 135th General Assembly. 692 Section 3326.11 of the Revised Code as amended by H.B. 47, 693 H.B. 214, and S.B. 168, all of the 135th General Assembly. 694 Section 3328.24 of the Revised Code as amended by both 695 H.B. 47 and H.B. 214 of the 135th General Assembly. 696