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# A BILL

То	amend sections 323.152, 323.153, 323.156,	1
	2506.01, 4503.065, 4503.066, 4503.068, 5713.01,	2
	5713.03, 5715.012, 5715.19, 5715.24, 5715.25,	3
	5715.251, 5715.26, and 5717.01 of the Revised	4
	Code to make changes to the law governing real	5
	property valuation and tax complaints, to	6
	temporarily modify the computation of the	7
	homestead exemption, to abate property taxes on	8
	certain municipal and community improvement	9
	corporation property, to make an appropriation,	10
	and to declare an emergency.	11

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

Section 1. That sections 323.152, 323.153, 323.156,	12
2506.01, 4503.065, 4503.066, 4503.068, 5713.01, 5713.03,	13
5715.012, 5715.19, 5715.24, 5715.25, 5715.251, 5715.26, and	14
5717.01 of the Revised Code be amended to read as follows:	15

Sec. 323.152. In addition to the reduction in taxes required under section 319.302 of the Revised Code, taxes shall be reduced as provided in divisions (A) and (B) of this section.

(A) (1) (a) Division (A) (1) of this section applies to anyof the following persons:

(i) A person who is permanently and totally disabled; 21

(ii) A person who is sixty-five years of age or older;

(iii) A person who is the surviving spouse of a deceased 23 person who was permanently and totally disabled or sixty-five 24 years of age or older and who applied and qualified for a 25 reduction in taxes under this division in the year of death, 26 provided the surviving spouse is at least fifty-nine but not 27 sixty-five or more years of age on the date the deceased spouse 28 dies. 29

(b) Real property taxes on a homestead owned and occupied, or a homestead in a housing cooperative occupied, by a person to whom division (A)(1) of this section applies shall be reduced for each year for which an application for the reduction has been approved. The Except as provided in division (F) of this section, the reduction shall equal one of the following amounts, as applicable to the person:

(i) If the person received a reduction under division (A)(1) of this section for tax year 2006, the greater of the reduction for that tax year or the amount computed under division (A) (1) (c) of this section;

(ii) If the person received, for any homestead, a
reduction under division (A) (1) of this section for tax year
2013 or under division (A) of section 4503.065 of the Revised
Code for tax year 2014 or the person is the surviving spouse of

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such a person and the surviving spouse is at least fifty-nine45years of age on the date the deceased spouse dies, the amount46computed under division (A) (1) (c) of this section.47

(iii) If the person is not described in division (A) (1) (b)
(i) or (ii) of this section and the person's total income does
(a) (1) (d) of this section, the amount computed under division
(b) (1) (c) of this section.

(c) The amount of the reduction under division (A) (1) (c)53of this section equals the product of the following:54

(i) Twenty-five thousand dollars of the true value of the property in money, as adjusted under division (A)(1)(d) of this section;

(ii) The assessment percentage established by the tax
commissioner under division (B) of section 5715.01 of the
Revised Code, not to exceed thirty-five per cent;
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(iii) The effective tax rate used to calculate the taxes
charged against the property for the current year, where
"effective tax rate" is defined as in section 323.08 of the
Revised Code;

(iv) The quantity equal to one minus the sum of thepercentage reductions in taxes received by the property for thecurrent tax year under section 319.302 of the Revised Code anddivision (B) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code.

(d) The tax commissioner shall adjust the total income
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threshold described in division (A) (1) (b) (iii) and the reduction
amounts described in divisions (A) (1) (c) (i), (A) (2), and (A) (3)
of this section by completing the following calculations in
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September of each year:

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74 (i) Determine the percentage increase in the gross domestic product deflator determined by the bureau of economic 75 analysis of the United States department of commerce from the 76 first day of January of the preceding calendar year to the last 77 day of December of the preceding calendar year; 78 (ii) Multiply that percentage increase by the total income 79 threshold or reduction amount for the current tax year, as 80 applicable; 81 (iii) Add the resulting product to the total income 82 threshold or the reduction amount, as applicable, for the 83 current tax year; 84 (iv) Round the resulting sum to the nearest multiple of 85 one hundred dollars. 86 The Except as otherwise provided in this division, the 87 commissioner shall certify the amount resulting from each 88 adjustment to each county auditor not later than the first day 89 of December each year. The certified total income threshold 90 amount applies to the following tax year for persons described 91 in division (A)(1)(b)(iii) of this section. The certified 92 reduction amount applies to the following tax year. The 93 commissioner shall not make the applicable adjustment in any 94 calendar year in which the amount resulting from the adjustment 95 would be less than the total income threshold or the reduction 96 amount for the current tax year. 97

For adjustments made in calendar year 2024, the98commissioner shall calculate the adjustments to the reduction99amounts but is not required to certify the resulting amounts to100county auditors.101

(2)(a) Real property taxes on a homestead owned and

occupied, or a homestead in a housing cooperative occupied, by a 103 disabled veteran shall be reduced for each year for which an 104 application for the reduction has been approved. The Except as 105 provided in division (F) of this section, the reduction shall 106 equal the product obtained by multiplying fifty thousand dollars 107 of the true value of the property in money, as adjusted under 108 division (A)(1)(d) of this section, by the amounts described in 109 divisions (A)(1)(c)(ii) to (iv) of this section. The reduction 110 is in lieu of any reduction under section 323.158 of the Revised 111 Code or division (A)(1), (2)(b), or (3) of this section. The 112 reduction applies to only one homestead owned and occupied by a 113 disabled veteran. 114

(b) Real property taxes on a homestead owned and occupied, or a homestead in a housing cooperative occupied, by the surviving spouse of a disabled veteran shall be reduced for each year an application for exemption is approved. The Except as provided in division (F) of this section, the reduction shall equal to the amount of the reduction authorized under division (A) (2) (a) of this section.

The reduction is in lieu of any reduction under section122323.158 of the Revised Code or division (A) (1), (2) (a), or (3)123of this section. The reduction applies to only one homestead124owned and occupied by the surviving spouse of a disabled125veteran. A homestead qualifies for a reduction in taxes under126division (A) (2) (b) of this section beginning in one of the127following tax years:128

(i) For a surviving spouse described in division (L) (1) of
section 323.151 of the Revised Code, the year the disabled
veteran dies;

(ii) For a surviving spouse described in division (L)(2)

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of section 323.151 of the Revised Code, the first year on the 133 first day of January of which the total disability rating 134 described in division (F) of that section has been received for 135 the deceased spouse. 136

In either case, the reduction shall continue through the 137 tax year in which the surviving spouse dies or remarries. 138

(3) Real property taxes on a homestead owned and occupied, 139 or a homestead in a housing cooperative occupied, by the 140 surviving spouse of a public service officer killed in the line 141 of duty shall be reduced for each year for which an application 142 for the reduction has been approved. The Except as provided in 143 division (F) of this section, the reduction shall equal the 144 product obtained by multiplying fifty thousand dollars of the 145 true value of the property in money, as adjusted under division 146 (A) (1) (d) of this section, by the amounts described in divisions 147 (A) (1) (c) (ii) to (iv) of this section. The reduction is in lieu 148 of any reduction under section 323.158 of the Revised Code or 149 division (A)(1) or (2) of this section. The reduction applies to 150 only one homestead owned and occupied by such a surviving 151 spouse. A homestead qualifies for a reduction in taxes under 1.52 division (A)(3) of this section for the tax year in which the 153 public service officer dies through the tax year in which the 154 surviving spouse dies or remarries. 155

(B) To provide a partial exemption, real property taxes on
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any homestead, and manufactured home taxes on any manufactured
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or mobile home on which a manufactured home tax is assessed
pursuant to division (D) (2) of section 4503.06 of the Revised
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Code, shall be reduced for each year for which an application
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for the reduction has been approved. The amount of the reduction
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shall equal two and one-half per cent of the amount of taxes to

be levied by qualifying levies on the homestead or the 163 manufactured or mobile home after applying section 319.301 of 164 the Revised Code. For the purposes of this division, "qualifying 165 levy" has the same meaning as in section 319.302 of the Revised 166 Code. 167

(C) The reductions granted by this section do not apply to special assessments or respread of assessments levied against the homestead, and if there is a transfer of ownership subsequent to the filing of an application for a reduction in taxes, such reductions are not forfeited for such year by virtue of such transfer.

(D) The reductions in taxable value referred to in this 174 section shall be applied solely as a factor for the purpose of 175 computing the reduction of taxes under this section and shall 176 not affect the total value of property in any subdivision or 177 taxing district as listed and assessed for taxation on the tax 178 lists and duplicates, or any direct or indirect limitations on 179 indebtedness of a subdivision or taxing district. If after 180 application of sections 5705.31 and 5705.32 of the Revised Code, 181 including the allocation of all levies within the ten-mill 182 limitation to debt charges to the extent therein provided, there 183 would be insufficient funds for payment of debt charges not 184 provided for by levies in excess of the ten-mill limitation, the 185 reduction of taxes provided for in sections 323.151 to 323.159 186 of the Revised Code shall be proportionately adjusted to the 187 extent necessary to provide such funds from levies within the 188 ten-mill limitation. 189

(E) No reduction shall be made on the taxes due on the
homestead of any person convicted of violating division (D) or
(E) of section 323.153 of the Revised Code for a period of three
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years following the conviction. <u>(F)(1) As used in division (F) of this section:</u> <u>(a) "Maximum value reduction" means thirty thousand</u> <u>dollars of the true value of property in money for tax year</u>

2023, thirty-two thousand one hundred dollars of the true value197of property in money for tax year 2024, and the amount198calculated under division (F)(4) of this section for tax year1992025.200

(b) "Enhanced maximum value reduction" means sixty201thousand dollars of the true value of property in money for tax202year 2023, sixty-four thousand three hundred dollars of the true203value of property in money for tax year 2024, and the amount204calculated under division (F) (4) of this section for tax year2052025.206

(c) "Income threshold" means the total income threshold207described in division (A) (1) (b) (iii) of this section, as208adjusted under division (A) (1) (d) of this section.209

(2) (a) Notwithstanding division (A) (1) of this section, for tax years 2023, 2024, and 2025, the amount of the reduction authorized under that division shall equal one of the following amounts, as applicable to the person:

(i) If the person received a reduction under division (A)214(1) of this section for tax year 2006, the greater of the215reduction for that tax year or the maximum value reduction216multiplied by the amounts described in divisions (A) (1) (c) (ii)217to (iv) of this section;218

(ii) If the person is described in division (A) (1) (b) (ii)219of this section, the maximum value reduction multiplied by the220amounts described in divisions (A) (1) (c) (ii) to (iv) of this221

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section;	222
(iii) If the person is not described in division (F)(2)(a)	223
(i) or (ii) of this section and the person's total income does	224
not exceed seventy-five thousand dollars, the amount computed	225
under division (F)(2)(b) of this section.	226
(b) The amount of the reduction under division (F)(2)(b)	227
of this section equals the product of one of the following	228
amounts, as applicable to the person, multiplied by the amounts	229
described in divisions (A)(1)(c)(ii) to (iv) of this section:	230
(i) For a person whose total income does not exceed the	231
income threshold, the maximum value reduction;	232
(ii) For a person with total income greater than the	233
income threshold, but not more than forty-nine thousand dollars,	234
seventy-five per cent of the maximum value reduction;	235
(iii) For a person with total income greater than forty-	236
nine thousand dollars, but not more than sixty-two thousand	237
dollars, fifty per cent of the maximum value reduction;	238
(iv) For a person with total income greater than sixty-two	239
thousand dollars, but not more than seventy-five thousand	240
dollars, twenty-five per cent of the maximum value reduction.	241
(3) Notwithstanding division (A)(2) or (3) of this	242
section, for tax years 2023, 2024, or 2025, the amount of the	243
reduction authorized under each of those divisions shall equal	244
the enhanced maximum value reduction multiplied by the amounts	245
described in divisions (A)(1)(c)(ii) to (iv) of this section.	246
(4) In September 2024, the tax commissioner shall adjust	247
the maximum value reduction and enhanced maximum value	248
reduction, as follows:	249

(i) Determine the percentage increase in the gross	250
domestic product deflator determined by the bureau of economic	251
analysis of the United States department of commerce from	252
January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023;	253
(ii) Multiply that percentage increase by each reduction	254
amount for tax year 2024;	255
(iii) Add the resulting product to the applicable	256
reduction amount for tax year 2024;	257
(iv) Round the resulting sum to the nearest multiple of	258
one hundred dollars.	259
The commissioner shall certify the amounts resulting from	260
each adjustment to each county auditor not later than December_	261
1, 2024. The certified amounts apply to tax year 2025. The	262
commissioner shall not make the adjustment if the amount	263
resulting from the adjustment would be less than the applicable	264
reduction amount for tax year 2024.	265
Sec. 323.153. (A) To obtain a reduction in real property	266
taxes under division (A) or (B) of section 323.152 of the	267
Revised Code or in manufactured home taxes under division (B) of	268
section 323.152 of the Revised Code, the owner shall file an	269
application with the county auditor of the county in which the	270
owner's homestead is located.	271
To obtain a reduction in real property taxes under	272
division (A) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code, the	273
occupant of a homestead in a housing cooperative shall file an	274
application with the nonprofit corporation that owns and	275
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operates the housing cooperative, in accordance with this	-
paragraph. Not later than the first day of March each year, the	277
corporation shall obtain applications from the county auditor's	278

office and provide one to each new occupant. Not later than the 279 first day of May, any occupant who may be eligible for a 280 reduction in taxes under division (A) of section 323.152 of the 281 Revised Code shall submit the completed application to the 282 corporation. Not later than the fifteenth day of May, the 283 corporation shall file all completed applications, and the 284 information required by division (B) of section 323.159 of the 285 Revised Code, with the county auditor of the county in which the 286 occupants' homesteads are located. Continuing applications shall 287 be furnished to an occupant in the manner provided in division 288 (C) (4) (C) (6) of this section. 289

(1) An application for reduction based upon a physical 290 disability shall be accompanied by a certificate signed by a 291 physician, and an application for reduction based upon a mental 292 disability shall be accompanied by a certificate signed by a 293 physician or psychologist licensed to practice in this state, 294 attesting to the fact that the applicant is permanently and 295 totally disabled. The certificate shall be in a form that the 296 tax commissioner requires and shall include the definition of 297 permanently and totally disabled as set forth in section 323.151 298 of the Revised Code. An application for reduction based upon a 299 disability certified as permanent and total by a state or 300 federal agency having the function of so classifying persons 301 shall be accompanied by a certificate from that agency. 302

An application by a disabled veteran or the surviving 303 spouse of a disabled veteran for the reduction under division 304 (A) (2) (a) or (b) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code shall be 305 accompanied by a letter or other written confirmation from the 306 United States department of veterans affairs, or its predecessor 307 or successor agency, showing that the veteran qualifies as a 308 disabled veteran. 309

An application by the surviving spouse of a public service 310 officer killed in the line of duty for the reduction under 311 division (A) (3) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code shall be 312 accompanied by a letter or other written confirmation from an 313 employee or officer of the board of trustees of a retirement or 314 pension fund in this state or another state or from the chief or 315 other chief executive of the department, agency, or other 316 employer for which the public service officer served when killed 317 in the line of duty affirming that the public service officer 318 was killed in the line of duty. 319

An application for a reduction under division (A) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code constitutes a continuing application for a reduction in taxes for each year in which the dwelling is the applicant's homestead.

(2) An application for a reduction in taxes under division 324 (B) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code shall be filed only 325 if the homestead or manufactured or mobile home was transferred 326 in the preceding year or did not qualify for and receive the 327 reduction in taxes under that division for the preceding tax 328 year. The application for homesteads transferred in the 329 330 preceding year shall be incorporated into any form used by the county auditor to administer the tax law in respect to the 331 conveyance of real property pursuant to section 319.20 of the 332 Revised Code or of used manufactured homes or used mobile homes 333 as defined in section 5739.0210 of the Revised Code. The owner 334 of a manufactured or mobile home who has elected under division 335 (D)(4) of section 4503.06 of the Revised Code to be taxed under 336 division (D)(2) of that section for the ensuing year may file 337 the application at the time of making that election. The 338 application shall contain a statement that failure by the 339 applicant to affirm on the application that the dwelling on the 340

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property conveyed is the applicant's homestead prohibits the341owner from receiving the reduction in taxes until a proper342application is filed within the period prescribed by division343(A) (3) of this section. Such an application constitutes a344continuing application for a reduction in taxes for each year in345which the dwelling is the applicant's homestead.346

(3) Failure to receive a new application filed under 347 division (A)(1) or (2) or notification under division (C) of 348 this section after an application for reduction has been 349 350 approved is prima-facie evidence that the original applicant is entitled to the reduction in taxes calculated on the basis of 351 the information contained in the original application. The 352 original application and any subsequent application, including 353 any late application, shall be in the form of a signed statement 354 and shall be filed on or before the thirty-first day of December 355 of the year for which the reduction is sought. The original 356 application and any subsequent application for a reduction in 357 manufactured home taxes shall be filed in the year preceding the 358 year for which the reduction is sought. The statement shall be 359 on a form, devised and supplied by the tax commissioner, which 360 shall require no more information than is necessary to establish 361 the applicant's eligibility for the reduction in taxes and the 362 amount of the reduction, and, except for homesteads that are 363 units in a housing cooperative, shall include an affirmation by 364 the applicant that ownership of the homestead was not acquired 365 from a person, other than the applicant's spouse, related to the 366 owner by consanguinity or affinity for the purpose of qualifying 367 for the real property or manufactured home tax reduction 368 provided for in division (A) or (B) of section 323.152 of the 369 Revised Code. The form shall contain a statement that conviction 370 of willfully falsifying information to obtain a reduction in 371

taxes or failing to comply with division (C) of this section 372 results in the revocation of the right to the reduction for a 373 period of three years. In the case of an application for a 374 reduction in taxes for persons described in division (A) (1) (b) 375 (iii) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code, the form shall 376 contain a statement that signing the application constitutes a 377 delegation of authority by the applicant to the tax commissioner 378 or the county auditor, individually or in consultation with each 379 other, to examine any tax or financial records relating to the 380 income of the applicant as stated on the application for the 381 purpose of determining eligibility for the exemption or a 382 possible violation of division (D) or (E) of this section. 383

(B) A late application for a tax reduction for the year preceding the year in which an original application is filed, or for a reduction in manufactured home taxes for the year in which an original application is filed, may be filed with the original application. If the county auditor determines the information contained in the late application is correct, the auditor shall determine the amount of the reduction in taxes to which the applicant would have been entitled for the preceding tax year had the applicant's application been timely filed and approved in that year.

The amount of such reduction shall be treated by the 394 auditor as an overpayment of taxes by the applicant and shall be 395 refunded in the manner prescribed in section 5715.22 of the 396 Revised Code for making refunds of overpayments. The county 397 auditor shall certify the total amount of the reductions in 398 taxes made in the current year under this division to the tax 399 commissioner, who shall treat the full amount thereof as a 400 reduction in taxes for the preceding tax year and shall make 401 reimbursement to the county therefor in the manner prescribed by 402

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section 323.156 of the Revised Code, from money appropriated for 403 that purpose. 404 (C) (1) If, in any year after an application has been filed 405 under division (A)(1) or (2) of this section, the owner does not 406 qualify for a reduction in taxes on the homestead or on the 407 manufactured or mobile home set forth on such application, the 408 owner shall notify the county auditor that the owner is not 409 gualified for a reduction in taxes. 410 411 (2) If, in any year after an application has been filed under division (A)(1) of this section, the occupant of a 412 homestead in a housing cooperative does not qualify for a 413 reduction in taxes on the homestead, the occupant shall notify 414 the county auditor that the occupant is not qualified for a 415 reduction in taxes or file a new application under division (A) 416 (1) of this section. 417 (3) If the county auditor or county treasurer discovers 418 that an owner of property or occupant of a homestead in a 419 housing cooperative not entitled to the reduction in taxes under 420 division (A) or (B) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code 421 422 failed to notify the county auditor as required by division (C) 423 (1) or (2) of this section, a charge shall be imposed against the property in the amount by which taxes were reduced under 424 that division for each tax year the county auditor ascertains 425 that the property was not entitled to the reduction and was 426 owned by the current owner or, in the case of a homestead in a 427

(4) If the county auditor or county treasurer discovers429that an owner of property or occupant of a homestead in a430housing cooperative claimed a reduction amount under division431(F) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code that is greater than432

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delinquent taxes.

the amount to which that owner or occupant was entitled under	433
that division, a charge shall be imposed against the property	434
for each tax year the county auditor ascertains that the	435
reduction claimed was greater than the reduction to which the	436
owner or occupant was entitled. The charge for each such year	437
shall equal the difference between the amount that taxes were	438
reduced under that division for that year and the amount that	439
taxes should have been reduced for that year if the owner had	440
reported the owner's total income accurately.	441
(5) Interest shall accrue in the manner prescribed by	442
division (B) of section 323.121 or division (G)(2) of section	443
4503.06 of the Revised Code on the amount by which taxes were	444
reduced of any illegal tax reduction for each such tax year as	445
if the reduction became delinquent taxes at the close of the	446
last day the second installment of taxes for that tax year could	447
be paid without penalty. The county auditor shall notify the	448
owner or occupant, by ordinary mail, of the charge, of the	449
owner's or occupant's right to appeal the charge, and of the	450
manner in which the owner or occupant may appeal. The owner or	451
occupant may appeal the imposition of the charge and interest by	452
filing an appeal with the county board of revision not later	453
than the last day prescribed for payment of real and public	454
utility property taxes under section 323.12 of the Revised Code	455
following receipt of the notice and occurring at least ninety	456
days after receipt of the notice. The appeal shall be treated in	457
the same manner as a complaint relating to the valuation or	458
assessment of real property under Chapter 5715. of the Revised	459
Code. The charge and any interest shall be collected as other	460

(4) (6) Each year during January, the county auditor shall 462 furnish by ordinary mail a continuing application to each person 463

receiving a reduction under division (A) of section 323.152 of 464 the Revised Code. The continuing application shall be used to 465 report changes in total income, ownership, occupancy, 466 disability, and other information earlier furnished the auditor 467 relative to the reduction in taxes on the property. The 468 continuing application shall be returned to the auditor not 469 later than the thirty-first day of December; provided, that if 470 such changes do not affect the status of the homestead exemption 471 or the amount of the reduction to which the owner is entitled 472 under division (A) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code or to 473 which the occupant is entitled under section 323.159 of the 474 Revised Code, the application does not need to be returned. 475

(5) (7) Each year during February, the county auditor, 476 except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, shall furnish by 477 ordinary mail an original application to the owner, as of the 478 first day of January of that year, of a homestead or a 479 manufactured or mobile home that transferred during the 480 preceding calendar year and that qualified for and received a 481 reduction in taxes under division (B) of section 323.152 of the 482 Revised Code for the preceding tax year. In order to receive the 483 reduction under that division, the owner shall file the 484 application with the county auditor not later than the thirty-485 first day of December. If the application is not timely filed, 486 the auditor shall not grant a reduction in taxes for the 487 homestead for the current year, and shall notify the owner that 488 the reduction in taxes has not been granted, in the same manner 489 prescribed under section 323.154 of the Revised Code for 490 notification of denial of an application. Failure of an owner to 491 receive an application does not excuse the failure of the owner 492 to file an original application. The county auditor is not 493 required to furnish an application under this paragraph for any 494

homestead for which application has previously been made on a495form incorporated into any form used by the county auditor to496administer the tax law in respect to the conveyance of real497property or of used manufactured homes or used mobile homes, and498an owner who previously has applied on such a form is not499required to return an application furnished under this500paragraph.501

(D) No person shall knowingly make a false statement for
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the purpose of obtaining a reduction in the person's real
property or manufactured home taxes under section 323.152 of the
Revised Code.

(E) No person shall knowingly fail to notify the county auditor of changes required by division (C) of this section that have the effect of maintaining or securing a reduction in taxes under section 323.152 of the Revised Code.

(F) No person shall knowingly make a false statement or
certification attesting to any person's physical or mental
condition for purposes of qualifying such person for tax relief
pursuant to sections 323.151 to 323.159 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 323.156. (A) Within thirty days after a settlement of 514 taxes under divisions (A) and (C) of section 321.24 of the 515 Revised Code, and except as provided in division (D)(2) of this 516 section, the county treasurer shall certify to the tax 517 commissioner one-half of the total amount of taxes on real 518 property that were reduced pursuant to section 323.152 of the 519 Revised Code for the preceding tax year. The commissioner, 520 within thirty days of the receipt of such certifications, shall 521 provide for payment to the county treasurer, from the general 522 revenue fund, of the amount certified, which shall be credited 523 upon receipt to the county's undivided income tax fund, and an 524

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amount equal to two per cent of the amount by which taxes were525reducedcertified, which shall be credited upon receipt to the526county general fund as a payment, in addition to the fees and527charges authorized by sections 319.54 and 321.26 of the Revised528Code, to the county auditor and treasurer for the costs of529administering the exemption provided under sections 323.151 to530323.159 of the Revised Code.531

(B) On or before the second Monday in September of each 532 year, the county treasurer shall certify to the tax commissioner 533 the total amount by which the manufactured home taxes levied in 534 that year were reduced pursuant to division (B) of section 535 323.152 of the Revised Code, as evidenced by the certificates of 536 537 reduction and the tax duplicate certified to the county treasurer by the county auditor. The commissioner, within ninety 538 days after the receipt of such certifications, shall provide for 539 payment to the county treasurer, from the general revenue fund, 540 of the amount certified, which shall be credited upon receipt to 541 the county's undivided income tax fund, and an amount equal to 542 two per cent of the amount by which taxes were reduced, which 543 shall be credited upon receipt to the county general fund as a 544 payment, in addition to the fees and charges authorized by 545 sections 319.54 and 321.26 of the Revised Code, to the county 546 auditor and treasurer for the costs of administering the 547 exemption provided under sections 323.151 to 323.159 of the 548 Revised Code. 549

(C) Immediately upon receipt of funds into the county 550
undivided income tax fund under this section, and except as 551
provided in division (D) (4) of this section, the auditor shall 552
distribute the full amount thereof among the taxing districts in 553
the county as though the total had been paid as taxes by each 554
person for whom taxes were reduced under sections 323.151 to 555

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323.159 of the Revised Code.	
(D)(1) As used in this section, "school district" means a	557
city, local, or exempted village school district.	558
(2) Notwithstanding division (A) of this section, the	559
amounts certified pursuant to that division in calendar years	560
2024, 2025, and 2026 shall equal one of the following, as	561
applicable:	562
(a) The amount certified within thirty days after a	563
settlement of taxes under division (A) of section 321.24 of the	564
Revised Code shall equal the difference between one-half of the	565
total amount of taxes on real property that were reduced	566
pursuant to section 323.152 of the Revised Code for the	567
preceding tax year, as determined at the time of certification,	568
and the distribution reduction for that tax year calculated	569
under division (D)(3) of this section on or before the fifteenth	570
day of March of the current calendar year.	571
(b) The amount certified within thirty days after a	572
settlement of taxes under division (C) of section 321.24 of the	573
Revised Code shall equal the result obtained by calculating the	574
sum of one-half of the total amount of taxes on real property	575
that were reduced pursuant to section 323.152 of the Revised	576
Code for the preceding tax year, as determined at the time of	577
certification, and the distribution supplement calculated for	578
that tax year under division (D)(3) of this section, if any, and	579
subtracting from that sum the distribution reduction for that	580
tax year calculated under division (D)(3) of this section on or	581
before the fifteenth day of September of the current calendar	582

(3) On or before the fifteenth days of March and September\_

of 2024, 2025, and 2026, the county treasurer shall calculate	585
the following amounts:	586
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(a) The "distribution base" for the preceding tax year,	
which shall equal one of the following amounts:	588
(i) For the calculation made on or before the fifteenth	589
day of March, one-half of the difference between the total	590
amount of taxes on real property that were reduced pursuant to	591
divisions (A) and (F) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code for	592
that preceding tax year, as determined at the time of	593
calculation, and the total amount of taxes on real property that	594
would have been reduced pursuant to division (A) of that section	595
for that tax year if that section had not been amended by H.B.	596
187 of the 135th general assembly.	597
(ii) For the calculation made on or before the fifteenth	598
day of September, the sum of the following amounts:	599
(I) One-half of the difference between the total amount of	600
taxes on real property that were reduced pursuant to divisions	601
(A) and (F) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code for that	602
preceding tax year, as determined at the time of calculation,	603
and the total amount of taxes on real property that would have	604
been reduced pursuant to division (A) of that section for that	605
tax year if that section had not been amended by H.B. 187 of the	606
135th general assembly.	607
(II) The "distribution supplement" for the preceding tax_	608
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(II) The "distribution supplement" for the preceding tax608year, which shall equal the difference between the amount609calculated under division (D) (3) (a) (ii) (I) of this section and610the amount calculated under division (D) (3) (a) (i) of this611section on or before the fifteenth day of March of the current612calendar year, provided that such amount is greater than zero.613

(b) The "distribution reduction," which shall equal fifty	614
per cent of the distribution base that is attributable to taxes	615
levied by school districts located in the county.	616
(4) For each amount credited to the county's undivided	617
income tax fund pursuant to division (A) of this section in	618
calendar years 2024, 2025, and 2026, the county auditor shall	619
determine the difference between that amount and the amount that	620
would have been credited under that division if section 323.152	621
of the Revised Code had not been amended by H.B. 187 of the	622
135th general assembly. The auditor shall distribute that	623
difference as follows:	624
(a) First, an amount shall be distributed to all taxing	625
districts in the county other than school districts equal to the	626
portion of the distribution base most recently calculated under	627
division (D)(3) of this section that is attributable to taxes	628
levied by those taxing districts. Each such taxing district	629
shall receive a portion of the amount allocated under this	630
division equal to that amount multiplied by a fraction, the	631
numerator of which is the amount otherwise distributed to the	632
taxing district under division (C) of this section and the	633
denominator of which is the total amount otherwise distributed	634
to all taxing districts in the county other than school	635
districts under division (C) of this section.	636
(b) The remainder of that difference, after subtracting	637
the portion distributed under division (D)(4)(a) of this	638
section, shall be distributed to all school districts in the	639
county. Each such school district shall receive a portion of the	640
amount allocated under this division equal to that amount	641
multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the amount	642

otherwise distributed to the school district under division (C)

of this section and the denominator of which is the total amount	644
otherwise distributed to all school districts in the county	645
under division (C) of this section.	646
Sec. 2506.01. (A) Except as otherwise provided in sections	647
2506.05 to 2506.08 of the Revised Code and division (D) of this	648
section, and except as modified by this section and sections	649
2506.02 to 2506.04 of the Revised Code, every final order,	650
adjudication, or decision of any officer, tribunal, authority,	651
board, bureau, commission, department, or other division of any	652
political subdivision of the state may be reviewed by the court	653
of common pleas of the county in which the principal office of	654
the political subdivision is located as provided in Chapter	655
2505. of the Revised Code.	656
(B) The appeal provided in this section is in addition to	657
any other remedy of appeal provided by law.	658

(C) As used in this chapter, "final order, adjudication, 659 or decision" means an order, adjudication, or decision that 660 determines rights, duties, privileges, benefits, or legal 661 relationships of a person, but does not include any order, 662 adjudication, or decision from which an appeal is granted by 663 rule, ordinance, or statute to a higher administrative authority 664 if a right to a hearing on such appeal is provided, or any 665 order, adjudication, or decision that is issued preliminary to 666 or as a result of a criminal proceeding. 667

(D) This section does not authorize any person to file an668appeal under this section with respect to a decision of a board669of revision rendered under section 5715.19 of the Revised Code.670

Sec. 4503.065. (A) (1) Division (A) of this section applies671to any of the following persons:672

(a) An individual who is permanently and totally disabled; 673(b) An individual who is sixty-five years of age or older; 674

(c) An individual who is the surviving spouse of a 675 deceased person who was permanently and totally disabled or 676 sixty-five years of age or older and who applied and qualified 677 for a reduction in assessable value under this section in the 678 year of death, provided the surviving spouse is at least fifty- 679 nine but not sixty-five or more years of age on the date the 680 deceased spouse dies. 681

(2) The manufactured home tax on a manufactured or mobile 682 home that is paid pursuant to division (C) of section 4503.06 of 683 the Revised Code and that is owned and occupied as a home by an 684 individual whose domicile is in this state and to whom this 685 section applies, shall be reduced for any tax year for which an 686 application for such reduction has been approved, provided the 687 individual did not acquire ownership from a person, other than 688 the individual's spouse, related by consanguinity or affinity 689 for the purpose of qualifying for the reduction. An owner 690 includes a settlor of a revocable or irrevocable inter vivos 691 trust holding the title to a manufactured or mobile home 692 occupied by the settlor as of right under the trust. 693

(a) For Except as provided in division (F) of this
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<u>section, for manufactured and mobile homes for which the tax</u>
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imposed by section 4503.06 of the Revised Code is computed under
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division (D) (2) of that section, the reduction shall equal one
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of the following amounts, as applicable to the person:

(i) If the person received a reduction under this section
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for tax year 2007, the greater of the reduction for that tax
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year or the amount computed under division (A) (2) (b) of this
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section;	702
(ii) If the person received, for any homestead, a	703
reduction under division (A) of this section for tax year 2014	704
or under division (A)(1) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code	705
for tax year 2013 or the person is the surviving spouse of such	706
a person and the surviving spouse is at least fifty-nine years	707
of age on the date the deceased spouse dies, the amount computed	708
under division (A)(2)(b) of this section.	709
(iii) If the person is not described in division (A)(2)(a)	710
(i) or (ii) of this section and the person's total income does	711
not exceed thirty thousand dollars, as adjusted under division	712
(A)(2)(e) of this section, the amount computed under division	713
(A)(2)(b) of this section.	714
(b) The amount of the reduction under division (A)(2)(b)	715
of this section equals the product of the following:	716
(i) Twenty-five thousand dollars of the true value of the	717
property in money, as adjusted under division (A)(2)(e) of this	718
section;	719
(ii) The assessment percentage established by the tax	720
commissioner under division (B) of section 5715.01 of the	721
Revised Code, not to exceed thirty-five per cent;	722
(iii) The effective tax rate used to calculate the taxes	723
charged against the property for the current year, where	724
"effective tax rate" is defined as in section 323.08 of the	725
Revised Code;	726
(iv) The quantity equal to one minus the sum of the	727
percentage reductions in taxes received by the property for the	728
current tax year under section 319.302 of the Revised Code and	729
division (B) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code.	730

(c) <del>For <u>Except</u> as provided in division (F) of this</del>	731
section, for manufactured and mobile homes for which the tax	732
imposed by section 4503.06 of the Revised Code is computed under	733
division (D)(1) of that section, the reduction shall equal one	734
of the following amounts, as applicable to the person:	735
(i) If the person received a reduction under this section	736
for tax year 2007, the greater of the reduction for that tax	737
year or the amount computed under division (A)(2)(d) of this	738
section;	739
(ii) If the person received, for any homestead, a	740
reduction under division (A) of this section for tax year 2014	741
or under division (A)(1) of section 323.152 of the Revised Code	742
for tax year 2013 or the person is the surviving spouse of such	743
a person and the surviving spouse is at least fifty-nine years	744
of age on the date the deceased spouse dies, the amount computed	745
under division (A)(2)(d) of this section.	746
(iii) If the person is not described in division (A)(2)(c)	747
(i) or (ii) of this section and the person's total income does	748
not exceed thirty thousand dollars, as adjusted under division	749
(A)(2)(e) of this section, the amount computed under division	750
(A)(2)(d) of this section.	751

(d) The amount of the reduction under division (A) (2) (d)of this section equals the product of the following:753

(i) Twenty-five thousand dollars of the cost to the owner,
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or the market value at the time of purchase, whichever is
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greater, as those terms are used in division (D) (1) of section
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4503.06 of the Revised Code, and as adjusted under division (A)
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(2) (e) of this section;
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(ii) The percentage from the appropriate schedule in

division (D)(1)(b) of section 4503.06 of the Revised Code; 760 (iii) The assessment percentage of forty per cent used in 761 division (D)(1)(b) of section 4503.06 of the Revised Code; 762 (iv) The tax rate of the taxing district in which the home 763 has its situs. 764 (e) The tax commissioner shall adjust the income threshold 765 described in divisions (A)(2)(a)(iii) and (A)(2)(c)(iii) and the 766 reduction amounts described in divisions (A) (2) (b) (i), (A) (2) (d) 767 (i), (B)(1), (B)(2), (C)(1), and (C)(2) of this section by 768 completing the following calculations in September of each year: 769 770 (i) Determine the percentage increase in the gross domestic product deflator determined by the bureau of economic 771 analysis of the United States department of commerce from the 772 first day of January of the preceding calendar year to the last 773 day of December of the preceding calendar year; 774 (ii) Multiply that percentage increase by the total income 775 776 threshold or reduction amount for the ensuing tax year, as applicable; 777 (iii) Add the resulting product to the total income 778 threshold or reduction amount, as applicable for the ensuing tax 779 780 year; 781 (iv) Round the resulting sum to the nearest multiple of one hundred dollars. 782 The Except as otherwise provided in this division, the 783 commissioner shall certify the amount resulting from each 784 adjustment to each county auditor not later than the first day 785 of December each year. The certified amount applies to the 786 second ensuing tax year. The commissioner shall not make the 787

applicable adjustment in any calendar year in which the amount 788 resulting from the adjustment would be less than the total 789 income threshold or the reduction amount for the ensuing tax 790 791 year. 792 For adjustments made in calendar year 2024, the commissioner shall calculate the adjustments to the reduction 793 amounts but is not required to certify the resulting amounts to 794 795 county auditors.

(B) (1) The manufactured home tax levied pursuant to division (C) of section 4503.06 of the Revised Code on a manufactured or mobile home that is owned and occupied by a disabled veteran shall be reduced for any tax year for which an application for such reduction has been approved, provided the disabled veteran did not acquire ownership from a person, other than the disabled veteran's spouse, related by consanguinity or affinity for the purpose of qualifying for the reduction. An owner includes an owner within the meaning of division (A) (2) of this section.

(a) For Except as provided in division (F) of this 806 section, for manufactured and mobile homes for which the tax 807 imposed by section 4503.06 of the Revised Code is computed under 808 division (D)(2) of that section, the reduction shall equal the 809 product obtained by multiplying fifty thousand dollars of the 810 true value of the property in money, as adjusted under division 811 (A) (2) (e) of this section, by the amounts described in divisions 812 (A) (2) (b) (ii) to (iv) of this section. 813

(b) For Except as provided in division (F) of this814section, for manufactured and mobile homes for which the tax815imposed by section 4503.06 of the Revised Code is computed under816division (D) (1) of that section, the reduction shall equal the817

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product obtained by multiplying fifty thousand dollars of the818cost to the owner, or the market value at the time of purchase,819whichever is greater, as those terms are used in division (D) (1)820of section 4503.06 of the Revised Code, as adjusted under821division (A) (2) (e) of this section, by the amounts described in822divisions (A) (2) (d) (ii) to (iv) of this section.823

The reduction is in lieu of any reduction under section8244503.0610 of the Revised Code or division (A), (B)(2), or (C) of825this section. The reduction applies to only one manufactured or826mobile home owned and occupied by a disabled veteran.827

(2) The manufactured home tax levied pursuant to division 828 (C) of section 4503.06 of the Revised Code on a manufactured or 829 mobile home that is owned and occupied by the surviving spouse 830 of a disabled veteran shall be reduced for each tax year for 831 which an application for such reduction has been approved. The-832 Except as provided in division (F) of this section, the 833 reduction shall equal the amount of the reduction authorized 834 under division (B)(1)(a) or (b) of this section, as applicable. 835 An owner includes an owner within the meaning of division (A) (2) 836 of this section. 837

The reduction is in lieu of any reduction under section 838 4503.0610 of the Revised Code or division (A), (B)(1), or (C) of 839 this section. The reduction applies to only one manufactured or 840 mobile home owned and occupied by the surviving spouse of a 841 disabled veteran. A manufactured or mobile home qualifies for a 842 reduction in taxes under division (B)(2) of this section 843 beginning in one of the following tax years: 844

(a) For a surviving spouse described in division (H) (1) of
section 4503.064 of the Revised Code, the year the disabled
veteran dies;

(b) For a surviving spouse described in division (H)(2) of
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section 4503.064 of the Revised Code, the first year on the
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first day of January of which the total disability rating
described in division (F) of section 323.151 of the Revised Code
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has been received for the deceased spouse.
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In either case, the reduction shall continue through the tax year in which the surviving spouse dies or remarries.

(C) The manufactured home tax levied pursuant to division 855 (C) of section 4503.06 of the Revised Code on a manufactured or 856 mobile home that is owned and occupied by the surviving spouse 857 of a public service officer killed in the line of duty shall be 858 reduced for any tax year for which an application for such 859 reduction has been approved, provided the surviving spouse did 860 not acquire ownership from a person, other than the surviving 861 spouse's deceased public service officer spouse, related by 862 consanguinity or affinity for the purpose of qualifying for the 863 reduction. An owner includes an owner within the meaning of 864 division (A)(2) of this section. 865

(1) For Except as provided in division (F) of this 866 section, for manufactured and mobile homes for which the tax 867 imposed by section 4503.06 of the Revised Code is computed under 868 division (D)(2) of that section, the reduction shall equal the 869 product obtained by multiplying fifty thousand dollars of the 870 true value of the property in money, as adjusted under division 871 (A) (2) (e) of this section, by the amounts described in divisions 872 (A) (2) (b) (ii) to (iv) of this section. 873

(2) For Except as provided in division (F) of this
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section, for manufactured and mobile homes for which the tax
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imposed by section 4503.06 of the Revised Code is computed under
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division (D) (1) of that section, the reduction shall equal the
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product obtained by multiplying fifty thousand dollars of the878cost to the owner, or the market value at the time of purchase,879whichever is greater, as those terms are used in division (D) (1)880of section 4503.06 of the Revised Code, as adjusted under881division (A) (2) (e) of this section, by the amounts described in882divisions (A) (2) (d) (ii) to (iv) of this section.883

The reduction is in lieu of any reduction under section 884 4503.0610 of the Revised Code or division (A) or (B) of this 885 section. The reduction applies to only one manufactured or 886 mobile home owned and occupied by such a surviving spouse. A 887 manufactured or mobile home qualifies for a reduction in taxes 888 under this division for the tax year in which the public service 889 officer dies through the tax year in which the surviving spouse 890 dies or remarries. 891

(D) If the owner or the spouse of the owner of a 892 manufactured or mobile home is eligible for a homestead 893 exemption on the land upon which the home is located, the 894 reduction to which the owner or spouse is entitled under this 895 section shall not exceed the difference between the reduction to 896 which the owner or spouse is entitled under division (A), (B), 897 or (C) of this section and the amount of the reduction under the 898 homestead exemption. 899

(E) No reduction shall be made with respect to the home of
any person convicted of violating division (C) or (D) of section
4503.066 of the Revised Code for a period of three years
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following the conviction.

# (F) (1) As used in division (F) of this section: 904 (a) "Maximum value reduction" means one of the following: 905 (i) For tax year 2024, thirty thousand dollars of the true 906

value of property in money or thirty thousand dollars of the	907
greater of the cost to the owner or the market value at the time	908
of purchase, as applicable and as those terms are used in	909
division (D)(1) of section 4503.06 of the Revised Code;	910
(ii) For tax year 2025, thirty-two thousand one hundred	911
dollars of the true value of property in money or thirty-two	912
thousand one hundred dollars of the greater of the cost to the	913
owner or the market value at the time of purchase, as applicable	914
and as those terms are used in division (D)(1) of section	915
4503.06 of the Revised Code;	916
(iii) For tax year 2026, the amount calculated under	917
division (F)(4) of this section.	918
(b) "Enhanced maximum value reduction" means one of the	919
following:	920
(i) For tax year 2024, sixty thousand dollars of the true	921
value of property in money or sixty thousand dollars of the	922
greater of the cost to the owner or the market value at the time	923
of purchase, as applicable and as those terms are used in	924
division (D)(1) of section 4503.06 of the Revised Code;	925
(ii) For tax year 2025, sixty-four thousand three hundred	926
dollars of the true value of property in money or sixty-four	927
thousand three hundred dollars of the greater of the cost to the	928
owner or the market value at the time of purchase, as applicable	929
and as those terms are used in division (D)(1) of section	930
4503.06 of the Revised Code;	931
(iii) For tax year 2026, the amount calculated under	932
division (F)(4) of this section.	933
(c) "Income threshold" means the total income threshold	934
described in division (A)(2)(a)(iii) or (A)(2)(c)(iii) of this	935

section, as applicable and as adjusted under division (A)(2)(e)	936
of this section.	937
(2) (a) Notwithstanding division (A) (2) (a) or (c) of this	938
section, for tax years 2024, 2025, and 2026, the amount of the	939
reduction authorized under those divisions shall equal one of	940
the following amounts, as applicable to the person:	941
(i) If the person received a reduction under this section	942
for tax year 2007, the greater of the reduction for that tax	943
year or the maximum value reduction multiplied by the amounts	944
described in divisions (A)(2)(b)(ii) to (iv) or (A)(2)(d)(ii) to	945
(iv) of this section, as applicable;	946
<u>(iv) or emp becerom, as appreable,</u>	510
(ii) If the person is described in division (A)(2)(a)(ii)	947
or (A)(2)(c)(ii) of this section, the maximum value reduction	948
multiplied by the amounts described in divisions (A)(2)(b)(ii)	949
to (iv) or (A)(2)(d)(ii) to (iv) of this section, as applicable;	950
(iii) If the person is not described in division (F)(2)(a)	951
(i) or (ii) of this section and the person's total income does	952
not exceed seventy-five thousand dollars, the amount computed	953
under division (F)(2)(b) of this section.	954
(b) The amount of the reduction under division (F)(2)(b)	955
of this section equals the product of one of the following	956
amounts multiplied by the amounts described in divisions (A)(2)	957
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(b) (ii) to (iv) or (A) (2) (d) (ii) to (iv) of this section, both	
as applicable to the person:	959
(i) For a person whose total income does not exceed the	960
income threshold, the maximum value reduction;	961
(ii) For a person with total income greater than the	962
income threshold, but not more than forty-nine thousand dollars,	963
seventy-five per cent of the maximum value reduction;	964

<u>(iii) For a person with total income greater than forty-</u>	965
nine thousand dollars, but not more than sixty-two thousand	966
dollars, fifty per cent of the maximum value reduction;	967
<u>(iv) For a person with total income greater than sixty-two</u>	968
thousand dollars, but not more than seventy-five thousand	969
dollars, twenty-five per cent of the maximum value reduction.	970
(3) Notwithstanding division (B) or (C) of this section,	971
for tax years 2024, 2025, and 2026, the amount of the reduction	972
authorized under each of those divisions shall equal the	973
enhanced maximum value reduction multiplied by the amounts	974
described in divisions (A)(2)(b)(ii) to (iv) or (A)(2)(d)(ii) to	975
(iv) of this section, as applicable.	976
(4) In September 2024, the tax commissioner shall adjust	977
the maximum value reduction and enhanced maximum value	978
reduction, as follows:	979
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(i) Determine the percentage increase in the gross	980
domestic product deflator determined by the bureau of economic	981
analysis of the United States department of commerce from	982
January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023;	983
(ii) Multiply that percentage increase by each reduction	984
amount for tax year 2025;	985
(iii) Add the resulting product to the applicable	986
reduction amount for tax year 2025;	987
(iv) Round the resulting sum to the nearest multiple of	988
one hundred dollars.	989
The commissioner shall certify the amounts resulting from	990
each adjustment to each county auditor not later than December	991
1, 2024. The certified amounts apply to tax year 2026. The	992

commissioner shall not make the adjustment if the amount	993
resulting from the adjustment would be less than the applicable	994
reduction amount for tax year 2025.	995
Sec. 4503.066. (A)(1) To obtain a tax reduction under	996
section 4503.065 of the Revised Code, the owner of the home	997
shall file an application with the county auditor of the county	998
in which the home is located. An application for reduction in	999
taxes based upon a physical disability shall be accompanied by a	1000
certificate signed by a physician, and an application for	1001
reduction in taxes based upon a mental disability shall be	1002
accompanied by a certificate signed by a physician or	1003
psychologist licensed to practice in this state. The certificate	1004
shall attest to the fact that the applicant is permanently and	1005
totally disabled, shall be in a form that the department of	1006
taxation requires, and shall include the definition of totally	1007
and permanently disabled as set forth in section 4503.064 of the	1008
Revised Code. An application for reduction in taxes based upon a	1009
disability certified as permanent and total by a state or	1010
federal agency having the function of so classifying persons	1011

An application by a disabled veteran or the surviving 1013 spouse of a disabled veteran for the reduction under division 1014 (B)(1) or (2) of section 4503.065 of the Revised Code shall be 1015 accompanied by a letter or other written confirmation from the 1016 United States department of veterans affairs, or its predecessor 1017 or successor agency, showing that the veteran qualifies as a 1018 disabled veteran. 1019

shall be accompanied by a certificate from that agency.

An application by the surviving spouse of a public service 1020 officer killed in the line of duty for the reduction under 1021 division (C) of section 4503.065 of the Revised Code shall be 1022

accompanied by a letter or other written confirmation from an1023officer or employee of the board of trustees of a retirement or1024pension fund in this state or another state or from the chief or1025other chief executive of the department, agency, or other1026employer for which the public service officer served when killed1027in the line of duty affirming that the public service officer1028was killed in the line of duty.1029

1030 (2) Each application shall constitute a continuing application for a reduction in taxes for each year in which the 1031 manufactured or mobile home is occupied by the applicant. 1032 Failure to receive a new application or notification under 1033 division (B) of this section after an application for reduction 1034 has been approved is prima-facie evidence that the original 1035 applicant is entitled to the reduction calculated on the basis 1036 of the information contained in the original application. The 1037 original application and any subsequent application shall be in 1038 the form of a signed statement and shall be filed on or before 1039 the thirty-first day of December of the year preceding the year 1040 for which the reduction is sought. The statement shall be on a 1041 form, devised and supplied by the tax commissioner, that shall 1042 require no more information than is necessary to establish the 1043 applicant's eligibility for the reduction in taxes and the 1044 amount of the reduction to which the applicant is entitled. The 1045 form shall contain a statement that signing such application 1046 constitutes a delegation of authority by the applicant to the 1047 tax commissioner or the county auditor, individually or in 1048 consultation with each other, to examine any tax or financial 1049 records that relate to the income of the applicant as stated on 1050 the application for the purpose of determining eligibility 1051 under, or possible violation of, division (C) or (D) of this 1052 section. The form also shall contain a statement that conviction 1053
of willfully falsifying information to obtain a reduction in1054taxes or failing to comply with division (B) of this section1055shall result in the revocation of the right to the reduction for1056a period of three years.1057

(3) A late application for a reduction in taxes for the 1058 year preceding the year for which an original application is 1059 filed may be filed with an original application. If the auditor 1060 determines that the information contained in the late 1061 application is correct, the auditor shall determine both the 1062 amount of the reduction in taxes to which the applicant would 1063 have been entitled for the current tax year had the application 1064 been timely filed and approved in the preceding year, and the 1065 amount the taxes levied under section 4503.06 of the Revised 1066 Code for the current year would have been reduced as a result of 1067 the reduction. When an applicant is permanently and totally 1068 disabled on the first day of January of the year in which the 1069 applicant files a late application, the auditor, in making the 1070 determination of the amounts of the reduction in taxes under 1071 division (A) (3) of this section, is not required to determine 1072 that the applicant was permanently and totally disabled on the 1073 1074 first day of January of the preceding year.

The amount of the reduction in taxes pursuant to a late 1075 application shall be treated as an overpayment of taxes by the 1076 applicant. The auditor shall credit the amount of the 1077 overpayment against the amount of the taxes or penalties then 1078 due from the applicant, and, at the next succeeding settlement, 1079 the amount of the credit shall be deducted from the amount of 1080 any taxes or penalties distributable to the county or any taxing 1081 unit in the county that has received the benefit of the taxes or 1082 penalties previously overpaid, in proportion to the benefits 1083 previously received. If, after the credit has been made, there 1084

remains a balance of the overpayment, or if there are no taxes 1085 or penalties due from the applicant, the auditor shall refund 1086 that balance to the applicant by a warrant drawn on the county 1087 treasurer in favor of the applicant. The treasurer shall pay the 1088 warrant from the general fund of the county. If there is 1089 insufficient money in the general fund to make the payment, the 1090 treasurer shall pay the warrant out of any undivided 1091 manufactured or mobile home taxes subsequently received by the 1092 treasurer for distribution to the county or taxing district in 1093 the county that received the benefit of the overpaid taxes, in 1094 proportion to the benefits previously received, and the amount 1095 paid from the undivided funds shall be deducted from the money 1096 otherwise distributable to the county or taxing district in the 1097 county at the next or any succeeding distribution. At the next 1098 or any succeeding distribution after making the refund, the 1099 treasurer shall reimburse the general fund for any payment made 1100 from that fund by deducting the amount of that payment from the 1101 money distributable to the county or other taxing unit in the 1102 county that has received the benefit of the taxes, in proportion 1103 to the benefits previously received. On the second Monday in 1104 September of each year, the county auditor shall certify the 1105 total amount of the reductions in taxes made in the current year 1106 under division (A) (3) of this section to the tax commissioner 1107 who shall treat that amount as a reduction in taxes for the 1108 current tax year and shall make reimbursement to the county of 1109 that amount in the manner prescribed in section 4503.068 of the 1110 Revised Code, from moneys appropriated for that purpose. 1111

(B) (1) If in any year for which an application for
reduction in taxes has been approved the owner no longer
qualifies for the reduction, the owner shall notify the county
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auditor that the owner is not qualified for a reduction in
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(2) If the county auditor or county treasurer discovers	1117
that an owner not entitled to the reduction in manufactured home	1118
taxes under section 4503.065 of the Revised Code failed to	1119
notify the county auditor as required by division (B)(1) of this	1120
section, a charge shall be imposed against the manufactured or	1121
mobile home in the amount by which taxes were reduced under that	1122
section for each tax year the county auditor ascertains that the	1123
manufactured or mobile home was not entitled to the reduction	1124
and was owned by the current owner.	1125

(3) If the county auditor or county treasurer discovers 1126 that an owner claimed a reduction amount under division (F) of 1127 section 4503.065 of the Revised Code that is greater than the 1128 amount to which that owner was entitled, a charge shall be 1129 imposed against the manufactured or mobile home for each tax 1130 year the county auditor ascertains that the reduction claimed 1131 was greater than the reduction to which the owner was entitled. 1132 The charge for each such year shall equal the difference between 1133 the amount that taxes were reduced under that division for that 1134 year and the amount that taxes should have been reduced for that 1135 year if the owner had reported the owner's total income 1136 1137 accurately.

(4) Interest shall accrue in the manner prescribed by 1138 division (G)(2) of section 4503.06 of the Revised Code on the 1139 amount by which taxes were reduced of any illegal tax reduction 1140 for each such tax year as if the reduction became delinquent 1141 taxes at the close of the last day the second installment of 1142 taxes for that tax year could be paid without penalty. The 1143 county auditor shall notify the owner, by ordinary mail, of the 1144 charge, of the owner's right to appeal the charge, and of the 1145

manner in which the owner may appeal. The owner may appeal the 1146 imposition of the charge and interest by filing an appeal with 1147 the county board of revision not later than the last day 1148 prescribed for payment of manufactured home taxes under section 1149 4503.06 of the Revised Code following receipt of the notice and 1150 occurring at least ninety days after receipt of the notice. The 1151 appeal shall be treated in the same manner as a complaint 1152 relating to the valuation or assessment of manufactured or 1153 mobile homes under section 5715.19 of the Revised Code. The 1154 charge and any interest shall be collected as other delinquent 1155 1156 taxes.

(3) (5) During January of each year, the county auditor 1157 shall furnish each person whose application for reduction has 1158 been approved, by ordinary mail, a form on which to report any 1159 changes in total income, ownership, occupancy, disability, and 1160 other information earlier furnished the auditor relative to the 1161 application. The form shall be completed and returned to the 1162 auditor not later than the thirty-first day of December if the 1163 changes would affect the person's eligibility for the reduction. 1164

(C) No person shall knowingly make a false statement for
the purpose of obtaining a reduction in taxes under section
4503.065 of the Revised Code.

(D) No person shall knowingly fail to notify the county
auditor of any change required by division (B) of this section
that has the effect of maintaining or securing a reduction in
taxes under section 4503.065 of the Revised Code.

(E) No person shall knowingly make a false statement or 1172
certification attesting to any person's physical or mental 1173
condition for purposes of qualifying such person for tax relief 1174
pursuant to sections 4503.064 to 4503.069 of the Revised Code. 1175

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2025, and 2026, the county treasurer shall calculate the	1206
following amounts:	1207
(a) The "distribution base" for the current tax year,	1208
which shall equal the difference between the total amount by	1209
which the manufactured home taxes levied in that year were	1210
reduced pursuant to section 4503.065 of the Revised Code and the	1211
total amount by which the manufactured home taxes levied in that	1212
year that would have been reduced pursuant to that section if	1213
that section had not been amended by H.B. 187 of the 135th	1214
general assembly;	1215
(b) The "distribution reduction," which shall equal fifty	1216
per cent of the distribution base that is attributable to taxes	1217
levied by school districts located in the county.	1218
(3) For each amount credited to the county's undivided	1219
income tax fund pursuant to division (A) of this section in	1220
calendar years 2024, 2025, and 2026, the county auditor shall	1221
determine the difference between that amount and the amount that	1222
would have been credited under that division if section 323.152	1223
of the Revised Code had not been amended by H.B. 187 of the	1224
135th general assembly. The auditor shall distribute that	1225
difference as follows:	1226
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portion of the distribution base most recently calculated under	1229
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levied by those taxing districts. Each such taxing district	1231
shall receive a portion of the amount allocated under this	1232
division equal to that amount multiplied by a fraction, the	1233
numerator of which is the amount otherwise distributed to the	1234
taxing district under division (B) of this section and the	1235

denominator of which is the total amount otherwise distributed	1236
to all taxing districts in the county other than school	1237
districts under division (B) of this section.	1238
(b) The remainder of that difference, after subtracting	1239
the portion distributed under division (C)(3)(a) of this	1240
section, shall be distributed to all school districts in the	1241
county. Each such school district shall receive a portion of the	1242
amount allocated under this division equal to that amount	1243
multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the amount	1244
otherwise distributed to the school district under division (B)	1245
of this section and the denominator of which is the total amount	1246
otherwise distributed to all school districts in the county	1247
under division (B) of this section.	1248
Sec. 5713.01. (A) Each county shall be the unit for	1249
assessing real estate for taxation purposes. The county auditor	1250
shall be the assessor of all the real estate in the auditor's	1251
county for purposes of taxation, but this section does not	1252
affect the power conferred by Chapter 5727. of the Revised Code	1253
upon the tax commissioner regarding the valuation and assessment	1254
of real property used in railroad operations.	1255
(B) The auditor shall assess all the real estate situated	1256

(B) The auditor shall assess all the real estate situated 1256 in the county at its taxable value in accordance with sections 1257 5713.03, 5713.31, and 5715.01 of the Revised Code and with the 1258 rules and methods applicable to the auditor's county adopted, 1259 prescribed, and promulgated by the tax commissioner. The auditor 1260 shall view and appraise or cause to be viewed and appraised at 1261 its true value in money, each lot or parcel of real estate, 1262 including land devoted exclusively to agricultural use, and the 1263 improvements located thereon at least once in each six-year 1264 period and the taxable values required to be derived therefrom 1265

shall be placed on the auditor's tax list and the county 1266 treasurer's duplicate for the tax year ordered by the 1267 commissioner pursuant to section 5715.34 of the Revised Code. 1268 The commissioner may grant an extension of one year or less if 1269 the commissioner finds that good cause exists for the extension. 1270 When the auditor so views and appraises, the auditor may enter 1271 each structure located thereon to determine by actual view what 1272 improvements have been made therein or additions made thereto 1273 since the next preceding valuation. The auditor shall revalue 1274 and assess at any time all or any part of the real estate in 1275 such county, including land devoted exclusively to agricultural 1276 use, where the auditor finds that the true or taxable values 1277 thereof have changed, and when a conservation easement is 1278 created under sections 5301.67 to 5301.70 of the Revised Code. 1279 The auditor may increase or decrease the true or taxable value 1280 of any lot or parcel of real estate in any township, municipal 1281 corporation, or other taxing district by an amount which will 1282 cause all real property on the tax list to be valued as required 1283 by law, or the auditor may increase or decrease the aggregate 1284 value of all real property, or any class of real property, in 1285 the county, township, municipal corporation, or other taxing 1286 district, or in any ward or other division of a municipal 1287 corporation by a per cent or amount which will cause all 1288 property to be properly valued and assessed for taxation in 1289 accordance with Section 36, Article II, Section 2, Article XII, 1290 Ohio Constitution, this section, and sections 5713.03, 5713.31, 1291 and 5715.01 of the Revised Code. 1292

(C) When the auditor determines to reappraise all the real
estate in the county or any class thereof, when the tax
commissioner orders an or to increase in the aggregate true or
taxable value of the real estate in any taxing subdivision, or
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when the taxable value of real estate is increased by the 1297 application of a uniform taxable value per cent of true value 1298 pursuant to the order of the commissioner, the auditor shall 1299 advertise the completion of the reappraisal or equalization 1300 action in a newspaper of general circulation in the county once 1301 a week for the three consecutive weeks next preceding the 1302 issuance of the tax bills, or as provided in section 7.16 of the 1303 Revised Code for the two consecutive weeks next preceding the 1304 issuance of the tax bills. When the auditor changes the true or 1305 taxable value of any individual parcels of real estate, the 1306 auditor shall notify the owner of the real estate, or the person 1307 in whose name the same stands charged on the duplicate, by mail 1308 or in person, of the changes the auditor has made in the 1309 assessments of such property. Such notice shall be given at 1310 least thirty days prior to the issuance of the tax bills. 1311 Failure to receive notice shall not invalidate any proceeding 1312 under this section. 1313

(D) The auditor shall make the necessary abstracts from
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books of the auditor's office containing descriptions of real
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estate in such county, together with such platbooks and lists of
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transfers of title to land as the auditor deems necessary in the
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performance of the auditor's duties in valuing such property for
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taxation. Such abstracts, platbooks, and lists shall be in such
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form and detail as the tax commissioner prescribes.

(E) The auditor, with the approval of the tax
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commissioner, may appoint and employ such experts, deputies,
clerks, or other employees as the auditor deems necessary to the
performance of the auditor's duties as assessor, or, with the
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approval of the tax commissioner, the auditor may enter into a
contract with an individual, partnership, firm, company, or
corporation to do all or any part of the work; the amount to be
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expended in the payment of the compensation of such employees 1328 shall be fixed by the board of county commissioners. If, in the 1329 opinion of the auditor, the board of county commissioners fails 1330 to provide a sufficient amount for the compensation of such 1331 employees, the auditor may apply to the tax commissioner for an 1332 additional allowance, and the additional amount of compensation 1333 allowed by the commissioner shall be certified to the board of 1334 county commissioners, and the same shall be final. The salaries 1335 and compensation of such experts, deputies, clerks, and 1336 employees shall be paid upon the warrant of the auditor out of 1337 the general fund or the real estate assessment fund of the 1338 county, or both. If the salaries and compensation are in whole 1339 or in part fixed by the commissioner, they shall constitute a 1340 charge against the county regardless of the amount of money in 1341 the county treasury levied or appropriated for such purposes. 1342

(F) Any contract for goods or services related to the 1343 auditor's duties as assessor, including contracts for mapping, 1344 computers, and reproduction on any medium of any documents, 1345 1346 records, photographs, microfiche, or magnetic tapes, but not including contracts for the professional services of an 1347 appraiser, shall be awarded pursuant to the competitive bidding 1348 procedures set forth in sections 307.86 to 307.92 of the Revised 1349 Code and shall be paid for, upon the warrant of the auditor, 1350 from the real estate assessment fund. 1351

(G) Experts, deputies, clerks, and other employees, in
addition to their other duties, shall perform such services as
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the auditor directs in ascertaining such facts, description,
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location, character, dimensions of buildings and improvements,
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and other circumstances reflecting upon the value of real estate
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as will aid the auditor in fixing its true and taxable value
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and, in the case of land valued in accordance with section

5713.31 of the Revised Code, its current agricultural use value.1359The auditor may also summon and examine any person under oath in1360respect to any matter pertaining to the value of any real1361property within the county.1362

Sec. 5713.03. The county auditor, from the best sources of 1363 information available, shall determine, as nearly as 1364 practicable, the true value of the fee simple estate, as if 1365 unencumbered but subject to any effects from the exercise of 1366 police powers or from other governmental actions, of each 1367 separate tract, lot, or parcel of real property and of 1368 buildings, structures, and improvements located thereon and the 1369 current agricultural use value of land valued for tax purposes 1370 in accordance with section 5713.31 of the Revised Code, in every 1371 district, according to the rules prescribed by this chapter and 1372 section 5715.01 of the Revised Code, and in accordance with the 1373 uniform rules and methods of valuing and assessing real property 1374 as adopted, prescribed, and promulgated by the tax commissioner. 1375 The auditor shall determine the taxable value of all real 1376 property by reducing its true or current agricultural use value 1377 by the percentage ordered by the commissioner. In determining 1378 the true value of any tract, lot, or parcel of real estate under 1379 this section, if such tract, lot, or parcel has been the subject 1380 of an arm's length sale between a willing seller and a willing 1381 buyer within a reasonable length of time, either before or after 1382 the tax lien date, the auditor may consider the sale price of 1383 such tract, lot, or parcel to be the true value for taxation 1384 purposes. However, the sale price in an arm's length transaction 1385 between a willing seller and a willing buyer shall not be 1386 considered the true value of the property sold if subsequent to 1387 the sale: 1388

(A) The tract, lot, or parcel of real estate loses value

due to some casualty;

(B)	An	improvement	is	added	to	the	property.	1391
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Nothing in this section or section 5713.01 of the Revised1392Code and no rule adopted under section 5715.01 of the Revised1393Code shall require the county auditor to change the true value1394in money of any property in any year except a year in to which1395the tax commissioner is required to determine under section13965715.24 of the Revised Code whether the property has been1397assessed as required by lawapplies.1398

The county auditor shall adopt and use a real property 1399 record approved by the commissioner for each tract, lot, or 1400 parcel of real property, setting forth the true and taxable 1401 value of land and, in the case of land valued in accordance with 1402 section 5713.31 of the Revised Code, its current agricultural 1403 use value, the number of acres of arable land, permanent pasture 1404 land, woodland, and wasteland in each tract, lot, or parcel. The 1405 auditor shall record pertinent information and the true and 1406 taxable value of each building, structure, or improvement to 1407 land, which value shall be included as a separate part of the 1408 total value of each tract, lot, or parcel of real property. 1409

Sec. 5715.012. The tax commissioner shall make sales-1410 assessment ratio studies of sales and assessments of real 1411 property for the purpose of determining the common level of 1412 assessment of real property within the counties pursuant to 1413 section 5715.19 of the Revised Code and for the purpose of 1414 making equalization determinations, for tax years before 2024, 1415 or recommendations, for tax year 2024 and thereafter, pursuant 1416 to section 5715.24 of the Revised Code. Such studies shall be 1417 based on a representative sampling during the three years prior 1418 to the tax year to which the sample is applied of open market 1419

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arms' length sales by a willing seller to a willing buyer for a 1420 current like use within the class or classes of real property 1421 sampled by the board. Where there are not sufficient arms' 1422 length sales to constitute a representative sampling for such 1423 studies within a class, the commissioner may also conduct 1424 appraisals of real property in that class, which shall be a part 1425 of such studies. Such studies and other information of the 1426 commissioner may be used by the commissioner as guidelines, 1427 where applicable, in the making equalization of determinations, 1428 for tax years before 2024, or recommendations, for tax year 2024 1429 and thereafter, with respect to a class or classes of real 1430 property. Such The commissioner shall not use such studies or 1431 other information of the commissioner shall not be applied by 1432 the commissioner in making equalization determinations or 1433 recommendations, as applicable, on a taxing district, 1434 countywide, or statewide basis for the purpose of equalization 1435 unless the commissioner first finds there are sufficient arms' 1436 length sales for a like use included in the sample in a class, 1437 or arms' length sales and appraisals conducted by the 1438 commissioner for a like use included in the sample in a class, 1439 to provide an indication that said sales or sales and appraisals 1440 in the class are representative of all parcels in the class. 1441

In addition, the commissioner shall make other studies of 1442 the value of real property within the counties which may be used 1443 as guidelines, where applicable, in the equalization of a class 1444 or classes of real property. 1445

## Sec. 5715.19. (A) As used in this section: 1446

"Member" has the same meaning as in section 1706.01 of the 1447 Revised Code. 1448

"Internet identifier of record" has the same meaning as in 1449

section 9.312 of the Revised Code.

"Interim" period" means, for each county, the tax year to 1451 which section 5715.24 of the Revised Code applies and each 1452 subsequent tax year until the tax year in which that section 1453 applies again. 1454

"Legislative authority" means a board of county 1455 commissioners, a board of township trustees of any township with 1456 territory in the county, the board of education of any school 1457 district with territory in the county, or the legislative 1458 authority of a municipal corporation with territory in the 1459 county. 1460

"Original complaint" means a complaint filed under 1461 division (A) of this section. 1462

"Counter-complaint" means a complaint filed under division 1463 (B) of this section in response to an original complaint. 1464

"Third party complainant" means a complainant other than 1465 the property owner, the owner's spouse, a tenant authorized to 1466 file an original complaint, or any person acting on behalf of a 1467 property owner. "Third party complainant" does not include a 1468 legislative authority or a mayor of a municipal corporation, but 1469 does include the prosecuting attorney or treasurer of a county. 1470

(1) Subject to division (A) (2) of this section, a 1471
complaint against any of the following determinations for the 1472
current tax year shall be filed with the county auditor on or 1473
before the thirty-first day of March of the ensuing tax year or 1474
the date of closing of the collection for the first half of real 1475
and public utility property taxes for the current tax year, 1476
whichever is later: 1477

(a) Any classification made under section 5713.041 of the 1478

Revised Code;	1479
(b) Any determination made under section 5713.32 or	1480
5713.35 of the Revised Code;	1481
(c) Any recoupment charge levied under section 5713.35 of	1482
the Revised Code;	1483
(d) The determination of the total valuation or assessment	1484
of any parcel that appears on the tax list, except parcels	1485
assessed by the tax commissioner pursuant to section 5727.06 of	1486
the Revised Code;	1487
(e) The determination of the total valuation of any parcel	1488
that appears on the agricultural land tax list, except parcels	1489
assessed by the tax commissioner pursuant to section 5727.06 of	1490
the Revised Code;	1491
(f) Any determination made under division (A) of section	1492
319.302 of the Revised Code.	1493
If such a complaint is filed by mail or certified mail,	1494

If s the date of the United States postmark placed on the envelope or 1495 sender's receipt by the postal service shall be treated as the 1496 date of filing. A private meter postmark on an envelope is not a 1497 valid postmark for purposes of establishing the filing date. 1498

Subject to division (A)(6) of this section, any person 1499 owning taxable real property in the county or in a taxing 1500 district with territory in the county; such a person's spouse; a 1501 tenant of the property owner, if the property is classified as 1502 to use for tax purposes as commercial or industrial, the lease 1503 requires the tenant to pay the entire amount of taxes charged 1504 against the property, and the lease allows, or the property 1505 owner otherwise authorizes, the tenant to file such a complaint 1506 with respect to the property; an individual who is retained by 1507

such a person or tenant and who holds a designation from a 1508 professional assessment organization, such as the institute for 1509 professionals in taxation, the national council of property 1510 taxation, or the international association of assessing 1511 officers; a public accountant who holds a permit under section 1512 4701.10 of the Revised Code, a general or residential real 1513 estate appraiser licensed or certified under Chapter 4763. of 1514 the Revised Code, or a real estate broker licensed under Chapter 1515 4735. of the Revised Code, who is retained by such a person or 1516 tenant; if the person or tenant is a firm, company, association, 1517 partnership, limited liability company, or corporation, an 1518 officer, a salaried employee, a partner, or a member of that 1519 person or tenant; if the person or tenant is a trust, a trustee 1520 of the trust; the prosecuting attorney or treasurer of the 1521 county; or the legislative authority of a subdivision or the 1522 mayor of a municipal corporation may file such a complaint 1523 regarding any such determination affecting any real property in 1524 the county, except that a person owning taxable real property in 1525 another county may file such a complaint only with regard to any 1526 such determination affecting real property in the county that is 1527 located in the same taxing district as that person's real 1528 property is located. The county auditor shall present to the 1529 county board of revision all complaints filed with the auditor. 1530

(2) No person, legislative authority, or officer shall 1531 file a complaint against the valuation or assessment of any 1532 parcel that appears on the tax list if it filed a complaint 1533 against the valuation or assessment of that parcel for any prior 1534 tax year in the same interim period, unless the person, 1535 legislative authority, or officer alleges that the valuation or 1536 assessment should be changed due to one or more of the following 1537 circumstances that occurred after the tax lien date for the tax 1538 year for which the prior complaint was filed and that the 1539 circumstances were not taken into consideration with respect to 1540 the prior complaint: 1541

(a) The property was sold in an arm's length transaction,as described in section 5713.03 of the Revised Code;1543

(b) The property lost value due to some casualty; 1544

(c) Substantial improvement was added to the property; 1545

(d) An increase or decrease of at least fifteen per cent
in the property's occupancy has had a substantial economic
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impact on the property.

(3) If a county board of revision, the board of tax 1549 appeals, or any court dismisses a complaint filed under this 1550 section or section 5715.13 of the Revised Code for the reason 1551 that the act of filing the complaint was the unauthorized 1552 practice of law or the person filing the complaint was engaged 1553 in the unauthorized practice of law, the party affected by a 1554 decrease in valuation or the party's agent, or the person owning 1555 taxable real property in the county or in a taxing district with 1556 territory in the county, may refile the complaint, 1557 notwithstanding division (A)(2) of this section. 1558

(4) (a) No complaint filed under this section or section
5715.13 of the Revised Code shall be dismissed for the reason
that the complaint fails to accurately identify the owner of the
property that is the subject of the complaint.

(b) If a complaint fails to accurately identify the owner
of the property that is the subject of the complaint, the board
of revision shall exercise due diligence to ensure the correct
property owner is notified as required by divisions (B) and (C)
of this section.

the following conditions are met:

(5) Notwithstanding division (A)(2) of this section, a 1568 person, legislative authority, or officer may file a complaint 1569 against the valuation or assessment of any parcel that appears 1570 on the tax list if it filed a complaint against the valuation or 1571 assessment of that parcel for any prior tax year in the same 1572 interim period if the person, legislative authority, or officer 1573 withdrew the complaint before the complaint was heard by the 1574 board. 1575 (6) The legislative authority of a subdivision, the mayor 1576 of a municipal corporation, or a third party complainant shall 1577 not file an original complaint with respect to property the 1578 subdivision or complainant does not own or lease unless both of 1579

(a) If the complaint is based on a determination described
 in division (A)(1)(d) or (e) of this section, the property was
 (i) sold all of the following requirements are met:

(i) The complaint seeks an increase in the valuation of1584the property based upon the sale of the property in an arm's1585length transaction, as described in section 5713.03 of the1586Revised Code, before, but not after, .1587

(ii) That sale is evidenced by a conveyance fee statement,1588attached to the complaint, that declares the value of the1589property conveyed pursuant to section 319.202 of the Revised1590Code and that was filed during the two years preceding the tax1591lien date for the tax year for which the complaint is to be1592filed, and (ii) the .1593

(iii) That sale price exceeds the true value of the 1594 property appearing on the tax list for that tax year by both ten 1595 per cent and the amount of the filing threshold determined under 1596

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division (J) of this section +.

(b) If the complaint is filed by a legislative authority
or mayor, the legislative authority or, in the case of a mayor,
the legislative authority of the municipal corporation, first
adopts a resolution authorizing the filing of the original
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complaint at a public meeting of the legislative authority.

(7) A resolution adopted under division (A) (6) (b) of thissection shall include all of the following information:1604

(a) Identification of the parcel or parcels that are the
subject of the original complaint by street address, if
available from online records of the county auditor, and by
permanent parcel number;

(b) The name of at least one of the record owners of the 1609 parcel or parcels; 1610

(c) The basis for the complaint under divisions (A)(1)(a) 1611
to (f) of this section relative to each parcel identified in the 1612
resolution; 1613

(d) The tax year for which the complaint will be filed,
which shall be a year for which a complaint may be timely filed
under this section at the time of the resolution's adoption.

A legislative authority shall not adopt a resolution 1617 required under division (A)(6)(b) of this section that 1618 identifies more than one parcel under division (A) (7) (a) of this 1619 section, except that a single resolution may identify more than 1620 one parcel under that division if each parcel has the same 1621 record owner or the same record owners, as applicable. A 1622 legislative authority may adopt multiple resolutions required 1623 under division (A)(6)(b) of this section by a single vote, 1624 1625 provided that the vote is separate from the question of whether

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to adopt any resolution that is not adopted under division (A)	1626
(6)(b) of this section.	1627
Before adopting a resolution required by division (A)(6)	1628
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(b) of this section, the legislative authority shall mail a	1629
written notice to at least one of the record owners of the	1630
parcel or parcels identified in the resolution stating the	1631
intent of the legislative authority in adopting the resolution,	1632
the proposed date of adoption, and the basis for the complaint	1633
under divisions (A)(1)(a) to (f) of this section relative to	1634
each parcel identified in the resolution. The notice shall be	1635
sent by certified mail to the last known tax-mailing address of	1636
at least one of the record owners and, if different from that	1637
tax-mailing address, to the street address of the parcel or	1638
parcels identified in the resolution. Alternatively, if the	1639
legislative authority has record of an internet identifier of	1640
record associated with at least one of the record owners, the	1641
legislative authority may send the notice by ordinary mail and	1642
by that internet identifier of record. The notice shall be	1643
postmarked or, if sent by internet identifier of record, sent at	1644
least seven calendar days before the legislative authority	1645
adopts the resolution.	1646

A board of revision has jurisdiction to consider a 1647 complaint filed pursuant to a resolution adopted under division 1648 (A) (6) (b) of this section only if the legislative authority 1649 notifies the board of revision of the resolution in the manner 1650 prescribed in division (A)(8) of this section. The failure to 1651 accurately identify the street address or the name of the record 1652 owners of the parcel in the resolution does not invalidate the 1653 resolution nor is it a cause for dismissal of the complaint. 1654

(8) A complaint form prescribed by a board of revision or 1655

the tax commissioner for the purpose of this section shall 1656 include a box that must be checked, when a legislative authority 1657 files an original complaint, to indicate that a resolution 1658 authorizing the complaint was adopted in accordance with 1659 divisions (A) (6) (b) and (7) of this section and that notice was 1660 mailed or sent in accordance with division (A)(7) of this 1661 section before adoption of the resolution to at least one of the 1662 record owners of the property that is the subject of the 1663 1664 complaint.

(B) (1) Within thirty days after the last date such 1665 complaints may be filed, the auditor shall give notice of each 1666 complaint in which the stated amount of overvaluation, 1667 undervaluation, discriminatory valuation, illegal valuation, or 1668 incorrect determination is at least seventeen thousand five 1669 hundred dollars in taxable value to each property owner whose 1670 property is the subject of the complaint, if the complaint was 1671 not filed by the owner or the owner's spouse. A board of 1672 education, subject to this division; a property owner; the 1673 owner's spouse; a tenant of the owner, if that tenant would be 1674 eligible to file a complaint under division (A) of this section 1675 with respect to the property; an individual who is retained by 1676 such an owner or tenant and who holds a designation from a 1677 professional assessment organization, such as the institute for 1678 professionals in taxation, the national council of property 1679 taxation, or the international association of assessing 1680 officers; a public accountant who holds a permit under section 1681 4701.10 of the Revised Code, a general or residential real 1682 estate appraiser licensed or certified under Chapter 4763. of 1683 the Revised Code, or a real estate broker licensed under Chapter 1684 4735. of the Revised Code, who is retained by such an owner or 1685 tenant; or, if the owner or tenant is a firm, company, 1686

association, partnership, limited liability company, 1687 corporation, or trust, an officer, a salaried employee, a 1688 partner, a member, or trustee of that owner or tenant, may file 1689 a counter-complaint in support of or objecting to the amount of 1690 alleged overvaluation, undervaluation, discriminatory valuation, 1691 illegal valuation, or incorrect determination stated in a 1692 previously filed original complaint or objecting to the current 1693 valuation. 1694

(2) A board of education may file a counter-complaint only 1695 if the original complaint (a) was filed by the owner of the 1696 property that is the subject of the complaint, a tenant of that 1697 property owner, or any person acting on behalf of such owner or 1698 tenant, and (b) states an amount of overvaluation, 1699 undervaluation, discriminatory valuation, illegal valuation, or 1700 incorrect determination of at least seventeen thousand five 1701 hundred dollars in taxable value. The 1702

<u>A board of education shall file the counter-complaint</u> within thirty days after the original complaint is filed, and any other person shall file the counter-complaint within thirty days after receiving the notice required under this division. 1703

(3) Upon the filing of a counter-complaint, the board of 1707 education, property owner, or tenant shall be made a party to 1708 the action. 1709

(C) Each board of revision shall notify any complainant 1710 and counter-complainant, and also the property owner, if the 1711 property owner's address is known, and the complaint is filed by 1712 one other than the property owner, not less than ten days prior 1713 to the hearing, either by certified mail or, if the board has 1714 record of an internet identifier of record associated with the 1715 owner, by ordinary mail and by that internet identifier of 1716

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record of the time and place the same will be heard. The board 1717 of revision shall hear and render its decision on an original 1718 complaint within one hundred eighty days after the last day such 1719 a complaint may be filed with the board under division (A)(1) of 1720 this section or, if a counter-complaint is filed, within one 1721 hundred eighty days after such filing. If the original complaint 1722 is filed by the legislative authority of a subdivision, the 1723 mayor of a municipal corporation with territory in the county, 1724 or a third party complainant, and if the board of revision has 1725 not rendered its decision on the complaint within one year after 1726 the date the complaint was filed, the board is without 1727 jurisdiction to hear, and shall dismiss, the complaint. 1728

(D) The determination of any such original complaint or 1729 counter-complaint shall relate back to the date when the lien 1730 for taxes or recoupment charges for the current year attached or 1731 the date as of which liability for such year was determined. 1732 Liability for taxes and recoupment charges for such year and 1733 each succeeding year until the complaint is finally determined 1734 and for any penalty and interest for nonpayment thereof within 1735 the time required by law shall be based upon the determination, 1736 valuation, or assessment as finally determined. Each complaint 1737 shall state the amount of overvaluation, undervaluation, 1738 discriminatory valuation, illegal valuation, or incorrect 1739 classification or determination upon which the complaint is 1740 based. The treasurer shall accept any amount tendered as taxes 1741 or recoupment charge upon property concerning which a complaint 1742 is then pending, computed upon the claimed valuation as set 1743 forth in the complaint. Unless dismissal is required under 1744 division (C) of this section, if an original complaint or 1745 counter-complaint filed for the current year is not determined 1746 by the board within the time prescribed for such determination, 1747

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the complaint and any proceedings in relation thereto shall be 1748 continued by the board as a valid complaint for any ensuing year 1749 until that original complaint or counter-complaint is finally 1750 determined by the board or upon any appeal from a decision of 1751 the board. In such case, the original complaint and counter-1752 complaint shall continue in effect without further filing by the 1753 original taxpayer, the original taxpayer's assignee, or any 1754 other person or entity authorized to file a complaint under this 1755 section. 1756

(E) If a taxpayer files a complaint as to the
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classification, valuation, assessment, or any determination
affecting the taxpayer's own property and tenders less than the
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full amount of taxes or recoupment charges as finally
determined, an interest charge shall accrue as follows:
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(1) If the amount finally determined is less than the 1762 amount billed but more than the amount tendered, the taxpayer 1763 shall pay interest at the rate per annum prescribed by section 1764 5703.47 of the Revised Code, computed from the date that the 1765 taxes were due on the difference between the amount finally 1766 determined and the amount tendered. This interest charge shall 1767 be in lieu of any penalty or interest charge under section 1768 323.121 of the Revised Code unless the taxpayer failed to file a 1769 complaint and tender an amount as taxes or recoupment charges 1770 within the time required by this section, in which case section 1771 323.121 of the Revised Code applies. 1772

(2) If the amount of taxes finally determined is equal to
or greater than the amount billed and more than the amount
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tendered, the taxpayer shall pay interest at the rate prescribed
by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code from the date the taxes
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were due on the difference between the amount finally determined
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and the amount tendered, such interest to be in lieu of any1778interest charge but in addition to any penalty prescribed by1779section 323.121 of the Revised Code.1780

(F) Upon request of a complainant, the tax commissioner 1781 shall determine the common level of assessment of real property 1782 in the county for the year stated in the request that is not 1783 valued under section 5713.31 of the Revised Code, which common 1784 level of assessment shall be expressed as a percentage of true 1785 value and the common level of assessment of lands valued under 1786 such section, which common level of assessment shall also be 1787 expressed as a percentage of the current agricultural use value 1788 of such lands. Such determination shall be made on the basis of 1789 the most recent available sales ratio studies of the 1790 commissioner and such other factual data as the commissioner 1791 deems pertinent. 1792

(G) A complainant shall provide to the board of revision 1793 all information or evidence within the complainant's knowledge 1794 or possession that affects the real property that is the subject 1795 of the complaint. A complainant who fails to provide such 1796 information or evidence is precluded from introducing it on 1797 appeal to the board of tax appeals or the court of common pleas, 1798 except that the board of tax appeals or court may admit and 1799 consider the evidence if the complainant shows good cause for 1800 the complainant's failure to provide the information or evidence 1801 to the board of revision. 1802

(H) In case of the pendency of any proceeding in court
based upon an alleged excessive, discriminatory, or illegal
valuation or incorrect classification or determination, the
taxpayer may tender to the treasurer an amount as taxes upon
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property computed upon the claimed valuation as set forth in the
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complaint to the court. The treasurer may accept the tender. If1808the tender is not accepted, no penalty shall be assessed because1809of the nonpayment of the full taxes assessed.1810

(I) A legislative authority may not enter into a private 1811 payment agreement with respect to any complaint filed or 1812 contemplated under this section or section 5715.13 of the 1813 Revised Code, and any such agreement is void and unenforceable. 1814 As used in this division, "private payment agreement" means any 1815 type of agreement in which a property owner, a tenant authorized 1816 1817 to file a complaint under division (A) of this section, or any person acting on behalf of a property owner or such a tenant 1818 agrees to make one or more payments to a subdivision in exchange 1819 for the legislative authority of that subdivision doing any of 1820 the following: 1821

(1) Refraining from filing a complaint or counter-1822complaint under this section;1823

(2) Dismissing a complaint or counter-complaint filed by1824the legislative authority under this section;1825

(3) Resolving a claim under this section by settlement1826agreement.

A "private payment agreement" does not include any 1828 agreement to resolve a claim under this section pursuant to 1829 which an agreed-upon valuation for the property that is the 1830 subject of the claim is approved by the county auditor and 1831 reflected on the tax list, provided that agreement does not 1832 require any payments described in this division. 1833

(J) For the purpose of division (A) (6) (b) (A) (6) (a) of
this section, the filing threshold for tax year 2022 equals five
hundred thousand dollars. For tax year 2023 and each tax year
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thereafter, the tax commissioner shall adjust the filing 1837 threshold used in that division by completing the following 1838 calculations in September of each year: 1839 (a) (1) Determine the percentage increase in the gross 1840 domestic product deflator determined by the bureau of economic 1841 analysis of the United States department of commerce from the 1842 first day of January of the preceding year to the last day of 1843 December of the preceding year; 1844 1845 (b) (2) Multiply that percentage increase by the filing threshold for the current year; 1846 1847 (c) (3) Add the resulting product to the filing threshold for the current year; 1848 (d) (4) Round the resulting sum to the nearest multiple of 1849 one thousand dollars. 1850 The commissioner shall certify the amount resulting from 1851 the adjustment to each county auditor not later than the first 1852 day of October each year. The certified amount applies to 1853 complaints filed for the tax year in which the amount is 1854 certified. The commissioner shall not make the adjustment for 1855 any tax year in which the amount resulting from the adjustment 1856 would be less than the filing threshold for the current tax 1857 1858 vear. Sec. 5715.24. (A) The tax commissioner, annually, shall 1859

determine analyze whether the real property and the various1860classes thereof in the several counties, municipal corporations,1861and taxing districts which have completed a sexennial1862reappraisal in the current year and which will have the new1863taxable values placed on the tax list and duplicate have been1864assessed as required by law, and whether the values set forth in1865

the agricultural land tax list in such taxing districts 1866 correctly reflect the true and agricultural use values of the 1867 lands contained therein. The determination shall be made 1868 commissioner shall complete this analysis prior to the first 1869 Monday in August unless the commissioner, for good cause, 1870 extends the date. If, in the commissioner finds that-1871 <u>commissioner's opinion</u>, the real property or any class thereof 1872 in any such county, municipal corporation, or taxing district, 1873 as reported to it by the several county auditors of the counties 1874 that have completed such reappraisal, is not listed for taxation 1875 or recorded on the agricultural land tax list in accordance 1876 therewith, the commissioner shall recommend an increase or 1877 decrease in the appropriate aggregate value of the real property 1878 or any class thereof in any such county, township, municipal 1879 corporation, taxing district, or ward or division of a municipal 1880 corporation, by a per cent or amount that, in the commissioner's 1881 opinion, will cause such property to be correctly valued on the 1882 agricultural land tax list and to be correctly assessed on the 1883 tax list at its taxable value so that every class of real 1884 property shall be listed and valued for taxation and valued for 1885 purposes of sections 5713.33 to 5713.35 of the Revised Code as 1886 required by law. In determining analyzing whether a class of 1887 real property has been assessed at its correct taxable value and 1888 in determining recommending any per cent or amount by which the 1889 aggregate value of the class from a prior year shall-should be 1890 increased or decreased to be correctly assessed, the 1891 commissioner shall consider only the aggregate values of 1892 property that existed in the prior year and that is to be taxed 1893 in the current year. In addition to any other adjustments the 1894 commissioner considers recommends as necessary to comply with 1895 this requirement, the value of new construction shall not be 1896

regarded as an increase in such aggregate value from the prior

year, and the value of property destroyed or demolished since 1898 the prior year shall be deducted from the aggregate value of 1899 that class for the prior year. 1900

In implementing A county auditor may implement all or a 1901 portion of any increase or decrease in valuation of real 1902 property <del>ordered</del>-recommended by the commissioner pursuant to 1903 this section, the county . When implementing any such increase 1904 or decrease, the auditor shall, when practicable, increase or 1905 decrease the taxable valuation of parcels in accordance with 1906 actual changes in valuation of real property which occur in 1907 different subdivisions, neighborhoods, or among classes of real 1908 1909 property in the county.

(B) Division (A) of this section also applies to a county
in the third calendar year following the year in which a
sexennial reappraisal is completed.

Sec. 5715.25. If the tax commissioner increases recommends 1913 an increase or decreases decrease in the aggregate value of the 1914 real property or any class thereof on the tax list or 1915 agricultural land tax list in any taxing district or subdivision 1916 of the state under section 5715.24 of the Revised Code, he the 1917 commissioner shall transmit to each county auditor a statement 1918 which specifies the amount or per cent to that the commissioner 1919 recommends be added to or deducted from the valuation of such 1920 property or class thereof in each taxing district or subdivision 1921 in his the county auditor's county. 1922

Sec. 5715.251. The county auditor tax commissioner may1923appeal to the board of tax appeals any determination of change1924county auditor's adjustment, or lack of adjustment, in the1925abstract of real property of a taxing district in the auditor's1926county that is made by does not conform with the recommendations1927

made by the tax commissioner under section 5715.24 of the 1928 Revised Code. The appeal commissioner shall be taken file the 1929 notice of appeal with the board and the auditor within thirty 1930 days after receipt of the statement by the county auditor of the 1931 commissioner's determination by the filing by the county auditor 1932 of a notice of appeal with the board and the commissioneran 1933 adjusted abstract or notice declining to make adjustments under 1934 division (A) of section 5715.26 of the Revised Code. Such notice 1935 of appeal shall set forth the determination recommendations of 1936 the commissioner, as well as the auditor's abstract or adjusted 1937 abstract appealed from and the errors therein complained of. 1938 Proof of the filing of such notice with the commissioner auditor 1939 shall be filed with the board. The board shall have exclusive 1940 jurisdiction of the appeal. 1941

In all such appeals, the commissioner county auditor shall 1942 be made appellee. Unless waived, notice of the appeal shall be 1943 served upon the commissioner auditor by certified mail. The 1944 prosecuting attorney shall represent the county auditor in such 1945 an appeal. 1946

The commissionerauditor, upon written demand filed by the 1947 county auditorcommissioner, shall within thirty days after the 1948 filing of such demand file with the board a certified transcript 1949 of the record of the commissioner's proceedings pertaining any 1950 records or evidence that the auditor used to compile the 1951 determination abstract or adjusted abstract complained of and, 1952 including the evidence the commissioner auditor considered in 1953 making such determination declining to make the commissioner's 1954 recommended changes. 1955

If upon hearing and consideration of such record and 1956 evidence the board decides that the determination abstract or 1957 adjusted abstract appealed from is reasonable and lawful, it1958shall affirm the same, but if the board decides that such1959determination abstract is unreasonable or unlawful, the board1960shall reverse and vacate the determination or order the auditor1961to modify it and shall enter final order in accordance with such1962modification.1963

The secretary of the board shall send the order of the 1964 board to the county auditor and to the commissioner, and they 1965 shall take such action in connection therewith as is required to 1966 give effect to the order of the board. At the request of the 1967 county auditor, the board of tax appeal's order shall be sent by 1968 certified mail at the county auditor's expense. 1969

Sec. 5715.26. (A) (1) Upon receiving the statement required 1970 by section 5715.25 of the Revised Code, the county auditor shall-1971 forthwith may add to or deduct from each tract, lot, or parcel 1972 of real property or class of real property <u>all or a portion of</u> 1973 the required recommended percentage or amount of the valuation 1974 thereof, adding or deducting any sum less than five dollars so 1975 that the value of any separate tract, lot, or parcel of real 1976 property shall be ten dollars or some multiple thereof. 1977

(2) After making the any additions or deductions required 1978 by-under this section, the auditor shall transmit to the tax 1979 commissioner the appropriate adjusted abstract of the real 1980 property of each taxing district in the auditor's county in 1981 which an adjustment was requiredmade. If the auditor does not 1982 make any adjustments to the abstract of real property of any 1983 taxing district, the auditor shall so notify the tax 1984 commissioner. 1985

(3) If the commissioner increases or decreases the1986aggregate value of the real property or any class thereof in any1987

county or taxing district thereof and does not receive within	1988
ninety days thereafter an adjusted abstract conforming to its	1989
statement for such county or taxing district therein, the	1990
commissioner shall withhold from such county or taxing district-	1991
therein fifty per cent of its share in the distribution of state-	1992
revenues to local governments pursuant to sections 5747.50 to	1993
5747.55 of the Revised Code and shall direct the department of	1994
education and workforce to withhold therefrom fifty per cent of	1995
state revenues to school districts pursuant to Chapter 3317. of	1996
the Revised Code. The commissioner shall withhold the	1997
distribution of such funds until such county auditor has	1998
complied with this division, and the department shall withhold	1999
the distribution of such funds until the commissioner has	2000
notified the department that such county auditor has complied	2001
with this division.	2002

2003 (B) (1) If the commissioner's determination is appealed commissioner files an appeal under section 5715.251 of the 2004 Revised Code, the county auditor, treasurer, and all other 2005 officers shall forthwith proceed with the levy and collection of 2006 the current year's taxes in the manner prescribed by law. The 2007 taxes shall be determined and collected as if the commissioner 2008 had determined under section 5715.24 of the Revised Code that 2009 the real property and the various classes thereof in the county-2010 as shown in the auditor's abstract were assessed for taxation 2011 and the true and agricultural use values were recorded on the 2012 agricultural land tax list as required by law, as adjusted under 2013 division (A) of this section. 2014

(2) If as a result of the appeal to the board it is
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finally determined either that all real property and the various
classes thereof have not been assessed as required by law or
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that the values set forth in the agricultural land tax list do
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not correctly reflect the true and agricultural use values of 2019 the lands contained therein, the county auditor shall forthwith 2020 add to or deduct from each tract, lot, or parcel of real 2021 property or class of real property the required percentage or 2022 amount of the valuation in accordance with the order of the 2023 board or judgment of the court to which the board's order was 2024 appealed, and the taxes on each tract, lot, or parcel and the 2025 percentages required by section 319.301 of the Revised Code 2026 shall be recomputed using the valuation as finally determined. 2027 The order or judgment making the final determination shall 2028 prescribe the time and manner for collecting, crediting, or 2029 refunding the resultant increases or decreases in taxes. 2030

Sec. 5717.01. An appeal from a decision of a county board 2031 of revision may be taken to the board of tax appeals within 2032 thirty days after notice of the decision of the county board of 2033 revision is mailed as provided in division (A) of section 2034 5715.20 of the Revised Code. Such an appeal may be taken by the 2035 county auditor, the tax commissioner, or any board, legislative 2036 authority, public official, or taxpayer authorized by section 2037 5715.19 of the Revised Code to file complaints against 2038 valuations or assessments with the auditor, except that a 2039 subdivision that files an original complaint or counter-2040 complaint under that section with respect to property the 2041 subdivision does not own or lease may not appeal the decision of 2042 the board of revision with respect to that original complaint or 2043 counter-complaintor the legislative authority or mayor of a 2044 subdivision may file such an appeal only if the subdivision owns 2045 or leases the property that is the subject of the board of 2046 revision's decision, and except that no such appeal may be taken 2047 by a third party complainant, as defined in that section. Such 2048 appeal shall be taken by the filing of a notice of appeal, in 2049

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person or by certified mail, express mail, facsimile 2050 transmission, electronic transmission, or by authorized delivery 2051 service, with the board of tax appeals and with the county board 2052 of revision. If notice of appeal is filed by certified mail, 2053 express mail, or authorized delivery service as provided in 2054 section 5703.056 of the Revised Code, the date of the United 2055 States postmark placed on the sender's receipt by the postal 2056 service or the date of receipt recorded by the authorized 2057 delivery service shall be treated as the date of filing. If 2058 2059 notice of appeal is filed by facsimile transmission or electronic transmission, the date and time the notice is 2060 received by the board shall be the date and time reflected on a 2061 timestamp provided by the board's electronic system, and the 2062 appeal shall be considered filed with the board on the date 2063 reflected on that timestamp. Any timestamp provided by another 2064 computer system or electronic submission device shall not affect 2065 the time and date the notice is received by the board. Upon 2066 receipt of such notice of appeal such county board of revision 2067 shall notify all persons thereof who were parties to the 2068 proceeding before such county board of revision by either 2069 certified mail or, if the board has record of an internet 2070 identifier of record associated with such a person, by ordinary 2071 mail and by that internet identifier of record, and shall file 2072 proof of such notice or, in the case of ordinary mail, an 2073 affidavit attesting that the board sent the notice with the 2074 board of tax appeals. The county board of revision shall 2075 thereupon certify to the board of tax appeals a transcript of 2076 the record of the proceedings of the county board of revision 2077 pertaining to the original complaint, and all evidence offered 2078 in connection therewith. Such appeal may be heard by the board 2079 of tax appeals at its offices in Columbus or in the county where 2080 2081 the property is listed for taxation, or the board of tax appeals

may cause its examiners to conduct such hearing and to report to2082it their findings for affirmation or rejection. An appeal may2083proceed pursuant to section 5703.021 of the Revised Code on the2084small claims docket if the appeal qualifies under that section.2085

The board of tax appeals may order the appeal to be heard 2086 on the record and the evidence certified to it by the county 2087 board of revision, or it may order the hearing of additional 2088 evidence, and it may make such investigation concerning the 2089 appeal as it deems proper. 2090

As used in this section, "internet identifier of record" 2091 has the same meaning as in section 9.312 of the Revised Code. 2092

Section 2. That existing sections 323.152, 323.153,2093323.156, 2506.01, 4503.065, 4503.066, 4503.068, 5713.01,20945713.03, 5715.012, 5715.19, 5715.24, 5715.25, 5715.251, 5715.26,2095and 5717.01 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.2096

Section 3. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Community improvement corporation" means a community
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 improvement corporation created under Chapter 1724. of the
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 Revised Code.
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(2) "Qualified property" means property that satisfies the
qualifications for tax exemption under section 5709.08 of the
Revised Code or any other section of the Revised Code that
provides a tax exemption for property owned or used by a
municipal corporation or community improvement corporation and
that meets either of the following requirements:

(a) The property is owned by a municipal corporation or a 2107
community improvement corporation and was acquired by a 2108
municipal corporation which recorded the deed for the property 2109
between the following dates: 2110

(i) April 15, 2013, and April 30, 2013;	2111
(ii) January 1, 2008, and January 31, 2008;	2112
(iii) January 1, 2006, and January 15, 2006;	2113
(iv) February 1, 2000, and February 15, 2000.	2114

(b) The property is a parcel of real property that is 2115 owned by a municipal corporation or community improvement 2116 corporation and to which one of the following applies: 2117

2118 (i) The parcel was created pursuant to the subdivision, between August 1, 2004, and August 15, 2004, of an existing 2119 parcel that had been previously acquired by a municipal 2120 corporation and where the deed for the previously existing 2121 parcel was recorded by a municipal corporation between December 2122 15, 1999, and December 31, 1999; 2123

(ii) The parcel was created pursuant to the subdivision, 2124 between January 1, 2008, and January 31, 2008, of an existing 2125 parcel that had been previously acquired by a municipal 2126 corporation and where the deed for the previously existing 2127 parcel was recorded by a municipal corporation between February 2128 15, 2002, and March 1, 2002; 2129

(iii) The parcel was created pursuant to the subdivision, 2130 between January 1, 2008, and January 15, 2008, of an existing 2131 parcel that had been previously acquired by a municipal 2132 corporation and where the deed for the previously existing 2133 parcel was recorded by a municipal corporation between December 2134 20, 2007, and January 10, 2008. 2135

(B) Notwithstanding sections 5713.08, 5713.081, and 2136 5715.27 of the Revised Code, and without regard to any time or 2137 payment limitations under any section of the Revised Code, the 2138

owner of qualified property at any time within twelve months 2139 after the effective date of this section may file an application 2140 with the Tax Commissioner requesting that the qualified property 2141 be placed on the exempt list and that all unpaid taxes, 2142 penalties, and interest on the property be abated, including 2143 taxes, penalties, and interest that have become a lien prior to 2144 the date of acquisition of title to the property by the 2145 qualified property's owner. 2146

(C) The application shall be made on the form prescribed 2147 by the Tax Commissioner under section 5715.27 of the Revised 2148 Code and shall list the name of the county in which the property 2149 is located; the property's legal description, taxable value, and 2150 the amount, in dollars, of the unpaid taxes, penalties, and 2151 interest; the date of acquisition of title to the property; the 2152 use of the property during any time that the unpaid taxes 2153 accrued; and any other information required by the Commissioner. 2154 The county auditor shall supply the required information upon 2155 request of the applicant. 2156

(D) Upon request of the applicant, the county treasurer 2157 shall determine if all taxes, penalties, and interest that 2158 became a lien on the qualified property before it was first used 2159 by the property's owner or a prior owner for an exempt purpose 2160 have been paid in full. If so, the county treasurer shall issue 2161 a certificate to the applicant stating that all such taxes, 2162 penalties, and interest have been paid in full. The applicant 2163 shall attach the county treasurer's certificate to the 2164 application filed with the Tax Commissioner under this section. 2165

(E) Upon receipt of an application, the Tax Commissioner 2166shall determine if the qualified property meets the 2167qualifications set forth in this section and if so shall issue 2168

an order directing that the property be placed on the exempt 2169 list of the county in which it is located and that all unpaid 2170 taxes, penalties, and interest for each year that the property 2171 met the qualifications for exemption described in section 2172 5709.08 or another section of the Revised Code be abated. If the 2173 Commissioner finds that the property is or previously was being 2174 used for a purpose that would disqualify it for such exemption, 2175 the Tax Commissioner shall issue an order denying the 2176 application with respect to such tax years where the 2177 Commissioner finds that disqualifying use. 2178

(F) If the Tax Commissioner finds that the property is not 2179 entitled to the tax exemption and abatement of unpaid taxes, 2180 penalties, and interest for any of the years for which the 2181 applicant claims an exemption or abatement, the Commissioner 2182 shall order the county treasurer of the county in which the 2183 property is located to collect all taxes, penalties, and 2184 interest on the property for those years as required by law. 2185

 Section 4. (A) Notwithstanding sections 323.153, 323.154,
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 4503.066, and 4503.067 of the Revised Code, all of the following
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(1) A person may file an application for reduction under
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(2) The county auditor shall approve or deny that2194application within thirty days after receiving it.2195

(3) Any such application shall be considered a late2196application under section 323.153 or 4503.066 of the Revised2197

Code for that tax year, and overpayments shall be credited or 2198 refunded in the same manner as for those applications. 2199 (4) If a person believes that the person's application for 2200 that tax year has been improperly denied or is for less than 2201 that to which the person is entitled, the person may file an 2202 appeal with the county board of revision not later than thirty 2203 days after the date the county auditor approves or denies that 2204 2205 application. (5) A person shall not be required to submit a new 2206 application, or return a continuing application, to receive the 2207 tax reduction described in division (F)(2)(b)(i) of section 2208 323.152 or section 4503.065 of the Revised Code, both as amended 2209 by this act, if the person submitted an application for the 2210 reduction under division (A) of either of those sections, as 2211 applicable, before the effective date of the amendment of those 2212 sections by this act, was determined to be eligible for that 2213 reduction, and has not experienced any changes that the person 2214 would otherwise be required to report under division (C)(6) of 2215 section 323.153 or division (B)(5) of section 4503.066 of the 2216

(B) The amendment by this act of sections 5713.01, 2218
5713.03, 5715.24, 5715.25, 5715.251, and 5715.26 of the Revised 2219
Code applies to tax year 2024 and every tax year thereafter. 2220

Revised Code, as amended by this act.

Section 5. (A) The amendment by this act of section 2221 2506.01 of the Revised Code is intended to be a remedial measure 2222 to clarify existing law and applies to any proceeding pending on 2223 or after the effective date of that amendment. With respect to a 2224 political subdivision, the amendment applies to any proceeding 2225 that concerns the valuation of property for tax year 2021 or 2226 after. 2227

(B) (1) The amendment by this act of division (A) of
section 5715.19 of the Revised Code is intended to be a remedial
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measure to clarify existing law and, with respect to political
subdivisions, applies to tax year 2022 and after. With respect
to third party complainants, as defined in that section, the
amendment applies to tax year 2023 and after.

(2) The amendment by this act of division (B) of section
5715.19 of the Revised Code is intended to be a remedial measure
to clarify existing law and applies to tax year 2022 and after.
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(C) The amendment by this act of section 5717.01 of the 2237 Revised Code is intended to be a remedial measure and applies to 2238 any appeal taken from a decision of a board of revision rendered 2239 on or after July 21, 2022, except that the amendment of that 2240 section prohibiting an appeal by a third party complainant, as 2241 defined in section 5715.19 of the Revised Code, applies to any 2242 appeal taken from a board of revision decision rendered after 2243 the effective date of that amendment. 2244

Section 6. All items in this act are hereby appropriated2245as designated out of any money in the state treasury to the2246credit of the designated fund. For all operating appropriations2247made in this act, those in the first column are for fiscal year22482024 and those in the second column are for fiscal year 2025.2249The operating appropriations made in this act are in addition to2250any other operating appropriations made for these fiscal years.2251

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В	Genera	l Revenue	Fund Group		
С	GRF	110908	Property Tax Reimbursement - Local Government	\$9,000,000	\$17,500,000
D	GRF	200903	Property Tax Reimbursement - Education	\$16,000,000	\$32,500,000
E	TOTAL	GRF Gener	al Revenue Fund Group	\$25,000,000	\$50,000,000
F	TOTAL .	ALL BUDGE	T FUND GROUPS	\$25,000,000	\$50,000,000

Section 8. Within the limits set forth in this act, the 2254 Director of Budget and Management shall establish accounts 2255 indicating the source and amount of funds for each appropriation 2256 made in this act, and shall determine the manner in which 2257 appropriation accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures from 2258 operating appropriations contained in this act shall be 2259 accounted for as though made in, and are subject to all 2260 applicable provisions of, H.B. 33 of the 135th General Assembly. 2261

Section 9. The General Assembly, applying the principle 2262 stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that 2263 amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of 2264 simultaneous operation, finds that the following sections, 2265 presented in this act as composites of the sections as amended 2266 by the acts indicated, are the resulting versions of the 2267 sections in effect prior to the effective date of the sections 2268 2269 as presented in this act:

Section 323.152 of the Revised Code as amended by both2270H.B. 33 and S.B. 43 of the 135th General Assembly.2271

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Section 4503.065 of the Revised Code as amended by both	2272
H.B. 33 and S.B. 43 of the 135th General Assembly.	2273
Section 10. This act is hereby declared to be an emergency	2274
measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public	2275
peace, health, and safety. The reason for such necessity is to	2276
provide immediate property tax relief to senior citizen	2277
homeowners. Therefore, this act shall go into immediate effect.	2278