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5739.02, and 5815.36; to enact new section 17  
4519.40 and sections 4519.041, 4519.23, 18  
4519.402, 4519.403, and 4519.99; and to repeal 19  
sections 4511.215, 4511.216, and 4519.40 of the 20  
Revised Code to make changes to the laws 21  
governing all-purpose vehicles, off-highway 22

motorcycles, snowmobiles, utility vehicles, and 23  
mini-trucks. 24

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

**Section 1.** That sections 1531.01, 1533.01, 1533.103, 25  
1533.18, 2131.12, 2131.13, 2744.01, 2911.21, 2921.331, 2923.16, 26  
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4519.65, 4519.66, 4519.67, 4519.68, 4519.69, 4519.70, 5553.044, 36  
5739.02, and 5815.36 be amended and new section 4519.40 and 37  
sections 4519.041, 4519.23, 4519.402, 4519.403, and 4519.99 of 38  
the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 39

**Sec. 1531.01.** As used in this chapter and Chapter 1533. of 40  
the Revised Code: 41

(A) "Person" means a person as defined in section 1.59 of 42  
the Revised Code or a company; an employee, agent, or officer of 43  
such a person or company; a combination of individuals; the 44  
state; a political subdivision of the state; an interstate body 45  
created by a compact; or the federal government or a department, 46  
agency, or instrumentality of it. 47

(B) "Resident" means any individual who has resided in 48

this state for not less than six months preceding the date of 49  
making application for a license or permit. 50

(C) "Nonresident" means any individual who does not 51  
qualify as a resident. 52

(D) "Division rule" or "rule" means any rule adopted by 53  
the chief of the division of wildlife under section 1531.10 of 54  
the Revised Code unless the context indicates otherwise. 55

(E) "Closed season" means that period of time during which 56  
the taking of wild animals protected by this chapter and Chapter 57  
1533. of the Revised Code is prohibited. 58

(F) "Open season" means that period of time during which 59  
the taking of wild animals protected by this chapter and Chapter 60  
1533. of the Revised Code is permitted. 61

(G) "Take or taking" includes pursuing, shooting, hunting, 62  
killing, trapping, angling, fishing with a trotline, or netting 63  
any clam, mussel, crayfish, aquatic insect, fish, frog, turtle, 64  
wild bird, or wild quadruped, and any lesser act, such as 65  
wounding, or placing, setting, drawing, or using any other 66  
device for killing or capturing any wild animal, whether it 67  
results in killing or capturing the animal or not. "Take or 68  
taking" includes every attempt to kill or capture and every act 69  
of assistance to any other person in killing or capturing or 70  
attempting to kill or capture a wild animal. 71

(H) "Possession" means both actual and constructive 72  
possession and any control of things referred to. 73

(I) "Bag limit" means the number, measurement, or weight 74  
of any kind of crayfish, aquatic insects, fish, frogs, turtles, 75  
wild birds, and wild quadrupeds permitted to be taken. 76

(J) "Transport and transportation" means carrying or moving or causing to be carried or moved.	77 78
(K) "Sell and sale" means barter, exchange, or offer or expose for sale.	79 80
(L) "Whole to include part" means that every provision relating to any wild animal protected by this chapter and Chapter 1533. of the Revised Code applies to any part of the wild animal with the same effect as it applies to the whole.	81 82 83 84
(M) "Angling" means fishing with not more than two hand lines, not more than two units of rod and line, or a combination of not more than one hand line and one rod and line, either in hand or under control at any time while fishing. The hand line or rod and line shall have attached to it not more than three baited hooks, not more than three artificial fly rod lures, or one artificial bait casting lure equipped with not more than three sets of three hooks each.	85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92
(N) "Trotline" means a device for catching fish that consists of a line having suspended from it, at frequent intervals, vertical lines with hooks attached.	93 94 95
(O) "Fish" means a cold-blooded vertebrate having fins.	96
(P) "Measurement of fish" means length from the end of the nose to the longest tip or end of the tail.	97 98
(Q) "Wild birds" includes game birds and nongame birds.	99
(R) "Game" includes game birds, game quadrupeds, and fur-bearing animals.	100 101
(S) "Game birds" includes mourning doves, ringneck pheasants, bobwhite quail, ruffed grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, pinnated grouse, wild turkey, Hungarian partridge, Chukar	102 103 104

partridge, woodcocks, black-breasted plover, golden plover,	105
Wilson's snipe or jacksnipe, greater and lesser yellowlegs,	106
rail, coots, gallinules, duck, geese, brant, and crows.	107
(T) "Nongame birds" includes all other wild birds not	108
included and defined as game birds or migratory game birds.	109
(U) "Wild quadrupeds" includes game quadrupeds and fur-	110
bearing animals.	111
(V) "Game quadrupeds" includes cottontail rabbits, gray	112
squirrels, black squirrels, fox squirrels, red squirrels, flying	113
squirrels, chipmunks, groundhogs or woodchucks, white-tailed	114
deer, wild boar, elk, and black bears.	115
(W) "Fur-bearing animals" includes minks, weasels,	116
raccoons, skunks, opossums, muskrats, fox, beavers, badgers,	117
otters, coyotes, and bobcats.	118
(X) "Wild animals" includes mollusks, crustaceans, aquatic	119
insects, fish, reptiles, amphibians, wild birds, wild	120
quadrupeds, and all other wild mammals, but does not include	121
domestic deer.	122
(Y) "Hunting" means pursuing, shooting, killing, following	123
after or on the trail of, lying in wait for, shooting at, or	124
wounding wild birds or wild quadrupeds while employing any	125
device commonly used to kill or wound wild birds or wild	126
quadrupeds whether or not the acts result in killing or	127
wounding. "Hunting" includes every attempt to kill or wound and	128
every act of assistance to any other person in killing or	129
wounding or attempting to kill or wound wild birds or wild	130
quadrupeds.	131
(Z) "Trapping" means securing or attempting to secure	132
possession of a wild bird or wild quadruped by means of setting,	133

placing, drawing, or using any device that is designed to close 134  
upon, hold fast, confine, or otherwise capture a wild bird or 135  
wild quadruped whether or not the means results in capture. 136  
"Trapping" includes every act of assistance to any other person 137  
in capturing wild birds or wild quadrupeds by means of the 138  
device whether or not the means results in capture. 139

(AA) "Muskrat spear" means any device used in spearing 140  
muskrats. 141

(BB) "Channels and passages" means those narrow bodies of 142  
water lying between islands or between an island and the 143  
mainland in Lake Erie. 144

(CC) "Island" means a rock or land elevation above the 145  
waters of Lake Erie having an area of five or more acres above 146  
water. 147

(DD) "Reef" means an elevation of rock, either broken or 148  
in place, or gravel shown by the latest United States chart to 149  
be above the common level of the surrounding bottom of the lake, 150  
other than the rock bottom, or in place forming the base or 151  
foundation rock of an island or mainland and sloping from the 152  
shore of it. "Reef" also means all elevations shown by that 153  
chart to be above the common level of the sloping base or 154  
foundation rock of an island or mainland, whether running from 155  
the shore of an island or parallel with the contour of the shore 156  
of an island or in any other way and whether formed by rock, 157  
broken or in place, or from gravel. 158

(EE) "Fur farm" means any area used exclusively for 159  
raising fur-bearing animals or in addition thereto used for 160  
hunting game, the boundaries of which are plainly marked as 161  
such. 162

(FF) "Waters" includes any lake, pond, reservoir, stream, 163  
channel, lagoon, or other body of water, or any part thereof, 164  
whether natural or artificial. 165

(GG) "Crib" or "car" refers to that particular compartment 166  
of the net from which the fish are taken when the net is lifted. 167

(HH) "Commercial fish" means those species of fish 168  
permitted to be taken, possessed, bought, or sold unless 169  
otherwise restricted by the Revised Code or division rule and 170  
are alewife (*Alosa pseudoharengus*), American eel (*Anguilla*  
*rostrata*), bowfin (*Amia calva*), burbot (*Lota lota*), carp 171  
(*Cyprinus carpio*), smallmouth buffalo (*Ictiobus bubalus*), 172  
bigmouth buffalo (*Ictiobus cyprinellus*), black bullhead 173  
(*Ictalurus melas*), yellow bullhead (*Ictalurus natalis*), brown 174  
bullhead (*Ictalurus nebulosus*), channel catfish (*Ictalurus*  
*punctatus*), flathead catfish (*Pylodictis olivaris*), whitefish 175  
(*Coregonus* sp.), cisco (*Coregonus* sp.), freshwater drum or 176  
sheepshead (*Aplodinotus grunniens*), gar (*Lepisosteus* sp.), 177  
gizzard shad (*Dorosoma cepedianum*), goldfish (*Carassius*  
*auratus*), lake trout (*Salvelinus namaycush*), mooneye (*Hiodon*  
*tergisus*), quillback (*Carpiodes cyprinus*), smelt (*Allosmerus*  
*elongatus*, *Hypomesus* sp., *Osmerus* sp., *Spirinchus* sp.), sturgeon 183  
(*Acipenser* sp., *Scaphirhynchus* sp.), sucker other than buffalo 184  
and quillback (*Carpiodes* sp., *Catostomus* sp., *Hypentelium* sp., 185  
*Minytrema* sp., *Moxostoma* sp.), white bass (*Morone chrysops*), 186  
white perch (*Roccus americanus*), and yellow perch (*Perca*  
*flavescens*). When the common name of a fish is used in this 187  
chapter or Chapter 1533. of the Revised Code, it refers to the 188  
fish designated by the scientific name in this definition. 189  
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(II) "Fishing" means taking or attempting to take fish by 191  
any method, and all other acts such as placing, setting, 192

drawing, or using any device commonly used to take fish whether	193
resulting in a taking or not.	194
(JJ) "Fillet" means the pieces of flesh taken or cut from	195
both sides of a fish, joined to form one piece of flesh.	196
(KK) "Part fillet" means a piece of flesh taken or cut	197
from one side of a fish.	198
(LL) "Round" when used in describing fish means with head	199
and tail intact.	200
(MM) "Migrate" means the transit or movement of fish to or	201
from one place to another as a result of natural forces or	202
instinct and includes, but is not limited to, movement of fish	203
induced or caused by changes in the water flow.	204
(NN) "Spreader bar" means a brail or rigid bar placed	205
across the entire width of the back, at the top and bottom of	206
the cars in all trap, crib, and fyke nets for the purpose of	207
keeping the meshes hanging squarely while the nets are fishing.	208
(OO) "Fishing guide" means any person who, for	209
consideration or hire, operates a boat, rents, leases, or	210
otherwise furnishes angling devices, ice fishing shanties or	211
shelters of any kind, or other fishing equipment, and	212
accompanies, guides, directs, or assists any other person in	213
order for the other person to engage in fishing.	214
(PP) "Net" means fishing devices with meshes composed of	215
twine or synthetic material and includes, but is not limited to,	216
trap nets, fyke nets, crib nets, carp aprons, dip nets, and	217
seines, except minnow seines and minnow dip nets.	218
(QQ) "Commercial fishing gear" means seines, trap nets,	219
fyke nets, dip nets, carp aprons, trotlines, other similar gear,	220



and any boat used in conjunction with that gear, but does not 221  
include gill nets. 222

(RR) "Native wildlife" means any species of the animal 223  
kingdom indigenous to this state. 224

(SS) "Gill net" means a single section of fabric or 225  
netting seamed to a float line at the top and a lead line at the 226  
bottom, which is designed to entangle fish in the net openings 227  
as they swim into it. 228

(TT) "Tag fishing tournament" means a contest in which a 229  
participant pays a fee, or gives other valuable consideration, 230  
for a chance to win a prize by virtue of catching a tagged or 231  
otherwise specifically marked fish within a limited period of 232  
time. 233

(UU) "Tenant" means an individual who resides on land for 234  
which the individual pays rent and whose annual income is 235  
primarily derived from agricultural production conducted on that 236  
land, as "agricultural production" is defined in section 929.01 237  
of the Revised Code. 238

(VV) "Nonnative wildlife" means any wild animal not 239  
indigenous to this state, but does not include domestic deer. 240

(WW) "Reptiles" includes common musk turtle (*sternotherus* 241  
*odoratus*), common snapping turtle (*Chelydra serpentina* 242  
*serpentina*), spotted turtle (*Clemmys guttata*), eastern box 243  
turtle (*Terrapene carolina carolina*), Blanding's turtle 244  
(*Emydoidea blandingii*), common map turtle (*Graptemys* 245  
*geographica*), ouachita map turtle (*Graptemys pseudogeographica* 246  
*ouachitensis*), midland painted turtle (*Chrysemys picta* 247  
*marginata*), red-eared slider (*Trachemys scripta elegans*), 248  
eastern spiny softshell turtle (*Apalone spinifera spinifera*), 249

midland smooth softshell turtle ( <i>Apalone mutica mutica</i> ),	250
northern fence lizard ( <i>Sceloporus undulatus hyacinthinus</i> ),	251
ground skink ( <i>Scincella lateralis</i> ), five-lined skink ( <i>Eumeces fasciatus</i> ), broadhead skink ( <i>Eumeces laticeps</i> ), northern coal	252
skink ( <i>Eumeces anthracinus anthracinus</i> ), European wall lizard	253
( <i>Podarcis muralis</i> ), queen snake ( <i>Regina septemvittata</i> ),	254
Kirtland's snake ( <i>Clonophis kirtlandii</i> ), northern water snake	255
( <i>Nerodia sipedon sipedon</i> ), Lake Erie watersnake ( <i>Nerodia sipedon</i>	256
<i>insularum</i> ), copperbelly water snake ( <i>Nerodia erythrogaster</i>	257
<i>neglecta</i> ), northern brown snake ( <i>Storeria dekayi dekayi</i> ),	258
midland brown snake ( <i>Storeria dekayi wrightorum</i> ), northern	259
redbelly snake ( <i>Storeria occipitomaculata occipitomaculata</i> ),	260
eastern garter snake ( <i>Thamnophis sirtalis sirtalis</i> ), eastern	261
plains garter snake ( <i>Thamnophis radix radix</i> ), Butler's garter	262
snake ( <i>Thamnophis butleri</i> ), shorthead garter snake ( <i>Thamnophis</i>	263
<i>brachystoma</i> ), eastern ribbon snake ( <i>Thamnophis sauritus</i>	264
<i>sauritus</i> ), northern ribbon snake ( <i>Thamnophis sauritus</i>	265
<i>septentrionalis</i> ), eastern hognose snake ( <i>Heterodon platirhinos</i> ),	266
eastern smooth earth snake ( <i>Virginia valeriae valeriae</i> ),	267
northern ringneck snake ( <i>Diadophis punctatus edwardsii</i> ), midwest	268
worm snake ( <i>Carphophis amoenus helenae</i> ), eastern worm snake	269
( <i>Carphophis amoenus amoenus</i> ), black racer ( <i>Coluber constrictor</i>	270
<i>constrictor</i> ), blue racer ( <i>Coluber constrictor foxii</i> ), rough	271
green snake ( <i>Opheodrys aestivus</i> ), smooth green snake ( <i>Opheodrys</i>	272
<i>vernalis vernalis</i> ), black rat snake ( <i>Elaphe obsoleta obsoleta</i> ),	273
eastern fox snake ( <i>Elaphe vulpina gloydi</i> ), black kingsnake	274
( <i>Lampropeltis getula nigra</i> ), eastern milk snake ( <i>Lampropeltis</i>	275
<i>triangulum triangulum</i> ), northern copperhead ( <i>Agkistrodon</i>	276
<i>contortrix mokasen</i> ), eastern massasauga ( <i>Sistrurus catenatus</i>	277
<i>catenatus</i> ), and timber rattlesnake ( <i>Crotalus horridus horridus</i> ).	278
(XX) "Amphibians" includes eastern hellbender	279
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( <i>Cryptobranchus alleganiensis alleganiensis</i> ), mudpuppy ( <i>Necturus maculosus maculosus</i> ),	281
red-spotted newt ( <i>Notophthalmus viridescens viridescens</i> ),	282
Jefferson salamander ( <i>Ambystoma jeffersonianum</i> ),	283
spotted salamander ( <i>Ambystoma maculatum</i> ),	284
blue-spotted salamander ( <i>Ambystoma laterale</i> ),	285
smallmouth salamander ( <i>Ambystoma texanum</i> ),	286
streamside salamander ( <i>Ambystoma barbouri</i> ),	287
marbled salamander ( <i>Ambystoma opacum</i> ),	288
eastern tiger salamander ( <i>Ambystoma tigrinum tigrinum</i> ),	289
northern dusky salamander ( <i>Desmognathus fuscus fuscus</i> ),	290
mountain dusky salamander ( <i>Desmognathus ochrophaeus</i> ),	291
redback salamander ( <i>Plethodon cinereus</i> ),	292
ravine salamander ( <i>Plethodon richmondi</i> ),	293
northern slimy salamander ( <i>Plethodon glutinosus</i> ),	294
Wehrle's salamander ( <i>Plethodon wehrlei</i> ),	295
four-toed salamander ( <i>Hemidactylium scutatum</i> ),	296
Kentucky spring salamander ( <i>Gyrinophilus porphyriticus duryi</i> ),	297
northern spring salamander ( <i>Gyrinophilus porphyriticus porphyriticus</i> ),	298
mud salamander ( <i>Pseudotriton montanus</i> ),	299
northern red salamander ( <i>Pseudotriton ruber ruber</i> ),	300
green salamander ( <i>Aneides aeneus</i> ),	301
northern two-lined salamander ( <i>Eurycea bislineata</i> ),	302
longtail salamander ( <i>Eurycea longicauda longicauda</i> ),	303
cave salamander ( <i>Eurycea lucifuga</i> ),	304
southern two-lined salamander ( <i>Eurycea cirrigera</i> ),	305
Fowler's toad ( <i>Bufo woodhousii fowleri</i> ),	306
American toad ( <i>Bufo americanus</i> ),	307
eastern spadefoot ( <i>Scaphiopus holbrookii</i> ),	308
Blanchard's cricket frog ( <i>Acris crepitans blanchardi</i> ),	309
northern spring peeper ( <i>Pseudacris crucifer crucifer</i> ),	310
gray treefrog ( <i>Hyla versicolor</i> ),	311
Cope's gray treefrog ( <i>Hyla chrysoscelis</i> ),	
western chorus frog ( <i>Pseudacris triseriata triseriata</i> ),	
mountain chorus frog ( <i>Pseudacris brachyphona</i> ),	
bullfrog ( <i>Rana catesbeiana</i> ),	
green frog ( <i>Rana clamitans melanota</i> ),	
northern leopard frog ( <i>Rana pipiens</i> ),	
pickrel frog ( <i>Rana palustris</i> ),	
southern leopard frog ( <i>Rana utricularia</i> ),	
and wood frog ( <i>Rana sylvatica</i> ).	

(YY) "Deer" means white-tailed deer ( <i>Odocoileus virginianus</i> ).	312 313
(ZZ) "Domestic deer" means nonnative deer that have been legally acquired or their offspring and that are held in private ownership for primarily agricultural purposes.	314 315 316
(AAA) "Migratory game bird" includes waterfowl ( <i>Anatidae</i> ); doves ( <i>Columbidae</i> ); cranes ( <i>Gruidae</i> ); cormorants ( <i>Phalacrocoracidae</i> ); rails, coots, and gallinules ( <i>Rallidae</i> ); and woodcock and snipe ( <i>Scolopacidae</i> ).	317 318 319 320
(BBB) "Accompany" means to go along with another person while staying within a distance from the person that enables uninterrupted, unaided visual and auditory communication.	321 322 323
(CCC) <del>"All-purpose-All-terrain vehicle" means any vehicle that is designed primarily for cross-country travel on land, water, or land and water and that is steered by wheels, caterpillar treads, or a combination of wheels and caterpillar treads and includes vehicles that operate on a cushion of air, vehicles commonly known as all terrain vehicles, all season vehicles, mini-bikes, and trail bikes</del> <u>has the same meaning as in section 4519.01 of the Revised Code.</u>	324 325 326 327 328 329 330 331
(DDD) "Wholly enclosed preserve" means an area of land that is surrounded by a fence that is at least six feet in height, unless otherwise specified in division rule, and is constructed of a woven wire mesh, or another enclosure that the division of wildlife may approve, where game birds, game quadrupeds, reptiles, amphibians, or fur-bearing animals are raised and may be sold under the authority of a commercial propagating license or captive white-tailed deer propagation license obtained under section 1533.71 of the Revised Code.	332 333 334 335 336 337 338 339 340

(EEE) "Commercial bird shooting preserve" means an area of 341  
land where game birds are released and hunted by shooting as 342  
authorized by a commercial bird shooting preserve license 343  
obtained under section 1533.72 of the Revised Code. 344

(FFF) "Wild animal hunting preserve" means an area of land 345  
where game, captive white-tailed deer, and nonnative wildlife, 346  
other than game birds, are released and hunted as authorized by 347  
a wild animal hunting preserve license obtained under section 348  
1533.721 of the Revised Code. 349

(GGG) "Captive white-tailed deer" means legally acquired 350  
deer that are held in private ownership at a facility licensed 351  
under section 943.03 or 943.031 of the Revised Code and under 352  
section 1533.71 or 1533.721 of the Revised Code. 353

**Sec. 1533.01.** As used in this chapter, "person," 354  
"resident," "nonresident," "division rule," "rule," "closed 355  
season," "open season," "take or taking," "possession," "bag 356  
limit," "transport and transportation," "sell and sale," "whole 357  
to include part," "angling," "trotline," "fish," "measurement of 358  
fish," "wild birds," "game," "game birds," "nongame birds," 359  
"wild quadrupeds," "game quadrupeds," "fur-bearing animals," 360  
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"crib," "car," "commercial fish," "fishing," "fillet," "part 363  
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"net," "commercial fishing gear," "native wildlife," "gill net," 365  
"tag fishing tournament," "tenant," "nonnative wildlife," 366  
"reptiles," "amphibians," "deer," "domestic deer," "migratory 367  
game bird," "accompany," "~~all-purpose~~all-terrain vehicle," 368  
"wholly enclosed preserve," "commercial bird shooting preserve," 369  
"wild animal hunting preserve," and "captive white-tailed deer" 370

have the same meanings as in section 1531.01 of the Revised Code. 371  
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**Sec. 1533.103.** The chief of the division of wildlife shall 373  
adopt rules under section 1531.10 of the Revised Code that are 374  
necessary to administer the issuance of permits for the use of 375  
~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicles or motor vehicles by persons 376  
with mobility impairments to hunt wild quadrupeds or game birds 377  
in public and private areas. The rules shall establish 378  
eligibility requirements, an application procedure, the duration 379  
of a permit, identification and designation of public and 380  
private areas in which ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicles or motor 381  
vehicles may be used by permit holders, and any other procedures 382  
and requirements governing the permits that the chief determines 383  
are necessary. The chief shall not charge a fee for the issuance 384  
of a permit under this section. 385

**Sec. 1533.18.** As used in sections 1533.18 and 1533.181 of 386  
the Revised Code: 387

(A) "Premises" means all privately owned lands, ways, and 388  
waters, and any buildings and structures thereon, and all 389  
privately owned and state-owned lands, ways, and waters leased 390  
to a private person, firm, or organization, including any 391  
buildings and structures thereon. 392

(B) "Recreational user" means a person to whom permission 393  
has been granted, without the payment of a fee or consideration 394  
to the owner, lessee, or occupant of premises, other than a fee 395  
or consideration paid to the state or any agency of the state, 396  
or a lease payment or fee paid to the owner of privately owned 397  
lands, to enter upon premises to hunt, fish, trap, camp, hike, 398  
or swim, or to operate a snowmobile, ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ 399  
vehicle, or four-wheel drive motor vehicle, or to engage in 400

other recreational pursuits. 401

(C) "~~All-purpose~~ All-terrain vehicle" has the same meaning 402  
as in section 4519.01 of the Revised Code. 403

**Sec. 2131.12.** (A) As used in this section and section 404  
2131.13 of the Revised Code: 405

(1) "Motor vehicle" has the same meaning as in section 406  
4505.01 of the Revised Code. 407

(2) "Joint ownership with right of survivorship" means a 408  
form of ownership of a ~~motor vehicle, all-purpose vehicle, off-~~ 409  
~~highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor~~ titled mode of 410  
transportation that is established pursuant to this section and 411  
pursuant to which the entire interest in the ~~motor vehicle, all-~~ 412  
~~purpose vehicle, off-highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard~~ 413  
~~motor~~ titled mode of transportation is held by two persons for 414  
their joint lives and thereafter by the survivor of them. 415

(3) "Watercraft" has the same meaning as in division (A) 416  
of section 1548.01 of the Revised Code. 417

(4) "~~All-purpose~~ All-terrain vehicle," ~~has~~ "off-highway 418  
motorcycle," "snowmobile," and "mini-truck" have the same 419  
~~meaning~~ meanings as in section 4519.01 of the Revised Code. 420

(5) "~~Off-highway motorcycle~~ Utility vehicle" has the same 421  
meaning as in section ~~4519.01~~ 4501.01 of the Revised Code. 422

(6) "Certificate of title" means a certificate of title 423  
for a titled mode of transportation that is required or 424  
authorized to be titled under Chapter 1548., 4505., or 4519. of 425  
the Revised Code. 426

(7) "Titled mode of transportation" means a motor vehicle, 427  
an all-terrain vehicle, an off-highway motorcycle, a snowmobile, 428

a mini-truck, a utility vehicle, a watercraft, or an outboard 429  
motor. 430

(B) (1) Any two persons may establish in accordance with 431  
this section joint ownership with right of survivorship in a 432  
~~motor vehicle, an all-purpose vehicle, an off-highway~~ 433  
~~motorcycle, a watercraft, or an outboard motor~~ titled mode of 434  
transportation for which a certificate of title is required or 435  
authorized under Chapter 1548., 4505., or 4519. of the Revised 436  
Code. 437

(2) If two persons wish to establish joint ownership with 438  
right of survivorship in a ~~motor vehicle, an all-purpose~~ 439  
~~vehicle, an off-highway motorcycle, a watercraft, or an outboard~~ 440  
~~motor~~ titled mode of transportation that is required or 441  
authorized to be titled under Chapter 1548., 4505., or 4519. of 442  
the Revised Code, they may make a joint application for a 443  
certificate of title under section 1548.07, 4505.06, or 4519.55 444  
of the Revised Code, as applicable. 445

(C) If two persons have established ~~in a certificate of~~ 446  
~~title~~ joint ownership with right of survivorship in a ~~motor~~ 447  
~~vehicle, an all-purpose vehicle, an off-highway motorcycle, a~~ 448  
~~watercraft, or an outboard motor~~ that is required to be titled 449  
~~under Chapter 1548., 4505., or 4519. of the Revised Code, and if~~ 450  
~~one of those persons dies~~ certificate of title, the interest of 451  
the deceased person in the ~~motor vehicle, all-purpose vehicle,~~ 452  
~~off-highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor~~ titled 453  
mode of transportation shall pass to the survivor of them upon 454  
transfer of title to the ~~motor vehicle, all-purpose vehicle,~~ 455  
~~off-highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor~~ titled 456  
mode of transportation in accordance with section 1548.11, 457  
4505.10, or 4519.60 of the Revised Code. The ~~motor vehicle, all-~~ 458



~~purpose vehicle, off highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard~~ 459  
~~motor-titled mode of transportation~~ shall not be considered an 460  
estate asset and shall not be included and stated in the estate 461  
inventory. 462

**Sec. 2131.13.** (A) As used in this section: 463

(1) "Designate or designation in beneficiary form" means 464  
to designate, or the designation of, a ~~motor vehicle, an all-~~ 465  
~~purpose vehicle, an off highway motorcycle, a watercraft, or an~~ 466  
~~outboard motor-titled mode of transportation~~ in a certificate of 467  
title that indicates the present owner of the ~~motor vehicle,~~ 468  
~~all-purpose vehicle, off highway motorcycle, watercraft, or~~ 469  
~~outboard motor-titled mode of transportation~~ and the intention 470  
of the present owner with respect to the transfer of ownership 471  
on the present owner's death by designating one or more persons 472  
as the beneficiary or beneficiaries who will become the owner or 473  
owners of the ~~motor vehicle, all purpose vehicle, off highway-~~ 474  
~~motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor-titled mode of~~ 475  
~~transportation~~ upon the death of the present owner. 476

(2) ~~"Motor vehicle" has the same meaning as in section-~~ 477  
~~4505.01 of the Revised Code.~~ 478

~~(3)~~ "Person" means an individual, a corporation, an 479  
organization, or other legal entity. 480

~~(4)~~ (3) "Transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries" 481  
means a person or persons specified in a certificate of title of 482  
a ~~motor vehicle, all purpose vehicle, off highway motorcycle,~~ 483  
~~watercraft, or outboard motor-titled mode of transportation~~ who 484  
will become the owner or owners of the ~~motor vehicle, all-~~ 485  
~~purpose vehicle, off highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard-~~ 486  
~~motor-titled mode of transportation~~ upon the death of the 487

present owner of the ~~motor vehicle, all purpose vehicle, off-~~ 488  
~~highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor~~ titled mode of 489  
transportation. 490

~~(5) "Watercraft" has the same meaning as in section~~ 491  
~~1548.01 of the Revised Code.~~ 492

~~(6)~~ (4) "Owner" includes the plural as well as the 493  
singular, as specified in section 1.43 of the Revised Code. 494

~~(7) "Joint ownership with right of survivorship" has the~~ 495  
~~same meaning as in section 2131.12 of the Revised Code.~~ 496

~~(8) "All purpose vehicle" has the same meaning as in~~ 497  
~~section 4519.01 of the Revised Code.~~ 498

~~(9) "Off-highway motorcycle" has the same meaning as in~~ 499  
~~section 4519.01 of the Revised Code.~~ 500

(B) (1) An individual whose certificate of title of a ~~motor-~~ 501  
~~vehicle, all purpose vehicle, off-highway motorcycle,~~ 502  
~~watercraft, or outboard motor~~ titled mode of transportation 503  
shows sole ownership by that individual may make an application 504  
for a certificate of title under section 1548.07, 4505.06, or 505  
4519.55 of the Revised Code, as applicable, to designate that 506  
~~motor vehicle, all purpose vehicle, off-highway motorcycle,~~ 507  
~~watercraft, or outboard motor~~ titled mode of transportation in 508  
beneficiary form pursuant to this section. 509

(2) Individuals whose certificate of title of a ~~motor-~~ 510  
~~vehicle, all purpose vehicle, off-highway motorcycle,~~ 511  
~~watercraft, or outboard motor~~ titled mode of transportation 512  
shows joint ownership with right of survivorship may jointly 513  
make an application for a certificate of title under section 514  
1548.07, 4505.06, or 4519.55 of the Revised Code, as applicable, 515  
to designate that ~~motor vehicle, all purpose vehicle, off-~~ 516

~~highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor titled mode of~~ 517  
transportation in beneficiary form pursuant to this section. 518

(C) (1) A ~~motor vehicle, all purpose vehicle, off-highway~~ 519  
~~motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor titled mode of~~ 520  
transportation is designated in beneficiary form if the 521  
certificate of title of the ~~motor vehicle, all purpose vehicle,~~ 522  
~~off-highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor titled~~ 523  
mode of transportation includes the name or names of the 524  
transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries. 525

(2) The designation of a ~~motor vehicle, all purpose~~ 526  
~~vehicle, off-highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor~~ 527  
titled mode of transportation in beneficiary form is not 528  
required to be supported by consideration, and the certificate 529  
of title in which the designation is made is not required to be 530  
delivered to the transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries 531  
in order for the designation in beneficiary form to be 532  
effective. 533

(D) The designation of a ~~motor vehicle, all purpose~~ 534  
~~vehicle, off-highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor~~ 535  
titled mode of transportation in beneficiary form may be shown 536  
in the certificate of title by the words "transfer-on-death" or 537  
the abbreviation "TOD" after the name of the owner of a ~~motor~~ 538  
~~vehicle, all purpose vehicle, off-highway motorcycle,~~ 539  
~~watercraft, or outboard motor titled mode of transportation~~ and 540  
before the name or names of the transfer-on-death beneficiary or 541  
beneficiaries. 542

(E) The designation of a transfer-on-death beneficiary or 543  
beneficiaries on a certificate of title has no effect on the 544  
ownership of a ~~motor vehicle, all purpose vehicle, off-highway~~ 545  
~~motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor titled mode of~~ 546

transportation until the death of the owner of the ~~motor~~ 547  
~~vehicle, all-purpose vehicle, off-highway motorcycle,~~ 548  
~~watercraft, or outboard motor~~titled mode of transportation. The 549  
owner of a ~~motor vehicle, all-purpose vehicle, off-highway~~ 550  
~~motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor~~ titled mode of 551  
transportation may cancel or change the designation of a 552  
transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries on a certificate 553  
of title at any time without the consent of the transfer-on- 554  
death beneficiary or beneficiaries by making an application for 555  
a certificate of title under section 1548.07, 4505.06, or 556  
4519.55 of the Revised Code, as applicable. 557

(F) (1) Upon the death of the owner of a ~~motor vehicle,~~ 558  
~~all-purpose vehicle, off-highway motorcycle, watercraft, or~~ 559  
~~outboard motor~~ titled mode of transportation designated in 560  
beneficiary form, the ownership of the ~~motor vehicle, all-~~ 561  
~~purpose vehicle, off-highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard~~ 562  
~~motor~~ titled mode of transportation shall pass to the transfer- 563  
on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries who survive the owner upon 564  
transfer of title to the ~~motor vehicle, all-purpose vehicle,~~ 565  
~~off-highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor~~ titled 566  
mode of transportation in accordance with section 1548.11, 567  
4505.10, or 4519.60 of the Revised Code, as applicable. The 568  
transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries who survive the 569  
owner may apply for a certificate of title to the ~~motor vehicle,~~ 570  
~~all-purpose vehicle, off-highway motorcycle, watercraft, or~~ 571  
~~outboard motor~~ titled mode of transportation upon submitting 572  
proof of the death of the owner of the ~~motor vehicle, all-~~ 573  
~~purpose vehicle, off-highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard~~ 574  
~~motor~~titled mode of transportation. 575

(2) If no transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries 576  
survive the owner of a ~~motor vehicle, watercraft, or outboard~~ 577

~~motor~~titled mode of transportation, the ~~motor vehicle~~,  
~~watercraft, or outboard motor~~ titled mode of transportation  
shall be included in the probate estate of the deceased owner.

(G) (1) Any transfer of a ~~motor vehicle, all-purpose  
vehicle, off-highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor~~  
titled mode of transportation to a transfer-on-death beneficiary  
or beneficiaries that results from a designation of the ~~motor  
vehicle, all purpose vehicle, off highway motorcycle,  
watercraft, or outboard motor~~ titled mode of transportation in  
beneficiary form is not testamentary.

(2) This section does not limit the rights of any creditor  
of the owner of a ~~motor vehicle, all-purpose vehicle, off-  
highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard motor~~ titled mode of  
transportation against any transfer-on-death beneficiary or  
beneficiaries or other transferees of the ~~motor vehicle, all-  
purpose vehicle, off highway motorcycle, watercraft, or outboard  
motor~~ titled mode of transportation under other laws of this  
state.

(H) (1) This section shall be known and may be cited as the  
"Transfer-on-Death ~~of Motor Vehicle, All-Purpose Vehicle, Off-  
Highway Motorcycle, Watercraft, or Outboard Motor~~ Statute."

(2) Divisions (A) to (H) of this section shall be  
liberally construed and applied to promote their underlying  
purposes and policy.

(3) Unless displaced by particular provisions of divisions  
(A) to (H) of this section, the principles of law and equity  
supplement the provisions of those divisions.

**Sec. 2744.01.** As used in this chapter:

(A) "Emergency call" means a call to duty, including, but

not limited to, communications from citizens, police dispatches, 607  
and personal observations by peace officers of inherently 608  
dangerous situations that demand an immediate response on the 609  
part of a peace officer. 610

(B) "Employee" means an officer, agent, employee, or 611  
servant, whether or not compensated or full-time or part-time, 612  
who is authorized to act and is acting within the scope of the 613  
officer's, agent's, employee's, or servant's employment for a 614  
political subdivision. "Employee" does not include an 615  
independent contractor and does not include any individual 616  
engaged by a school district pursuant to section 3319.301 of the 617  
Revised Code. "Employee" includes any elected or appointed 618  
official of a political subdivision. "Employee" also includes a 619  
person who has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a criminal 620  
offense and who has been sentenced to perform community service 621  
work in a political subdivision whether pursuant to section 622  
2951.02 of the Revised Code or otherwise, and a child who is 623  
found to be a delinquent child and who is ordered by a juvenile 624  
court pursuant to section 2152.19 or 2152.20 of the Revised Code 625  
to perform community service or community work in a political 626  
subdivision. 627

(C) (1) "Governmental function" means a function of a 628  
political subdivision that is specified in division (C) (2) of 629  
this section or that satisfies any of the following: 630

(a) A function that is imposed upon the state as an 631  
obligation of sovereignty and that is performed by a political 632  
subdivision voluntarily or pursuant to legislative requirement; 633

(b) A function that is for the common good of all citizens 634  
of the state; 635

(c) A function that promotes or preserves the public 636  
peace, health, safety, or welfare; that involves activities that 637  
are not engaged in or not customarily engaged in by 638  
nongovernmental persons; and that is not specified in division 639  
(G) (2) of this section as a proprietary function. 640

(2) A "governmental function" includes, but is not limited 641  
to, the following: 642

(a) The provision or nonprovision of police, fire, 643  
emergency medical, ambulance, and rescue services or protection; 644

(b) The power to preserve the peace; to prevent and 645  
suppress riots, disturbances, and disorderly assemblages; to 646  
prevent, mitigate, and clean up releases of oil and hazardous 647  
and extremely hazardous substances as defined in section 3750.01 648  
of the Revised Code; and to protect persons and property; 649

(c) The provision of a system of public education; 650

(d) The provision of a free public library system; 651

(e) The regulation of the use of, and the maintenance and 652  
repair of, roads, highways, streets, avenues, alleys, sidewalks, 653  
bridges, aqueducts, viaducts, and public grounds; 654

(f) Judicial, quasi-judicial, prosecutorial, legislative, 655  
and quasi-legislative functions; 656

(g) The construction, reconstruction, repair, renovation, 657  
maintenance, and operation of buildings that are used in 658  
connection with the performance of a governmental function, 659  
including, but not limited to, office buildings and courthouses; 660

(h) The design, construction, reconstruction, renovation, 661  
repair, maintenance, and operation of jails, places of juvenile 662  
detention, workhouses, or any other detention facility, as 663

defined in section 2921.01 of the Revised Code; 664

(i) The enforcement or nonperformance of any law; 665

(j) The regulation of traffic, and the erection or 666  
nonerection of traffic signs, signals, or control devices; 667

(k) The collection and disposal of solid wastes, as 668  
defined in section 3734.01 of the Revised Code, including, but 669  
not limited to, the operation of solid waste disposal 670  
facilities, as "facilities" is defined in that section, and the 671  
collection and management of hazardous waste generated by 672  
households. As used in division (C) (2) (k) of this section, 673  
"hazardous waste generated by households" means solid waste 674  
originally generated by individual households that is listed 675  
specifically as hazardous waste in or exhibits one or more 676  
characteristics of hazardous waste as defined by rules adopted 677  
under section 3734.12 of the Revised Code, but that is excluded 678  
from regulation as a hazardous waste by those rules. 679

(l) The provision or nonprovision, planning or design, 680  
construction, or reconstruction of a public improvement, 681  
including, but not limited to, a sewer system; 682

(m) The operation of a job and family services department 683  
or agency, including, but not limited to, the provision of 684  
assistance to aged and infirm persons and to persons who are 685  
indigent; 686

(n) The operation of a health board, department, or 687  
agency, including, but not limited to, any statutorily required 688  
or permissive program for the provision of immunizations or 689  
other inoculations to all or some members of the public, 690  
provided that a "governmental function" does not include the 691  
supply, manufacture, distribution, or development of any drug or 692



vaccine employed in any such immunization or inoculation program	693
by any supplier, manufacturer, distributor, or developer of the	694
drug or vaccine;	695
(o) The operation of mental health facilities,	696
developmental disabilities facilities, alcohol treatment and	697
control centers, and children's homes or agencies;	698
(p) The provision or nonprovision of inspection services	699
of all types, including, but not limited to, inspections in	700
connection with building, zoning, sanitation, fire, plumbing,	701
and electrical codes, and the taking of actions in connection	702
with those types of codes, including, but not limited to, the	703
approval of plans for the construction of buildings or	704
structures and the issuance or revocation of building permits or	705
stop work orders in connection with buildings or structures;	706
(q) Urban renewal projects and the elimination of slum	707
conditions, including the performance of any activity that a	708
county land reutilization corporation is authorized to perform	709
under Chapter 1724. or 5722. of the Revised Code;	710
(r) Flood control measures;	711
(s) The design, construction, reconstruction, renovation,	712
operation, care, repair, and maintenance of a township cemetery;	713
(t) The issuance of revenue obligations under section	714
140.06 of the Revised Code;	715
(u) The design, construction, reconstruction, renovation,	716
repair, maintenance, and operation of any school athletic	717
facility, school auditorium, or gymnasium or any recreational	718
area or facility, including, but not limited to, any of the	719
following:	720

(i) A park, playground, or playfield;	721
(ii) An indoor recreational facility;	722
(iii) A zoo or zoological park;	723
(iv) A bath, swimming pool, pond, water park, wading pool, wave pool, water slide, or other type of aquatic facility;	724 725
(v) A golf course;	726
(vi) A bicycle motocross facility or other type of recreational area or facility in which bicycling, skating, skate boarding, or scooter riding is engaged;	727 728 729
(vii) A rope course or climbing walls;	730
(viii) An <del>all-purpose-all-terrain</del> vehicle facility in which <del>all-purpose-all-terrain</del> vehicles, as defined in section 4519.01 of the Revised Code, are contained, maintained, or operated for recreational activities.	731 732 733 734
(v) The provision of public defender services by a county or joint county public defender's office pursuant to Chapter 120. of the Revised Code;	735 736 737
(w) (i) At any time before regulations prescribed pursuant to 49 U.S.C.A 20153 become effective, the designation, establishment, design, construction, implementation, operation, repair, or maintenance of a public road rail crossing in a zone within a municipal corporation in which, by ordinance, the legislative authority of the municipal corporation regulates the sounding of locomotive horns, whistles, or bells;	738 739 740 741 742 743 744
(ii) On and after the effective date of regulations prescribed pursuant to 49 U.S.C.A. 20153, the designation, establishment, design, construction, implementation, operation,	745 746 747

repair, or maintenance of a public road rail crossing in such a 748  
zone or of a supplementary safety measure, as defined in 49 749  
U.S.C.A 20153, at or for a public road rail crossing, if and to 750  
the extent that the public road rail crossing is excepted, 751  
pursuant to subsection (c) of that section, from the requirement 752  
of the regulations prescribed under subsection (b) of that 753  
section. 754

(x) A function that the general assembly mandates a 755  
political subdivision to perform. 756

(D) "Law" means any provision of the constitution, 757  
statutes, or rules of the United States or of this state; 758  
provisions of charters, ordinances, resolutions, and rules of 759  
political subdivisions; and written policies adopted by boards 760  
of education. When used in connection with the "common law," 761  
this definition does not apply. 762

(E) "Motor vehicle" has the same meaning as in section 763  
4511.01 of the Revised Code. 764

(F) "Political subdivision" or "subdivision" means a 765  
municipal corporation, township, county, school district, or 766  
other body corporate and politic responsible for governmental 767  
activities in a geographic area smaller than that of the state. 768  
"Political subdivision" includes, but is not limited to, a 769  
county hospital commission appointed under section 339.14 of the 770  
Revised Code, board of hospital commissioners appointed for a 771  
municipal hospital under section 749.04 of the Revised Code, 772  
board of hospital trustees appointed for a municipal hospital 773  
under section 749.22 of the Revised Code, regional planning 774  
commission created pursuant to section 713.21 of the Revised 775  
Code, county planning commission created pursuant to section 776  
713.22 of the Revised Code, joint planning council created 777

pursuant to section 713.231 of the Revised Code, interstate 778  
regional planning commission created pursuant to section 713.30 779  
of the Revised Code, port authority created pursuant to section 780  
4582.02 or 4582.26 of the Revised Code or in existence on 781  
December 16, 1964, regional council established by political 782  
subdivisions pursuant to Chapter 167. of the Revised Code, 783  
emergency planning district and joint emergency planning 784  
district designated under section 3750.03 of the Revised Code, 785  
joint emergency medical services district created pursuant to 786  
section 307.052 of the Revised Code, fire and ambulance district 787  
created pursuant to section 505.375 of the Revised Code, joint 788  
interstate emergency planning district established by an 789  
agreement entered into under that section, county solid waste 790  
management district and joint solid waste management district 791  
established under section 343.01 or 343.012 of the Revised Code, 792  
community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised 793  
Code, county land reutilization corporation organized under 794  
Chapter 1724. of the Revised Code, the county or counties served 795  
by a community-based correctional facility and program or 796  
district community-based correctional facility and program 797  
established and operated under sections 2301.51 to 2301.58 of 798  
the Revised Code, a community-based correctional facility and 799  
program or district community-based correctional facility and 800  
program that is so established and operated, and the facility 801  
governing board of a community-based correctional facility and 802  
program or district community-based correctional facility and 803  
program that is so established and operated. 804

(G) (1) "Proprietary function" means a function of a 805  
political subdivision that is specified in division (G) (2) of 806  
this section or that satisfies both of the following: 807

(a) The function is not one described in division (C) (1) 808

(a) or (b) of this section and is not one specified in division	809
(C) (2) of this section;	810
(b) The function is one that promotes or preserves the	811
public peace, health, safety, or welfare and that involves	812
activities that are customarily engaged in by nongovernmental	813
persons.	814
(2) A "proprietary function" includes, but is not limited	815
to, the following:	816
(a) The operation of a hospital by one or more political	817
subdivisions;	818
(b) The design, construction, reconstruction, renovation,	819
repair, maintenance, and operation of a public cemetery other	820
than a township cemetery;	821
(c) The establishment, maintenance, and operation of a	822
utility, including, but not limited to, a light, gas, power, or	823
heat plant, a railroad, a busline or other transit company, an	824
airport, and a municipal corporation water supply system;	825
(d) The maintenance, destruction, operation, and upkeep of	826
a sewer system;	827
(e) The operation and control of a public stadium,	828
auditorium, civic or social center, exhibition hall, arts and	829
crafts center, band or orchestra, or off-street parking	830
facility.	831
(H) "Public roads" means public roads, highways, streets,	832
avenues, alleys, and bridges within a political subdivision.	833
"Public roads" does not include berms, shoulders, rights-of-way,	834
or traffic control devices unless the traffic control devices	835
are mandated by the Ohio manual of uniform traffic control	836

devices. 837

(I) "State" means the state of Ohio, including, but not 838  
limited to, the general assembly, the supreme court, the offices 839  
of all elected state officers, and all departments, boards, 840  
offices, commissions, agencies, colleges and universities, 841  
institutions, and other instrumentalities of the state of Ohio. 842  
"State" does not include political subdivisions. 843

**Sec. 2911.21.** (A) No person, without privilege to do so, 844  
shall do any of the following: 845

(1) Knowingly enter or remain on the land or premises of 846  
another; 847

(2) Knowingly enter or remain on the land or premises of 848  
another, the use of which is lawfully restricted to certain 849  
persons, purposes, modes, or hours, when the offender knows the 850  
offender is in violation of any such restriction or is reckless 851  
in that regard; 852

(3) Recklessly enter or remain on the land or premises of 853  
another, as to which notice against unauthorized access or 854  
presence is given by actual communication to the offender, or in 855  
a manner prescribed by law, or by posting in a manner reasonably 856  
calculated to come to the attention of potential intruders, or 857  
by fencing or other enclosure manifestly designed to restrict 858  
access; 859

(4) Being on the land or premises of another, negligently 860  
fail or refuse to leave upon being notified by signage posted in 861  
a conspicuous place or otherwise being notified to do so by the 862  
owner or occupant, or the agent or servant of either; 863

(5) Knowingly enter or remain on a critical infrastructure 864  
facility. 865

(B) It is no defense to a charge under this section that 866  
the land or premises involved was owned, controlled, or in 867  
custody of a public agency. 868

(C) It is no defense to a charge under this section that 869  
the offender was authorized to enter or remain on the land or 870  
premises involved, when such authorization was secured by 871  
deception. 872

(D) (1) Whoever violates this section is guilty of criminal 873  
trespass. Criminal trespass in violation of division (A) (1), 874  
(2), (3), or (4) of this section is a misdemeanor of the fourth 875  
degree. Criminal trespass in violation of division (A) (5) of 876  
this section is a misdemeanor of the first degree. 877

(2) Notwithstanding section 2929.28 of the Revised Code, 878  
if the person, in committing the violation of this section, used 879  
a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, utility vehicle, or ~~all-~~ 880  
~~purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle, the court shall impose a fine of 881  
two times the usual amount imposed for the violation. 882

(3) If an offender previously has been convicted of or 883  
pleaded guilty to two or more violations of this section or a 884  
substantially equivalent municipal ordinance, and the offender, 885  
in committing each violation, used a snowmobile, off-highway 886  
motorcycle, utility vehicle, or ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle, 887  
the court, in addition to or independent of all other penalties 888  
imposed for the violation, may impound the certificate of 889  
registration of that snowmobile or off-highway motorcycle or the 890  
certificate of registration and license plate of that ~~all-~~ 891  
~~purpose-utility vehicle or all-terrain~~ vehicle for not less than 892  
sixty days. In such a case, section 4519.47 of the Revised Code 893  
applies. 894

(E) Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised Code, if the offender, in committing the violation of this section, used a utility vehicle or an all-purpose-all-terrain vehicle, the clerk of the court shall pay the fine imposed pursuant to this section to the state recreational vehicle fund created by section 4519.11 of the Revised Code.

(F) As used in this section:

(1) "~~All-purpose~~ All-terrain vehicle," "off-highway motorcycle," and "snowmobile" have the same meanings as in section 4519.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Utility vehicle" has the same meaning as in section 4501.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Land or premises" includes any land, building, structure, or place belonging to, controlled by, or in custody of another, and any separate enclosure or room, or portion thereof.

~~(3)~~ (4) "Production operation," "well," and "well pad" have the same meanings as in section 1509.01 of the Revised Code.

~~(4)~~ (5) "Critical infrastructure facility" means:

(a) One of the following, if completely enclosed by a fence or other physical barrier that is obviously designed to exclude intruders, or if clearly marked with signs that are reasonably likely to come to the attention of potential intruders and that indicate entry is forbidden without site authorization:

(i) A petroleum or alumina refinery;

(ii) An electric generating facility, substation,



switching station, electrical control center, or electric	923
transmission and distribution lines and associated equipment;	924
(iii) A chemical, polymer, or rubber manufacturing	925
facility;	926
(iv) A water intake structure, water treatment facility,	927
waste water facility, drainage facility, water management	928
facility, or any similar water or sewage treatment system and	929
its water and sewage piping;	930
(v) A natural gas company facility or interstate natural	931
gas pipeline, including a pipeline interconnection, a natural	932
gas compressor station and associated facilities, city gate or	933
town border station, metering station, above-ground piping,	934
regulator station, valve site, delivery station, fabricated	935
assembly, or any other part of a natural gas storage facility	936
involved in the gathering, storage, transmission, or	937
distribution of gas;	938
(vi) A telecommunications central switching office or	939
remote switching facility or an equivalent network facility that	940
serves a similar purpose;	941
(vii) Wireline or wireless telecommunications	942
infrastructure, including telecommunications towers and	943
telephone poles and lines, including fiber optic lines;	944
(viii) A port, trucking terminal, or other freight	945
transportation facility;	946
(ix) A gas processing plant, including a plant used in the	947
processing, treatment, or fractionation of natural gas or	948
natural gas liquids;	949
(x) A transmission facility used by a federally licensed	950

radio or television station;	951
(xi) A steel-making facility that uses an electric arc furnace to make steel;	952 953
(xii) A facility identified and regulated by the United States department of homeland security's chemical facility anti-terrorism standards program under 6 C.F.R. part 27;	954 955 956
(xiii) A dam that is regulated by the state or federal government;	957 958
(xiv) A crude oil or refined products storage and distribution facility, including valve sites, pipeline interconnections, pump station, metering station, below- or above-ground pipeline, or piping and truck loading or off-loading facility;	959 960 961 962 963
(xv) A video service network and broadband infrastructure, including associated buildings and facilities, video service headends, towers, utility poles, and utility lines such as fiber optic lines. As used in this division, "video service network" has the same meaning as in section 1332.21 of the Revised Code.	964 965 966 967 968
(xvi) Any above-ground portion of an oil, gas, hazardous liquid or chemical pipeline, tank, or other storage facility;	969 970
(xvii) Any above-ground portion of a well, well pad, or production operation;	971 972
(xviii) A laydown area or construction site for pipe and other equipment intended for use on an interstate or intrastate natural gas or crude oil pipeline;	973 974 975
(xix) Any mining operation, including any processing equipment, batching operation, or support facility for that mining operation.	976 977 978

(b) With respect to a video service network or broadband or wireless telecommunications infrastructure, the above-ground portion of a facility installed in a public right-of-way on a utility pole or in a conduit;	979 980 981 982
(c) Any railroad property;	983
(d) An electronic asset of any of the following:	984
(i) An electric light company that is a public utility under section 4905.02 of the Revised Code;	985 986
(ii) An electric cooperative, as defined in section 4928.01 of the Revised Code;	987 988
(iii) A municipal electric utility, as defined in section 4928.01 of the Revised Code;	989 990
(iv) A natural gas company that is a public utility under section 4905.02 of the Revised Code;	991 992
(v) A telephone company that is a public utility under section 4905.02 of the Revised Code;	993 994
(vi) A video service provider, including a cable operator, as those terms are defined in section 1332.21 of the Revised Code.	995 996 997
<del>(5)</del> <u>(6)</u> "Electronic asset" includes, but is not limited to, the hardware, software, and data of a programmable electronic device; all communications, operations, and customer data networks; and the contents of those data networks.	998 999 1000 1001
<b>Sec. 2921.331.</b> (A) No person shall fail to comply with any lawful order or direction of any police officer invested with authority to direct, control, or regulate traffic.	1002 1003 1004
(B) No person shall operate a motor vehicle, <u>off-highway</u>	1005

motorcycle, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or 1006  
mini-truck so as ~~willfully~~ ~~purposely~~ to elude or flee a police 1007  
officer after receiving a visible or audible signal from a 1008  
police officer to bring the person's motor vehicle, off-highway 1009  
motorcycle, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or 1010  
mini-truck to a stop. 1011

(C) (1) Whoever violates this section is guilty of failure 1012  
to comply with an order or signal of a police officer. 1013

(2) A violation of division (A) of this section is a 1014  
misdemeanor of the first degree. 1015

(3) Except as provided in divisions (C) (4) and (5) of this 1016  
section, a violation of division (B) of this section is a 1017  
misdemeanor of the first degree. 1018

(4) Except as provided in division (C) (5) of this section, 1019  
a violation of division (B) of this section is a felony of the 1020  
fourth degree if the jury or judge as trier of fact finds by 1021  
proof beyond a reasonable doubt that, in committing the offense, 1022  
the offender was fleeing immediately after the commission of a 1023  
felony. 1024

(5) (a) A violation of division (B) of this section is a 1025  
felony of the third degree if the jury or judge as trier of fact 1026  
finds any of the following by proof beyond a reasonable doubt: 1027

(i) The operation of the motor vehicle, off-highway 1028  
motorcycle, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or 1029  
mini-truck by the offender was a proximate cause of serious 1030  
physical harm to persons or property. 1031

(ii) The operation of the motor vehicle, off-highway 1032  
motorcycle, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or 1033  
mini-truck by the offender caused a substantial risk of serious 1034

physical harm to persons or property. 1035

(b) If a police officer pursues an offender who is 1036  
violating division (B) of this section and division (C) (5) (a) of 1037  
this section applies, the sentencing court, in determining the 1038  
seriousness of an offender's conduct for purposes of sentencing 1039  
the offender for a violation of division (B) of this section, 1040  
shall consider, along with the factors set forth in sections 1041  
2929.12 and 2929.13 of the Revised Code that are required to be 1042  
considered, all of the following: 1043

(i) The duration of the pursuit; 1044

(ii) The distance of the pursuit; 1045

(iii) The rate of speed at which the offender operated the 1046  
motor vehicle, off-highway motorcycle, all-terrain vehicle, 1047  
snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck during the pursuit; 1048

(iv) Whether the offender failed to stop for traffic 1049  
lights or stop signs during the pursuit; 1050

(v) The number of traffic lights or stop signs for which 1051  
the offender failed to stop during the pursuit; 1052

(vi) Whether the offender operated the motor vehicle, off- 1053  
highway motorcycle, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility 1054  
vehicle, or mini-truck during the pursuit without lighted lights 1055  
during a time when lighted lights are required; 1056

(vii) Whether the offender committed a moving violation 1057  
during the pursuit; 1058

(viii) The number of moving violations the offender 1059  
committed during the pursuit; 1060

(ix) Any other relevant factors indicating that the 1061

offender's conduct is more serious than conduct normally 1062  
constituting the offense. 1063

(D) If an offender is sentenced pursuant to division (C) 1064  
(4) or (5) of this section for a violation of division (B) of 1065  
this section, and if the offender is sentenced to a prison term 1066  
for that violation, the offender shall serve the prison term 1067  
consecutively to any other prison term or mandatory prison term 1068  
imposed upon the offender. 1069

(E) In addition to any other sanction imposed for a felony 1070  
violation of division (B) of this section, the court shall 1071  
impose a class two suspension from the range specified in 1072  
division (A) (2) of section 4510.02 of the Revised Code. In 1073  
addition to any other sanction imposed for a violation of 1074  
division (A) of this section or a misdemeanor violation of 1075  
division (B) of this section, the court shall impose a class 1076  
five suspension from the range specified in division (A) (5) of 1077  
section 4510.02 of the Revised Code. If the offender previously 1078  
has been found guilty of an offense under this section, in 1079  
addition to any other sanction imposed for the offense, the 1080  
court shall impose a class one suspension as described in 1081  
division (A) (1) of that section. The court shall not grant 1082  
limited driving privileges to the offender on a suspension 1083  
imposed for a felony violation of this section. The court may 1084  
grant limited driving privileges to the offender on a suspension 1085  
imposed for a misdemeanor violation of this section as set forth 1086  
in section 4510.021 of the Revised Code. No judge shall suspend 1087  
the first three years of suspension under a class two suspension 1088  
of an offender's license, permit, or privilege required by this 1089  
division ~~on~~ or any portion of the suspension under a class one 1090  
suspension of an offender's license, permit, or privilege 1091  
required by this division. 1092

(F) A motor vehicle, off-highway motorcycle, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck used in violation of division (B) of this section is contraband, and is an instrumentality, that is subject to seizure and forfeiture under Chapter 2981. of the Revised Code. 1093  
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(G) As used in this section: 1098

(1) "Moving violation" has the same meaning as in section 2743.70 of the Revised Code. 1099  
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(2) "Police officer" has the same meaning as in section 4511.01 of the Revised Code. 1101  
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(3) "Instrumentality" has the same meaning as in section 2981.01 of the Revised Code. 1103  
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**Sec. 2923.16.** (A) No person shall knowingly discharge a firearm while in or on a motor vehicle. 1105  
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(B) No person shall knowingly transport or have a loaded firearm in a motor vehicle in such a manner that the firearm is accessible to the operator or any passenger without leaving the vehicle. 1107  
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(C) No person shall knowingly transport or have a firearm in a motor vehicle, unless the person may lawfully possess that firearm under applicable law of this state or the United States, the firearm is unloaded, and the firearm is carried in one of the following ways: 1111  
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(1) In a closed package, box, or case; 1116

(2) In a compartment that can be reached only by leaving the vehicle; 1117  
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(3) In plain sight and secured in a rack or holder made 1119

for the purpose; 1120

(4) If the firearm is at least twenty-four inches in 1121  
overall length as measured from the muzzle to the part of the 1122  
stock furthest from the muzzle and if the barrel is at least 1123  
eighteen inches in length, either in plain sight with the action 1124  
open or the weapon stripped, or, if the firearm is of a type on 1125  
which the action will not stay open or which cannot easily be 1126  
stripped, in plain sight. 1127

(D) No person shall knowingly transport or have a loaded 1128  
handgun in a motor vehicle if, at the time of that 1129  
transportation or possession, any of the following applies: 1130

(1) The person is under the influence of alcohol, a drug 1131  
of abuse, or a combination of them. 1132

(2) The person's whole blood, blood serum or plasma, 1133  
breath, or urine contains a concentration of alcohol, a listed 1134  
controlled substance, or a listed metabolite of a controlled 1135  
substance prohibited for persons operating a vehicle, as 1136  
specified in division (A) of section 4511.19 of the Revised 1137  
Code, regardless of whether the person at the time of the 1138  
transportation or possession as described in this division is 1139  
the operator of or a passenger in the motor vehicle. 1140

(E) No person who has been issued a concealed handgun 1141  
license or who is an active duty member of the armed forces of 1142  
the United States and is carrying a valid military 1143  
identification card and documentation of successful completion 1144  
of firearms training that meets or exceeds the training 1145  
requirements described in division (G) (1) of section 2923.125 of 1146  
the Revised Code, who is the driver or an occupant of a motor 1147  
vehicle that is stopped as a result of a traffic stop or a stop 1148



for another law enforcement purpose or is the driver or an 1149  
occupant of a commercial motor vehicle that is stopped by an 1150  
employee of the motor carrier enforcement unit for the purposes 1151  
defined in section 5503.34 of the Revised Code, and who is 1152  
transporting or has a loaded handgun in the motor vehicle or 1153  
commercial motor vehicle in any manner, shall do any of the 1154  
following: 1155

(1) Before or at the time a law enforcement officer asks 1156  
if the person is carrying a concealed handgun, knowingly fail to 1157  
disclose that the person then possesses or has a loaded handgun 1158  
in the motor vehicle, provided that it is not a violation of 1159  
this division if the person fails to disclose that fact to an 1160  
officer during the stop and the person already has notified 1161  
another officer of that fact during the same stop; 1162

(2) Before or at the time an employee of the motor carrier 1163  
enforcement unit asks if the person is carrying a concealed 1164  
handgun, knowingly fail to disclose that the person then 1165  
possesses or has a loaded handgun in the commercial motor 1166  
vehicle, provided that it is not a violation of this division if 1167  
the person fails to disclose that fact to an employee of the 1168  
unit during the stop and the person already has notified another 1169  
employee of the unit of that fact during the same stop; 1170

(3) Knowingly fail to remain in the motor vehicle while 1171  
stopped or knowingly fail to keep the person's hands in plain 1172  
sight at any time after any law enforcement officer begins 1173  
approaching the person while stopped and before the law 1174  
enforcement officer leaves, unless the failure is pursuant to 1175  
and in accordance with directions given by a law enforcement 1176  
officer; 1177

(4) Knowingly have contact with the loaded handgun by 1178

touching it with the person's hands or fingers in the motor 1179  
vehicle at any time after the law enforcement officer begins 1180  
approaching and before the law enforcement officer leaves, 1181  
unless the person has contact with the loaded handgun pursuant 1182  
to and in accordance with directions given by the law 1183  
enforcement officer; 1184

(5) Knowingly disregard or fail to comply with any lawful 1185  
order of any law enforcement officer given while the motor 1186  
vehicle is stopped, including, but not limited to, a specific 1187  
order to the person to keep the person's hands in plain sight. 1188

(F) (1) Divisions (A), (B), (C), and (E) of this section do 1189  
not apply to any of the following: 1190

(a) An officer, agent, or employee of this or any other 1191  
state or the United States, or a law enforcement officer, when 1192  
authorized to carry or have loaded or accessible firearms in 1193  
motor vehicles and acting within the scope of the officer's, 1194  
agent's, or employee's duties; 1195

(b) Any person who is employed in this state, who is 1196  
authorized to carry or have loaded or accessible firearms in 1197  
motor vehicles, and who is subject to and in compliance with the 1198  
requirements of section 109.801 of the Revised Code, unless the 1199  
appointing authority of the person has expressly specified that 1200  
the exemption provided in division (F) (1) (b) of this section 1201  
does not apply to the person. 1202

(2) Division (A) of this section does not apply to a 1203  
person if all of the following circumstances apply: 1204

(a) The person discharges a firearm from a motor vehicle 1205  
at a coyote or groundhog, the discharge is not during the deer 1206  
gun hunting season as set by the chief of the division of 1207

wildlife of the department of natural resources, and the 1208  
discharge at the coyote or groundhog, but for the operation of 1209  
this section, is lawful. 1210

(b) The motor vehicle from which the person discharges the 1211  
firearm is on real property that is located in an unincorporated 1212  
area of a township and that either is zoned for agriculture or 1213  
is used for agriculture. 1214

(c) The person owns the real property described in 1215  
division (F) (2) (b) of this section, is the spouse or a child of 1216  
another person who owns that real property, is a tenant of 1217  
another person who owns that real property, or is the spouse or 1218  
a child of a tenant of another person who owns that real 1219  
property. 1220

(d) The person does not discharge the firearm in any of 1221  
the following manners: 1222

(i) While under the influence of alcohol, a drug of abuse, 1223  
or alcohol and a drug of abuse; 1224

(ii) In the direction of a street, highway, or other 1225  
public or private property used by the public for vehicular 1226  
traffic or parking; 1227

(iii) At or into an occupied structure that is a permanent 1228  
or temporary habitation; 1229

(iv) In the commission of any violation of law, including, 1230  
but not limited to, a felony that includes, as an essential 1231  
element, purposely or knowingly causing or attempting to cause 1232  
the death of or physical harm to another and that was committed 1233  
by discharging a firearm from a motor vehicle. 1234

(3) Division (A) of this section does not apply to a 1235

person if all of the following apply: 1236

(a) The person possesses a valid ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ 1237  
vehicle permit issued under section 1533.103 of the Revised Code 1238  
by the chief of the division of wildlife. 1239

(b) The person discharges a firearm at a wild quadruped or 1240  
game bird as defined in section 1531.01 of the Revised Code 1241  
during the open hunting season for the applicable wild quadruped 1242  
or game bird. 1243

(c) The person discharges a firearm from a stationary ~~all-~~ 1244  
~~purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle as defined in section 1531.01 of the 1245  
~~Revised Code~~ from private or publicly owned lands or from a 1246  
motor vehicle that is parked on a road that is owned or 1247  
administered by the division of wildlife. 1248

(d) The person does not discharge the firearm in any of 1249  
the following manners: 1250

(i) While under the influence of alcohol, a drug of abuse, 1251  
or alcohol and a drug of abuse; 1252

(ii) In the direction of a street, a highway, or other 1253  
public or private property that is used by the public for 1254  
vehicular traffic or parking; 1255

(iii) At or into an occupied structure that is a permanent 1256  
or temporary habitation; 1257

(iv) In the commission of any violation of law, including, 1258  
but not limited to, a felony that includes, as an essential 1259  
element, purposely or knowingly causing or attempting to cause 1260  
the death of or physical harm to another and that was committed 1261  
by discharging a firearm from a motor vehicle. 1262

(4) Divisions (B) and (C) of this section do not apply to 1263

a person if all of the following circumstances apply: 1264

(a) At the time of the alleged violation of either of 1265  
those divisions, the person is the operator of or a passenger in 1266  
a motor vehicle. 1267

(b) The motor vehicle is on real property that is located 1268  
in an unincorporated area of a township and that either is zoned 1269  
for agriculture or is used for agriculture. 1270

(c) The person owns the real property described in 1271  
division (F) (4) (b) of this section, is the spouse or a child of 1272  
another person who owns that real property, is a tenant of 1273  
another person who owns that real property, or is the spouse or 1274  
a child of a tenant of another person who owns that real 1275  
property. 1276

(d) The person, prior to arriving at the real property 1277  
described in division (F) (4) (b) of this section, did not 1278  
transport or possess a firearm in the motor vehicle in a manner 1279  
prohibited by division (B) or (C) of this section while the 1280  
motor vehicle was being operated on a street, highway, or other 1281  
public or private property used by the public for vehicular 1282  
traffic or parking. 1283

(5) Divisions (B) and (C) of this section do not apply to 1284  
a person who transports or possesses a handgun in a motor 1285  
vehicle if, at the time of that transportation or possession, 1286  
both of the following apply: 1287

(a) The person transporting or possessing the handgun has 1288  
been issued a concealed handgun license that is valid at the 1289  
time in question or the person is an active duty member of the 1290  
armed forces of the United States and is carrying a valid 1291  
military identification card and documentation of successful 1292

completion of firearms training that meets or exceeds the 1293  
training requirements described in division (G)(1) of section 1294  
2923.125 of the Revised Code. 1295

(b) The person transporting or possessing the handgun is 1296  
not knowingly in a place described in division (B) of section 1297  
2923.126 of the Revised Code. 1298

(6) Divisions (B) and (C) of this section do not apply to 1299  
a person if all of the following apply: 1300

(a) The person possesses a valid ~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain 1301  
vehicle permit issued under section 1533.103 of the Revised Code 1302  
by the chief of the division of wildlife. 1303

(b) The person is on or in an ~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain 1304  
vehicle ~~as defined in section 1531.01 of the Revised Code~~ or a 1305  
motor vehicle during the open hunting season for a wild 1306  
quadruped or game bird. 1307

(c) The person is on or in an ~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain 1308  
vehicle ~~as defined in section 1531.01 of the Revised Code~~ on 1309  
private or publicly owned lands or on or in a motor vehicle that 1310  
is parked on a road that is owned or administered by the 1311  
division of wildlife. 1312

(7) Nothing in this section prohibits or restricts a 1313  
person from possessing, storing, or leaving a firearm in a 1314  
locked motor vehicle that is parked in the state underground 1315  
parking garage at the state capitol building or in the parking 1316  
garage at the Riffe center for government and the arts in 1317  
Columbus, if the person's transportation and possession of the 1318  
firearm in the motor vehicle while traveling to the premises or 1319  
facility was not in violation of division (A), (B), (C), (D), or 1320  
(E) of this section or any other provision of the Revised Code. 1321

(G) (1) The affirmative defenses authorized in divisions 1322  
(D) (1) and (2) of section 2923.12 of the Revised Code are 1323  
affirmative defenses to a charge under division (B) or (C) of 1324  
this section that involves a firearm other than a handgun. 1325

(2) It is an affirmative defense to a charge under 1326  
division (B) or (C) of this section of improperly handling 1327  
firearms in a motor vehicle that the actor transported or had 1328  
the firearm in the motor vehicle for any lawful purpose and 1329  
while the motor vehicle was on the actor's own property, 1330  
provided that this affirmative defense is not available unless 1331  
the person, immediately prior to arriving at the actor's own 1332  
property, did not transport or possess the firearm in a motor 1333  
vehicle in a manner prohibited by division (B) or (C) of this 1334  
section while the motor vehicle was being operated on a street, 1335  
highway, or other public or private property used by the public 1336  
for vehicular traffic. 1337

(H) (1) No person who is charged with a violation of 1338  
division (B), (C), or (D) of this section shall be required to 1339  
obtain a concealed handgun license as a condition for the 1340  
dismissal of the charge. 1341

(2) (a) If a person is convicted of, was convicted of, 1342  
pleads guilty to, or has pleaded guilty to a violation of 1343  
division (E) of this section as it existed prior to September 1344  
30, 2011, and the conduct that was the basis of the violation no 1345  
longer would be a violation of division (E) of this section on 1346  
or after September 30, 2011, or if a person is convicted of, was 1347  
convicted of, pleads guilty to, or has pleaded guilty to a 1348  
violation of division (E) (1) or (2) of this section as it 1349  
existed prior to June 13, 2022, the person may file an 1350  
application under section 2953.35 of the Revised Code requesting 1351

the expungement of the record of conviction. 1352

If a person is convicted of, was convicted of, pleads 1353  
guilty to, or has pleaded guilty to a violation of division (B) 1354  
or (C) of this section as the division existed prior to 1355  
September 30, 2011, and if the conduct that was the basis of the 1356  
violation no longer would be a violation of division (B) or (C) 1357  
of this section on or after September 30, 2011, due to the 1358  
application of division (F) (5) of this section as it exists on 1359  
and after September 30, 2011, the person may file an application 1360  
under section 2953.35 of the Revised Code requesting the 1361  
expungement of the record of conviction. 1362

(b) The attorney general shall develop a public media 1363  
advisory that summarizes the expungement procedure established 1364  
under section 2953.35 of the Revised Code and the offenders 1365  
identified in division (H) (2) (a) of this section and those 1366  
identified in division (E) (2) of section 2923.12 of the Revised 1367  
Code who are authorized to apply for the expungement. Within 1368  
thirty days after September 30, 2011, with respect to violations 1369  
of division (B), (C), or (E) of this section as they existed 1370  
prior to that date, and within thirty days after June 13, 2022, 1371  
with respect to a violation of division (E) (1) or (2) of this 1372  
section or division (B) (1) of section 2923.12 of the Revised 1373  
Code as they existed prior to June 13, 2022, the attorney 1374  
general shall provide a copy of the advisory to each daily 1375  
newspaper published in this state and each television station 1376  
that broadcasts in this state. The attorney general may provide 1377  
the advisory in a tangible form, an electronic form, or in both 1378  
tangible and electronic forms. 1379

(I) Whoever violates this section is guilty of improperly 1380  
handling firearms in a motor vehicle. A violation of division 1381



(A) of this section is a felony of the fourth degree. A 1382  
violation of division (C) of this section is a misdemeanor of 1383  
the fourth degree. A violation of division (D) of this section 1384  
is a felony of the fifth degree or, if the loaded handgun is 1385  
concealed on the person's person, a felony of the fourth degree. 1386  
A violation of division (E) (1) or (2) of this section is a 1387  
misdemeanor of the second degree. A violation of division (E) (4) 1388  
of this section is a felony of the fifth degree. A violation of 1389  
division (E) (3) or (5) of this section is a misdemeanor of the 1390  
first degree or, if the offender previously has been convicted 1391  
of or pleaded guilty to a violation of division (E) (3) or (5) of 1392  
this section, a felony of the fifth degree. In addition to any 1393  
other penalty or sanction imposed for a misdemeanor violation of 1394  
division (E) (3) or (5) of this section, the offender's concealed 1395  
handgun license shall be suspended pursuant to division (A) (2) 1396  
of section 2923.128 of the Revised Code. A violation of division 1397  
(B) of this section is a felony of the fourth degree. 1398

(J) If a law enforcement officer stops a motor vehicle for 1399  
a traffic stop or any other purpose, if any person in the motor 1400  
vehicle surrenders a firearm to the officer, either voluntarily 1401  
or pursuant to a request or demand of the officer, and if the 1402  
officer does not charge the person with a violation of this 1403  
section or arrest the person for any offense, the person is not 1404  
otherwise prohibited by law from possessing the firearm, and the 1405  
firearm is not contraband, the officer shall return the firearm 1406  
to the person at the termination of the stop. If a court orders 1407  
a law enforcement officer to return a firearm to a person 1408  
pursuant to the requirement set forth in this division, division 1409  
(B) of section 2923.163 of the Revised Code applies. 1410

(K) As used in this section: 1411

- (1) "Motor vehicle," "street," and "highway" have the same meanings as in section 4511.01 of the Revised Code. 1412  
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- (2) "Occupied structure" has the same meaning as in section 2909.01 of the Revised Code. 1414  
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- (3) "Agriculture" has the same meaning as in section 519.01 of the Revised Code. 1416  
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- (4) "Tenant" has the same meaning as in section 1531.01 of the Revised Code. 1418  
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- (5) (a) "Unloaded" means, with respect to a firearm other than a firearm described in division (K) (6) of this section, that no ammunition is in the firearm in question, no magazine or speed loader containing ammunition is inserted into the firearm in question, and one of the following applies: 1420  
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- (i) There is no ammunition in a magazine or speed loader that is in the vehicle in question and that may be used with the firearm in question. 1425  
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- (ii) Any magazine or speed loader that contains ammunition and that may be used with the firearm in question is stored in a compartment within the vehicle in question that cannot be accessed without leaving the vehicle or is stored in a container that provides complete and separate enclosure. 1428  
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- (b) For the purposes of division (K) (5) (a) (ii) of this section, a "container that provides complete and separate enclosure" includes, but is not limited to, any of the following: 1433  
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- (i) A package, box, or case with multiple compartments, as long as the loaded magazine or speed loader and the firearm in question either are in separate compartments within the package, 1437  
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box, or case, or, if they are in the same compartment, the 1440  
magazine or speed loader is contained within a separate 1441  
enclosure in that compartment that does not contain the firearm 1442  
and that closes using a snap, button, buckle, zipper, hook and 1443  
loop closing mechanism, or other fastener that must be opened to 1444  
access the contents or the firearm is contained within a 1445  
separate enclosure of that nature in that compartment that does 1446  
not contain the magazine or speed loader; 1447

(ii) A pocket or other enclosure on the person of the 1448  
person in question that closes using a snap, button, buckle, 1449  
zipper, hook and loop closing mechanism, or other fastener that 1450  
must be opened to access the contents. 1451

(c) For the purposes of divisions (K) (5) (a) and (b) of 1452  
this section, ammunition held in stripper-clips or in en-bloc 1453  
clips is not considered ammunition that is loaded into a 1454  
magazine or speed loader. 1455

(6) "Unloaded" means, with respect to a firearm employing 1456  
a percussion cap, flintlock, or other obsolete ignition system, 1457  
when the weapon is uncapped or when the priming charge is 1458  
removed from the pan. 1459

(7) "Commercial motor vehicle" has the same meaning as in 1460  
division (A) of section 4506.25 of the Revised Code. 1461

(8) "Motor carrier enforcement unit" means the motor 1462  
carrier enforcement unit in the department of public safety, 1463  
division of state highway patrol, that is created by section 1464  
5503.34 of the Revised Code. 1465

(9) "All-terrain vehicle" has the same meaning as in 1466  
section 4519.01 of the Revised Code. 1467

(L) Divisions (K) (5) (a) and (b) of this section do not 1468

affect the authority of a person who has been issued a concealed handgun license that is valid at the time in question to have one or more magazines or speed loaders containing ammunition anywhere in a vehicle, without being transported as described in those divisions, as long as no ammunition is in a firearm, other than a handgun, in the vehicle other than as permitted under any other provision of this chapter. A person who has been issued a concealed handgun license that is valid at the time in question may have one or more magazines or speed loaders containing ammunition anywhere in a vehicle without further restriction, as long as no ammunition is in a firearm, other than a handgun, in the vehicle other than as permitted under any provision of this chapter.

**Sec. 4501.01.** As used in this chapter and Chapters 4503., 4505., 4507., 4509., 4510., 4511., 4513., 4515., and 4517. of the Revised Code, and in the penal laws, except as otherwise provided:

(A) "Vehicles" means everything on wheels or runners, including motorized bicycles, but does not mean electric personal assistive mobility devices, low-speed micromobility devices, vehicles that are operated exclusively on rails or tracks or from overhead electric trolley wires, and vehicles that belong to any police department, municipal fire department, or volunteer fire department, or that are used by such a department in the discharge of its functions.

(B) "Motor vehicle" means any vehicle, including mobile homes and recreational vehicles, that is propelled or drawn by power other than muscular power or power collected from overhead electric trolley wires. "Motor vehicle" does not include utility vehicles as defined in division (VV) of this section, under-

speed vehicles as defined in division (XX) of this section, 1499  
mini-trucks as defined in division (BBB) of this section, 1500  
motorized bicycles, electric bicycles, road rollers, traction 1501  
engines, power shovels, power cranes, and other equipment used 1502  
in construction work and not designed for or employed in general 1503  
highway transportation, well-drilling machinery, ditch-digging 1504  
machinery, farm machinery, and trailers that are designed and 1505  
used exclusively to transport a boat between a place of storage 1506  
and a marina, or in and around a marina, when drawn or towed on 1507  
a public road or highway for a distance of no more than ten 1508  
miles and at a speed of twenty-five miles per hour or less. 1509

(C) "Agricultural tractor" and "traction engine" mean any 1510  
self-propelling vehicle that is designed or used for drawing 1511  
other vehicles or wheeled machinery, but has no provisions for 1512  
carrying loads independently of such other vehicles, and that is 1513  
used principally for agricultural purposes. 1514

(D) "Commercial tractor," except as defined in division 1515  
(C) of this section, means any motor vehicle that has motive 1516  
power and either is designed or used for drawing other motor 1517  
vehicles, or is designed or used for drawing another motor 1518  
vehicle while carrying a portion of the other motor vehicle or 1519  
its load, or both. 1520

(E) "Passenger car" means any motor vehicle that is 1521  
designed and used for carrying not more than nine persons and 1522  
includes any motor vehicle that is designed and used for 1523  
carrying not more than fifteen persons in a ridesharing 1524  
arrangement. 1525

(F) "Collector's vehicle" means any motor vehicle or 1526  
agricultural tractor or traction engine that is of special 1527  
interest, that has a fair market value of one hundred dollars or 1528

more, whether operable or not, and that is owned, operated, 1529  
collected, preserved, restored, maintained, or used essentially 1530  
as a collector's item, leisure pursuit, or investment, but not 1531  
as the owner's principal means of transportation. "Licensed 1532  
collector's vehicle" means a collector's vehicle, other than an 1533  
agricultural tractor or traction engine, that displays current, 1534  
valid license tags issued under section 4503.45 of the Revised 1535  
Code, or a similar type of motor vehicle that displays current, 1536  
valid license tags issued under substantially equivalent 1537  
provisions in the laws of other states. 1538

(G) "Historical motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle 1539  
that is over twenty-five years old and is owned solely as a 1540  
collector's item and for participation in club activities, 1541  
exhibitions, tours, parades, and similar uses, but that in no 1542  
event is used for general transportation. 1543

(H) "Noncommercial motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle, 1544  
including a farm truck as defined in section 4503.04 of the 1545  
Revised Code, that is designed by the manufacturer to carry a 1546  
load of no more than one ton and is used exclusively for 1547  
purposes other than engaging in business for profit. 1548

(I) "Bus" means any motor vehicle that has motor power and 1549  
is designed and used for carrying more than nine passengers, 1550  
except any motor vehicle that is designed and used for carrying 1551  
not more than fifteen passengers in a ridesharing arrangement. 1552

(J) "Commercial car" or "truck" means any motor vehicle 1553  
that has motor power and is designed and used for carrying 1554  
merchandise or freight, or that is used as a commercial tractor. 1555

(K) "Bicycle" means every device, other than a device that 1556  
is designed solely for use as a play vehicle by a child, that is 1557

propelled solely by human power upon which a person may ride, 1558  
and that has two or more wheels, any of which is more than 1559  
fourteen inches in diameter. 1560

(L) "Motorized bicycle" or "moped" means any vehicle that 1561  
either has two tandem wheels or one wheel in the front and two 1562  
wheels in the rear, that may be pedaled, and that is equipped 1563  
with a helper motor of not more than fifty cubic centimeters 1564  
piston displacement that produces no more than one brake 1565  
horsepower and is capable of propelling the vehicle at a speed 1566  
of no greater than twenty miles per hour on a level surface. 1567  
"Motorized bicycle" or "moped" does not include an electric 1568  
bicycle. 1569

(M) "Trailer" means any vehicle without motive power that 1570  
is designed or used for carrying property or persons wholly on 1571  
its own structure and for being drawn by a motor vehicle, and 1572  
includes any such vehicle that is formed by or operated as a 1573  
combination of a semitrailer and a vehicle of the dolly type 1574  
such as that commonly known as a trailer dolly, a vehicle used 1575  
to transport agricultural produce or agricultural production 1576  
materials between a local place of storage or supply and the 1577  
farm when drawn or towed on a public road or highway at a speed 1578  
greater than twenty-five miles per hour, and a vehicle that is 1579  
designed and used exclusively to transport a boat between a 1580  
place of storage and a marina, or in and around a marina, when 1581  
drawn or towed on a public road or highway for a distance of 1582  
more than ten miles or at a speed of more than twenty-five miles 1583  
per hour. "Trailer" does not include a manufactured home or 1584  
travel trailer. 1585

(N) "Noncommercial trailer" means any trailer, except a 1586  
travel trailer or trailer that is used to transport a boat as 1587

described in division (B) of this section, but, where 1588  
applicable, includes a vehicle that is used to transport a boat 1589  
as described in division (M) of this section, that has a gross 1590  
weight of no more than ten thousand pounds, and that is used 1591  
exclusively for purposes other than engaging in business for a 1592  
profit, such as the transportation of personal items for 1593  
personal or recreational purposes. 1594

(O) "Mobile home" means a building unit or assembly of 1595  
closed construction that is fabricated in an off-site facility, 1596  
is more than thirty-five body feet in length or, when erected on 1597  
site, is three hundred twenty or more square feet, is built on a 1598  
permanent chassis, is transportable in one or more sections, and 1599  
does not qualify as a manufactured home as defined in division 1600  
(C) (4) of section 3781.06 of the Revised Code or as an 1601  
industrialized unit as defined in division (C) (3) of section 1602  
3781.06 of the Revised Code. 1603

(P) "Semitrailer" means any vehicle of the trailer type 1604  
that does not have motive power and is so designed or used with 1605  
another and separate motor vehicle that in operation a part of 1606  
its own weight or that of its load, or both, rests upon and is 1607  
carried by the other vehicle furnishing the motive power for 1608  
propelling itself and the vehicle referred to in this division, 1609  
and includes, for the purpose only of registration and taxation 1610  
under those chapters, any vehicle of the dolly type, such as a 1611  
trailer dolly, that is designed or used for the conversion of a 1612  
semitrailer into a trailer. 1613

(Q) "Recreational vehicle" means a vehicular portable 1614  
structure that meets all of the following conditions: 1615

(1) It is designed for the sole purpose of recreational 1616  
travel. 1617



- (2) It is not used for the purpose of engaging in business 1618  
for profit. 1619
- (3) It is not used for the purpose of engaging in 1620  
intrastate commerce. 1621
- (4) It is not used for the purpose of commerce as defined 1622  
in 49 C.F.R. 383.5, as amended. 1623
- (5) It is not regulated by the public utilities commission 1624  
pursuant to Chapter 4905., 4921., or 4923. of the Revised Code. 1625
- (6) It is classed as one of the following: 1626
- (a) "Travel trailer" or "house vehicle" means a nonself- 1627  
propelled recreational vehicle that does not exceed an overall 1628  
length of forty feet, exclusive of bumper and tongue or 1629  
coupling. "Travel trailer" includes a tent-type fold-out camping 1630  
trailer as defined in section 4517.01 of the Revised Code. 1631
- (b) "Motor home" means a self-propelled recreational 1632  
vehicle that has no fifth wheel and is constructed with 1633  
permanently installed facilities for cold storage, cooking and 1634  
consuming of food, and for sleeping. 1635
- (c) "Truck camper" means a nonself-propelled recreational 1636  
vehicle that does not have wheels for road use and is designed 1637  
to be placed upon and attached to a motor vehicle. "Truck 1638  
camper" does not include truck covers that consist of walls and 1639  
a roof, but do not have floors and facilities enabling them to 1640  
be used as a dwelling. 1641
- (d) "Fifth wheel trailer" means a vehicle that is of such 1642  
size and weight as to be movable without a special highway 1643  
permit, that is constructed with a raised forward section that 1644  
allows a bi-level floor plan, and that is designed to be towed 1645

by a vehicle equipped with a fifth-wheel hitch ordinarily 1646  
installed in the bed of a truck. 1647

(e) "Park trailer" means a vehicle that is commonly known 1648  
as a park model recreational vehicle, meets the American 1649  
national standard institute standard A119.5 (1988) for park 1650  
trailers, is built on a single chassis, has a gross trailer area 1651  
of four hundred square feet or less when set up, is designed for 1652  
seasonal or temporary living quarters, and may be connected to 1653  
utilities necessary for the operation of installed features and 1654  
appliances. 1655

(R) "Pneumatic tires" means tires of rubber and fabric or 1656  
tires of similar material, that are inflated with air. 1657

(S) "Solid tires" means tires of rubber or similar elastic 1658  
material that are not dependent upon confined air for support of 1659  
the load. 1660

(T) "Solid tire vehicle" means any vehicle that is 1661  
equipped with two or more solid tires. 1662

(U) "Farm machinery" means all machines and tools that are 1663  
used in the production, harvesting, and care of farm products, 1664  
and includes trailers that are used to transport agricultural 1665  
produce or agricultural production materials between a local 1666  
place of storage or supply and the farm, agricultural tractors, 1667  
threshing machinery, hay-baling machinery, corn shellers, 1668  
hammermills, and machinery used in the production of 1669  
horticultural, agricultural, and vegetable products. 1670

(V) "Owner" includes any person or firm, other than a 1671  
manufacturer or dealer, that has title to a motor vehicle, 1672  
except that, in sections 4505.01 to 4505.19 of the Revised Code, 1673  
"owner" includes in addition manufacturers and dealers. 1674

(W) "Manufacturer" and "dealer" include all persons and firms that are regularly engaged in the business of manufacturing, selling, displaying, offering for sale, or dealing in motor vehicles, at an established place of business that is used exclusively for the purpose of manufacturing, selling, displaying, offering for sale, or dealing in motor vehicles. A place of business that is used for manufacturing, selling, displaying, offering for sale, or dealing in motor vehicles shall be deemed to be used exclusively for those purposes even though snowmobiles or ~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain vehicles are sold or displayed for sale thereat, even though farm machinery is sold or displayed for sale thereat, or even though repair, accessory, gasoline and oil, storage, parts, service, or paint departments are maintained thereat, or, in any county having a population of less than seventy-five thousand at the last federal census, even though a department in a place of business is used to dismantle, salvage, or rebuild motor vehicles by means of used parts, if such departments are operated for the purpose of furthering and assisting in the business of manufacturing, selling, displaying, offering for sale, or dealing in motor vehicles. Places of business or departments in a place of business used to dismantle, salvage, or rebuild motor vehicles by means of using used parts are not considered as being maintained for the purpose of assisting or furthering the manufacturing, selling, displaying, and offering for sale or dealing in motor vehicles.

(X) "Operator" includes any person who drives or operates a motor vehicle upon the public highways.

(Y) "Chauffeur" means any operator who operates a motor vehicle, other than a taxicab, as an employee for hire; or any operator whether or not the owner of a motor vehicle, other than

a taxicab, who operates such vehicle for transporting, for gain, 1706  
compensation, or profit, either persons or property owned by 1707  
another. Any operator of a motor vehicle who is voluntarily 1708  
involved in a ridesharing arrangement is not considered an 1709  
employee for hire or operating such vehicle for gain, 1710  
compensation, or profit. 1711

(Z) "State" includes the territories and federal districts 1712  
of the United States, and the provinces of Canada. 1713

(AA) "Public roads and highways" for vehicles includes all 1714  
public thoroughfares, bridges, and culverts. 1715

(BB) "Manufacturer's number" means the manufacturer's 1716  
original serial number that is affixed to or imprinted upon the 1717  
chassis or other part of the motor vehicle. 1718

(CC) "Motor number" means the manufacturer's original 1719  
number that is affixed to or imprinted upon the engine or motor 1720  
of the vehicle. 1721

(DD) "Distributor" means any person who is authorized by a 1722  
motor vehicle manufacturer to distribute new motor vehicles to 1723  
licensed motor vehicle dealers at an established place of 1724  
business that is used exclusively for the purpose of 1725  
distributing new motor vehicles to licensed motor vehicle 1726  
dealers, except when the distributor also is a new motor vehicle 1727  
dealer, in which case the distributor may distribute at the 1728  
location of the distributor's licensed dealership. 1729

(EE) "Ridesharing arrangement" means the transportation of 1730  
persons in a motor vehicle where the transportation is 1731  
incidental to another purpose of a volunteer driver and includes 1732  
ridesharing arrangements known as carpools, vanpools, and 1733  
buspools. 1734

(FF) "Apportionable vehicle" means any vehicle that is used or intended for use in two or more international registration plan member jurisdictions that allocate or proportionally register vehicles, that is used for the transportation of persons for hire or designed, used, or maintained primarily for the transportation of property, and that meets any of the following qualifications:

(1) Is a power unit having a gross vehicle weight in excess of twenty-six thousand pounds;

(2) Is a power unit having three or more axles, regardless of the gross vehicle weight;

(3) Is a combination vehicle with a gross vehicle weight in excess of twenty-six thousand pounds.

"Apportionable vehicle" does not include recreational vehicles, vehicles displaying restricted plates, city pick-up and delivery vehicles, or vehicles owned and operated by the United States, this state, or any political subdivisions thereof.

(GG) "Chartered party" means a group of persons who contract as a group to acquire the exclusive use of a passenger-carrying motor vehicle at a fixed charge for the vehicle in accordance with the carrier's tariff, lawfully on file with the United States department of transportation, for the purpose of group travel to a specified destination or for a particular itinerary, either agreed upon in advance or modified by the chartered group after having left the place of origin.

(HH) "International registration plan" means a reciprocal agreement of member jurisdictions that is endorsed by the American association of motor vehicle administrators, and that

promotes and encourages the fullest possible use of the highway 1764  
system by authorizing apportioned registration of fleets of 1765  
vehicles and recognizing registration of vehicles apportioned in 1766  
member jurisdictions. 1767

(II) "Restricted plate" means a license plate that has a 1768  
restriction of time, geographic area, mileage, or commodity, and 1769  
includes license plates issued to farm trucks under division (J) 1770  
of section 4503.04 of the Revised Code. 1771

(JJ) "Gross vehicle weight," with regard to any commercial 1772  
car, trailer, semitrailer, or bus that is taxed at the rates 1773  
established under section 4503.042 or 4503.65 of the Revised 1774  
Code, means the unladen weight of the vehicle fully equipped 1775  
plus the maximum weight of the load to be carried on the 1776  
vehicle. 1777

(KK) "Combined gross vehicle weight" with regard to any 1778  
combination of a commercial car, trailer, and semitrailer, that 1779  
is taxed at the rates established under section 4503.042 or 1780  
4503.65 of the Revised Code, means the total unladen weight of 1781  
the combination of vehicles fully equipped plus the maximum 1782  
weight of the load to be carried on that combination of 1783  
vehicles. 1784

(LL) "Chauffeured limousine" means a motor vehicle that is 1785  
designed to carry nine or fewer passengers and is operated for 1786  
hire pursuant to a prearranged contract for the transportation 1787  
of passengers on public roads and highways along a route under 1788  
the control of the person hiring the vehicle and not over a 1789  
defined and regular route. "Prearranged contract" means an 1790  
agreement, made in advance of boarding, to provide 1791  
transportation from a specific location in a chauffeured 1792  
limousine. "Chauffeured limousine" does not include any vehicle 1793

that is used exclusively in the business of funeral directing. 1794

(MM) "Manufactured home" has the same meaning as in 1795  
division (C)(4) of section 3781.06 of the Revised Code. 1796

(NN) "Acquired situs," with respect to a manufactured home 1797  
or a mobile home, means to become located in this state by the 1798  
placement of the home on real property, but does not include the 1799  
placement of a manufactured home or a mobile home in the 1800  
inventory of a new motor vehicle dealer or the inventory of a 1801  
manufacturer, remanufacturer, or distributor of manufactured or 1802  
mobile homes. 1803

(OO) "Electronic" includes electrical, digital, magnetic, 1804  
optical, electromagnetic, or any other form of technology that 1805  
entails capabilities similar to these technologies. 1806

(PP) "Electronic record" means a record generated, 1807  
communicated, received, or stored by electronic means for use in 1808  
an information system or for transmission from one information 1809  
system to another. 1810

(QQ) "Electronic signature" means a signature in 1811  
electronic form attached to or logically associated with an 1812  
electronic record. 1813

(RR) "Financial transaction device" has the same meaning 1814  
as in division (A) of section 113.40 of the Revised Code. 1815

(SS) "Electronic motor vehicle dealer" means a motor 1816  
vehicle dealer licensed under Chapter 4517. of the Revised Code 1817  
whom the registrar of motor vehicles determines meets the 1818  
criteria designated in section 4503.035 of the Revised Code for 1819  
electronic motor vehicle dealers and designates as an electronic 1820  
motor vehicle dealer under that section. 1821

(TT) "Electric personal assistive mobility device" means a 1822  
self-balancing two non-tandem wheeled device that is designed to 1823  
transport only one person, has an electric propulsion system of 1824  
an average of seven hundred fifty watts, and when ridden on a 1825  
paved level surface by an operator who weighs one hundred 1826  
seventy pounds has a maximum speed of less than twenty miles per 1827  
hour. 1828

(UU) "Limited driving privileges" means the privilege to 1829  
operate a motor vehicle that a court grants under section 1830  
4510.021 of the Revised Code to a person whose driver's or 1831  
commercial driver's license or permit or nonresident operating 1832  
privilege has been suspended. 1833

(VV) "Utility vehicle" means a self-propelled vehicle with 1834  
not less than four wheels, including a vehicle commonly known as 1835  
a side-by-side, ~~designed with a bed, principally for the purpose~~ 1836  
~~of transporting material or cargo in connection with~~ 1837  
~~construction, agricultural, forestry, grounds maintenance, lawn~~ 1838  
~~and garden, materials handling, or similar activities~~primarily 1839  
for off-road use, that has non-straddle seating and a steering 1840  
wheel for steering control. 1841

(WW) "Low-speed vehicle" means a three- or four-wheeled 1842  
motor vehicle with an attainable speed in one mile on a paved 1843  
level surface of more than twenty miles per hour but not more 1844  
than twenty-five miles per hour and with a gross vehicle weight 1845  
rating less than three thousand pounds. 1846

(XX) "Under-speed vehicle" means a three- or four-wheeled 1847  
vehicle, including a vehicle commonly known as a golf cart, with 1848  
an attainable speed on a paved level surface of not more than 1849  
twenty miles per hour and with a gross vehicle weight rating 1850  
less than three thousand pounds. 1851



(YY) "Motor-driven cycle or motor scooter" means any 1852  
vehicle designed to travel on not more than three wheels in 1853  
contact with the ground, with a seat for the driver and floor 1854  
pad for the driver's feet, and is equipped with a motor with a 1855  
piston displacement between fifty and one hundred cubic 1856  
centimeters piston displacement that produces not more than five 1857  
brake horsepower and is capable of propelling the vehicle at a 1858  
speed greater than twenty miles per hour on a level surface. 1859

(ZZ) "Motorcycle" means a motor vehicle with motive power 1860  
having a seat or saddle for the use of the operator, designed to 1861  
travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground, 1862  
and having no occupant compartment top or occupant compartment 1863  
top that can be installed or removed by the user. 1864

(AAA) "Cab-enclosed motorcycle" means a motor vehicle with 1865  
motive power having a seat or saddle for the use of the 1866  
operator, designed to travel on not more than three wheels in 1867  
contact with the ground, and having an occupant compartment top 1868  
or an occupant compartment top that is installed. 1869

(BBB) "Mini-truck" means a vehicle that has four wheels, 1870  
is propelled by an electric motor with a rated power of seven 1871  
thousand five hundred watts or less or an internal combustion 1872  
engine with a piston displacement capacity of six hundred sixty 1873  
cubic centimeters or less, has a total dry weight of nine 1874  
hundred to two thousand two hundred pounds, contains an enclosed 1875  
cabin and a seat for the vehicle operator, resembles a pickup 1876  
truck or van with a cargo area or bed located at the rear of the 1877  
vehicle, and was not originally manufactured to meet federal 1878  
motor vehicle safety standards. 1879

(CCC) "Autocycle" means a three-wheeled motorcycle that is 1880  
manufactured to comply with federal safety requirements for 1881

motorcycles and that is equipped with safety belts, a steering wheel, and seating that does not require the operator to straddle or sit astride to ride the motorcycle.

(DDD) "Plug-in hybrid electric motor vehicle" means a passenger car powered in part by a battery cell energy system that can be recharged via an external source of electricity.

(EEE) "Hybrid motor vehicle" means a passenger car powered by an internal propulsion system consisting of both of the following:

(1) A combustion engine;

(2) A battery cell energy system that cannot be recharged via an external source of electricity but can be recharged by other vehicle mechanisms that capture and store electric energy.

(FFF) "Low-speed micromobility device" means a device weighing less than one hundred pounds that has handlebars, is propelled by an electric motor or human power, and has an attainable speed on a paved level surface of not more than twenty miles per hour when propelled by the electric motor.

(GGG) "Specialty license plate" means a license plate, authorized by the general assembly, that displays a combination of words, markings, logos, or other graphic artwork that is in addition to the words, images, and distinctive numbers and letters required by section 4503.22 of the Revised Code.

(HHH) "Battery electric motor vehicle" means a passenger car powered wholly by a battery cell energy system that can be recharged via an external source of electricity.

**Sec. 4501.13.** (A) The motorcycle safety and education fund is hereby created in the state treasury. The fund shall consist

of the following: 1910

(1) Six dollars of each registration fee designated for 1911  
payment to the registrar of motor vehicles in division ~~(A)(1)(b)~~ 1912  
(A)(2) of section 4503.04 of the Revised Code; 1913

(2) The tuition fees collected by the director of public 1914  
safety under section 4508.08 of the Revised Code for the 1915  
motorcycle safety and education program; 1916

(3) The fees collected for the initial authorization of a 1917  
private organization or corporation to offer a nationally 1918  
recognized motorcycle operator training course or curriculum 1919  
under section 4508.08 of the Revised Code; 1920

(4) The fees collected for the initial state certification 1921  
of an instructor of motorcycle operator training course or 1922  
curriculum under section 4508.08 of the Revised Code; 1923

(5) The fees collected for the two-year program evaluation 1924  
required under division (C) of section 4508.08 of the Revised 1925  
Code for a private organization or corporation to continue to 1926  
offer a nationally recognized motorcycle operator training 1927  
course or curriculum under that section. 1928

All investment earnings of the motorcycle safety and 1929  
education fund shall be credited to the fund. 1930

(B) The fund shall be used solely to pay part or all of 1931  
the costs of conducting the motorcycle safety and education 1932  
program created by section 4508.08 of the Revised Code. 1933

**Sec. 4503.01.** (A) "Motor vehicle" as defined in section 1934  
4505.01 of the Revised Code applies to sections 4503.02 to 1935  
4503.10, and 4503.12 to 4503.18 of the Revised Code. ~~For~~ 1936

(B) ~~For~~ the purposes of sections 4503.02 to 4503.04, 1937

4503.10 to 4503.12, 4503.182, 4503.19, 4503.21, 4503.22, and 1938  
4503.25 of the Revised Code, the term "motor vehicle" also 1939  
includes ~~a~~ all of the following: 1940

(1) A motorized bicycle and a or moped; 1941

(2) A motor-driven cycle or motor scooter; 1942

(3) A trailer or semitrailer whose weight is four thousand 1943  
pounds or less; 1944

(4) An under-speed vehicle when a local authority 1945  
authorizes its operation on a public street or highway in 1946  
accordance with section 4511.214 of the Revised Code. 1947

(C) As used in this chapter, "motor vehicle" does not 1948  
include a concrete pump or a concrete conveyor. 1949

**Sec. 4503.038.** (A) ~~Not later than ninety days after the 1950  
effective date of this amendment, the~~ The registrar of motor 1951  
vehicles shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of 1952  
the Revised Code establishing a service fee that applies for 1953  
purposes of sections 4503.03, 4503.036, 4503.042, 4503.10, 1954  
4503.102, 4503.12, 4503.182, 4503.24, 4503.65, 4505.061, 1955  
4506.08, 4507.24, 4507.50, 4507.52, 4509.05, 4519.03, 4519.05, 1956  
4519.10, 4519.56, and 4519.69 of the Revised Code. The service 1957  
fee shall be five dollars. 1958

(B) ~~Not later than ninety days after the effective date of 1959  
this amendment~~ the effective date of this amendment, the 1960  
registrar shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of 1961  
the Revised Code establishing prorated service fees that apply 1962  
for purposes of multi-year registrations authorized under 1963  
~~section~~ sections 4503.103 and 4519.041 of the Revised Code. 1964

**Sec. 4503.04.** Except as provided in sections 4503.042 and 1965

4503.65 of the Revised Code for the registration of commercial cars, trailers, semitrailers, and certain buses, the rates of the taxes imposed by section 4503.02 of the Revised Code shall be as follows:

~~(A) (1) For motor vehicles having three wheels or less, the license tax is:~~

~~(a) For each motorized bicycle or moped, ten dollars;~~

~~(b) (2) For each motorcycle, autocycle, cab-enclosed motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, or motor scooter, fourteen dollars.~~

~~(2) (3) For each low-speed, vehicle or under-speed, ~~and utility vehicle, and each mini-truck,~~ ten dollars.~~

(B) For each passenger car, twenty dollars;

(C) For each manufactured home, each mobile home, and each travel trailer or house vehicle, ten dollars;

(D) For each noncommercial motor vehicle designed by the manufacturer to carry a load of no more than three-quarters of one ton and for each motor home, thirty-five dollars; for each noncommercial motor vehicle designed by the manufacturer to carry a load of more than three-quarters of one ton, but not more than one ton, seventy dollars;

(E) For each noncommercial trailer, the license tax is:

(1) Eighty-five cents for each one hundred pounds or part thereof for the first two thousand pounds or part thereof of weight of vehicle fully equipped;

(2) One dollar and forty cents for each one hundred pounds or part thereof in excess of two thousand pounds up to and

including ten thousand pounds.	1993
(F) Notwithstanding its weight, twelve dollars for any:	1994
(1) Vehicle equipped, owned, and used by a charitable or nonprofit corporation exclusively for the purpose of administering chest x-rays or receiving blood donations;	1995 1996 1997
(2) Van used principally for the transportation of persons with disabilities that has been modified by being equipped with adaptive equipment to facilitate the movement of such persons into and out of the van;	1998 1999 2000 2001
(3) Bus used principally for the transportation of persons with disabilities or persons sixty-five years of age or older.	2002 2003
(G) Notwithstanding its weight, twenty dollars for any bus used principally for the transportation of persons in a ridesharing arrangement.	2004 2005 2006
(H) For each transit bus having motor power the license tax is twelve dollars.	2007 2008
"Transit bus" means either a motor vehicle having a seating capacity of more than seven persons which is operated and used by any person in the rendition of a public mass transportation service primarily in a municipal corporation or municipal corporations and provided at least seventy-five per cent of the annual mileage of such service and use is within such municipal corporation or municipal corporations or a motor vehicle having a seating capacity of more than seven persons which is operated solely for the transportation of persons associated with a charitable or nonprofit corporation, but does not mean any motor vehicle having a seating capacity of more than seven persons when such vehicle is used in a ridesharing capacity or any bus described by division (F) (3) of this	2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021

section. 2022

The application for registration of such transit bus shall 2023  
be accompanied by an affidavit prescribed by the registrar of 2024  
motor vehicles and signed by the person or an agent of the firm 2025  
or corporation operating such bus stating that the bus has a 2026  
seating capacity of more than seven persons, and that it is 2027  
either to be operated and used in the rendition of a public mass 2028  
transportation service and that at least seventy-five per cent 2029  
of the annual mileage of such operation and use shall be within 2030  
one or more municipal corporations or that it is to be operated 2031  
solely for the transportation of persons associated with a 2032  
charitable or nonprofit corporation. 2033

The form of the license plate, and the manner of its 2034  
attachment to the vehicle, shall be prescribed by the registrar 2035  
of motor vehicles. 2036

(I) Except as otherwise provided in division (A) or (J) of 2037  
this section, the minimum tax for any vehicle having motor power 2038  
is ten dollars and eighty cents, and for each noncommercial 2039  
trailer, five dollars. 2040

(J) (1) Except as otherwise provided in division (J) of 2041  
this section, for each farm truck, except a noncommercial motor 2042  
vehicle, that is owned, controlled, or operated by one or more 2043  
farmers exclusively in farm use as defined in this section, and 2044  
not for commercial purposes, and provided that at least seventy- 2045  
five per cent of such farm use is by or for the one or more 2046  
owners, controllers, or operators of the farm in the operation 2047  
of which a farm truck is used, the license tax is five dollars 2048  
plus: 2049

(a) Fifty cents per one hundred pounds or part thereof for 2050

the first three thousand pounds; 2051

(b) Seventy cents per one hundred pounds or part thereof 2052  
in excess of three thousand pounds up to and including four 2053  
thousand pounds; 2054

(c) Ninety cents per one hundred pounds or part thereof in 2055  
excess of four thousand pounds up to and including six thousand 2056  
pounds; 2057

(d) Two dollars for each one hundred pounds or part 2058  
thereof in excess of six thousand pounds up to and including ten 2059  
thousand pounds; 2060

(e) Two dollars and twenty-five cents for each one hundred 2061  
pounds or part thereof in excess of ten thousand pounds; 2062

(f) The minimum license tax for any farm truck shall be 2063  
twelve dollars. 2064

(2) The owner of a farm truck may register the truck for a 2065  
period of one-half year by paying one-half the registration tax 2066  
imposed on the truck under this chapter and one-half the amount 2067  
of any tax imposed on the truck under Chapter 4504. of the 2068  
Revised Code. 2069

(3) A farm bus may be registered for a period of three 2070  
hundred ten days from the date of issue of the license plates 2071  
for the bus, for a fee of ten dollars, provided such license 2072  
plates shall not be issued for more than one such period in any 2073  
calendar year. Such use does not include the operation of trucks 2074  
by commercial processors of agricultural products. 2075

(4) License plates for farm trucks and for farm buses 2076  
shall have some distinguishing marks, letters, colors, or other 2077  
characteristics to be determined by the director of public 2078



safety. 2079

(5) Every person registering a farm truck or bus under 2080  
this section shall furnish an affidavit certifying that the 2081  
truck or bus licensed to that person is to be so used as to meet 2082  
the requirements necessary for the farm truck or farm bus 2083  
classification. 2084

Any farmer may use a truck owned by the farmer for 2085  
commercial purposes by paying the difference between the 2086  
commercial truck registration fee and the farm truck 2087  
registration fee for the remaining part of the registration 2088  
period for which the truck is registered. Such remainder shall 2089  
be calculated from the beginning of the semiannual period in 2090  
which application for such commercial license is made. 2091

Taxes at the rates provided in this section are in lieu of 2092  
all taxes on or with respect to the ownership of such motor 2093  
vehicles, except as provided in sections 4503.042, 4503.06, and 2094  
4503.65 of the Revised Code. 2095

(K) Other than trucks registered under the international 2096  
registration plan in another jurisdiction and for which this 2097  
state has received an apportioned registration fee, the license 2098  
tax for each truck which is owned, controlled, or operated by a 2099  
nonresident, and licensed in another state, and which is used 2100  
exclusively for the transportation of nonprocessed agricultural 2101  
products intrastate, from the place of production to the place 2102  
of processing, is twenty-four dollars. 2103

"Truck," as used in this division, means any pickup truck, 2104  
straight truck, semitrailer, or trailer other than a travel 2105  
trailer. Nonprocessed agricultural products, as used in this 2106  
division, does not include livestock or grain. 2107

A license issued under this division shall be issued for a 2108  
period of one hundred thirty days in the same manner in which 2109  
all other licenses are issued under this section, provided that 2110  
no truck shall be so licensed for more than one one-hundred- 2111  
thirty-day period during any calendar year. 2112

The license issued pursuant to this division shall consist 2113  
of a windshield decal to be designed by the director of public 2114  
safety. 2115

Every person registering a truck under this division shall 2116  
furnish an affidavit certifying that the truck licensed to the 2117  
person is to be used exclusively for the purposes specified in 2118  
this division. 2119

(L) Every person registering a motor vehicle as a 2120  
noncommercial motor vehicle as defined in section 4501.01 of the 2121  
Revised Code, or registering a trailer as a noncommercial 2122  
trailer as defined in that section, shall furnish an affidavit 2123  
certifying that the motor vehicle or trailer so licensed to the 2124  
person is to be so used as to meet the requirements necessary 2125  
for the noncommercial vehicle classification. 2126

(M) Every person registering a van or bus as provided in 2127  
divisions (F) (2) and (3) of this section shall furnish a 2128  
notarized statement certifying that the van or bus licensed to 2129  
the person is to be used for the purposes specified in those 2130  
divisions. The form of the license plate issued for such motor 2131  
vehicles shall be prescribed by the registrar. 2132

(N) Every person registering as a passenger car a motor 2133  
vehicle designed and used for carrying more than nine but not 2134  
more than fifteen passengers, and every person registering a bus 2135  
as provided in division (G) of this section, shall furnish an 2136

affidavit certifying that the vehicle so licensed to the person 2137  
is to be used in a ridesharing arrangement and that the person 2138  
will have in effect whenever the vehicle is used in a 2139  
ridesharing arrangement a policy of liability insurance with 2140  
respect to the motor vehicle in amounts and coverages no less 2141  
than those required by section 4509.79 of the Revised Code. The 2142  
form of the license plate issued for such a motor vehicle shall 2143  
be prescribed by the registrar. 2144

(O) (1) If an application for registration renewal is not 2145  
applied for prior to the expiration date of the registration or 2146  
within thirty days after that date, the registrar or deputy 2147  
registrar shall collect a fee of ten dollars for the issuance of 2148  
the vehicle registration. For any motor vehicle that is used on 2149  
a seasonal basis, whether used for general transportation or 2150  
not, and that has not been used on the public roads or highways 2151  
since the expiration of the registration, the registrar or 2152  
deputy registrar shall waive the fee established under this 2153  
division if the application is accompanied by supporting 2154  
evidence of seasonal use as the registrar may require. The 2155  
registrar or deputy registrar may waive the fee for other good 2156  
cause shown if the application is accompanied by supporting 2157  
evidence as the registrar may require. The fee shall be in 2158  
addition to all other fees established by this section. A deputy 2159  
registrar shall retain fifty cents of the fee and shall transmit 2160  
the remaining amount to the registrar at the time and in the 2161  
manner provided by section 4503.10 of the Revised Code. The 2162  
registrar shall deposit all moneys received under this division 2163  
into the public safety - highway purposes fund established in 2164  
section 4501.06 of the Revised Code. 2165

(2) Division (O) (1) of this section does not apply to a 2166  
farm truck or farm bus registered under division (J) of this 2167

section.	2168
(P) As used in this section:	2169
(1) "Van" means any motor vehicle having a single rear axle and an enclosed body without a second seat.	2170 2171
(2) "Person with a disability" means any person who has lost the use of one or both legs, or one or both arms, or is blind, deaf, or unable to move about without the aid of crutches or a wheelchair.	2172 2173 2174 2175
(3) "Farm truck" means a truck used in the transportation from the farm of products of the farm, including livestock and its products, poultry and its products, floricultural and horticultural products, and in the transportation to the farm of supplies for the farm, including tile, fence, and every other thing or commodity used in agricultural, floricultural, horticultural, livestock, and poultry production and livestock, poultry, and other animals and things used for breeding, feeding, or other purposes connected with the operation of the farm.	2176 2177 2178 2179 2180 2181 2182 2183 2184 2185
(4) "Farm bus" means a bus used only for the transportation of agricultural employees and used only in the transportation of such employees as are necessary in the operation of the farm.	2186 2187 2188 2189
(5) "Farm supplies" includes fuel used exclusively in the operation of a farm, including one or more homes located on and used in the operation of one or more farms, and furniture and other things used in and around such homes.	2190 2191 2192 2193
<b>Sec. 4503.10.</b> (A) <del>The owner of every snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, and all purpose vehicle required to be registered under section 4519.02 of the Revised Code shall file</del>	2194 2195 2196

~~an application for registration under section 4519.03 of the~~ 2197  
~~Revised Code. The owner of a motor vehicle, other than a~~ 2198  
~~snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, or all-purpose vehicle, that~~ 2199  
~~is not designed and constructed by the manufacturer for~~ 2200  
~~operation on a street or highway may not register it under this~~ 2201  
~~chapter except upon certification of inspection pursuant to~~ 2202  
~~section 4513.02 of the Revised Code by the sheriff, or the chief~~ 2203  
~~of police of the municipal corporation or township, with~~ 2204  
~~jurisdiction over the political subdivision in which the owner~~ 2205  
~~of the motor vehicle resides. Except as provided in division (L)~~ 2206  
~~of this section and in sections 4503.103 and 4503.107 of the~~ 2207  
~~Revised Code, every owner of ~~every other a~~ motor vehicle ~~not~~~~ 2208  
~~~~previously described in this section~~ and every person mentioned~~ 2209  
~~as owner in the last certificate of title of a motor vehicle~~ 2210  
~~that is operated or driven upon the public roads or highways~~ 2211  
~~shall ~~cause to be filed~~ file each year, by mail or otherwise, in~~ 2212  
~~the office of the registrar of motor vehicles or a deputy~~ 2213  
~~registrar, a written or electronic application or a preprinted~~ 2214  
~~registration renewal notice issued under section 4503.102 of the~~ 2215  
~~Revised Code, ~~the~~. The registrar shall prescribe the form of~~ 2216  
~~~~which shall be prescribed by the registrar,~~application for~~ 2217  
~~registration for the following registration year, ~~which shall~~~~ 2218  
~~~~begin~~. The registration year begins on the first day of January~~ 2219  
~~of every calendar year and ~~end~~ ends on the thirty-first day of~~ 2220  
~~December in the same year. ~~Applications~~ An applicant shall file~~ 2221  
~~an application for registration and registration renewal ~~notices~~~~ 2222  
~~~~shall be filed~~ notice at the times a time established by the~~ 2223  
~~registrar pursuant to section 4503.101 of the Revised Code. A~~ 2224  
~~motor vehicle owner also may elect to apply for or renew a motor~~ 2225  
~~vehicle registration by electronic means using an electronic~~ 2226  
~~signature in accordance with rules adopted by the registrar.~~ 2227  
~~Except as provided in division (J) of this section, ~~applications~~~~ 2228

an applicant shall apply for registration ~~shall be made~~ on 2229  
blanks furnished by the registrar for that purpose, containing 2230  
the following information: 2231

(1) A brief description of the motor vehicle to be 2232  
registered, including the year, make, model, and vehicle 2233  
identification number, and, in the case of commercial cars, the 2234  
gross weight of the vehicle fully equipped computed in the 2235  
manner prescribed in section 4503.08 of the Revised Code; 2236

(2) The name and residence address of the owner, and the 2237  
township and municipal corporation in which the owner resides; 2238

(3) The district of registration, which shall be 2239  
determined as follows: 2240

(a) In case the motor vehicle to be registered is used for 2241  
hire or principally in connection with any established business 2242  
or branch business, conducted at a particular place, the 2243  
district of registration is the municipal corporation in which 2244  
that place is located or, if not located in any municipal 2245  
corporation, the county and township in which that place is 2246  
located. 2247

(b) In case the vehicle is not so used, the district of 2248  
registration is the municipal corporation or county in which the 2249  
owner resides at the time of making the application. 2250

(4) Whether the motor vehicle is a new or used motor 2251  
vehicle; 2252

(5) The date of purchase of the motor vehicle; 2253

(6) Whether the fees required to be paid for the 2254  
registration or transfer of the motor vehicle, during the 2255  
preceding registration year and during the preceding period of 2256

the current registration year, have been paid. Each application 2257  
for registration shall be signed by the owner, either manually 2258  
or by electronic signature, or pursuant to obtaining a limited 2259  
power of attorney authorized by the registrar for registration, 2260  
or other document authorizing such signature. If the owner 2261  
elects to apply for or renew the motor vehicle registration with 2262  
the registrar by electronic means, the owner's manual signature 2263  
is not required. 2264

(7) The owner's social security number, driver's license 2265  
number, or state identification number, or, where a motor 2266  
vehicle to be registered is used for hire or principally in 2267  
connection with any established business, the owner's federal 2268  
taxpayer identification number. The bureau of motor vehicles 2269  
shall retain in its records all social security numbers provided 2270  
under this section, but the bureau shall not place social 2271  
security numbers on motor vehicle certificates of registration. 2272

(8) Whether the applicant wishes to certify willingness to 2273  
make an anatomical gift if an applicant has not so certified 2274  
under section 2108.05 of the Revised Code. The applicant's 2275  
response shall not be considered in the decision of whether to 2276  
approve the application for registration. 2277

(B) (1) When an applicant first registers a motor vehicle 2278  
in the applicant's name, the applicant shall provide proof of 2279  
ownership of that motor vehicle. Proof of ownership may include 2280  
any of the following: 2281

(a) The applicant may present for inspection a physical 2282  
certificate of title or memorandum certificate showing title to 2283  
the motor vehicle to be registered in the name of the applicant. 2284

(b) The applicant may present for inspection an electronic 2285

certificate of title for the applicant's motor vehicle in a 2286  
manner prescribed by rules adopted by the registrar. 2287

(c) The registrar or deputy registrar may electronically 2288  
confirm the applicant's ownership of the motor vehicle. 2289

An applicant is not required to present a certificate of 2290  
title to an electronic motor vehicle dealer acting as a limited 2291  
authority deputy registrar in accordance with rules adopted by 2292  
the registrar. 2293

(2) When a motor vehicle inspection and maintenance 2294  
program is in effect under section 3704.14 of the Revised Code 2295  
and rules adopted under it, each application for registration 2296  
for a vehicle required to be inspected under that section and 2297  
those rules shall be accompanied by an inspection certificate 2298  
for the motor vehicle issued in accordance with that section. 2299

(3) An application for registration shall be refused if 2300  
any of the following applies: 2301

(a) The application is not in proper form. 2302

(b) The application is prohibited from being accepted by 2303  
division (D) of section 2935.27, division (A) of section 2304  
2937.221, division (A) of section 4503.13, division (B) of 2305  
section 4510.22, division (B)(1) of section 4521.10, or division 2306  
(B) of section 5537.041 of the Revised Code. 2307

(c) Proof of ownership is required but is not presented or 2308  
confirmed in accordance with division (B)(1) of this section. 2309

(d) All registration and transfer fees for the motor 2310  
vehicle, for the preceding year or the preceding period of the 2311  
current registration year, have not been paid. 2312

(e) The owner or lessee does not have an inspection 2313



certificate for the motor vehicle as provided in section 3704.14 2314  
of the Revised Code, and rules adopted under it, if that section 2315  
is applicable. 2316

(4) This section does not require the payment of license 2317  
or registration taxes on a motor vehicle for any preceding year, 2318  
or for any preceding period of a year, if the motor vehicle was 2319  
not taxable for that preceding year or period under sections 2320  
4503.02, 4503.04, 4503.11, 4503.12, and 4503.16 or Chapter 4504. 2321  
of the Revised Code. 2322

(5) When a certificate of registration is issued upon the 2323  
first registration of a motor vehicle by or on behalf of the 2324  
owner, the official issuing the certificate shall indicate the 2325  
issuance with a stamp on the certificate of title or memorandum 2326  
certificate or, in the case of an electronic certificate of 2327  
title or electronic verification of ownership, an electronic 2328  
stamp or other notation as specified in rules adopted by the 2329  
registrar, and with a stamp on the inspection certificate for 2330  
the motor vehicle, if any. 2331

(6) The official also shall indicate, by a stamp or by 2332  
other means the registrar prescribes, on the registration 2333  
certificate issued upon the first registration of a motor 2334  
vehicle by or on behalf of the owner the odometer reading of the 2335  
motor vehicle as shown in the odometer statement included in or 2336  
attached to the certificate of title. Upon each subsequent 2337  
registration of the motor vehicle by or on behalf of the same 2338  
owner, the official also shall so indicate the odometer reading 2339  
of the motor vehicle as shown on the immediately preceding 2340  
certificate of registration. 2341

(7) The registrar shall include in the permanent 2342  
registration record of any vehicle required to be inspected 2343

under section 3704.14 of the Revised Code the inspection 2344  
certificate number from the inspection certificate that is 2345  
presented at the time of registration of the vehicle as required 2346  
under this division. 2347

(C) (1) Except as otherwise provided in division (C) (1) of 2348  
this section, the registrar and each deputy registrar shall 2349  
collect an additional fee of eleven dollars for each application 2350  
for registration and registration renewal received. For vehicles 2351  
specified in divisions (A) (1) to (21) of section 4503.042 of the 2352  
Revised Code, the registrar and deputy registrar shall collect 2353  
an additional fee of thirty dollars for each application for 2354  
registration and registration renewal received. No additional 2355  
fee shall be charged for vehicles registered under section 2356  
4503.65 of the Revised Code. The additional fee is for the 2357  
purpose of defraying the department of public safety's costs 2358  
associated with the administration and enforcement of the motor 2359  
vehicle and traffic laws of Ohio. Each deputy registrar shall 2360  
transmit the fees collected under divisions (C) (1) and (3) of 2361  
this section in the time and manner provided in this section. 2362  
The registrar shall deposit all moneys received under division 2363  
(C) (1) of this section into the public safety - highway purposes 2364  
fund established in section 4501.06 of the Revised Code. 2365

(2) In addition, a charge of twenty-five cents shall be 2366  
made for each reflectorized safety license plate issued, and a 2367  
single charge of twenty-five cents shall be made for each county 2368  
identification sticker or each set of county identification 2369  
stickers issued, as the case may be, to cover the cost of 2370  
producing the license plates and stickers, including material, 2371  
manufacturing, and administrative costs. Those fees shall be in 2372  
addition to the license tax. If the total cost of producing the 2373  
plates is less than twenty-five cents per plate, or if the total 2374

cost of producing the stickers is less than twenty-five cents 2375  
per sticker or per set issued, any excess moneys accruing from 2376  
the fees shall be distributed in the same manner as provided by 2377  
section 4501.04 of the Revised Code for the distribution of 2378  
license tax moneys. If the total cost of producing the plates 2379  
exceeds twenty-five cents per plate, or if the total cost of 2380  
producing the stickers exceeds twenty-five cents per sticker or 2381  
per set issued, the difference shall be paid from the license 2382  
tax moneys collected pursuant to section 4503.02 of the Revised 2383  
Code. 2384

(3) The registrar and each deputy registrar shall collect 2385  
the following additional fee, as applicable, for each 2386  
application for registration or registration renewal received 2387  
for any hybrid motor vehicle, plug-in hybrid electric motor 2388  
vehicle, or battery electric motor vehicle: 2389

(a) One hundred dollars for a hybrid motor vehicle; 2390

(b) One hundred fifty dollars for a plug-in hybrid 2391  
electric motor vehicle; 2392

(c) Two hundred dollars for a battery electric motor 2393  
vehicle. 2394

Each fee imposed under this division shall be prorated 2395  
based on the number of months for which the vehicle is 2396  
registered. The registrar shall transmit all money arising from 2397  
each fee to the treasurer of state for distribution in 2398  
accordance with division (E) of section 5735.051 of the Revised 2399  
Code, subject to division (D) of section 5735.05 of the Revised 2400  
Code. 2401

(D) Each deputy registrar shall be allowed a fee equal to 2402  
the amount established under section 4503.038 of the Revised 2403

Code for each application for registration and registration 2404  
renewal notice the deputy registrar receives, which shall be for 2405  
the purpose of compensating the deputy registrar for the deputy 2406  
registrar's services, and such office and rental expenses, as 2407  
may be necessary for the proper discharge of the deputy 2408  
registrar's duties in the receiving of applications and renewal 2409  
notices and the issuing of registrations. 2410

(E) Upon the certification of the registrar, the county 2411  
sheriff or local police officials shall recover license plates 2412  
erroneously or fraudulently issued. 2413

(F) Each deputy registrar, upon receipt of any application 2414  
for registration or registration renewal notice, together with 2415  
the license fee and any local motor vehicle license tax levied 2416  
pursuant to Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, shall transmit 2417  
that fee and tax, if any, in the manner provided in this 2418  
section, together with the original and duplicate copy of the 2419  
application, to the registrar. The registrar, subject to the 2420  
approval of the director of public safety, may deposit the funds 2421  
collected by those deputies in a local bank or depository to the 2422  
credit of the "state of Ohio, bureau of motor vehicles." Where a 2423  
local bank or depository has been designated by the registrar, 2424  
each deputy registrar shall deposit all moneys collected by the 2425  
deputy registrar into that bank or depository not more than one 2426  
business day after their collection and shall make reports to 2427  
the registrar of the amounts so deposited, together with any 2428  
other information, some of which may be prescribed by the 2429  
treasurer of state, as the registrar may require and as 2430  
prescribed by the registrar by rule. The registrar, within three 2431  
days after receipt of notification of the deposit of funds by a 2432  
deputy registrar in a local bank or depository, shall draw on 2433  
that account in favor of the treasurer of state. The registrar, 2434

subject to the approval of the director and the treasurer of 2435  
state, may make reasonable rules necessary for the prompt 2436  
transmittal of fees and for safeguarding the interests of the 2437  
state and of counties, townships, municipal corporations, and 2438  
transportation improvement districts levying local motor vehicle 2439  
license taxes. The registrar may pay service charges usually 2440  
collected by banks and depositories for such service. If deputy 2441  
registrars are located in communities where banking facilities 2442  
are not available, they shall transmit the fees forthwith, by 2443  
money order or otherwise, as the registrar, by rule approved by 2444  
the director and the treasurer of state, may prescribe. The 2445  
registrar may pay the usual and customary fees for such service. 2446

(G) This section does not prevent any person from making 2447  
an application for a motor vehicle license directly to the 2448  
registrar by mail, by electronic means, or in person at any of 2449  
the registrar's offices, upon payment of a service fee equal to 2450  
the amount established under section 4503.038 of the Revised 2451  
Code for each application. 2452

(H) No person shall make a false statement as to the 2453  
district of registration in an application required by division 2454  
(A) of this section. Violation of this division is falsification 2455  
under section 2921.13 of the Revised Code and punishable as 2456  
specified in that section. 2457

(I) (1) Where applicable, the requirements of division (B) 2458  
of this section relating to the presentation of an inspection 2459  
certificate issued under section 3704.14 of the Revised Code and 2460  
rules adopted under it for a motor vehicle, the refusal of a 2461  
license for failure to present an inspection certificate, and 2462  
the stamping of the inspection certificate by the official 2463  
issuing the certificate of registration apply to the 2464

registration of and issuance of license plates for a motor 2465  
vehicle under sections 4503.102, 4503.12, 4503.14, 4503.15, 2466  
4503.16, 4503.171, 4503.172, 4503.19, 4503.40, 4503.41, 4503.42, 2467  
4503.43, 4503.44, 4503.46, 4503.47, and 4503.51 of the Revised 2468  
Code. 2469

(2) (a) The registrar shall adopt rules ensuring that each 2470  
owner registering a motor vehicle in a county where a motor 2471  
vehicle inspection and maintenance program is in effect under 2472  
section 3704.14 of the Revised Code and rules adopted under it 2473  
receives information about the requirements established in that 2474  
section and those rules and about the need in those counties to 2475  
present an inspection certificate with an application for 2476  
registration or preregistration. 2477

(b) Upon request, the registrar shall provide the director 2478  
of environmental protection, or any person that has been awarded 2479  
a contract under section 3704.14 of the Revised Code, an on-line 2480  
computer data link to registration information for all passenger 2481  
cars, noncommercial motor vehicles, and commercial cars that are 2482  
subject to that section. The registrar also shall provide to the 2483  
director of environmental protection a magnetic data tape 2484  
containing registration information regarding passenger cars, 2485  
noncommercial motor vehicles, and commercial cars for which a 2486  
multi-year registration is in effect under section 4503.103 of 2487  
the Revised Code or rules adopted under it, including, without 2488  
limitation, the date of issuance of the multi-year registration, 2489  
the registration deadline established under rules adopted under 2490  
section 4503.101 of the Revised Code that was applicable in the 2491  
year in which the multi-year registration was issued, and the 2492  
registration deadline for renewal of the multi-year 2493  
registration. 2494

(J) Subject to division (K) of this section, application 2495  
for registration under the international registration plan, as 2496  
set forth in sections 4503.60 to 4503.66 of the Revised Code, 2497  
shall be made to the registrar on forms furnished by the 2498  
registrar. In accordance with international registration plan 2499  
guidelines and pursuant to rules adopted by the registrar, the 2500  
forms shall include the following: 2501

(1) A uniform mileage schedule; 2502

(2) The gross vehicle weight of the vehicle or combined 2503  
gross vehicle weight of the combination vehicle as declared by 2504  
the registrant; 2505

(3) Any other information the registrar requires by rule. 2506

(K) The registrar shall determine the feasibility of 2507  
implementing an electronic commercial fleet licensing and 2508  
management program that will enable the owners of commercial 2509  
tractors, commercial trailers, and commercial semitrailers to 2510  
conduct electronic transactions by July 1, 2010, or sooner. If 2511  
the registrar determines that implementing such a program is 2512  
feasible, the registrar shall adopt new rules under this 2513  
division or amend existing rules adopted under this division as 2514  
necessary in order to respond to advances in technology. 2515

If international registration plan guidelines and 2516  
provisions allow member jurisdictions to permit applications for 2517  
registrations under the international registration plan to be 2518  
made via the internet, the rules the registrar adopts under this 2519  
division shall permit such action. 2520

(L) The owner of every snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, 2521  
mini-truck, utility vehicle, and all-terrain vehicle required to 2522  
be registered under section 4519.02 of the Revised Code shall 2523

file an application for registration under section 4519.03 of 2524  
the Revised Code. The owner of a motor vehicle, other than a 2525  
snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, 2526  
and all-terrain vehicle, that is not designed and constructed by 2527  
the manufacturer for operation on a street or highway may not 2528  
register it under this chapter except upon certification of 2529  
inspection pursuant to section 4513.02 of the Revised Code by 2530  
the sheriff, or the chief of police of the municipal corporation 2531  
or township, with jurisdiction over the political subdivision in 2532  
which the owner of the motor vehicle resides. 2533

**Sec. 4503.191.** (A) (1) The identification license plate 2534  
shall be issued for a multi-year period as determined by the 2535  
director of public safety, and, except as provided in division 2536  
(A) (3) of this section, shall be accompanied by a validation 2537  
sticker, to be attached to the license plate. Except as provided 2538  
in divisions (A) (2) and (3) of this section, the validation 2539  
sticker shall indicate the expiration of the registration period 2540  
to which the motor vehicle for which the license plate is issued 2541  
is assigned, in accordance with rules adopted by the registrar 2542  
of motor vehicles. During each succeeding year of the multi-year 2543  
period following the issuance of the plate and validation 2544  
sticker, upon the filing of an application for registration and 2545  
the payment of the tax therefor, a validation sticker alone 2546  
shall be issued. The validation stickers required under this 2547  
section shall be of different colors or shades each year, the 2548  
new colors or shades to be selected by the director. 2549

(2) (a) The director shall develop a universal validation 2550  
sticker that may be issued to any owner of five hundred or more 2551  
passenger vehicles, so that a sticker issued to the owner may be 2552  
placed on any passenger vehicle in that owner's fleet. Beginning 2553  
January 1, 2019, the universal validation sticker shall not have 2554



an expiration date on it and shall not need replaced at the time 2555  
of registration, except in the event of the loss, mutilation, or 2556  
destruction of the validation sticker. The director may 2557  
establish and charge an additional fee of not more than one 2558  
dollar per registration to compensate for necessary costs of the 2559  
universal validation sticker program. The additional fee shall 2560  
be credited to the public safety - highway purposes fund created 2561  
in section 4501.06 of the Revised Code. The director shall 2562  
select the color or shade of the universal validation sticker. 2563

(b) A validation sticker issued for an ~~all-purpose all-~~ 2564  
terrain vehicle, mini-truck, or utility vehicle that is 2565  
registered under Chapter 4519. of the Revised Code, for a 2566  
noncommercial trailer that is permanently registered under 2567  
section 4503.107 of the Revised Code, or for a trailer or 2568  
semitrailer that is permanently registered under division (A) (2) 2569  
of section 4503.103 of the Revised Code or is registered for any 2570  
number of succeeding registration years may indicate the 2571  
expiration of the registration period, if any, by any manner 2572  
determined by the registrar by rule. 2573

(3) No validation sticker shall be issued, and a 2574  
validation sticker is not required for display, on the license 2575  
plate of a nonapportioned commercial tractor or any apportioned 2576  
motor vehicle. 2577

(B) Identification license plates shall be produced by 2578  
Ohio penal industries. Validation stickers and county 2579  
identification stickers shall be produced by Ohio penal 2580  
industries unless the registrar adopts rules expressly 2581  
permitting the registrar or deputy registrars to provide for the 2582  
printing or production of the stickers. 2583

**Sec. 4503.312.** As used in this section: 2584

(A) "Utility trailer" means any trailer, except a travel trailer or trailer for transporting watercraft, having a gross weight of less than four thousand pounds.

(B) "Snowmobile" and "~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain vehicle" have the same meanings as in section 4519.01 of the Revised Code.

(C) "Distributor" means any person authorized by a manufacturer of utility trailers or trailers for transporting motorcycles, snowmobiles, or ~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain vehicles to distribute new trailers to persons for purposes of resale.

A manufacturer, distributor, or retail seller of utility trailers or trailers for transporting motorcycles, snowmobiles, or ~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain vehicles may apply for registration with the registrar of motor vehicles for each place in this state where the manufacturer, distributor, or retail seller carries on the business of manufacturing, distributing, or selling at retail such trailers. Applications for annual registration shall be made at the time provided for payment of the tax imposed by section 4503.09 of the Revised Code; shall be in the manner to be prescribed by the registrar; and shall be accompanied by an affidavit certifying that the applicant is a manufacturer, distributor, or retail seller of utility trailers or trailers for transporting motorcycles, snowmobiles, or ~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain vehicles. The fee for such registration shall be twenty-five dollars and shall not be reduced when the registration is for a part of a year.

Upon the filing of the application and affidavit, and payment of the fee and appropriate postage as required by the registrar, the registrar shall assign to the applicant a distinctive number which shall be displayed on the rear of each

trailer when it is operated on the public highway. Any trailer 2615  
for transporting motorcycles, snowmobiles, or ~~all-purpose-all-~~ 2616  
terrain vehicles that is not loaded may be operated on the 2617  
public highway until it is sold or transferred; and any utility 2618  
trailer that is not loaded, or that is being used to transport 2619  
another utility trailer for purposes of demonstration or 2620  
delivery, may be operated on the public highway until it is sold 2621  
or transferred. 2622

At the time the registrar assigns the distinctive number, 2623  
the registrar shall furnish one placard with the number thereon. 2624  
The manufacturer, distributor, or retail seller may procure a 2625  
reasonable number of certified copies of the registration 2626  
certificate upon the payment of a fee of five dollars and 2627  
postage. With each of such certified copies, the registrar shall 2628  
furnish one placard with the same number provided in the 2629  
original registration certificate, and shall add thereto such 2630  
special designation as necessary to distinguish one set of 2631  
placards from another. All placards furnished by the registrar 2632  
pursuant to this section shall be so marked as to be 2633  
distinguishable from placards issued to dealers in or 2634  
manufacturers of motor vehicles or trailers for transporting 2635  
watercraft. 2636

The fees collected by the registrar pursuant to this 2637  
section shall be paid into the public safety - highway purposes 2638  
fund established by section 4501.06 of the Revised Code and used 2639  
for the purposes described in that section. 2640

**Sec. 4504.01.** As used in this chapter: 2641

(A) "Motor vehicle" means all vehicles included within the 2642  
definition of motor vehicle in ~~sections 4501.01 and 4505.01-~~ 2643  
divisions (A) and (B) of section 4503.01 of the Revised Code ~~and-~~ 2644

~~also includes motorized bicycles.~~ "Motor vehicle" does not 2645  
include a concrete pump or a concrete conveyor. 2646

(B) "County motor vehicle license tax" means a tax imposed 2647  
by a county pursuant to this chapter. 2648

(C) "Township motor vehicle license tax" means a tax 2649  
imposed by a township pursuant to this chapter. 2650

(D) "Municipal motor vehicle license tax" means a tax 2651  
imposed by a municipal corporation pursuant to this chapter. 2652

(E) "Registrar" means the registrar of motor vehicles as 2653  
provided in section 4501.02 of the Revised Code. 2654

(F) "Deputy registrar" means any deputy appointed by the 2655  
registrar of motor vehicles pursuant to sections 4501.02 and 2656  
4503.03 of the Revised Code. 2657

**Sec. 4505.01.** (A) As used in this chapter: 2658

"All-terrain vehicle" has the same meaning as in section 2659  
4519.01 of the Revised Code. 2660

"Buyer" and "transferee" mean the applicant for a 2661  
certificate of title. 2662

"Certificate of title" and "title" include an electronic 2663  
certificate of title, unless otherwise specified. 2664

"Electronic certificate of title" means an electronic 2665  
record stored in the automated title processing system that 2666  
establishes ownership of a motor vehicle and any security 2667  
interests that exist on that motor vehicle. 2668

"Lien" includes, unless the context requires a different 2669  
meaning, a security interest in a motor vehicle. 2670

"Manufactured home" has the same meaning as section 2671

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| 3781.06 of the Revised Code.   | 2672                                 |
| "Manufactured housing dealer," "manufactured housing broker," and "manufactured housing salesperson" have the same meanings as in section 4781.01 of the Revised Code.   | 2673<br>2674<br>2675                 |
| <u>"Mini-truck" has the same meaning as in section 4519.01 of the Revised Code.</u>  | 2676<br>2677                         |
| "Mobile home" has the same meaning as in section 4501.01 of the Revised Code.  | 2678<br>2679                         |
| "Motor vehicle" includes manufactured homes, mobile homes, recreational vehicles, and trailers and semitrailers whose weight exceeds four thousand pounds. <u>"Motor vehicle" does not include an off-highway motorcycle, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck.</u> | 2680<br>2681<br>2682<br>2683<br>2684 |
| "Motor vehicle dealer" and "dealer" have the same meaning as in section 4517.01 of the Revised Code and includes manufactured housing dealers.   | 2685<br>2686<br>2687                 |
| "Motor vehicle salesperson" includes manufactured housing salespersons.  | 2688<br>2689                         |
| <u>"Off-highway motorcycle" has the same meaning as in section 4519.01 of the Revised Code.</u>  | 2690<br>2691                         |
| "Resident" means any person who either maintains their principal residence in this state or is determined by the registrar of motor vehicles to be a permanent or temporary resident in accordance with the standards adopted by the registrar under section 4507.01 of the Revised Code.      | 2692<br>2693<br>2694<br>2695<br>2696 |
| "Signature" includes an electronic signature as defined by section 1306.01 of the Revised Code.  | 2697<br>2698                         |

"Snowmobile" has the same meaning as in section 4519.01 of 2699  
the Revised Code. 2700

"Utility vehicle" has the same meaning as in 4501.01 of 2701  
the Revised Code. 2702

(B) The various certificates, applications, and 2703  
assignments necessary to provide certificates of title for 2704  
manufactured homes, mobile homes, recreational vehicles, and 2705  
trailers and semitrailers whose weight exceeds four thousand 2706  
pounds, shall be made upon forms prescribed by the registrar of 2707  
motor vehicles. 2708

**Sec. 4505.06.** (A) (1) Application for a certificate of 2709  
title shall be made in a form prescribed by the registrar of 2710  
motor vehicles and shall be sworn to before a notary public or 2711  
other officer empowered to administer oaths. The application 2712  
shall be filed with the clerk of any court of common pleas. An 2713  
application for a certificate of title may be filed 2714  
electronically by any electronic means approved by the registrar 2715  
in any county with the clerk of the court of common pleas of 2716  
that county. Any payments required by this chapter shall be 2717  
considered as accompanying any electronically transmitted 2718  
application when payment actually is received by the clerk. 2719  
Payment of any fee or taxes may be made by electronic transfer 2720  
of funds. 2721

(2) The application for a certificate of title shall be 2722  
accompanied by the fee prescribed in section 4505.09 of the 2723  
Revised Code. The fee shall be retained by the clerk who issues 2724  
the certificate of title and shall be distributed in accordance 2725  
with that section. If a clerk of a court of common pleas, other 2726  
than the clerk of the court of common pleas of an applicant's 2727  
county of residence, issues a certificate of title to the 2728

applicant, the clerk shall transmit data related to the 2729  
transaction to the automated title processing system. 2730

(3) If a certificate of title previously has been issued 2731  
for a motor vehicle in this state, the application for a 2732  
certificate of title also shall be accompanied by that 2733  
certificate of title duly assigned, unless otherwise provided in 2734  
this chapter. If a certificate of title previously has not been 2735  
issued for the motor vehicle in this state, the application, 2736  
unless otherwise provided in this chapter, shall be accompanied 2737  
by a manufacturer's or importer's certificate or by a 2738  
certificate of title of another state from which the motor 2739  
vehicle was brought into this state. If the application refers 2740  
to a motor vehicle last previously registered in another state, 2741  
the application also shall be accompanied by the physical 2742  
inspection certificate required by section 4505.061 of the 2743  
Revised Code. If the application is made by two persons 2744  
regarding a motor vehicle in which they wish to establish joint 2745  
ownership with right of survivorship, they may do so as provided 2746  
in section 2131.12 of the Revised Code. If the applicant 2747  
requests a designation of the motor vehicle in beneficiary form 2748  
so that upon the death of the owner of the motor vehicle, 2749  
ownership of the motor vehicle will pass to a designated 2750  
transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries, the applicant 2751  
may do so as provided in section 2131.13 of the Revised Code. A 2752  
person who establishes ownership of a motor vehicle that is 2753  
transferable on death in accordance with section 2131.13 of the 2754  
Revised Code may terminate that type of ownership or change the 2755  
designation of the transfer-on-death beneficiary or 2756  
beneficiaries by applying for a certificate of title pursuant to 2757  
this section. The clerk shall retain the evidence of title 2758  
presented by the applicant and on which the certificate of title 2759

is issued, except that, if an application for a certificate of 2760  
title is filed electronically by an electronic motor vehicle 2761  
dealer on behalf of the purchaser of a motor vehicle, the clerk 2762  
shall retain the completed electronic record to which the dealer 2763  
converted the certificate of title application and other 2764  
required documents. The registrar, after consultation with the 2765  
attorney general, shall adopt rules that govern the location at 2766  
which, and the manner in which, are stored the actual 2767  
application and all other documents relating to the transfer of 2768  
a motor vehicle when an electronic motor vehicle dealer files 2769  
the application for a certificate of title electronically on 2770  
behalf of the purchaser. Not later than December 31, 2017, the 2771  
registrar shall arrange for a service that enables all 2772  
electronic motor vehicle dealers to file applications for 2773  
certificates of title on behalf of purchasers of motor vehicles 2774  
electronically by transferring the applications directly from 2775  
the computer systems of the dealers to the clerk. 2776

The clerk shall use reasonable diligence in ascertaining 2777  
whether or not the facts in the application for a certificate of 2778  
title are true by checking the application and documents 2779  
accompanying it or the electronic record to which a dealer 2780  
converted the application and accompanying documents with the 2781  
records of motor vehicles in the clerk's office. If the clerk is 2782  
satisfied that the applicant is the owner of the motor vehicle 2783  
and that the application is in the proper form, the clerk, 2784  
within five business days after the application is filed and 2785  
except as provided in section 4505.021 of the Revised Code, 2786  
shall issue a physical certificate of title over the clerk's 2787  
signature and sealed with the clerk's seal, unless the applicant 2788  
specifically requests the clerk not to issue a physical 2789  
certificate of title and instead to issue an electronic 2790



certificate of title. For purposes of the transfer of a 2791  
certificate of title, if the clerk is satisfied that the secured 2792  
party has duly discharged a lien notation but has not canceled 2793  
the lien notation with a clerk, the clerk may cancel the lien 2794  
notation on the automated title processing system and notify the 2795  
clerk of the county of origin. 2796

(4) In the case of the sale of a motor vehicle to a 2797  
general buyer or user by a dealer, by a motor vehicle leasing 2798  
dealer selling the motor vehicle to the lessee or, in a case in 2799  
which the leasing dealer subleased the motor vehicle, the 2800  
sublessee, at the end of the lease agreement or sublease 2801  
agreement, or by a manufactured housing broker, the certificate 2802  
of title shall be obtained in the name of the buyer by the 2803  
dealer, leasing dealer, or manufactured housing broker, as the 2804  
case may be, upon application signed by the buyer. The 2805  
certificate of title shall be issued, or the process of entering 2806  
the certificate of title application information into the 2807  
automated title processing system if a physical certificate of 2808  
title is not to be issued shall be completed, within five 2809  
business days after the application for title is filed with the 2810  
clerk. If the buyer of the motor vehicle previously leased the 2811  
motor vehicle and is buying the motor vehicle at the end of the 2812  
lease pursuant to that lease, the certificate of title shall be 2813  
obtained in the name of the buyer by the motor vehicle leasing 2814  
dealer who previously leased the motor vehicle to the buyer or 2815  
by the motor vehicle leasing dealer who subleased the motor 2816  
vehicle to the buyer under a sublease agreement. 2817

In all other cases, except as provided in section 4505.032 2818  
and division (D)(2) of section 4505.11 of the Revised Code, such 2819  
certificates shall be obtained by the buyer. 2820

(5) (a) (i) If the certificate of title is being obtained in 2821  
the name of the buyer by a motor vehicle dealer or motor vehicle 2822  
leasing dealer and there is a security interest to be noted on 2823  
the certificate of title, the dealer or leasing dealer shall 2824  
submit the application for the certificate of title and payment 2825  
of the applicable tax to a clerk within seven business days 2826  
after the later of the delivery of the motor vehicle to the 2827  
buyer or the date the dealer or leasing dealer obtains the 2828  
manufacturer's or importer's certificate, or certificate of 2829  
title issued in the name of the dealer or leasing dealer, for 2830  
the motor vehicle. Submission of the application for the 2831  
certificate of title and payment of the applicable tax within 2832  
the required seven business days may be indicated by postmark or 2833  
receipt by a clerk within that period. 2834

(ii) Upon receipt of the certificate of title with the 2835  
security interest noted on its face, the dealer or leasing 2836  
dealer shall forward the certificate of title to the secured 2837  
party at the location noted in the financing documents or 2838  
otherwise specified by the secured party. 2839

(iii) A motor vehicle dealer or motor vehicle leasing 2840  
dealer is liable to a secured party for a late fee of ten 2841  
dollars per day for each certificate of title application and 2842  
payment of the applicable tax that is submitted to a clerk more 2843  
than seven business days but less than twenty-one days after the 2844  
later of the delivery of the motor vehicle to the buyer or the 2845  
date the dealer or leasing dealer obtains the manufacturer's or 2846  
importer's certificate, or certificate of title issued in the 2847  
name of the dealer or leasing dealer, for the motor vehicle and, 2848  
from then on, twenty-five dollars per day until the application 2849  
and applicable tax are submitted to a clerk. 2850

(b) In all cases of transfer of a motor vehicle except the transfer of a manufactured home or mobile home, the application for certificate of title shall be filed within thirty days after the assignment or delivery of the motor vehicle.

(c) An application for a certificate of title for a new manufactured home shall be filed within thirty days after the delivery of the new manufactured home to the purchaser. The date of the delivery shall be the date on which an occupancy permit for the manufactured home is delivered to the purchaser of the home by the appropriate legal authority.

(d) An application for a certificate of title for a used manufactured home or a used mobile home shall be filed as follows:

(i) If a certificate of title for the used manufactured home or used mobile home was issued to the motor vehicle dealer prior to the sale of the manufactured or mobile home to the purchaser, the application for certificate of title shall be filed within thirty days after the date on which an occupancy permit for the manufactured or mobile home is delivered to the purchaser by the appropriate legal authority.

(ii) If the motor vehicle dealer has been designated by a secured party to display the manufactured or mobile home for sale, or to sell the manufactured or mobile home under section 4505.20 of the Revised Code, but the certificate of title has not been transferred by the secured party to the motor vehicle dealer, and the dealer has complied with the requirements of division (A) of section 4505.181 of the Revised Code, the application for certificate of title shall be filed within thirty days after the date on which the motor vehicle dealer obtains the certificate of title for the home from the secured

party or the date on which an occupancy permit for the 2881  
manufactured or mobile home is delivered to the purchaser by the 2882  
appropriate legal authority, whichever occurs later. 2883

(6) If an application for a certificate of title is not 2884  
filed within the period specified in division (A) (5) (b), (c), or 2885  
(d) of this section, the clerk shall collect a fee of five 2886  
dollars for the issuance of the certificate, except that no such 2887  
fee shall be required from a motor vehicle salvage dealer, as 2888  
defined in division (A) of section 4738.01 of the Revised Code, 2889  
who immediately surrenders the certificate of title for 2890  
cancellation. The fee shall be in addition to all other fees 2891  
established by this chapter, and shall be retained by the clerk. 2892  
The registrar shall provide, on the certificate of title form 2893  
prescribed by section 4505.07 of the Revised Code, language 2894  
necessary to give evidence of the date on which the assignment 2895  
or delivery of the motor vehicle was made. 2896

(7) As used in division (A) of this section, "lease 2897  
agreement," "lessee," and "sublease agreement" have the same 2898  
meanings as in section 4505.04 of the Revised Code and "new 2899  
manufactured home," "used manufactured home," and "used mobile 2900  
home" have the same meanings as in section 5739.0210 of the 2901  
Revised Code. 2902

(B) (1) The clerk, except as provided in this section, 2903  
shall refuse to accept for filing any application for a 2904  
certificate of title and shall refuse to issue a certificate of 2905  
title unless the dealer or the applicant, in cases in which the 2906  
certificate shall be obtained by the buyer, submits with the 2907  
application payment of the tax levied by or pursuant to Chapters 2908  
5739. and 5741. of the Revised Code based on the purchaser's 2909  
county of residence. Upon payment of the tax in accordance with 2910

division (E) of this section, the clerk shall issue a receipt 2911  
prescribed by the registrar and agreed upon by the tax 2912  
commissioner showing payment of the tax or a receipt issued by 2913  
the commissioner showing the payment of the tax. When submitting 2914  
payment of the tax to the clerk, a dealer shall retain any 2915  
discount to which the dealer is entitled under section 5739.12 2916  
of the Revised Code. 2917

(2) For receiving and disbursing such taxes paid to the 2918  
clerk by a resident of the clerk's county, the clerk may retain 2919  
a poundage fee of one and one one-hundredth per cent, and the 2920  
clerk shall pay the poundage fee into the certificate of title 2921  
administration fund created by section 325.33 of the Revised 2922  
Code. The clerk shall not retain a poundage fee from payments of 2923  
taxes by persons who do not reside in the clerk's county. 2924

A clerk, however, may retain from the taxes paid to the 2925  
clerk an amount equal to the poundage fees associated with 2926  
certificates of title issued by other clerks of courts of common 2927  
pleas to applicants who reside in the first clerk's county. The 2928  
registrar, in consultation with the tax commissioner and the 2929  
clerks of the courts of common pleas, shall develop a report 2930  
from the automated title processing system that informs each 2931  
clerk of the amount of the poundage fees that the clerk is 2932  
permitted to retain from those taxes because of certificates of 2933  
title issued by the clerks of other counties to applicants who 2934  
reside in the first clerk's county. 2935

(3) In the case of casual sales of motor vehicles, as 2936  
defined in section 4517.01 of the Revised Code, the price for 2937  
the purpose of determining the tax shall be the purchase price 2938  
on the assigned certificate of title, or assignment form 2939  
prescribed by the registrar, executed by the seller and filed 2940

with the clerk by the buyer on a form to be prescribed by the 2941  
registrar, which shall be prima-facie evidence of the amount for 2942  
the determination of the tax. 2943

(4) Each county clerk shall forward to the treasurer of 2944  
state all sales and use tax collections resulting from sales of 2945  
motor vehicles, off-highway motorcycles, and ~~all-purpose-all-~~ 2946  
terrain vehicles during a calendar week on or before the Friday 2947  
following the close of that week. If, on any Friday, the offices 2948  
of the clerk of courts or the state are not open for business, 2949  
the tax shall be forwarded to the treasurer of state on or 2950  
before the next day on which the offices are open. Every 2951  
remittance of tax under division (B)(4) of this section shall be 2952  
accompanied by a remittance report in such form as the tax 2953  
commissioner prescribes. Upon receipt of a tax remittance and 2954  
remittance report, the treasurer of state shall date stamp the 2955  
report and forward it to the tax commissioner. If the tax due 2956  
for any week is not remitted by a clerk of courts as required 2957  
under division (B)(4) of this section, the commissioner may 2958  
require the clerk to forfeit the poundage fees for the sales 2959  
made during that week. The treasurer of state may require the 2960  
clerks of courts to transmit tax collections and remittance 2961  
reports electronically. 2962

(C)(1) If the transferor indicates on the certificate of 2963  
title that the odometer reflects mileage in excess of the 2964  
designed mechanical limit of the odometer, the clerk shall enter 2965  
the phrase "exceeds mechanical limits" following the mileage 2966  
designation. If the transferor indicates on the certificate of 2967  
title that the odometer reading is not the actual mileage, the 2968  
clerk shall enter the phrase "nonactual: warning - odometer 2969  
discrepancy" following the mileage designation. The clerk shall 2970  
use reasonable care in transferring the information supplied by 2971

the transferor, but is not liable for any errors or omissions of 2972  
the clerk or those of the clerk's deputies in the performance of 2973  
the clerk's duties created by this chapter. 2974

The registrar shall prescribe an affidavit in which the 2975  
transferor shall swear to the true selling price and, except as 2976  
provided in this division, the true odometer reading of the 2977  
motor vehicle. The registrar may prescribe an affidavit in which 2978  
the seller and buyer provide information pertaining to the 2979  
odometer reading of the motor vehicle in addition to that 2980  
required by this section, as such information may be required by 2981  
the United States secretary of transportation by rule prescribed 2982  
under authority of subchapter IV of the "Motor Vehicle 2983  
Information and Cost Savings Act," 86 Stat. 961 (1972), 15 2984  
U.S.C. 1981. 2985

(2) Division (C) (1) of this section does not require the 2986  
giving of information concerning the odometer and odometer 2987  
reading of a motor vehicle when ownership of a motor vehicle is 2988  
being transferred as a result of a bequest, under the laws of 2989  
intestate succession, to a survivor pursuant to section 2106.18, 2990  
2131.12, or 4505.10 of the Revised Code, to a transfer-on-death 2991  
beneficiary or beneficiaries pursuant to section 2131.13 of the 2992  
Revised Code, in connection with the creation of a security 2993  
interest or for a vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of 2994  
more than sixteen thousand pounds. 2995

(D) When the transfer to the applicant was made in some 2996  
other state or in interstate commerce, the clerk, except as 2997  
provided in this section, shall refuse to issue any certificate 2998  
of title unless the tax imposed by or pursuant to Chapter 5741. 2999  
of the Revised Code based on the purchaser's county of residence 3000  
has been paid as evidenced by a receipt issued by the tax 3001

commissioner, or unless the applicant submits with the 3002  
application payment of the tax. Upon payment of the tax in 3003  
accordance with division (E) of this section, the clerk shall 3004  
issue a receipt prescribed by the registrar and agreed upon by 3005  
the tax commissioner, showing payment of the tax. 3006

For receiving and disbursing such taxes paid to the clerk 3007  
by a resident of the clerk's county, the clerk may retain a 3008  
poundage fee of one and one one-hundredth per cent. The clerk 3009  
shall not retain a poundage fee from payments of taxes by 3010  
persons who do not reside in the clerk's county. 3011

A clerk, however, may retain from the taxes paid to the 3012  
clerk an amount equal to the poundage fees associated with 3013  
certificates of title issued by other clerks of courts of common 3014  
pleas to applicants who reside in the first clerk's county. The 3015  
registrar, in consultation with the tax commissioner and the 3016  
clerks of the courts of common pleas, shall develop a report 3017  
from the automated title processing system that informs each 3018  
clerk of the amount of the poundage fees that the clerk is 3019  
permitted to retain from those taxes because of certificates of 3020  
title issued by the clerks of other counties to applicants who 3021  
reside in the first clerk's county. 3022

When the vendor is not regularly engaged in the business 3023  
of selling motor vehicles, the vendor shall not be required to 3024  
purchase a vendor's license or make reports concerning those 3025  
sales. 3026

(E) The clerk shall accept any payment of a tax in cash, 3027  
or by cashier's check, certified check, draft, money order, or 3028  
teller check issued by any insured financial institution payable 3029  
to the clerk and submitted with an application for a certificate 3030  
of title under division (B) or (D) of this section. The clerk 3031



also may accept payment of the tax by corporate, business, or 3032  
personal check, credit card, electronic transfer or wire 3033  
transfer, debit card, or any other accepted form of payment made 3034  
payable to the clerk. The clerk may require bonds, guarantees, 3035  
or letters of credit to ensure the collection of corporate, 3036  
business, or personal checks. Any service fee charged by a third 3037  
party to a clerk for the use of any form of payment may be paid 3038  
by the clerk from the certificate of title administration fund 3039  
created in section 325.33 of the Revised Code, or may be 3040  
assessed by the clerk upon the applicant as an additional fee. 3041  
Upon collection, the additional fees shall be paid by the clerk 3042  
into that certificate of title administration fund. 3043

The clerk shall make a good faith effort to collect any 3044  
payment of taxes due but not made because the payment was 3045  
returned or dishonored, but the clerk is not personally liable 3046  
for the payment of uncollected taxes or uncollected fees. The 3047  
clerk shall notify the tax commissioner of any such payment of 3048  
taxes that is due but not made and shall furnish the information 3049  
to the commissioner that the commissioner requires. The clerk 3050  
shall deduct the amount of taxes due but not paid from the 3051  
clerk's periodic remittance of tax payments, in accordance with 3052  
procedures agreed upon by the tax commissioner. The commissioner 3053  
may collect taxes due by assessment in the manner provided in 3054  
section 5739.13 of the Revised Code. 3055

Any person who presents payment that is returned or 3056  
dishonored for any reason is liable to the clerk for payment of 3057  
a penalty over and above the amount of the taxes due. The clerk 3058  
shall determine the amount of the penalty, and the penalty shall 3059  
be no greater than that amount necessary to compensate the clerk 3060  
for banking charges, legal fees, or other expenses incurred by 3061  
the clerk in collecting the returned or dishonored payment. The 3062

remedies and procedures provided in this section are in addition 3063  
to any other available civil or criminal remedies. Subsequently 3064  
collected penalties, poundage fees, and title fees, less any 3065  
title fee due the state, from returned or dishonored payments 3066  
collected by the clerk shall be paid into the certificate of 3067  
title administration fund. Subsequently collected taxes, less 3068  
poundage fees, shall be sent by the clerk to the treasurer of 3069  
state at the next scheduled periodic remittance of tax payments, 3070  
with information as the commissioner may require. The clerk may 3071  
abate all or any part of any penalty assessed under this 3072  
division. 3073

(F) In the following cases, the clerk shall accept for 3074  
filing an application and shall issue a certificate of title 3075  
without requiring payment or evidence of payment of the tax: 3076

(1) When the purchaser is this state or any of its 3077  
political subdivisions, a church, or an organization whose 3078  
purchases are exempted by section 5739.02 of the Revised Code; 3079

(2) When the transaction in this state is not a retail 3080  
sale as defined by section 5739.01 of the Revised Code; 3081

(3) When the purchase is outside this state or in 3082  
interstate commerce and the purpose of the purchaser is not to 3083  
use, store, or consume within the meaning of section 5741.01 of 3084  
the Revised Code; 3085

(4) When the purchaser is the federal government; 3086

(5) When the motor vehicle was purchased outside this 3087  
state for use outside this state; 3088

(6) When the motor vehicle is purchased by a nonresident 3089  
under the circumstances described in division (B)(1) of section 3090  
5739.029 of the Revised Code, and upon presentation of a copy of 3091

the statement provided by that section, and a copy of the 3092  
exemption certificate provided by section 5739.03 of the Revised 3093  
Code. 3094

(G) An application, as prescribed by the registrar and 3095  
agreed to by the tax commissioner, shall be filled out and sworn 3096  
to by the buyer of a motor vehicle in a casual sale. The 3097  
application shall contain the following notice in bold 3098  
lettering: "WARNING TO TRANSFEROR AND TRANSFEREE (SELLER AND 3099  
BUYER): You are required by law to state the true selling price. 3100  
A false statement is in violation of section 2921.13 of the 3101  
Revised Code and is punishable by six months' imprisonment or a 3102  
fine of up to one thousand dollars, or both. All transfers are 3103  
audited by the department of taxation. The seller and buyer must 3104  
provide any information requested by the department of taxation. 3105  
The buyer may be assessed any additional tax found to be due." 3106

(H) For sales of manufactured homes or mobile homes 3107  
occurring on or after January 1, 2000, the clerk shall accept 3108  
for filing, pursuant to Chapter 5739. of the Revised Code, an 3109  
application for a certificate of title for a manufactured home 3110  
or mobile home without requiring payment of any tax pursuant to 3111  
section 5739.02, 5741.021, 5741.022, or 5741.023 of the Revised 3112  
Code, or a receipt issued by the tax commissioner showing 3113  
payment of the tax. For sales of manufactured homes or mobile 3114  
homes occurring on or after January 1, 2000, the applicant shall 3115  
pay to the clerk an additional fee of five dollars for each 3116  
certificate of title issued by the clerk for a manufactured or 3117  
mobile home pursuant to division (H) of section 4505.11 of the 3118  
Revised Code and for each certificate of title issued upon 3119  
transfer of ownership of the home. The clerk shall credit the 3120  
fee to the county certificate of title administration fund, and 3121  
the fee shall be used to pay the expenses of archiving those 3122

certificates pursuant to division (A) of section 4505.08 and 3123  
division (H) (3) of section 4505.11 of the Revised Code. The tax 3124  
commissioner shall administer any tax on a manufactured or 3125  
mobile home pursuant to Chapters 5739. and 5741. of the Revised 3126  
Code. 3127

(I) Every clerk shall have the capability to transact by 3128  
electronic means all procedures and transactions relating to the 3129  
issuance of motor vehicle certificates of title that are 3130  
described in the Revised Code as being accomplished by 3131  
electronic means. 3132

**Sec. 4505.09.** (A) (1) The clerk of a court of common pleas 3133  
shall charge and retain fees as follows: 3134

(a) Five dollars for each certificate of title that is not 3135  
applied for within thirty days after the later of the assignment 3136  
or delivery of the motor vehicle described in it. The entire fee 3137  
shall be retained by the clerk. 3138

(b) Fifteen dollars for each certificate of title or 3139  
duplicate certificate of title including the issuance of a 3140  
memorandum certificate of title, or authorization to print a 3141  
non-negotiable evidence of ownership described in division (G) 3142  
of section 4505.08 of the Revised Code, non-negotiable evidence 3143  
of ownership printed by the clerk under division (H) of that 3144  
section, and notation of any lien on a certificate of title that 3145  
is applied for at the same time as the certificate of title. The 3146  
clerk shall retain eleven dollars and fifty cents of that fee 3147  
for each certificate of title when there is a notation of a lien 3148  
or security interest on the certificate of title, twelve dollars 3149  
and twenty-five cents when there is no lien or security interest 3150  
noted on the certificate of title, and eleven dollars and fifty 3151  
cents for each duplicate certificate of title. 3152

(c) Four dollars and fifty cents for each certificate of title with no security interest noted that is issued to a licensed motor vehicle dealer for resale purposes and, in addition, a separate fee of fifty cents. The clerk shall retain two dollars and twenty-five cents of that fee.

(d) Five dollars for each memorandum certificate of title or non-negotiable evidence of ownership that is applied for separately. The clerk shall retain that entire fee.

(2) The fees that are not retained by the clerk shall be paid to the registrar of motor vehicles by monthly returns, which shall be forwarded to the registrar not later than the fifth day of the month next succeeding that in which the certificate is issued or that in which the registrar is notified of a lien or cancellation of a lien.

(B)(1) The registrar shall pay twenty-five cents of the amount received for each certificate of title issued to a motor vehicle dealer for resale, one dollar for certificates of title issued with a lien or security interest noted on the certificate of title, and twenty-five cents for each certificate of title with no lien or security interest noted on the certificate of title into the public safety - highway purposes fund established in section 4501.06 of the Revised Code.

(2) Fifty cents of the amount received for each certificate of title shall be paid by the registrar as follows:

(a) Four cents shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the motor vehicle dealers board fund, which is hereby created. All investment earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund. The moneys in the motor vehicle dealers board fund shall be used by the motor vehicle dealers board

created under section 4517.30 of the Revised Code, together with 3182  
other moneys appropriated to it, in the exercise of its powers 3183  
and the performance of its duties under Chapter 4517. of the 3184  
Revised Code, except that the director of budget and management 3185  
may transfer excess money from the motor vehicle dealers board 3186  
fund to the public safety - highway purposes fund if the 3187  
registrar determines that the amount of money in the motor 3188  
vehicle dealers board fund, together with other moneys 3189  
appropriated to the board, exceeds the amount required for the 3190  
exercise of its powers and the performance of its duties under 3191  
Chapter 4517. of the Revised Code and requests the director to 3192  
make the transfer. 3193

(b) Thirty-one cents shall be paid into the highway 3194  
operating fund created by section 5735.051 of the Revised Code. 3195

(c) Fifteen cents shall be paid into the state treasury to 3196  
the credit of the motor vehicle sales audit fund, which is 3197  
hereby created. The moneys in the fund shall be used by the tax 3198  
commissioner together with other funds available to the 3199  
commissioner to conduct a continuing investigation of sales and 3200  
use tax returns filed for motor vehicles in order to determine 3201  
if sales and use tax liability has been satisfied. The 3202  
commissioner shall refer cases of apparent violations of section 3203  
2921.13 of the Revised Code made in connection with the titling 3204  
or sale of a motor vehicle and cases of any other apparent 3205  
violations of the sales or use tax law to the appropriate county 3206  
prosecutor whenever the commissioner considers it advisable. 3207

(3) Two dollars of the amount received by the registrar 3208  
under divisions (A) (1) (a), (b), and (d) of this section and one 3209  
dollar and fifty cents of the amount received by the registrar 3210  
under division (A) (1) (c) of this section for each certificate of 3211

title shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the 3212  
automated title processing fund, which is hereby created and 3213  
which shall consist of moneys collected under division (B) (3) of 3214  
this section and under sections 1548.10 and 4519.59 of the 3215  
Revised Code. All investment earnings of the fund shall be 3216  
credited to the fund. The moneys in the fund shall be used as 3217  
follows: 3218

(a) Except for moneys collected under section 1548.10 of 3219  
the Revised Code, moneys collected under division (B) (3) of this 3220  
section shall be used to implement and maintain an automated 3221  
title processing system for the issuance of motor vehicle, off- 3222  
highway motorcycle, and ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle 3223  
certificates of title in the offices of the clerks of the courts 3224  
of common pleas. Those moneys also shall be used to pay expenses 3225  
that arise as a result of enabling electronic motor vehicle 3226  
dealers to directly transfer applications for certificates of 3227  
title under division (A) (3) of section 4505.06 of the Revised 3228  
Code. 3229

(b) Moneys collected under section 1548.10 of the Revised 3230  
Code shall be used to issue marine certificates of title in the 3231  
offices of the clerks of the courts of common pleas as provided 3232  
in Chapter 1548. of the Revised Code. 3233

(4) The registrar shall pay the fifty-cent separate fee 3234  
collected from a licensed motor vehicle dealer under division 3235  
(A) (1) (c) of this section into the title defect recision fund 3236  
created by section 1345.52 of the Revised Code. 3237

(C) (1) The automated title processing board is hereby 3238  
created consisting of the registrar or the registrar's 3239  
representative, a person selected by the registrar, the 3240  
president of the Ohio clerks of court association or the 3241

president's representative, and two clerks of courts of common 3242  
pleas appointed by the governor. The director of budget and 3243  
management or the director's designee, the chief of the division 3244  
of parks and watercraft in the department of natural resources 3245  
or the chief's designee, and the tax commissioner or the 3246  
commissioner's designee shall be nonvoting members of the board. 3247  
The purpose of the board is to facilitate the operation and 3248  
maintenance of an automated title processing system and approve 3249  
the procurement of automated title processing system equipment 3250  
and ribbons, cartridges, or other devices necessary for the 3251  
operation of that equipment. Voting members of the board, 3252  
excluding the registrar or the registrar's representative, shall 3253  
serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for travel 3254  
and other necessary expenses incurred in the conduct of their 3255  
official duties. The registrar or the registrar's representative 3256  
shall receive neither compensation nor reimbursement as a board 3257  
member. 3258

(2) The automated title processing board shall determine 3259  
each of the following: 3260

(a) The automated title processing equipment and 3261  
certificates of title requirements for each county; 3262

(b) The payment of expenses that may be incurred by the 3263  
counties in implementing an automated title processing system; 3264

(c) The repayment to the counties for existing title 3265  
processing equipment; 3266

(d) With the approval of the director of public safety, 3267  
the award of grants from the automated title processing fund to 3268  
the clerk of courts of any county who employs a person who 3269  
assists with the design of, updates to, tests of, installation 3270



of, or any other activity related to, an automated title 3271  
processing system. Any grant awarded under division (C) (2) (d) of 3272  
this section shall be deposited into the appropriate county 3273  
certificate of title administration fund created under section 3274  
325.33 of the Revised Code and shall not be used to supplant any 3275  
other funds. 3276

(3) The registrar shall purchase, lease, or otherwise 3277  
acquire any automated title processing equipment and 3278  
certificates of title that the board determines are necessary 3279  
from moneys in the automated title processing fund established 3280  
by division (B) (3) of this section. 3281

(D) All counties shall conform to the requirements of the 3282  
registrar regarding the operation of their automated title 3283  
processing system for motor vehicle titles, certificates of 3284  
title for off-highway motorcycles and ~~all-purpose all-terrain~~ 3285  
vehicles, certificates of title for snowmobiles, utility 3286  
vehicles, and mini-trucks, and certificates of title for 3287  
watercraft and outboard motors. 3288

~~Sec. 4505.11. This section shall also apply to all-purpose~~ 3289  
~~vehicles and off-highway motorcycles as defined in section~~ 3290  
~~4519.01 of the Revised Code.~~ 3291

(A) Each owner of a motor vehicle and each person 3292  
mentioned as owner in the last certificate of title, when the 3293  
motor vehicle is dismantled, destroyed, or changed in such 3294  
manner that it loses its character as a motor vehicle, or 3295  
changed in such manner that it is not the motor vehicle 3296  
described in the certificate of title, shall surrender the 3297  
certificate of title to that motor vehicle to a clerk of a court 3298  
of common pleas, and the clerk, with the consent of any holders 3299  
of any liens noted on the certificate of title, then shall enter 3300

a cancellation upon the clerk's records and shall notify the 3301  
registrar of motor vehicles of the cancellation. 3302

Upon the cancellation of a certificate of title in the 3303  
manner prescribed by this section, any clerk and the registrar 3304  
of motor vehicles may cancel and destroy all certificates and 3305  
all memorandum certificates in that chain of title. 3306

(B) (1) If an Ohio certificate of title, salvage 3307  
certificate of title, or assignment form as prescribed by the 3308  
registrar for a motor vehicle is assigned to a salvage dealer, 3309  
the dealer is not required to obtain an Ohio certificate of 3310  
title or a salvage certificate of title to the motor vehicle in 3311  
the dealer's own name if the dealer dismantles or destroys the 3312  
motor vehicle, indicates the number of the dealer's motor 3313  
vehicle salvage dealer's license on it, marks "FOR DESTRUCTION" 3314  
across the face of the certificate of title, salvage certificate 3315  
of title, or assignment form and surrenders the certificate of 3316  
title, salvage certificate of title, or assignment form to a 3317  
clerk of a court of common pleas as provided in division (A) of 3318  
this section. If the salvage dealer retains the motor vehicle 3319  
for resale, the dealer shall make application for a salvage 3320  
certificate of title to the motor vehicle in the dealer's own 3321  
name as provided in division (C) (1) of this section. 3322

(2) At the time any salvage motor vehicle is sold at 3323  
auction or through a pool, the salvage motor vehicle auction or 3324  
salvage motor vehicle pool shall give a copy of the salvage 3325  
certificate of title, certificate of title, or assignment form 3326  
marked "FOR DESTRUCTION" to the purchaser. 3327

(C) (1) When an insurance company declares it economically 3328  
impractical to repair such a motor vehicle and has paid an 3329  
agreed price for the purchase of the motor vehicle to any 3330

insured or claimant owner, the insurance company shall proceed 3331  
as follows: 3332

(a) If an insurance company receives the certificate of 3333  
title and the motor vehicle, within thirty business days, the 3334  
insurance company shall deliver the certificate of title to a 3335  
clerk of a court of common pleas and shall make application for 3336  
a salvage certificate of title. This certificate of title, any 3337  
supporting power of attorney, or application for a salvage 3338  
certificate of title shall be exempt from the requirements of 3339  
notarization and verification as described in this chapter and 3340  
in section 1337.25 of the Revised Code, and may be signed 3341  
electronically. 3342

(b) If an insurance company obtains possession of the 3343  
motor vehicle and a physical certificate of title was issued for 3344  
the vehicle but the insurance company is unable to obtain the 3345  
properly endorsed certificate of title for the motor vehicle 3346  
within thirty business days following the vehicle's owner or 3347  
lienholder's acceptance of the insurance company's payment for 3348  
the vehicle, the insurance company may apply to the clerk of a 3349  
court of common pleas for a salvage certificate of title without 3350  
delivering the certificate of title for the motor vehicle. The 3351  
application, which may be signed electronically, shall be 3352  
accompanied by evidence that the insurance company has paid a 3353  
total loss claim on the vehicle, a copy of the written request 3354  
for the certificate of title from the insurance company or its 3355  
designee, and proof that the request was delivered by a 3356  
nationally recognized courier service to the last known address 3357  
of the owner of the vehicle and any known lienholder, to obtain 3358  
the certificate of title. 3359

(c) If an insurance company obtains possession of the 3360

motor vehicle and a physical certificate of title was not issued 3361  
for the vehicle, the insurance company may apply to the clerk of 3362  
a court of common pleas for a salvage certificate of title 3363  
without delivering a certificate of title for the motor vehicle. 3364  
The application shall be accompanied by the electronic 3365  
certificate of title control number and a properly executed 3366  
power of attorney, or other appropriate document, from the owner 3367  
of the motor vehicle authorizing the insurance company to apply 3368  
for a salvage certificate of title. The application for a 3369  
salvage certificate of title, any supporting power of attorney, 3370  
and any other appropriate document shall be exempt from the 3371  
requirements of notarization and verification as described in 3372  
this chapter and in section 1337.25 of the Revised Code, and may 3373  
be signed electronically. 3374

(d) Upon receipt of a properly completed application for a 3375  
salvage certificate of title as described in division (C) (1) (a), 3376  
(b), or (c) or (C) (2) of this section, the clerk shall issue the 3377  
salvage certificate of title on a form, prescribed by the 3378  
registrar, that shall be easily distinguishable from the 3379  
original certificate of title and shall bear the same 3380  
information as the original certificate of title except that it 3381  
may bear a different number than that of the original 3382  
certificate of title. The salvage certificate of title shall 3383  
include the following notice in bold lettering: 3384

"SALVAGE MOTOR VEHICLE - PURSUANT TO R.C. 4738.01." 3385

Except as provided in division (C) (3) of this section, the 3386  
salvage certificate of title shall be assigned by the insurance 3387  
company to a salvage dealer or any other person for use as 3388  
evidence of ownership upon the sale or other disposition of the 3389  
motor vehicle, and the salvage certificate of title shall be 3390

transferable to any other person. The clerk shall charge a fee 3391  
of four dollars for the cost of processing each salvage 3392  
certificate of title. 3393

(2) If an insurance company requests that a salvage motor 3394  
vehicle auction take possession of a motor vehicle that is the 3395  
subject of an insurance claim, and subsequently the insurance 3396  
company denies coverage with respect to the motor vehicle or 3397  
does not otherwise take ownership of the motor vehicle, the 3398  
salvage motor vehicle auction may proceed as follows. After the 3399  
salvage motor vehicle auction has possession of the motor 3400  
vehicle for forty-five days, it may apply to the clerk of a 3401  
court of common pleas for a salvage certificate of title without 3402  
delivering the certificate of title for the motor vehicle. The 3403  
application shall be accompanied by a copy of the written 3404  
request that the vehicle be removed from the facility on the 3405  
salvage motor vehicle auction's letterhead, and proof that the 3406  
request was delivered by a nationally recognized courier service 3407  
to the last known address of the owner of the vehicle and any 3408  
known lienholder, requesting that the vehicle be removed from 3409  
the facility of the salvage motor vehicle auction. Upon receipt 3410  
of a properly completed application, the clerk shall follow the 3411  
process as described in division (C)(1)(d) of this section. The 3412  
salvage certificate of title so issued shall be free and clear 3413  
of all liens. 3414

(3) If an insurance company considers a motor vehicle as 3415  
described in division (C)(1)(a), (b), or (c) of this section to 3416  
be impossible to restore for highway operation, the insurance 3417  
company may assign the certificate of title to the motor vehicle 3418  
to a salvage dealer or scrap metal processing facility and send 3419  
the assigned certificate of title to the clerk of the court of 3420  
common pleas of any county. The insurance company shall mark the 3421

face of the certificate of title "FOR DESTRUCTION" and shall 3422  
deliver a photocopy of the certificate of title to the salvage 3423  
dealer or scrap metal processing facility for its records. 3424

(4) If an insurance company declares it economically 3425  
impractical to repair a motor vehicle, agrees to pay to the 3426  
insured or claimant owner an amount in settlement of a claim 3427  
against a policy of motor vehicle insurance covering the motor 3428  
vehicle, and agrees to permit the insured or claimant owner to 3429  
retain possession of the motor vehicle, the insurance company 3430  
shall not pay the insured or claimant owner any amount in 3431  
settlement of the insurance claim until the owner obtains a 3432  
salvage certificate of title to the vehicle and furnishes a copy 3433  
of the salvage certificate of title to the insurance company. 3434

(D) When a self-insured organization, rental or leasing 3435  
company, or secured creditor becomes the owner of a motor 3436  
vehicle that is burned, damaged, or dismantled and is determined 3437  
to be economically impractical to repair, the self-insured 3438  
organization, rental or leasing company, or secured creditor 3439  
shall do one of the following: 3440

(1) Mark the face of the certificate of title to the motor 3441  
vehicle, or assignment form as prescribed by the registrar, "FOR 3442  
DESTRUCTION" and surrender the certificate of title or 3443  
assignment form to a clerk of a court of common pleas for 3444  
cancellation as described in division (A) of this section. The 3445  
self-insured organization, rental or leasing company, or secured 3446  
creditor then shall deliver the motor vehicle, together with a 3447  
photocopy of the certificate of title or assignment form, to a 3448  
salvage dealer or scrap metal processing facility and shall 3449  
cause the motor vehicle to be dismantled, flattened, crushed, or 3450  
destroyed. 3451

(2) Obtain a salvage certificate of title to the motor 3452  
vehicle in the name of the self-insured organization, rental or 3453  
leasing company, or secured creditor, as provided in division 3454  
(C) (1) of this section, and then sell or otherwise dispose of 3455  
the motor vehicle. If the motor vehicle is sold, the self- 3456  
insured organization, rental or leasing company, or secured 3457  
creditor shall obtain a salvage certificate of title to the 3458  
motor vehicle in the name of the purchaser from a clerk of a 3459  
court of common pleas. 3460

(E) If a motor vehicle titled with a salvage certificate 3461  
of title is restored for operation upon the highways, 3462  
application shall be made to a clerk of a court of common pleas 3463  
for a certificate of title. Upon inspection by the state highway 3464  
patrol, which shall include establishing proof of ownership and 3465  
an inspection of the motor number and vehicle identification 3466  
number of the motor vehicle and of documentation or receipts for 3467  
the materials used in restoration by the owner of the motor 3468  
vehicle being inspected, which documentation or receipts shall 3469  
be presented at the time of inspection, the clerk, upon 3470  
surrender of the salvage certificate of title, shall issue a 3471  
certificate of title for a fee prescribed by the registrar. The 3472  
certificate of title shall be in the same form as the original 3473  
certificate of title and shall bear the words "REBUILT SALVAGE" 3474  
in black boldface letters on its face. Every subsequent 3475  
certificate of title, memorandum certificate of title, or 3476  
duplicate certificate of title issued for the motor vehicle also 3477  
shall bear the words "REBUILT SALVAGE" in black boldface letters 3478  
on its face. The exact location on the face of the certificate 3479  
of title of the words "REBUILT SALVAGE" shall be determined by 3480  
the registrar, who shall develop an automated procedure within 3481  
the automated title processing system to comply with this 3482

division. The clerk shall use reasonable care in performing the 3483  
duties imposed on the clerk by this division in issuing a 3484  
certificate of title pursuant to this division, but the clerk is 3485  
not liable for any of the clerk's errors or omissions or those 3486  
of the clerk's deputies, or the automated title processing 3487  
system in the performance of those duties. A fee of fifty 3488  
dollars shall be assessed by the state highway patrol for each 3489  
inspection made pursuant to this division and shall be deposited 3490  
into the public safety - highway purposes fund established by 3491  
section 4501.06 of the Revised Code. 3492

(F) No person shall operate upon the highways in this 3493  
state a motor vehicle, title to which is evidenced by a salvage 3494  
certificate of title, except to deliver the motor vehicle 3495  
pursuant to an appointment for an inspection under this section. 3496

(G) No motor vehicle the certificate of title or 3497  
assignment form to which has been marked "FOR DESTRUCTION" and 3498  
surrendered to a clerk of a court of common pleas shall be used 3499  
for anything except parts and scrap metal. 3500

(H) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this division, an 3501  
owner of a manufactured or mobile home that will be taxed as 3502  
real property pursuant to division (B) of section 4503.06 of the 3503  
Revised Code shall surrender the certificate of title to the 3504  
auditor of the county containing the taxing district in which 3505  
the home is located. An owner whose home qualifies for real 3506  
property taxation under divisions (B) (1) (a) and (b) of section 3507  
4503.06 of the Revised Code shall surrender the certificate 3508  
within fifteen days after the home meets the conditions 3509  
specified in those divisions. The auditor shall deliver the 3510  
certificate of title to the clerk of the court of common pleas 3511  
who issued it. 3512



(2) If the certificate of title for a manufactured or mobile home that is to be taxed as real property is held by a lienholder, the lienholder shall surrender the certificate of title to the auditor of the county containing the taxing district in which the home is located, and the auditor shall deliver the certificate of title to the clerk of the court of common pleas who issued it. The lienholder shall surrender the certificate within thirty days after both of the following have occurred:

(a) The homeowner has provided written notice to the lienholder requesting that the certificate of title be surrendered to the auditor of the county containing the taxing district in which the home is located.

(b) The homeowner has either paid the lienholder the remaining balance owed to the lienholder, or, with the lienholder's consent, executed and delivered to the lienholder a mortgage on the home and land on which the home is sited in the amount of the remaining balance owed to the lienholder.

(3) Upon the delivery of a certificate of title by the county auditor to the clerk, the clerk shall inactivate it and maintain it in the automated title processing system for a period of thirty years.

(4) Upon application by the owner of a manufactured or mobile home that is taxed as real property pursuant to division (B) of section 4503.06 of the Revised Code and that no longer satisfies divisions (B)(1)(a) and (b) or divisions (B)(2)(a) and (b) of that section, the clerk shall reactivate the record of the certificate of title that was inactivated under division (H)(3) of this section and shall issue a new certificate of title, but only if the application contains or has attached to it all

of the following: 3543

(a) An endorsement of the county treasurer that all real 3544  
property taxes charged against the home under Title LVII of the 3545  
Revised Code and division (B) of section 4503.06 of the Revised 3546  
Code for all preceding tax years have been paid; 3547

(b) An endorsement of the county auditor that the home 3548  
will be removed from the real property tax list; 3549

(c) Proof that there are no outstanding mortgages or other 3550  
liens on the home or, if there are such mortgages or other 3551  
liens, that the mortgagee or lienholder has consented to the 3552  
reactivation of the certificate of title. 3553

(I) (1) Whoever violates division (F) of this section shall 3554  
be fined not more than two thousand dollars, imprisoned not more 3555  
than one year, or both. 3556

(2) Whoever violates division (G) of this section shall be 3557  
fined not more than one thousand dollars, imprisoned not more 3558  
than six months, or both. 3559

**Sec. 4510.036.** (A) The bureau of motor vehicles shall 3560  
record within ten days of conviction or bail forfeiture and 3561  
shall keep at its main office, all abstracts received under this 3562  
section or section 4510.03, 4510.031, 4510.032, or 4510.034 of 3563  
the Revised Code and shall maintain records of convictions and 3564  
bond forfeitures for any violation of a state law or a municipal 3565  
ordinance regulating the operation of vehicles, streetcars, and 3566  
trackless trolleys on highways and streets, except a violation 3567  
related to parking a motor vehicle. 3568

(B) Every court of record or mayor's court before which a 3569  
person is charged with a violation for which points are 3570  
chargeable by this section shall assess and transcribe to the 3571

abstract of conviction that is furnished by the bureau to the 3572  
court the number of points chargeable by this section in the 3573  
correct space assigned on the reporting form. A United States 3574  
district court that has jurisdiction within this state and 3575  
before which a person is charged with a violation for which 3576  
points are chargeable by this section may assess and transcribe 3577  
to the abstract of conviction report that is furnished by the 3578  
bureau the number of points chargeable by this section in the 3579  
correct space assigned on the reporting form. If the federal 3580  
court so assesses and transcribes the points chargeable for the 3581  
offense and furnishes the report to the bureau, the bureau shall 3582  
record the points in the same manner as those assessed and 3583  
transcribed by a court of record or mayor's court. 3584

(C) A court shall assess the following points for an 3585  
offense based on the following formula: 3586

(1) Aggravated vehicular homicide, vehicular homicide, 3587  
vehicular manslaughter, aggravated vehicular assault, or 3588  
vehicular assault when the offense involves the operation of a 3589  
vehicle, streetcar, or trackless trolley on a highway or street 3590  
\_\_\_\_\_ 6 points 3591

(2) A violation of section 2921.331 of the Revised Code or 3592  
any ordinance prohibiting the ~~willful~~purposeful fleeing or 3593  
eluding of a law enforcement officer \_\_\_\_\_ 6 points 3594

(3) A violation of section 4549.02 or 4549.021 of the 3595  
Revised Code or any ordinance requiring the driver of a vehicle 3596  
to stop and disclose identity at the scene of an accident 3597  
\_\_\_\_\_ 6 points 3598

(4) A violation of section 4511.251 of the Revised Code or 3599  
any ordinance prohibiting street racing \_\_\_\_\_ 6 points 3600

(5) A violation of section 4510.037 of the Revised Code or any ordinance prohibiting the operation of a motor vehicle while the driver's or commercial driver's license is under a twelve-point suspension \_\_\_\_\_ 6 points

(6) A violation of section 4510.14 of the Revised Code, or any ordinance prohibiting the operation of a motor vehicle upon the public roads or highways within this state while the driver's or commercial driver's license of the person is under suspension and the suspension was imposed under section 4511.19, 4511.191, or 4511.196 of the Revised Code or section 4510.07 of the Revised Code due to a conviction for a violation of a municipal OVI ordinance or any ordinance prohibiting the operation of a motor vehicle while the driver's or commercial driver's license is under suspension for an OVI offense \_\_\_\_\_ 6 points

(7) A violation of division (A) of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code, any ordinance prohibiting the operation of a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, a drug of abuse, or a combination of them, or any ordinance substantially equivalent to division (A) of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code prohibiting the operation of a vehicle with a prohibited concentration of alcohol, a controlled substance, or a metabolite of a controlled substance in the whole blood, blood serum or plasma, breath, or urine \_\_\_\_\_ 6 points

(8) A violation of section 2913.03 of the Revised Code that does not involve an aircraft or motorboat or any ordinance prohibiting the operation of a vehicle without the consent of the owner \_\_\_\_\_ 6 points

(9) Any offense under the motor vehicle laws of this state that is a felony, or any other felony in the commission of which

a motor vehicle was used \_\_\_\_\_ 6 points 3631

(10) A violation of division (B) of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code or any ordinance substantially equivalent to that division prohibiting the operation of a vehicle with a prohibited concentration of alcohol in the whole blood, blood serum or plasma, breath, or urine \_\_\_\_\_ 4 points 3632  
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(11) A violation of section 4511.20 of the Revised Code or any ordinance prohibiting the operation of a motor vehicle in willful or wanton disregard of the safety of persons or property \_\_\_\_\_ 4 points 3637  
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(12) A violation of any law or ordinance pertaining to speed: 3641  
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(a) Notwithstanding divisions (C) (12) (b) and (c) of this section, when the speed exceeds the lawful speed limit by thirty miles per hour or more \_\_\_\_\_ 4 points 3643  
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(b) When the speed exceeds the lawful speed limit of fifty-five miles per hour or more by more than ten miles per hour \_\_\_\_\_ 2 points 3646  
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(c) When the speed exceeds the lawful speed limit of less than fifty-five miles per hour by more than five miles per hour \_\_\_\_\_ 2 points 3649  
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(d) When the speed does not exceed the amounts set forth in divisions (C) (12) (a), (b), or (c) of this section \_\_\_\_\_ 0 points 3652  
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(13) A violation of division (A) of section 4511.204 of the Revised Code or any substantially similar municipal ordinance: 3655  
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(a) For a first offense within any two-year period 3658

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| _____ 2 points   | 3659   |
| (b) For a second offense within any two-year period  | 3660   |
| _____ 3 points   | 3661   |
| (c) For a third or subsequent offense within any two-year period _____ 4 points.   | 3662<br>3663   |
| (14) Operating a motor vehicle in violation of a restriction imposed by the registrar _____ 2 points   | 3664<br>3665   |
| (15) A violation of section 4510.11, 4510.111, 4510.16, or 4510.21 of the Revised Code or any ordinance prohibiting the operation of a motor vehicle while the driver's or commercial driver's license is under suspension _____ 2 points  | 3666<br>3667<br>3668<br>3669                         |
| (16) With the exception of violations under section 4510.12 of the Revised Code where no points shall be assessed, all other moving violations reported under this section _____ 2 points  | 3670<br>3671<br>3672<br>3673                         |
| (D) Upon receiving notification from the proper court, including a United States district court that has jurisdiction within this state, the bureau shall delete any points entered for a bond forfeiture if the driver is acquitted of the offense for which bond was posted.   | 3674<br>3675<br>3676<br>3677<br>3678                 |
| (E) If a person is convicted of or forfeits bail for two or more offenses arising out of the same facts and points are chargeable for each of the offenses, points shall be charged for only the conviction or bond forfeiture for which the greater number of points is chargeable, and, if the number of points chargeable for each offense is equal, only one offense shall be recorded, and points shall be charged only for that offense. | 3679<br>3680<br>3681<br>3682<br>3683<br>3684<br>3685 |
| <b>Sec. 4511.01.</b> As used in this chapter and in Chapter 4513.  | 3686   |

of the Revised Code: 3687

(A) "Vehicle" means every device, including a motorized 3688  
bicycle and an electric bicycle, in, upon, or by which any 3689  
person or property may be transported or drawn upon a highway, 3690  
except that "vehicle" does not include any motorized wheelchair, 3691  
any electric personal assistive mobility device, any low-speed 3692  
micromobility device, any personal delivery device as defined in 3693  
section 4511.513 of the Revised Code, any device that is moved 3694  
by power collected from overhead electric trolley wires or that 3695  
is used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks, or any 3696  
device, other than a bicycle, that is moved by human power. 3697

(B) "Motor vehicle" means every vehicle propelled or drawn 3698  
by power other than muscular power or power collected from 3699  
overhead electric trolley wires, except motorized bicycles, 3700  
electric bicycles, road rollers, traction engines, power 3701  
shovels, power cranes, and other equipment used in construction 3702  
work and not designed for or employed in general highway 3703  
transportation, hole-digging machinery, well-drilling machinery, 3704  
ditch-digging machinery, farm machinery, and trailers designed 3705  
and used exclusively to transport a boat between a place of 3706  
storage and a marina, or in and around a marina, when drawn or 3707  
towed on a street or highway for a distance of no more than ten 3708  
miles and at a speed of twenty-five miles per hour or less. 3709

(C) "Motorcycle" means every motor vehicle, other than a 3710  
tractor, having a seat or saddle for the use of the operator and 3711  
designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with 3712  
the ground, including, but not limited to, motor vehicles known 3713  
as "motor-driven cycle," "motor scooter," "autocycle," "cab- 3714  
enclosed motorcycle," or "motorcycle" without regard to weight 3715  
or brake horsepower. 3716

(D) "Emergency vehicle" means emergency vehicles of 3717  
municipal, township, or county departments or public utility 3718  
corporations when identified as such as required by law, the 3719  
director of public safety, or local authorities, and motor 3720  
vehicles when commandeered by a police officer. 3721

(E) "Public safety vehicle" means any of the following: 3722

(1) Ambulances, including private ambulance companies 3723  
under contract to a municipal corporation, township, or county, 3724  
and private ambulances and nontransport vehicles bearing license 3725  
plates issued under section 4503.49 of the Revised Code; 3726

(2) Motor vehicles used by public law enforcement officers 3727  
or other persons sworn to enforce the criminal and traffic laws 3728  
of the state; 3729

(3) Any motor vehicle when properly identified as required 3730  
by the director of public safety, when used in response to fire 3731  
emergency calls or to provide emergency medical service to ill 3732  
or injured persons, and when operated by a duly qualified person 3733  
who is a member of a volunteer rescue service or a volunteer 3734  
fire department, and who is on duty pursuant to the rules or 3735  
directives of that service. The state fire marshal shall be 3736  
designated by the director of public safety as the certifying 3737  
agency for all public safety vehicles described in division (E) 3738  
(3) of this section. 3739

(4) Vehicles used by fire departments, including motor 3740  
vehicles when used by volunteer fire fighters responding to 3741  
emergency calls in the fire department service when identified 3742  
as required by the director of public safety. 3743

Any vehicle used to transport or provide emergency medical 3744  
service to an ill or injured person, when certified as a public 3745



safety vehicle, shall be considered a public safety vehicle when 3746  
transporting an ill or injured person to a hospital regardless 3747  
of whether such vehicle has already passed a hospital. 3748

(5) Vehicles used by the motor carrier enforcement unit 3749  
for the enforcement of orders and rules of the public utilities 3750  
commission as specified in section 5503.34 of the Revised Code. 3751

(F) "School bus" means every bus designed for carrying 3752  
more than nine passengers that is owned by a public, private, or 3753  
governmental agency or institution of learning and operated for 3754  
the transportation of children to or from a school session or a 3755  
school function, or owned by a private person and operated for 3756  
compensation for the transportation of children to or from a 3757  
school session or a school function, provided "school bus" does 3758  
not include a bus operated by a municipally owned transportation 3759  
system, a mass transit company operating exclusively within the 3760  
territorial limits of a municipal corporation, or within such 3761  
limits and the territorial limits of municipal corporations 3762  
immediately contiguous to such municipal corporation, nor a 3763  
common passenger carrier certified by the public utilities 3764  
commission unless such bus is devoted exclusively to the 3765  
transportation of children to and from a school session or a 3766  
school function, and "school bus" does not include a van or bus 3767  
used by a licensed child day-care center or type A family day- 3768  
care home to transport children from the child day-care center 3769  
or type A family day-care home to a school if the van or bus 3770  
does not have more than fifteen children in the van or bus at 3771  
any time. 3772

(G) "Bicycle" means every device, other than a device that 3773  
is designed solely for use as a play vehicle by a child, that is 3774  
propelled solely by human power upon which a person may ride, 3775

and that has two or more wheels, any of which is more than 3776  
fourteen inches in diameter. 3777

(H) "Motorized bicycle" or "moped" means any vehicle 3778  
having either two tandem wheels or one wheel in the front and 3779  
two wheels in the rear, that may be pedaled, and that is 3780  
equipped with a helper motor of not more than fifty cubic 3781  
centimeters piston displacement that produces not more than one 3782  
brake horsepower and is capable of propelling the vehicle at a 3783  
speed of not greater than twenty miles per hour on a level 3784  
surface. "Motorized bicycle" or "moped" does not include an 3785  
electric bicycle. 3786

(I) "Commercial tractor" means every motor vehicle having 3787  
motive power designed or used for drawing other vehicles and not 3788  
so constructed as to carry any load thereon, or designed or used 3789  
for drawing other vehicles while carrying a portion of such 3790  
other vehicles, or load thereon, or both. 3791

(J) "Agricultural tractor" means every self-propelling 3792  
vehicle designed or used for drawing other vehicles or wheeled 3793  
machinery but having no provision for carrying loads 3794  
independently of such other vehicles, and used principally for 3795  
agricultural purposes. 3796

(K) "Truck" means every motor vehicle, except trailers and 3797  
semitrailers, designed and used to carry property. 3798

(L) "Bus" means every motor vehicle designed for carrying 3799  
more than nine passengers and used for the transportation of 3800  
persons other than in a ridesharing arrangement, and every motor 3801  
vehicle, automobile for hire, or funeral car, other than a 3802  
taxicab or motor vehicle used in a ridesharing arrangement, 3803  
designed and used for the transportation of persons for 3804

compensation. 3805

(M) "Trailer" means every vehicle designed or used for 3806  
carrying persons or property wholly on its own structure and for 3807  
being drawn by a motor vehicle, including any such vehicle when 3808  
formed by or operated as a combination of a "semitrailer" and a 3809  
vehicle of the dolly type, such as that commonly known as a 3810  
"trailer dolly," a vehicle used to transport agricultural 3811  
produce or agricultural production materials between a local 3812  
place of storage or supply and the farm when drawn or towed on a 3813  
street or highway at a speed greater than twenty-five miles per 3814  
hour, and a vehicle designed and used exclusively to transport a 3815  
boat between a place of storage and a marina, or in and around a 3816  
marina, when drawn or towed on a street or highway for a 3817  
distance of more than ten miles or at a speed of more than 3818  
twenty-five miles per hour. 3819

(N) "Semitrailer" means every vehicle designed or used for 3820  
carrying persons or property with another and separate motor 3821  
vehicle so that in operation a part of its own weight or that of 3822  
its load, or both, rests upon and is carried by another vehicle. 3823

(O) "Pole trailer" means every trailer or semitrailer 3824  
attached to the towing vehicle by means of a reach, pole, or by 3825  
being boomed or otherwise secured to the towing vehicle, and 3826  
ordinarily used for transporting long or irregular shaped loads 3827  
such as poles, pipes, or structural members capable, generally, 3828  
of sustaining themselves as beams between the supporting 3829  
connections. 3830

(P) "Railroad" means a carrier of persons or property 3831  
operating upon rails placed principally on a private right-of- 3832  
way. 3833

(Q) "Railroad train" means a steam engine or an electric 3834  
or other motor, with or without cars coupled thereto, operated 3835  
by a railroad. 3836

(R) "Streetcar" means a car, other than a railroad train, 3837  
for transporting persons or property, operated upon rails 3838  
principally within a street or highway. 3839

(S) "Trackless trolley" means every car that collects its 3840  
power from overhead electric trolley wires and that is not 3841  
operated upon rails or tracks. 3842

(T) "Explosives" means any chemical compound or mechanical 3843  
mixture that is intended for the purpose of producing an 3844  
explosion that contains any oxidizing and combustible units or 3845  
other ingredients in such proportions, quantities, or packing 3846  
that an ignition by fire, by friction, by concussion, by 3847  
percussion, or by a detonator of any part of the compound or 3848  
mixture may cause such a sudden generation of highly heated 3849  
gases that the resultant gaseous pressures are capable of 3850  
producing destructive effects on contiguous objects, or of 3851  
destroying life or limb. Manufactured articles shall not be held 3852  
to be explosives when the individual units contain explosives in 3853  
such limited quantities, of such nature, or in such packing, 3854  
that it is impossible to procure a simultaneous or a destructive 3855  
explosion of such units, to the injury of life, limb, or 3856  
property by fire, by friction, by concussion, by percussion, or 3857  
by a detonator, such as fixed ammunition for small arms, 3858  
firecrackers, or safety fuse matches. 3859

(U) "Flammable liquid" means any liquid that has a flash 3860  
point of seventy degrees fahrenheit, or less, as determined by a 3861  
tagliabue or equivalent closed cup test device. 3862

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| (V) "Gross weight" means the weight of a vehicle plus the weight of any load thereon.  | 3863<br>3864                                 |
| (W) "Person" means every natural person, firm, co-partnership, association, or corporation.  | 3865<br>3866                                 |
| (X) "Pedestrian" means any natural person afoot. "Pedestrian" includes a personal delivery device as defined in section 4511.513 of the Revised Code unless the context clearly suggests otherwise.  | 3867<br>3868<br>3869<br>3870                 |
| (Y) "Driver or operator" means every person who drives or is in actual physical control of a vehicle, trackless trolley, or streetcar.   | 3871<br>3872<br>3873                         |
| (Z) "Police officer" means every officer authorized to direct or regulate traffic, or to make arrests for violations of traffic regulations.   | 3874<br>3875<br>3876                         |
| (AA) "Local authorities" means every county, municipal, and other local board or body having authority to adopt police regulations under the constitution and laws of this state.  | 3877<br>3878<br>3879                         |
| (BB) "Street" or "highway" means the entire width between the boundary lines of every way open to the use of the public as a thoroughfare for purposes of vehicular travel.  | 3880<br>3881<br>3882                         |
| (CC) "Controlled-access highway" means every street or highway in respect to which owners or occupants of abutting lands and other persons have no legal right of access to or from the same except at such points only and in such manner as may be determined by the public authority having jurisdiction over such street or highway. | 3883<br>3884<br>3885<br>3886<br>3887<br>3888 |
| (DD) "Private road or driveway" means every way or place in private ownership used for vehicular travel by the owner and   | 3889<br>3890                                 |

those having express or implied permission from the owner but 3891  
not by other persons. 3892

(EE) "Roadway" means that portion of a highway improved, 3893  
designed, or ordinarily used for vehicular travel, except the 3894  
berm or shoulder. If a highway includes two or more separate 3895  
roadways the term "roadway" means any such roadway separately 3896  
but not all such roadways collectively. 3897

(FF) "Sidewalk" means that portion of a street between the 3898  
curb lines, or the lateral lines of a roadway, and the adjacent 3899  
property lines, intended for the use of pedestrians. 3900

(GG) "Laned highway" means a highway the roadway of which 3901  
is divided into two or more clearly marked lanes for vehicular 3902  
traffic. 3903

(HH) "Through highway" means every street or highway as 3904  
provided in section 4511.65 of the Revised Code. 3905

(II) "State highway" means a highway under the 3906  
jurisdiction of the department of transportation, outside the 3907  
limits of municipal corporations, provided that the authority 3908  
conferred upon the director of transportation in section 5511.01 3909  
of the Revised Code to erect state highway route markers and 3910  
signs directing traffic shall not be modified by sections 3911  
4511.01 to 4511.79 and 4511.99 of the Revised Code. 3912

(JJ) "State route" means every highway that is designated 3913  
with an official state route number and so marked. 3914

(KK) "Intersection" means: 3915

(1) The area embraced within the prolongation or 3916  
connection of the lateral curb lines, or, if none, the lateral 3917  
boundary lines of the roadways of two highways that join one 3918

another at, or approximately at, right angles, or the area 3919  
within which vehicles traveling upon different highways that 3920  
join at any other angle might come into conflict. The junction 3921  
of an alley or driveway with a roadway or highway does not 3922  
constitute an intersection unless the roadway or highway at the 3923  
junction is controlled by a traffic control device. 3924

(2) If a highway includes two roadways that are thirty 3925  
feet or more apart, then every crossing of each roadway of such 3926  
divided highway by an intersecting highway constitutes a 3927  
separate intersection. If both intersecting highways include two 3928  
roadways thirty feet or more apart, then every crossing of any 3929  
two roadways of such highways constitutes a separate 3930  
intersection. 3931

(3) At a location controlled by a traffic control signal, 3932  
regardless of the distance between the separate intersections as 3933  
described in division (KK)(2) of this section: 3934

(a) If a stop line, yield line, or crosswalk has not been 3935  
designated on the roadway within the median between the separate 3936  
intersections, the two intersections and the roadway and median 3937  
constitute one intersection. 3938

(b) Where a stop line, yield line, or crosswalk line is 3939  
designated on the roadway on the intersection approach, the area 3940  
within the crosswalk and any area beyond the designated stop 3941  
line or yield line constitute part of the intersection. 3942

(c) Where a crosswalk is designated on a roadway on the 3943  
departure from the intersection, the intersection includes the 3944  
area that extends to the far side of the crosswalk. 3945

(LL) "Crosswalk" means: 3946

(1) That part of a roadway at intersections ordinarily 3947

included within the real or projected prolongation of property 3948  
lines and curb lines or, in the absence of curbs, the edges of 3949  
the traversable roadway; 3950

(2) Any portion of a roadway at an intersection or 3951  
elsewhere, distinctly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines 3952  
or other markings on the surface; 3953

(3) Notwithstanding divisions (LL) (1) and (2) of this 3954  
section, there shall not be a crosswalk where local authorities 3955  
have placed signs indicating no crossing. 3956

(MM) "Safety zone" means the area or space officially set 3957  
apart within a roadway for the exclusive use of pedestrians and 3958  
protected or marked or indicated by adequate signs as to be 3959  
plainly visible at all times. 3960

(NN) "Business district" means the territory fronting upon 3961  
a street or highway, including the street or highway, between 3962  
successive intersections within municipal corporations where 3963  
fifty per cent or more of the frontage between such successive 3964  
intersections is occupied by buildings in use for business, or 3965  
within or outside municipal corporations where fifty per cent or 3966  
more of the frontage for a distance of three hundred feet or 3967  
more is occupied by buildings in use for business, and the 3968  
character of such territory is indicated by official traffic 3969  
control devices. 3970

(OO) "Residence district" means the territory, not 3971  
comprising a business district, fronting on a street or highway, 3972  
including the street or highway, where, for a distance of three 3973  
hundred feet or more, the frontage is improved with residences 3974  
or residences and buildings in use for business. 3975

(PP) "Urban district" means the territory contiguous to 3976



and including any street or highway which is built up with 3977  
structures devoted to business, industry, or dwelling houses 3978  
situated at intervals of less than one hundred feet for a 3979  
distance of a quarter of a mile or more, and the character of 3980  
such territory is indicated by official traffic control devices. 3981

(QQ) "Traffic control device" means a flagger, sign, 3982  
signal, marking, or other device used to regulate, warn, or 3983  
guide traffic, placed on, over, or adjacent to a street, 3984  
highway, private road open to public travel, pedestrian 3985  
facility, or shared-use path by authority of a public agency or 3986  
official having jurisdiction, or, in the case of a private road 3987  
open to public travel, by authority of the private owner or 3988  
private official having jurisdiction. 3989

(RR) "Traffic control signal" means any highway traffic 3990  
signal by which traffic is alternately directed to stop and 3991  
permitted to proceed. 3992

(SS) "Railroad sign or signal" means any sign, signal, or 3993  
device erected by authority of a public body or official or by a 3994  
railroad and intended to give notice of the presence of railroad 3995  
tracks or the approach of a railroad train. 3996

(TT) "Traffic" means pedestrians, ridden or herded 3997  
animals, vehicles, streetcars, trackless trolleys, and other 3998  
devices, either singly or together, while using for purposes of 3999  
travel any highway or private road open to public travel. 4000

(UU) "Right-of-way" means either of the following, as the 4001  
context requires: 4002

(1) The right of a vehicle, streetcar, trackless trolley, 4003  
or pedestrian to proceed uninterruptedly in a lawful manner in 4004  
the direction in which it or the individual is moving in 4005

preference to another vehicle, streetcar, trackless trolley, or 4006  
pedestrian approaching from a different direction into its or 4007  
the individual's path; 4008

(2) A general term denoting land, property, or the 4009  
interest therein, usually in the configuration of a strip, 4010  
acquired for or devoted to transportation purposes. When used in 4011  
this context, right-of-way includes the roadway, shoulders or 4012  
berm, ditch, and slopes extending to the right-of-way limits 4013  
under the control of the state or local authority. 4014

(VV) "Rural mail delivery vehicle" means every vehicle 4015  
used to deliver United States mail on a rural mail delivery 4016  
route. 4017

(WW) "Funeral escort vehicle" means any motor vehicle, 4018  
including a funeral hearse, while used to facilitate the 4019  
movement of a funeral procession. 4020

(XX) "Alley" means a street or highway intended to provide 4021  
access to the rear or side of lots or buildings in urban 4022  
districts and not intended for the purpose of through vehicular 4023  
traffic, and includes any street or highway that has been 4024  
declared an "alley" by the legislative authority of the 4025  
municipal corporation in which such street or highway is 4026  
located. 4027

(YY) "Freeway" means a divided multi-lane highway for 4028  
through traffic with all crossroads separated in grade and with 4029  
full control of access. 4030

(ZZ) "Expressway" means a divided arterial highway for 4031  
through traffic with full or partial control of access with an 4032  
excess of fifty per cent of all crossroads separated in grade. 4033

(AAA) "Thruway" means a through highway whose entire 4034

roadway is reserved for through traffic and on which roadway 4035  
parking is prohibited. 4036

(BBB) "Stop intersection" means any intersection at one or 4037  
more entrances of which stop signs are erected. 4038

(CCC) "Arterial street" means any United States or state 4039  
numbered route, controlled access highway, or other major radial 4040  
or circumferential street or highway designated by local 4041  
authorities within their respective jurisdictions as part of a 4042  
major arterial system of streets or highways. 4043

(DDD) "Ridesharing arrangement" means the transportation 4044  
of persons in a motor vehicle where such transportation is 4045  
incidental to another purpose of a volunteer driver and includes 4046  
ridesharing arrangements known as carpools, vanpools, and 4047  
buspools. 4048

(EEE) "Motorized wheelchair" means any self-propelled 4049  
vehicle designed for, and used by, a person with a disability 4050  
and that is incapable of a speed in excess of eight miles per 4051  
hour. 4052

(FFF) "Child day-care center" and "type A family day-care 4053  
home" have the same meanings as in section 5104.01 of the 4054  
Revised Code. 4055

(GGG) "Multi-wheel agricultural tractor" means a type of 4056  
agricultural tractor that has two or more wheels or tires on 4057  
each side of one axle at the rear of the tractor, is designed or 4058  
used for drawing other vehicles or wheeled machinery, has no 4059  
provision for carrying loads independently of the drawn vehicles 4060  
or machinery, and is used principally for agricultural purposes. 4061

(HHH) "Operate" means to cause or have caused movement of 4062  
a vehicle, streetcar, or trackless trolley. 4063

(III) "Predicate motor vehicle or traffic offense" means 4064  
any of the following: 4065

(1) A violation of section 4511.03, 4511.051, 4511.12, 4066  
4511.132, 4511.16, 4511.20, 4511.201, 4511.21, 4511.211, 4067  
4511.213, 4511.214, 4511.22, 4511.23, 4511.25, 4511.26, 4511.27, 4068  
4511.28, 4511.29, 4511.30, 4511.31, 4511.32, 4511.33, 4511.34, 4069  
4511.35, 4511.36, 4511.37, 4511.38, 4511.39, 4511.40, 4511.41, 4070  
4511.42, 4511.43, 4511.431, 4511.432, 4511.44, 4511.441, 4071  
4511.451, 4511.452, 4511.46, 4511.47, 4511.48, 4511.481, 4072  
4511.49, 4511.50, 4511.511, 4511.522, 4511.53, 4511.54, 4511.55, 4073  
4511.56, 4511.57, 4511.58, 4511.59, 4511.60, 4511.61, 4511.64, 4074  
4511.66, 4511.661, 4511.68, 4511.70, 4511.701, 4511.71, 4075  
4511.711, 4511.712, 4511.713, 4511.72, 4511.73, 4511.763, 4076  
4511.771, 4511.78, ~~or~~ 4511.84, 4519.401, 4519.402, 4519.403, or 4077  
4519.41 of the Revised Code; 4078

(2) A violation of division (A) (2) of section 4511.17, 4079  
divisions (A) to (D) of section 4511.51, or division (A) of 4080  
section 4511.74 of the Revised Code; 4081

(3) A violation of any provision of sections 4511.01 to 4082  
4511.76 of the Revised Code for which no penalty otherwise is 4083  
provided in the section that contains the provision violated; 4084

~~(4) A violation of section 4511.214 of the Revised Code;~~ 4085

~~(5)~~ A violation of a municipal ordinance that is 4086  
substantially similar to any section or provision set forth or 4087  
described in division (III) (1), (2), or (3), ~~or~~ (4) of this 4088  
section. 4089

(JJJ) "Road service vehicle" means wreckers, utility 4090  
repair vehicles, and state, county, and municipal service 4091  
vehicles equipped with visual signals by means of flashing, 4092

rotating, or oscillating lights. 4093

(KKK) "Beacon" means a highway traffic signal with one or 4094  
more signal sections that operate in a flashing mode. 4095

(LLL) "Hybrid beacon" means a type of beacon that is 4096  
intentionally placed in a dark mode between periods of operation 4097  
where no indications are displayed and, when in operation, 4098  
displays both steady and flashing traffic control signal 4099  
indications. 4100

(MMM) "Highway traffic signal" means a power-operated 4101  
traffic control device by which traffic is warned or directed to 4102  
take some specific action. "Highway traffic signal" does not 4103  
include a power-operated sign, steadily illuminated pavement 4104  
marker, warning light, or steady burning electric lamp. 4105

(NNN) "Median" means the area between two roadways of a 4106  
divided highway, measured from edge of traveled way to edge of 4107  
traveled way, but excluding turn lanes. The width of a median 4108  
may be different between intersections, between interchanges, 4109  
and at opposite approaches of the same intersection. 4110

(OOO) "Private road open to public travel" means a private 4111  
toll road or road, including any adjacent sidewalks that 4112  
generally run parallel to the road, within a shopping center, 4113  
airport, sports arena, or other similar business or recreation 4114  
facility that is privately owned but where the public is allowed 4115  
to travel without access restrictions. "Private road open to 4116  
public travel" includes a gated toll road but does not include a 4117  
road within a private gated property where access is restricted 4118  
at all times, a parking area, a driving aisle within a parking 4119  
area, or a private grade crossing. 4120

(PPP) "Shared-use path" means a bikeway outside the 4121

traveled way and physically separated from motorized vehicular 4122  
traffic by an open space or barrier and either within the 4123  
highway right-of-way or within an independent alignment. A 4124  
shared-use path also may be used by pedestrians, including 4125  
skaters, joggers, users of manual and motorized wheelchairs, and 4126  
other authorized motorized and non-motorized users. A shared-use 4127  
path does not include any trail that is intended to be used 4128  
primarily for mountain biking, hiking, equestrian use, or other 4129  
similar uses, or any other single track or natural surface trail 4130  
that has historically been reserved for nonmotorized use. 4131

(QQQ) "Highway maintenance vehicle" means a vehicle used 4132  
in snow and ice removal or road surface maintenance, including a 4133  
snow plow, traffic line striper, road sweeper, mowing machine, 4134  
asphalt distributing vehicle, or other such vehicle designed for 4135  
use in specific highway maintenance activities. 4136

(RRR) "Waste collection vehicle" means a vehicle used in 4137  
the collection of garbage, refuse, trash, or recyclable 4138  
materials. 4139

(SSS) "Electric bicycle" means a "class 1 electric 4140  
bicycle," a "class 2 electric bicycle," or a "class 3 electric 4141  
bicycle" as defined in this section. 4142

(TTT) "Class 1 electric bicycle" means a bicycle that is 4143  
equipped with fully operable pedals and an electric motor of 4144  
less than seven hundred fifty watts that provides assistance 4145  
only when the rider is pedaling and ceases to provide assistance 4146  
when the bicycle reaches the speed of twenty miles per hour. 4147

(UUU) "Class 2 electric bicycle" means a bicycle that is 4148  
equipped with fully operable pedals and an electric motor of 4149  
less than seven hundred fifty watts that may provide assistance 4150

regardless of whether the rider is pedaling and is not capable 4151  
of providing assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of 4152  
twenty miles per hour. 4153

(VVV) "Class 3 electric bicycle" means a bicycle that is 4154  
equipped with fully operable pedals and an electric motor of 4155  
less than seven hundred fifty watts that provides assistance 4156  
only when the rider is pedaling and ceases to provide assistance 4157  
when the bicycle reaches the speed of twenty-eight miles per 4158  
hour. 4159

(WWW) "Low-speed micromobility device" means a device 4160  
weighing less than one hundred pounds that has handlebars, is 4161  
propelled by an electric motor or human power, and has an 4162  
attainable speed on a paved level surface of not more than 4163  
twenty miles per hour when propelled by the electric motor. 4164

**Sec. 4511.214.** (A) (1) No person shall operate a low-speed 4165  
vehicle upon any street or highway having an established speed 4166  
limit greater than thirty-five miles per hour. 4167

(2) No person shall operate an under-speed ~~or utility~~ 4168  
~~vehicle or a mini-truck~~ upon any street or highway ~~except as~~ 4169  
~~follows:~~ 4170

~~(a) Upon a street or highway~~ having an established speed 4171  
limit ~~not~~ greater than thirty-five miles per hour ~~and only~~. No 4172  
person shall operate an under-speed vehicle upon such streets or 4173  
highways ~~where~~ unless a local authority has granted permission 4174  
for such operation in accordance with division (C) of this 4175  
~~section 4511.215 of the Revised Code;~~ 4176

~~(b) A state park or political subdivision employee or~~ 4177  
~~volunteer operating a utility vehicle exclusively within the~~ 4178  
~~boundaries of state parks or political subdivision parks for the~~ 4179

~~operation or maintenance of state or political subdivision park-~~ 4180  
~~facilities.~~ 4181

(3) No person shall operate a motor-driven cycle or motor 4182  
scooter upon any street or highway having an established speed 4183  
limit greater than forty-five miles per hour. 4184

~~(B) This section does not prohibit either of the~~ 4185  
~~following:~~ 4186

~~(1) (B) (1) A person operating may operate a low-speed~~ 4187  
~~vehicle, or an under-speed, or utility vehicle or a mini truck-~~ 4188  
~~from proceeding~~ across an intersection of a street or highway 4189  
having a speed limit greater than thirty-five miles per hour; 4190

(2) A person ~~operating may operate~~ a motor-driven cycle or 4191  
motor scooter ~~from proceeding~~ across an intersection of a street 4192  
or highway having a speed limit greater than forty-five miles 4193  
per hour. 4194

(C) ~~Nothing in this section shall prevent a~~ By ordinance 4195  
or resolution, a local authority may authorize the operation of 4196  
under-speed vehicles on a public street or highway under its 4197  
jurisdiction. A local authority that authorizes the operation of 4198  
under-speed vehicles shall do all of the following: 4199

(1) Limit the operation of those vehicles to streets and 4200  
highways having an established speed limit not greater than 4201  
thirty-five miles per hour; 4202

(2) Require the vehicle owner who wishes to operate the 4203  
under-speed vehicle on the public streets or highways to submit 4204  
the vehicle to an inspection conducted by a local law 4205  
enforcement agency that complies with inspection requirements 4206  
established by the department of public safety under section 4207  
4513.02 of the Revised Code; 4208



(3) Permit the operation on public streets or highways of 4209  
only those vehicles that successfully pass the required vehicle 4210  
inspection, are registered in accordance with Chapter 4503. of 4211  
the Revised Code, and are titled in accordance with Chapter 4212  
4505. of the Revised Code; 4213

(4) Notify the director of public safety, in a manner the 4214  
director determines, of the authorization for the operation of 4215  
under-speed vehicles. 4216

(D) A local authority ~~from adopting~~ may adopt more 4217  
stringent local ordinances, resolutions, or regulations 4218  
governing the operation of a low-speed vehicle ~~or a mini-truck,~~ 4219  
~~or an under-speed vehicle,~~ a motor-driven cycle, or a motor 4220  
scooter. 4221

~~(D)~~ (E) Except as otherwise provided in this division, 4222  
whoever violates division (A) of this section is guilty of a 4223  
minor misdemeanor. If within one year of the offense, the 4224  
offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to 4225  
one predicate motor vehicle or traffic offense, whoever violates 4226  
this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If 4227  
within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been 4228  
convicted of two or more predicate motor vehicle or traffic 4229  
offenses, whoever violates this section is guilty of a 4230  
misdemeanor of the third degree. 4231

**Sec. 4511.713.** (A) No person shall operate a motor 4232  
vehicle, snowmobile, or ~~all purpose~~ all-terrain vehicle upon any 4233  
path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles, when an 4234  
appropriate sign giving notice of such use is posted on the 4235  
path. 4236

Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect any 4237

rule of the director of natural resources governing the 4238  
operation of motor vehicles, snowmobiles, ~~all-purpose-all-~~ 4239  
terrain vehicles, and bicycles on lands under the director's 4240  
jurisdiction. 4241

(B) Except as otherwise provided in this division, whoever 4242  
violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. If, 4243  
within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been 4244  
convicted of or pleaded guilty to one predicate motor vehicle or 4245  
traffic offense, whoever violates this section is guilty of a 4246  
misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If, within one year of the 4247  
offense, the offender previously has been convicted of two or 4248  
more predicate motor vehicle or traffic offenses, whoever 4249  
violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third 4250  
degree. 4251

If the offender commits the offense while distracted and 4252  
the distracting activity is a contributing factor to the 4253  
commission of the offense, the offender is subject to the 4254  
additional fine established under section 4511.991 of the 4255  
Revised Code. 4256

**Sec. 4513.02.** (A) No person shall drive or move, or cause 4257  
or knowingly permit to be driven or moved, on any highway any 4258  
vehicle or combination of vehicles which is in such unsafe 4259  
condition as to endanger any person. 4260

(B) When directed by any state highway patrol trooper, the 4261  
operator of any motor vehicle shall stop and submit such motor 4262  
vehicle to an inspection under division (B) (1) or (2) of this 4263  
section, as appropriate, and such tests as are necessary. 4264

(1) Any motor vehicle not subject to inspection by the 4265  
public utilities commission shall be inspected and tested to 4266

determine whether it is unsafe or not equipped as required by 4267  
law, or that its equipment is not in proper adjustment or 4268  
repair, or in violation of the equipment provisions of Chapter 4269  
4513. of the Revised Code. 4270

Such inspection shall be made with respect to the brakes, 4271  
lights, turn signals, steering, horns and warning devices, 4272  
glass, mirrors, exhaust system, windshield wipers, tires, and 4273  
such other items of equipment as designated by the 4274  
superintendent of the state highway patrol by rule or regulation 4275  
adopted pursuant to sections 119.01 to 119.13 of the Revised 4276  
Code. 4277

Upon determining that a motor vehicle is in safe operating 4278  
condition and its equipment in conformity with Chapter 4513. of 4279  
the Revised Code, the inspecting officer shall issue to the 4280  
operator an official inspection sticker, which shall be in such 4281  
form as the superintendent prescribes except that its color 4282  
shall vary from year to year. 4283

(2) Any motor vehicle subject to inspection by the public 4284  
utilities commission shall be inspected and tested in accordance 4285  
with rules adopted by the commission. Upon determining that the 4286  
vehicle and operator are in compliance with rules adopted by the 4287  
commission, the inspecting officer shall issue to the operator 4288  
an appropriate official inspection sticker. 4289

(C) The superintendent of the state highway patrol, 4290  
pursuant to sections 119.01 to 119.13 of the Revised Code, shall 4291  
determine and promulgate standards for any inspection program 4292  
conducted by a political subdivision of this state. These 4293  
standards shall exempt licensed collector's vehicles and 4294  
historical motor vehicles from inspection. Any motor vehicle 4295  
bearing a valid certificate of inspection issued by another 4296

state or a political subdivision of this state whose inspection 4297  
program conforms to the superintendent's standards, and any 4298  
licensed collector's vehicle or historical motor vehicle which 4299  
is not in a condition which endangers the safety of persons or 4300  
property, shall be exempt from the tests provided in division 4301  
(B) of this section. 4302

(D) Every person, firm, association, or corporation that, 4303  
in the conduct of its business, owns and operates not less than 4304  
fifteen motor vehicles in this state that are not subject to 4305  
regulation by the public utilities commission and that, for the 4306  
purpose of storing, repairing, maintaining, and servicing such 4307  
motor vehicles, equips and operates one or more service 4308  
departments within this state, may file with the superintendent 4309  
of the state highway patrol applications for permits for such 4310  
service departments as official inspection stations for its own 4311  
motor vehicles. Upon receiving an application for each such 4312  
service department, and after determining that it is properly 4313  
equipped and has competent personnel to perform the inspections 4314  
referred to in this section, the superintendent shall issue the 4315  
necessary inspection stickers and permit to operate as an 4316  
official inspection station. Any such person who has had one or 4317  
more service departments so designated as official inspection 4318  
stations may have motor vehicles that are owned and operated by 4319  
the person and that are not subject to regulation by the public 4320  
utilities commission, excepting private passenger cars owned by 4321  
the person or the person's employees, inspected at such service 4322  
department; and any motor vehicle bearing a valid certificate of 4323  
inspection issued by such service department shall be exempt 4324  
from the tests provided in division (B) of this section. 4325

No permit for an official inspection station shall be 4326  
assigned or transferred or used at any location other than 4327

therein designated, and every such permit shall be posted in a 4328  
conspicuous place at the location designated. 4329

If a person, firm, association, or corporation owns and 4330  
operates fifteen or more motor vehicles in the conduct of 4331  
business and is subject to regulation by the public utilities 4332  
commission, that person, firm, association, or corporation is 4333  
not eligible to apply to the superintendent for permits to 4334  
enable any of its service departments to serve as official 4335  
inspection stations for its own motor vehicles. 4336

(E) When any motor vehicle is found to be unsafe for 4337  
operation, the inspecting officer may order it removed from the 4338  
highway and not operated, except for purposes of removal and 4339  
repair, until it has been repaired pursuant to a repair order as 4340  
provided in division (F) of this section. 4341

(F) When any motor vehicle is found to be defective or in 4342  
violation of Chapter 4513. of the Revised Code, the inspecting 4343  
officer may issue a repair order, in such form and containing 4344  
such information as the superintendent shall prescribe, to the 4345  
owner or operator of the motor vehicle. The owner or operator 4346  
shall thereupon obtain such repairs as are required and shall, 4347  
as directed by the inspecting officer, return the repair order 4348  
together with proof of compliance with its provisions. When any 4349  
motor vehicle or operator subject to rules of the public 4350  
utilities commission fails the inspection, the inspecting 4351  
officer shall issue an appropriate order to obtain compliance 4352  
with such rules. 4353

(G) Sections 4513.01 to 4513.37 of the Revised Code, with 4354  
respect to equipment on vehicles, do not apply to implements of 4355  
husbandry, road machinery, road rollers, or agricultural 4356  
tractors except as made applicable to such articles of 4357

machinery. 4358

(H) A local law enforcement agency conducting an 4359  
inspection on an under-speed vehicle in accordance with section 4360  
4511.214 of the Revised Code or on a mini-truck, utility 4361  
vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, off-highway motorcycle, or 4362  
snowmobile in accordance with sections 4519.401 to 4519.41 of 4363  
the Revised Code may charge the owner of the motorcycle or 4364  
vehicle a one-time fee of ten dollars for the completion of the 4365  
inspection. The agency that conducts the inspection shall retain 4366  
the fee to offset the costs to the agency of conducting the 4367  
inspection. 4368

(I) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor 4369  
misdemeanor. 4370

**Sec. 4513.221.** (A) The board of county commissioners of 4371  
any county, and the board of township trustees of any township 4372  
subject to section 505.17 of the Revised Code, may regulate 4373  
passenger car and motorcycle noise on streets and highways under 4374  
their jurisdiction. Such regulations shall include maximum 4375  
permissible noise limits measured in decibels, subject to the 4376  
requirements of this section. 4377

(B) Regulations establishing maximum permissible noise 4378  
limits measured in decibels shall prohibit the operation, within 4379  
the speed limits specified herein, of a passenger car or 4380  
motorcycle of a type subject to registration at any time or 4381  
under any condition of load, acceleration, or deceleration in 4382  
such manner as to exceed the following maximum noise limits, 4383  
based on a distance of not less than fifty feet from the center 4384  
of the line of travel: 4385

(1) For passenger cars: 4386

(a) When operated at a speed of thirty-five miles per hour 4387  
or less, a maximum noise limit of seventy decibels; 4388

(b) When operated at a speed of more than thirty-five 4389  
miles per hour, a maximum noise limit of seventy-nine decibels. 4390

(2) For motorcycles: 4391

(a) When operated at a speed of thirty-five miles per hour 4392  
or less, a maximum noise limit of eighty-two decibels; 4393

(b) When operated at a speed of more than thirty-five 4394  
miles per hour, a maximum noise limit of eighty-six decibels. 4395

(C) Maximum noise limits established pursuant to division 4396  
(B) of this section shall be measured on the "A" scale of a 4397  
standard sound level meter meeting the applicable requirements 4398  
for a type 2 sound level meter as defined in American national 4399  
standards institute standard S1.4 - 1983, or the most recent 4400  
revision thereof. Measurement practices shall be in substantial 4401  
conformity with standards and recommended practice established 4402  
by the society of automotive engineers, including SAE standard J 4403  
986 A NOV81, SAE standard J 366 MAR85, SAE standard J 331 A, and 4404  
such other standards and practices as may be approved by the 4405  
federal government. 4406

(D) No regulation enacted under division (B) of this 4407  
section shall be effective until signs giving notice of the 4408  
regulation are posted upon or at the entrance to the highway or 4409  
part thereof affected, as may be most appropriate. 4410

(E) A board of county commissioners of any county may 4411  
regulate noise from passenger cars, motorcycles, or other 4412  
devices using internal combustion engines in the unincorporated 4413  
area of the county, and a board of township trustees may 4414  
regulate such noise in the unincorporated area of the township, 4415

in any of the following ways: 4416

(1) By prohibiting operating or causing to be operated any 4417  
motor vehicle, agricultural tractor, motorcycle, ~~all-purpose~~ 4418  
all-terrain vehicle, or snowmobile not equipped with a factory- 4419  
installed muffler or equivalent muffler in good working order 4420  
and in constant operation; 4421

(2) By prohibiting the removing or rendering inoperative, 4422  
or causing to be removed or rendered inoperative, other than for 4423  
purposes of maintenance, repair, or replacement, of any muffler; 4424

(3) By prohibiting the discharge into the open air of 4425  
exhaust of any stationary or portable internal combustion engine 4426  
except through a factory-installed muffler or equivalent muffler 4427  
in good working order and in constant operation; 4428

(4) By prohibiting racing the motor of any vehicle 4429  
described in division (E)(1) of this section in such a manner 4430  
that the exhaust system emits a loud, cracking, or chattering 4431  
noise unusual to its normal operation. 4432

(F) Whoever violates any maximum noise limit established 4433  
as provided in division (B) of this section or any of the 4434  
prohibitions authorized in division (E) of this section is 4435  
guilty of a minor misdemeanor. Fines collected under this 4436  
section by the county shall be paid into the county general 4437  
fund, and such fines collected by the township shall be paid 4438  
into the township general fund. 4439

No regulation adopted under this section shall apply to 4440  
commercial racetrack operations. 4441

**Sec. 4513.263.** (A) As used in this section ~~and in section~~ 4442  
~~4513.99 of the Revised Code:~~ 4443



(1) "Automobile" means any commercial tractor, passenger car, commercial car, or truck that is required to be factory-equipped with an occupant restraining device for the operator or any passenger by regulations adopted by the United States secretary of transportation pursuant to the ~~"National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966," 80 Stat. 719, 15 U.S.C.A. 1392~~ and the national highway traffic safety administration. "Automobile" does not include a utility vehicle.

(2) "Occupant restraining device" means a seat safety belt, shoulder belt, harness, or other safety device for restraining a person who is an operator of or passenger in an automobile and that satisfies the minimum federal vehicle safety standards established by the United States department of transportation.

(3) "Passenger" means any person in an automobile, other than its operator, who is occupying a seating position for which an occupant restraining device is provided.

(4) "Commercial tractor," "passenger car," and "commercial car" have the same meanings as in section 4501.01 of the Revised Code.

(5) "Vehicle" and "motor vehicle," as used in the definitions of the terms set forth in division (A)(4) of this section, have the same meanings as in section 4511.01 of the Revised Code.

(6) "Tort action" means a civil action for damages for injury, death, or loss to person or property. "Tort action" includes a product liability claim, as defined in section 2307.71 of the Revised Code, and an asbestos claim, as defined in section 2307.91 of the Revised Code, but does not include a

civil action for damages for breach of contract or another 4473  
agreement between persons. 4474

(B) No person shall do any of the following: 4475

(1) Operate an automobile on any street or highway unless 4476  
that person is wearing all of the available elements of a 4477  
properly adjusted occupant restraining device, or operate a 4478  
school bus that has an occupant restraining device installed for 4479  
use in its operator's seat unless that person is wearing all of 4480  
the available elements of the device, as properly adjusted; 4481

(2) Operate an automobile on any street or highway unless 4482  
each passenger in the automobile who is subject to the 4483  
requirement set forth in division (B) (3) of this section is 4484  
wearing all of the available elements of a properly adjusted 4485  
occupant restraining device; 4486

(3) Occupy, as a passenger, a seating position on the 4487  
front seat of an automobile being operated on any street or 4488  
highway unless that person is wearing all of the available 4489  
elements of a properly adjusted occupant restraining device; 4490

(4) Operate a taxicab on any street or highway unless all 4491  
factory-equipped occupant restraining devices in the taxicab are 4492  
maintained in usable form. 4493

(C) (1) Division (B) (3) of this section does not apply to a 4494  
person who is required by section 4511.81 of the Revised Code to 4495  
be secured in a child restraint device or booster seat. 4496

(2) Division (B) (1) of this section does not apply to a 4497  
person who is an employee of the United States postal service or 4498  
of a newspaper home delivery service, during any period in which 4499  
the person is engaged in the operation of an automobile to 4500  
deliver mail or newspapers to addressees. 4501

(3) Divisions (B)(1) and (3) of this section do not apply 4502  
to a person who has an affidavit signed by a physician licensed 4503  
to practice in this state under Chapter 4731. of the Revised 4504  
Code or a chiropractor licensed to practice in this state under 4505  
Chapter 4734. of the Revised Code that states the following: 4506

(a) That the person has a physical impairment that makes 4507  
use of an occupant restraining device impossible or impractical; 4508

(b) Whether the physical impairment is temporary, 4509  
permanent, or reasonably expected to be permanent; 4510

(c) If the physical impairment is temporary, how long the 4511  
physical impairment is expected to make the use of an occupant 4512  
restraining device impossible or impractical. 4513

(4) Divisions (B)(1) and (3) of this section do not apply 4514  
to a person who has registered with the registrar of motor 4515  
vehicles in accordance with division (C)(5) of this section. 4516

(5) A person who has received an affidavit under division 4517  
(C)(3) of this section stating that the person has a permanent 4518  
or reasonably expected to be permanent physical impairment that 4519  
makes use of an occupant restraining device impossible or 4520  
impracticable may register with the registrar attesting to that 4521  
fact. Upon such registration, the registrar shall make that 4522  
information available in the law enforcement automated data 4523  
system. A person included in the database under division (C)(5) 4524  
of this section is not required to have the affidavit obtained 4525  
in accordance with division (C)(3) of this section in their 4526  
possession while operating or occupying an automobile. 4527

(6) A physician or chiropractor who issues an affidavit 4528  
for the purposes of division (C)(3) or (4) of this section is 4529  
immune from civil liability arising from any injury or death 4530

sustained by the person who was issued the affidavit due to the 4531  
failure of the person to wear an occupant restraining device 4532  
unless the physician or chiropractor, in issuing the affidavit, 4533  
acted in a manner that constituted willful, wanton, or reckless 4534  
misconduct. 4535

(7) The registrar shall adopt rules in accordance with 4536  
Chapter 119. of the Revised Code establishing a process for a 4537  
person to be included in the database under division (C) (5) of 4538  
this section. The information provided and included in the 4539  
database under division (C) (5) of this section is not a public 4540  
record subject to inspection or copying under section 149.43 of 4541  
the Revised Code. 4542

(D) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, 4543  
no law enforcement officer shall cause an operator of an 4544  
automobile being operated on any street or highway to stop the 4545  
automobile for the sole purpose of determining whether a 4546  
violation of division (B) of this section has been or is being 4547  
committed or for the sole purpose of issuing a ticket, citation, 4548  
or summons for a violation of that nature or causing the arrest 4549  
of or commencing a prosecution of a person for a violation of 4550  
that nature, and no law enforcement officer shall view the 4551  
interior or visually inspect any automobile being operated on 4552  
any street or highway for the sole purpose of determining 4553  
whether a violation of that nature has been or is being 4554  
committed. 4555

~~(E)~~ (E) (1) All fines collected for violations of division 4556  
(B) of this section, or for violations of any ordinance or 4557  
resolution of a political subdivision that is substantively 4558  
comparable to that division, shall be forwarded to the treasurer 4559  
of state for deposit into the state treasury to the credit of 4560

the trauma and emergency medical services fund, which is hereby 4561  
created. ~~In addition, the~~ 4562

(2) The trauma and emergency medical services fund shall 4563  
also consist of all of the following which shall be deposited 4564  
into the fund: 4565

(a) The portion of the driver's license reinstatement fee 4566  
described in division (F) (2) (g) of section 4511.191 of the 4567  
Revised Code, ~~plus all;~~ 4568

(b) All fines imposed under section 4519.23 of the Revised 4569  
Code; 4570

(c) All fees collected under section 4765.11 of the 4571  
Revised Code, ~~plus all;~~ 4572

(d) All fines imposed under section 4765.55 of the Revised 4573  
Code, ~~plus the;~~ 4574

(e) All fees and other moneys specified in section 4766.05 4575  
of the Revised Code, ~~and plus five;~~ 4576

(f) Five per cent of fines and moneys arising from bail 4577  
forfeitures as directed by section 5503.04 of the Revised Code, ~~—~~ 4578  
~~also shall be deposited into the trauma and emergency medical—~~ 4579  
~~services fund. All—~~ 4580

(3) All money deposited into the trauma and emergency 4581  
medical services fund shall be used by the department of public 4582  
safety for the administration and operation of the division of 4583  
emergency medical services and the state board of emergency 4584  
medical, fire, and transportation services, and by the state 4585  
board of emergency medical, fire, and transportation services to 4586  
make grants, in accordance with section 4765.07 of the Revised 4587  
Code and rules the board adopts under section 4765.11 of the 4588

Revised Code. ~~The~~ 4589

(4) The director of budget and management may transfer 4590  
excess money from the trauma and emergency medical services fund 4591  
to the public safety - highway purposes fund established in 4592  
section 4501.06 of the Revised Code if the director of public 4593  
safety determines that the amount of money in the trauma and 4594  
emergency medical services fund exceeds the amount required to 4595  
cover such costs incurred by the emergency medical services 4596  
agency and the grants made by the state board of emergency 4597  
medical, fire, and transportation services and requests the 4598  
director of budget and management to make the transfer. 4599

(F) (1) Subject to division (F) (2) of this section, the 4600  
failure of a person to wear all of the available elements of a 4601  
properly adjusted occupant restraining device in violation of 4602  
division (B) (1) or (3) of this section or the failure of a 4603  
person to ensure that each minor who is a passenger of an 4604  
automobile being operated by that person is wearing all of the 4605  
available elements of a properly adjusted occupant restraining 4606  
device in violation of division (B) (2) of this section shall not 4607  
be considered or used by the trier of fact in a tort action as 4608  
evidence of negligence or contributory negligence. But, the 4609  
trier of fact may determine based on evidence admitted 4610  
consistent with the Ohio Rules of Evidence that the failure 4611  
contributed to the harm alleged in the tort action and may 4612  
diminish a recovery of compensatory damages that represents 4613  
noneconomic loss, as defined in section 2307.011 of the Revised 4614  
Code, in a tort action that could have been recovered but for 4615  
the plaintiff's failure to wear all of the available elements of 4616  
a properly adjusted occupant restraining device. Evidence of 4617  
that failure shall not be used as a basis for a criminal 4618  
prosecution of the person other than a prosecution for a 4619

violation of this section; and shall not be admissible as 4620  
evidence in a criminal action involving the person other than a 4621  
prosecution for a violation of this section. 4622

(2) If, at the time of an accident involving a passenger 4623  
car equipped with occupant restraining devices, any occupant of 4624  
the passenger car who sustained injury or death was not wearing 4625  
an available occupant restraining device, was not wearing all of 4626  
the available elements of such a device, or was not wearing such 4627  
a device as properly adjusted, then, consistent with the Rules 4628  
of Evidence, the fact that the occupant was not wearing the 4629  
available occupant restraining device, was not wearing all of 4630  
the available elements of such a device, or was not wearing such 4631  
a device as properly adjusted is admissible in evidence in 4632  
relation to any claim for relief in a tort action to the extent 4633  
that the claim for relief satisfies all of the following: 4634

(a) It seeks to recover damages for injury or death to the 4635  
occupant. 4636

(b) The defendant in question is the manufacturer, 4637  
designer, distributor, or seller of the passenger car. 4638

(c) The claim for relief against the defendant in question 4639  
is that the injury or death sustained by the occupant was 4640  
enhanced or aggravated by some design defect in the passenger 4641  
car or that the passenger car was not crashworthy. 4642

(G) (1) Whoever violates division (B) (1) of this section 4643  
shall be fined thirty dollars. 4644

(2) Whoever violates division (B) (3) of this section shall 4645  
be fined twenty dollars. 4646

(3) Except as otherwise provided in this division, whoever 4647  
violates division (B) (4) of this section is guilty of a minor 4648

misdemeanor. If the offender previously has been convicted of or 4649  
pleaded guilty to a violation of division (B) (4) of this 4650  
section, whoever violates division (B) (4) of this section is 4651  
guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree. 4652

**Sec. 4517.01.** As used in sections 4517.01 to 4517.65 of 4653  
the Revised Code: 4654

(A) "Persons" includes individuals, firms, partnerships, 4655  
associations, joint stock companies, corporations, and any 4656  
combinations of individuals. 4657

(B) "Motor vehicle" means motor vehicle as defined in 4658  
section 4501.01 of the Revised Code and also includes "~~all-~~ 4659  
~~purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle" and "off-highway motorcycle" as 4660  
those terms are defined in section 4519.01 of the Revised Code. 4661  
"Motor vehicle" does not include a snowmobile as defined in 4662  
section 4519.01 of the Revised Code or manufactured and mobile 4663  
homes. 4664

(C) "New motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle, the legal 4665  
title to which has never been transferred by a manufacturer, 4666  
remanufacturer, distributor, or dealer to an ultimate purchaser. 4667

(D) "Ultimate purchaser" means, with respect to any new 4668  
motor vehicle, the first person, other than a dealer purchasing 4669  
in the capacity of a dealer, who in good faith purchases such 4670  
new motor vehicle for purposes other than resale. 4671

(E) "Business" includes any activities engaged in by any 4672  
person for the object of gain, benefit, or advantage either 4673  
direct or indirect. 4674

(F) "Engaging in business" means commencing, conducting, 4675  
or continuing in business, or liquidating a business when the 4676  
liquidator thereof holds self out to be conducting such 4677



business; making a casual sale or otherwise making transfers in 4678  
the ordinary course of business when the transfers are made in 4679  
connection with the disposition of all or substantially all of 4680  
the transferor's assets is not engaging in business. 4681

(G) "Retail sale" or "sale at retail" means the act or 4682  
attempted act of selling, bartering, exchanging, or otherwise 4683  
disposing of a motor vehicle to an ultimate purchaser for use as 4684  
a consumer. 4685

(H) "Retail installment contract" includes any contract in 4686  
the form of a note, chattel mortgage, conditional sales 4687  
contract, lease, agreement, or other instrument payable in one 4688  
or more installments over a period of time and arising out of 4689  
the retail sale of a motor vehicle. 4690

(I) "Farm machinery" means all machines and tools used in 4691  
the production, harvesting, and care of farm products. 4692

(J) "Dealer" or "motor vehicle dealer" means any new motor 4693  
vehicle dealer, any motor vehicle leasing dealer, and any used 4694  
motor vehicle dealer. 4695

(K) "New motor vehicle dealer" means any person engaged in 4696  
the business of selling at retail, displaying, offering for 4697  
sale, or dealing in new motor vehicles pursuant to a contract or 4698  
agreement entered into with the manufacturer, remanufacturer, or 4699  
distributor of the motor vehicles. 4700

(L) "Used motor vehicle dealer" means any person engaged 4701  
in the business of selling, displaying, offering for sale, or 4702  
dealing in used motor vehicles, at retail or wholesale, but does 4703  
not mean any new motor vehicle dealer selling, displaying, 4704  
offering for sale, or dealing in used motor vehicles 4705  
incidentally to engaging in the business of selling, displaying, 4706

offering for sale, or dealing in new motor vehicles, any person 4707  
engaged in the business of dismantling, salvaging, or rebuilding 4708  
motor vehicles by means of using used parts, or any public 4709  
officer performing official duties. 4710

(M) "Motor vehicle leasing dealer" means any person 4711  
engaged in the business of regularly making available, offering 4712  
to make available, or arranging for another person to use a 4713  
motor vehicle pursuant to a bailment, lease, sublease, or other 4714  
contractual arrangement under which a charge is made for its use 4715  
at a periodic rate for a term of thirty days or more, and title 4716  
to the motor vehicle is in and remains in the motor vehicle 4717  
leasing dealer who originally leases it, irrespective of whether 4718  
or not the motor vehicle is the subject of a later sublease, and 4719  
not in the user, but does not mean a manufacturer or its 4720  
affiliate leasing to its employees or to dealers. 4721

(N) "Salesperson" means any person employed by a dealer to 4722  
sell, display, and offer for sale, or deal in motor vehicles for 4723  
a commission, compensation, or other valuable consideration, but 4724  
does not mean any public officer performing official duties. 4725

(O) "Casual sale" means any transfer of a motor vehicle by 4726  
a person other than a new motor vehicle dealer, used motor 4727  
vehicle dealer, motor vehicle salvage dealer, as defined in 4728  
division (A) of section 4738.01 of the Revised Code, 4729  
salesperson, motor vehicle auction owner, manufacturer, or 4730  
distributor acting in the capacity of a dealer, salesperson, 4731  
auction owner, manufacturer, or distributor, to a person who 4732  
purchases the motor vehicle for use as a consumer. 4733

(P) "Motor vehicle auction owner" means any person who is 4734  
engaged wholly or in part in the business of auctioning motor 4735  
vehicles, but does not mean a construction equipment auctioneer 4736

or a construction equipment auction licensee. 4737

(Q) "Manufacturer" means a person who manufactures, 4738  
assembles, or imports motor vehicles, including motor homes, but 4739  
does not mean a person who only assembles or installs a body, 4740  
special equipment unit, finishing trim, or accessories on a 4741  
motor vehicle chassis supplied by a manufacturer or distributor. 4742

(R) "Tent-type fold-out camping trailer" means any vehicle 4743  
intended to be used, when stationary, as a temporary shelter 4744  
with living and sleeping facilities, and that is subject to the 4745  
following properties and limitations: 4746

(1) A minimum of twenty-five per cent of the fold-out 4747  
portion of the top and sidewalls combined must be constructed of 4748  
canvas, vinyl, or other fabric, and form an integral part of the 4749  
shelter. 4750

(2) When folded, the unit must not exceed: 4751

(a) Fifteen feet in length, exclusive of bumper and 4752  
tongue; 4753

(b) Sixty inches in height from the point of contact with 4754  
the ground; 4755

(c) Eight feet in width; 4756

(d) One ton gross weight at time of sale. 4757

(S) "Distributor" means any person authorized by a motor 4758  
vehicle manufacturer to distribute new motor vehicles to 4759  
licensed new motor vehicle dealers, but does not mean a person 4760  
who only assembles or installs a body, special equipment unit, 4761  
finishing trim, or accessories on a motor vehicle chassis 4762  
supplied by a manufacturer or distributor. 4763

(T) "Flea market" means a market place, other than a 4764  
dealer's location licensed under this chapter, where a space or 4765  
location is provided for a fee or compensation to a seller to 4766  
exhibit and offer for sale or trade, motor vehicles to the 4767  
general public. 4768

(U) "Franchise" means any written agreement, contract, or 4769  
understanding between any motor vehicle manufacturer or 4770  
remanufacturer engaged in commerce and any motor vehicle dealer 4771  
that purports to fix the legal rights and liabilities of the 4772  
parties to such agreement, contract, or understanding. 4773

(V) "Franchisee" means a person who receives new motor 4774  
vehicles from the franchisor under a franchise agreement and who 4775  
offers, sells, and provides service for such new motor vehicles 4776  
to the general public. 4777

(W) "Franchisor" means a new motor vehicle manufacturer, 4778  
remanufacturer, or distributor who supplies new motor vehicles 4779  
under a franchise agreement to a franchisee. 4780

(X) "Dealer organization" means a state or local trade 4781  
association the membership of which is comprised predominantly 4782  
of new motor vehicle dealers. 4783

(Y) "Factory representative" means a representative 4784  
employed by a manufacturer, remanufacturer, or by a factory 4785  
branch primarily for the purpose of promoting the sale of its 4786  
motor vehicles, parts, or accessories to dealers or for 4787  
supervising or contacting its dealers or prospective dealers. 4788

(Z) "Administrative or executive management" means those 4789  
individuals who are not subject to federal wage and hour laws. 4790

(AA) "Good faith" means honesty in the conduct or 4791  
transaction concerned and the observance of reasonable 4792

commercial standards of fair dealing in the trade as is defined 4793  
in section 1301.201 of the Revised Code, including, but not 4794  
limited to, the duty to act in a fair and equitable manner so as 4795  
to guarantee freedom from coercion, intimidation, or threats of 4796  
coercion or intimidation; provided however, that recommendation, 4797  
endorsement, exposition, persuasion, urging, or argument shall 4798  
not be considered to constitute a lack of good faith. 4799

(BB) "Coerce" means to compel or attempt to compel by 4800  
failing to act in good faith or by threat of economic harm, 4801  
breach of contract, or other adverse consequences. Coerce does 4802  
not mean to argue, urge, recommend, or persuade. 4803

(CC) "Relevant market area" means any area within a radius 4804  
of ten miles from the site of a potential new dealership, except 4805  
that for manufactured home or recreational vehicle dealerships 4806  
the radius shall be twenty-five miles. The ten-mile radius shall 4807  
be measured from the dealer's established place of business that 4808  
is used exclusively for the purpose of selling, displaying, 4809  
offering for sale, or dealing in motor vehicles. 4810

(DD) "Wholesale" or "at wholesale" means the act or 4811  
attempted act of selling, bartering, exchanging, or otherwise 4812  
disposing of a motor vehicle to a transferee for the purpose of 4813  
resale and not for ultimate consumption by that transferee. 4814

(EE) "Motor vehicle wholesaler" means any person licensed 4815  
as a dealer under the laws of another state and engaged in the 4816  
business of selling, displaying, or offering for sale used motor 4817  
vehicles, at wholesale, but does not mean any motor vehicle 4818  
dealer as defined in this section. 4819

(FF) (1) "Remanufacturer" means a person who assembles or 4820  
installs passenger seating, walls, a roof elevation, or a body 4821

extension on a conversion van with the motor vehicle chassis 4822  
supplied by a manufacturer or distributor, a person who modifies 4823  
a truck chassis supplied by a manufacturer or distributor for 4824  
use as a public safety or public service vehicle, a person who 4825  
modifies a motor vehicle chassis supplied by a manufacturer or 4826  
distributor for use as a limousine or hearse, or a person who 4827  
modifies an incomplete motor vehicle cab and chassis supplied by 4828  
a new motor vehicle dealer or distributor for use as a tow 4829  
truck, but does not mean either of the following: 4830

(a) A person who assembles or installs passenger seating, 4831  
a roof elevation, or a body extension on a recreational vehicle 4832  
as defined in division (Q) and referred to in division (B) of 4833  
section 4501.01 of the Revised Code; 4834

(b) A person who assembles or installs equipment or 4835  
accessories for ~~persons~~ a person with disabilities a disability 4836  
that limits or impairs the ability to walk, as defined in 4837  
section 4503.44 of the Revised Code, upon a motor vehicle 4838  
chassis supplied by a manufacturer or distributor. 4839

(2) For the purposes of division (FF)(1) of this section, 4840  
"public safety vehicle or public service vehicle" means a fire 4841  
truck, ambulance, school bus, street sweeper, garbage packing 4842  
truck, or cement mixer, or a mobile self-contained facility 4843  
vehicle. 4844

(3) For the purposes of division (FF)(1) of this section, 4845  
"limousine" means a motor vehicle, designed only for the purpose 4846  
of carrying nine or fewer passengers, that a person modifies by 4847  
cutting the original chassis, lengthening the wheelbase by forty 4848  
inches or more, and reinforcing the chassis in such a way that 4849  
all modifications comply with all applicable federal motor 4850  
vehicle safety standards. No person shall qualify as or be 4851

deemed to be a remanufacturer who produces limousines unless the 4852  
person has a written agreement with the manufacturer of the 4853  
chassis the person utilizes to produce the limousines to 4854  
complete properly the remanufacture of the chassis into 4855  
limousines. 4856

(4) For the purposes of division (FF)(1) of this section, 4857  
"hearse" means a motor vehicle, designed only for the purpose of 4858  
transporting a single casket, that is equipped with a 4859  
compartment designed specifically to carry a single casket that 4860  
a person modifies by cutting the original chassis, lengthening 4861  
the wheelbase by ten inches or more, and reinforcing the chassis 4862  
in such a way that all modifications comply with all applicable 4863  
federal motor vehicle safety standards. No person shall qualify 4864  
as or be deemed to be a remanufacturer who produces hearses 4865  
unless the person has a written agreement with the manufacturer 4866  
of the chassis the person utilizes to produce the hearses to 4867  
complete properly the remanufacture of the chassis into hearses. 4868

(5) For the purposes of division (FF)(1) of this section, 4869  
"mobile self-contained facility vehicle" means a mobile 4870  
classroom vehicle, mobile laboratory vehicle, bookmobile, 4871  
bloodmobile, testing laboratory, and mobile display vehicle, 4872  
each of which is designed for purposes other than for passenger 4873  
transportation and other than the transportation or displacement 4874  
of cargo, freight, materials, or merchandise. A vehicle is 4875  
remanufactured into a mobile self-contained facility vehicle in 4876  
part by the addition of insulation to the body shell, and 4877  
installation of all of the following: a generator, electrical 4878  
wiring, plumbing, holding tanks, doors, windows, cabinets, 4879  
shelving, and heating, ventilating, and air conditioning 4880  
systems. 4881

(6) For the purposes of division (FF) (1) of this section, 4882  
"tow truck" means both of the following: 4883

(a) An incomplete cab and chassis that are purchased by a 4884  
remanufacturer from a new motor vehicle dealer or distributor of 4885  
the cab and chassis and on which the remanufacturer then 4886  
installs in a permanent manner a wrecker body it purchases from 4887  
a manufacturer or distributor of wrecker bodies, installs an 4888  
emergency flashing light pylon and emergency lights upon the 4889  
mast of the wrecker body or rooftop, and installs such other 4890  
related accessories and equipment, including push bumpers, front 4891  
grille guards with pads and other custom-ordered items such as 4892  
painting, special lettering, and safety striping so as to create 4893  
a complete motor vehicle capable of lifting and towing another 4894  
motor vehicle. 4895

(b) An incomplete cab and chassis that are purchased by a 4896  
remanufacturer from a new motor vehicle dealer or distributor of 4897  
the cab and chassis and on which the remanufacturer then 4898  
installs in a permanent manner a car carrier body it purchases 4899  
from a manufacturer or distributor of car carrier bodies, 4900  
installs an emergency flashing light pylon and emergency lights 4901  
upon the rooftop, and installs such other related accessories 4902  
and equipment, including push bumpers, front grille guards with 4903  
pads and other custom-ordered items such as painting, special 4904  
lettering, and safety striping. 4905

As used in division (FF) (6) (b) of this section, "car 4906  
carrier body" means a mechanical or hydraulic apparatus capable 4907  
of lifting and holding a motor vehicle on a flat level surface 4908  
so that one or more motor vehicles can be transported, once the 4909  
car carrier is permanently installed upon an incomplete cab and 4910  
chassis. 4911



(GG) "Operating as a new motor vehicle dealership" means 4912  
engaging in activities such as displaying, offering for sale, 4913  
and selling new motor vehicles at retail, operating a service 4914  
facility to perform repairs and maintenance on motor vehicles, 4915  
offering for sale and selling motor vehicle parts at retail, and 4916  
conducting all other acts that are usual and customary to the 4917  
operation of a new motor vehicle dealership. For the purposes of 4918  
this chapter only, possession of either a valid new motor 4919  
vehicle dealer franchise agreement or a new motor vehicle 4920  
dealers license, or both of these items, is not evidence that a 4921  
person is operating as a new motor vehicle dealership. 4922

(HH) "Outdoor power equipment" means garden and small 4923  
utility tractors, walk-behind and riding mowers, chainsaws, and 4924  
tillers. 4925

(II) "Remote service facility" means premises that are 4926  
separate from a licensed new motor vehicle dealer's sales 4927  
facility by not more than one mile and that are used by the 4928  
dealer to perform repairs, warranty work, recall work, and 4929  
maintenance on motor vehicles pursuant to a franchise agreement 4930  
entered into with a manufacturer of motor vehicles. A remote 4931  
service facility shall be deemed to be part of the franchise 4932  
agreement and is subject to all the rights, duties, obligations, 4933  
and requirements of Chapter 4517. of the Revised Code that 4934  
relate to the performance of motor vehicle repairs, warranty 4935  
work, recall work, and maintenance work by new motor vehicle 4936  
dealers. 4937

(JJ) "Recreational vehicle" has the same meaning as in 4938  
section 4501.01 of the Revised Code. 4939

(KK) "Construction equipment auctioneer" means a person 4940  
who holds both a valid auction firm license issued under Chapter 4941

4707. of the Revised Code and a valid construction equipment 4942  
auction license issued under this chapter. 4943

(LL) "Large construction or transportation equipment" 4944  
means vehicles having a gross vehicle weight rating of more than 4945  
ten thousand pounds and includes road rollers, traction engines, 4946  
power shovels, power cranes, commercial cars and trucks, or farm 4947  
trucks, and other similar vehicles obtained primarily from the 4948  
construction, mining, transportation or farming industries. 4949

(MM) "Local market conditions" includes, but is not 4950  
limited to: 4951

(1) Demographics in the franchisee's area; 4952

(2) Geographical and market characteristics in the 4953  
franchisee's area; 4954

(3) Local economic circumstances; 4955

(4) The proximity of other motor vehicle dealers of the 4956  
same line-make; 4957

(5) The proximity of motor vehicle manufacturing 4958  
facilities; 4959

(6) The buying patterns of motor vehicle purchasers; 4960

(7) Customer drive time and drive distance. 4961

**Sec. 4519.01.** As used in this chapter: 4962

(A) "Snowmobile" means any self-propelled vehicle designed 4963  
primarily for use on snow or ice, and steered by skis, runners, 4964  
or caterpillar treads. 4965

(B) "~~All-purpose~~ All-terrain vehicle" means ~~any a~~ self- 4966  
propelled vehicle with three or four wheels, designed primarily 4967  
for ~~cross-country travel on land and water, or on more than one~~ 4968

~~type of terrain, and steered by wheels or caterpillar treads, or~~ 4969  
~~any combination thereof, including vehicles that operate on a~~ 4970  
~~cushion of air, vehicles commonly known as all-terrain vehicles,~~ 4971  
~~all-season vehicles, mini-bikes, and trail bikes. "All-purpose~~ 4972  
~~vehicle" does not include a utility vehicle as defined in~~ 4973  
~~section 4501.01 of the Revised Code or any vehicle principally~~ 4974  
~~used in playing golf, any motor vehicle or aircraft required to~~ 4975  
~~be registered under Chapter 4503. or 4561. of the Revised Code,~~ 4976  
~~and any vehicle excepted from definition as a motor vehicle by~~ 4977  
~~division (B) of section 4501.01 of the Revised Code~~off-road use, 4978  
that has a seat designed to be straddled by the operator and 4979  
handlebars for steering control. 4980

(C) "Owner" means any person or firm, other than a 4981  
lienholder or dealer, having title to a snowmobile, off-highway 4982  
motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, or all-purpose-all- 4983  
terrain vehicle, or other right to the possession thereof. 4984

(D) "Operator" means any person who operates or is in 4985  
actual physical control of a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, 4986  
mini-truck, utility vehicle, or all-purpose-all-terrain vehicle. 4987

(E) "Dealer" means any person or firm engaged in the 4988  
business of manufacturing or selling snowmobiles, off-highway 4989  
motorcycles, or all-purpose-all-terrain vehicles at wholesale or 4990  
retail, or who rents, leases, or otherwise furnishes 4991  
snowmobiles, off-highway motorcycles, or all-purpose-all-terrain 4992  
vehicles for hire. 4993

(F) "Street or highway" has the same meaning as in section 4994  
4511.01 of the Revised Code. 4995

(G) "Limited access highway" and "freeway" have the same 4996  
meanings as in section 5511.02 of the Revised Code. 4997

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| (H) "Interstate highway" means any part of the interstate system of highways as defined in subsection (e), 90 Stat. 431 (1976), 23 U.S.C.A. 103, as amended.  | 4998<br>4999<br>5000   |
| (I) "Off-highway motorcycle" means every motorcycle, as defined in section 4511.01 of the Revised Code, that is designed to be operated primarily on lands other than a street or highway.  | 5001<br>5002<br>5003<br>5004   |
| (J) "Electronic" and "electronic record" have the same meanings as in section 4501.01 of the Revised Code.  | 5005<br>5006   |
| (K) "Electronic dealer" means a dealer whom the registrar of motor vehicles designates under section 4519.511 of the Revised Code.  | 5007<br>5008<br>5009   |
| (L) "Mini-truck" means a vehicle that has four wheels, is propelled by an electric motor with a rated power of seven thousand five hundred watts or less or an internal combustion engine with a piston displacement capacity of six hundred sixty cubic centimeters or less, has a total dry weight of nine hundred to two thousand two hundred pounds, contains an enclosed cabin and a seat for the vehicle operator, resembles a pickup truck or van with a cargo area or bed located at the rear of the vehicle, and was not originally manufactured to meet federal motor vehicle safety standards. | 5010<br>5011<br>5012<br>5013<br>5014<br>5015<br>5016<br>5017<br>5018<br>5019 |
| (M) "State highway" and "state route" have the same meanings as in section 4511.01 of the Revised Code.   | 5020<br>5021   |
| (N) "Proof of financial responsibility" has the same meaning as in section 4509.01 of the Revised Code.   | 5022<br>5023   |
| <u>(O) "Utility vehicle" has the same meaning as in section 4501.01 of the Revised Code.</u>  | 5024<br>5025   |

(P) "Local authority" means either of the following: 5026

(1) The legislative authority of a municipal corporation 5027  
acting on behalf of that municipal corporation; 5028

(2) The board of county commissioners acting on behalf of 5029  
that county or on behalf of a township within that county. 5030

(Q) "Predicate motor vehicle or traffic offense" has the 5031  
same meaning as in section 4511.01 of the Revised Code. 5032

**Sec. 4519.02.** ~~(A)(1)~~ (A) Except as provided in divisions 5033  
(B), (C), ~~and (D)~~, and (E) of this section, no person shall 5034  
operate any snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, 5035  
utility vehicle, ~~or all-purpose all-terrain~~ vehicle within this 5036  
state unless the ~~snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle,~~ or ~~all-~~ 5037  
~~purpose~~ vehicle is registered and numbered in accordance with 5038  
sections 4519.03 and 4519.04 of the Revised Code. 5039

~~(2) Except as provided in section 4511.215 of the Revised~~ 5040  
~~Code, no registration is required for a mini-truck that is~~ 5041  
~~operated within this state. A mini-truck may be operated only in~~ 5042  
~~accordance with that section and section 4519.401 of the Revised~~ 5043  
~~Code.~~ 5044

~~(B)(1)~~ (B) No registration is required for a snowmobile ~~or~~ 5045  
, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, or all- 5046  
terrain vehicle that is operated exclusively upon lands owned by 5047  
the its owner ~~of the snowmobile or off-highway motoreycle,~~ or on 5048  
lands to which the its owner ~~of the snowmobile or off-highway~~ 5049  
~~motoreycle~~ has a contractual right. 5050

~~(2) No registration is required for an all-purpose vehicle~~ 5051  
~~that is used primarily for agricultural purposes when the owner~~ 5052  
~~qualifies for the current agricultural use valuation tax credit,~~ 5053  
~~unless it is to be used on any public land, trail, or right-of-~~ 5054

way. 5055

~~(3) Any all-purpose vehicle exempted from registration under division (B)(2) of this section and operated for agricultural purposes may use public roads and rights-of-way when traveling from one farm field to another, when such use does not violate section 4519.41 of the Revised Code.~~ 5056  
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~~(4) No registration is required for a snowmobile or all-purpose vehicle that is operated on a state highway as authorized by division (F) of section 4519.41 of the Revised Code.~~ 5061  
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(C) No registration is required for a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, or ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle owned and used in this state by a resident of another state ~~whenever~~ if that state has in effect a registration law similar to this chapter and the ~~snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle,~~ or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle is properly registered under that state's law. Any snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, or ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle owned and used in this state by a resident of a state not having a registration law similar to this chapter shall comply with section 4519.09 of the Revised Code. 5065  
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(D) No registration is required for a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, or ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle owned and used in this state by the United States, another state, or a political subdivision thereof, but the ~~snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle,~~ or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle shall display the name of the owner thereon. If such a vehicle or motorcycle is registered, the registration shall be free of charge in accordance with section 4519.08 of the Revised Code. 5076  
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(E) No registration is required for a snowmobile that is operated on a state highway as authorized by division (A) (6) of section 4519.41 of the Revised Code, provided all other uses of the snowmobile would not require registration. 5084  
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(F) The owner or operator of any ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle operated or used upon the waters in this state shall comply with Chapters 1547. and 1548. of the Revised Code relative to the operation of watercraft. 5088  
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~~(F)~~ (G) Except as otherwise provided in this division, whoever violates division (A) of this section shall be fined not less than fifty dollars but not more than one hundred dollars. 5092  
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**Sec. 4519.03.** (A) The owner of every snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, and ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle required to be registered under section 4519.02 of the Revised Code shall file an application for registration with the registrar of motor vehicles or a deputy registrar, on blanks furnished by the registrar for that purpose and containing all of the following information: 5095  
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(1) A brief description of the snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, or ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle, including the year, make, model, and the vehicle identification number; 5102  
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(2) The name, residence, and business address of the owner; 5106  
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(3) A statement that the snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, or ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle is equipped as required by section 4519.20 of the Revised Code and any rule adopted under that section. The statement shall include a check list of the required equipment 5108  
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items in the form the registrar shall prescribe; 5113

(4) If the vehicle is an all-terrain vehicle, a mini- 5114  
truck, or a utility vehicle, whether that vehicle is used 5115  
primarily for agricultural purposes and whether the owner 5116  
qualifies for the current agricultural use valuation tax credit. 5117  
The owner shall present documentary evidence as required by the 5118  
registrar to prove that the owner qualifies for the tax credit. 5119

The application shall be signed by the owner of the 5120  
snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, 5121  
or ~~all-purpose all-terrain~~ vehicle and shall be accompanied by a 5122  
~~fee~~ any applicable taxes and fees as provided in division (C) of 5123  
section 4519.04 of the Revised Code. 5124

If the application is not in proper form, or if the 5125  
vehicle for which registration is sought does not appear to be 5126  
equipped as required by section 4519.20 of the Revised Code or 5127  
any rule adopted under that section, the registration shall be 5128  
refused, and no registration sticker, license plate, or 5129  
validation sticker shall be issued. 5130

~~(B) No certificate of registration or renewal of a~~ 5131  
~~certificate of registration shall be issued for an off-highway~~ 5132  
~~motorcycle or all-purpose~~ When an applicant first registers a 5133  
snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, 5134  
or all-terrain vehicle that is required to be registered under 5135  
section 4519.02 of the Revised Code in the applicant's name, and 5136  
~~no certificate of registration issued under this chapter for an~~ 5137  
~~off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle that is sold or~~ 5138  
~~otherwise transferred shall be transferred to the new owner of~~ 5139  
~~the off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle as permitted~~ 5140  
~~by division (B) of section 4519.05 of the Revised Code, unless a~~ 5141  
~~certificate of title has been issued under this chapter for the~~ 5142



~~motorcycle or vehicle, and the owner or new owner, as the case~~ 5143  
~~may be, presents the applicant shall provide proof of ownership~~ 5144  
~~of the motorcycle or vehicle. Proof of ownership may include any~~ 5145  
~~of the following:~~ 5146

(1) The applicant may present for inspection a physical 5147  
~~certificate of title or memorandum certificate of title for~~ 5148  
~~inspection at the time the owner or new owner first submits a~~ 5149  
~~registration application, registration renewal application, or~~ 5150  
~~registration transfer application for the motorcycle or vehicle~~ 5151  
~~if a physical certificate of title or memorandum certificate has~~ 5152  
~~been issued by a clerk of a court of common pleas showing title~~ 5153  
~~to the motorcycle or vehicle to be registered in the name of the~~ 5154  
~~applicant. If, under sections 4519.512 and 4519.58 of the~~ 5155  
~~Revised Code, a clerk instead has issued~~ 5156

(2) The applicant may present for inspection an electronic 5157  
~~certificate of title for the applicant's off-highway motorcycle~~ 5158  
~~or all-purpose vehicle, that certificate may be presented for~~ 5159  
~~inspection at the time of first registration in a manner~~ 5160  
~~prescribed by rules adopted by the registrar.~~ 5161

(3) The applicant may present for inspection a bill of 5162  
~~sale or other affidavit of ownership if there is no certificate~~ 5163  
~~of title for the motorcycle or vehicle.~~ 5164

(4) The registrar or deputy registrar may electronically 5165  
~~confirm the applicant's ownership of the motorcycle or vehicle.~~ 5166

~~(C) When the owner of an off-highway motorcycle or all-~~ 5167  
~~purpose vehicle first registers it in the owner's name, and a~~ 5168  
~~certificate of title has been issued for the motorcycle or~~ 5169  
~~vehicle, the owner shall present for inspection a physical~~ 5170  
~~certificate of title or memorandum certificate of title showing~~ 5171

~~title to the off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle in~~ 5172  
~~the name of the owner if a physical certificate of title or~~ 5173  
~~memorandum certificate has been issued by a clerk of a court of~~ 5174  
~~common pleas. If, under sections 4519.512 and 4519.58 of the~~ 5175  
~~Revised Code, a clerk instead has issued an electronic~~ 5176  
~~certificate of title for the applicant's off-highway motorcycle~~ 5177  
~~or all-purpose vehicle, that certificate may be presented for~~ 5178  
~~inspection at the time of first registration in a manner~~ 5179  
~~prescribed by rules adopted by the registrar. If, when the owner~~ 5180  
~~of such an off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle first~~ 5181  
~~makes application to register it in the owner's name, the~~ 5182  
registrar or deputy registrar shall refuse an application for 5183  
registration if either of the following apply: 5184

(1) The application is not in proper form or the 5185  
~~certificate of title or memorandum certificate of title does not~~ 5186  
~~accompany the registration or, in the case of an electronic~~ 5187  
~~certificate of title is not presented in a manner prescribed by~~ 5188  
~~the registrar, the registration shall be refused, and neither a~~ 5189  
~~certificate of registration nor a registration sticker, license~~ 5190  
~~plate, or validation sticker shall be issued.~~ 5191

(2) Proof of ownership is required but is not presented or 5192  
confirmed in accordance with division (B) of this section. ~~When~~ 5193

(D) When a certificate of registration and registration 5194  
sticker, license plate, or validation sticker are issued upon 5195  
the first registration of a snowmobile, an off-highway 5196  
motorcycle, a mini-truck, a utility vehicle, or all-purpose 5197  
an all-terrain vehicle by or on behalf of the owner, and if the 5198  
motorcycle or vehicle has a certificate of title, the official 5199  
issuing them the registration shall indicate the issuance with a 5200  
stamp on the certificate of title or memorandum certificate of 5201

title or, in the case of an electronic certificate of title, an 5202  
electronic stamp or other notation as specified in rules adopted 5203  
by the registrar. 5204

~~(D)~~ (E) (1) Each deputy registrar shall be allowed a fee 5205  
equal to the amount established under section 4503.038 of the 5206  
Revised Code for each application or renewal application 5207  
received by the deputy registrar, which shall be for the purpose 5208  
of compensating the deputy registrar for services, and office 5209  
and rental expense, as may be necessary for the proper discharge 5210  
of the deputy registrar's duties in the receiving of 5211  
applications and the issuing of certificates of registration. 5212

(2) Each deputy registrar, upon receipt of any application 5213  
for registration, together with the registration fee, shall 5214  
transmit the fee, together with the original and duplicate copy 5215  
of the application, to the registrar in the manner and at the 5216  
times the registrar, subject to the approval of the director of 5217  
public safety and the treasurer of state, shall prescribe by 5218  
rule. 5219

**Sec. 4519.031.** The registrar of motor vehicles shall 5220  
transmit to the tax commissioner the names, addresses, and any 5221  
other information requested by the commissioner, of all persons 5222  
who register a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, 5223  
utility vehicle, or ~~all-purpose all-terrain~~ vehicle under 5224  
section 4519.03 of the Revised Code. Such information shall be 5225  
transmitted in a form agreed to by the registrar and the 5226  
commissioner. 5227

**Sec. 4519.04.** (A) Upon the filing of an application for 5228  
registration of a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini- 5229  
truck, utility vehicle, or ~~all-purpose all-terrain~~ vehicle and 5230  
the payment of the tax therefor, the registrar of motor vehicles 5231

or a deputy registrar shall assign to the ~~snowmobile, off-~~ 5232  
~~highway motorcycle,~~ or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle a distinctive number 5233  
and issue and deliver to the owner in such manner as the 5234  
registrar may select, a certificate of registration, in such 5235  
form as the registrar shall prescribe. Any number so assigned to 5236  
a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility 5237  
vehicle, or ~~all-purpose all-terrain~~ vehicle shall be a permanent 5238  
number, and shall not be issued to any other ~~snowmobile, off-~~ 5239  
~~highway motorcycle,~~ or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle. 5240

(B) (1) In addition to the certificate of registration, the 5241  
registrar or deputy registrar also shall issue to the owner of a 5242  
snowmobile or off-highway motorcycle two decal registration 5243  
stickers. The registrar shall prescribe the color and size of 5244  
the stickers and the combination of numerals and letters 5245  
displayed on them. The placement of the decal stickers shall be 5246  
one on either side of the forward cowling or fuel tank. 5247

(2) ~~The~~ In addition to the certificate of registration, 5248  
the registrar or deputy registrar also shall issue to the owner 5249  
of a mini-truck, a utility vehicle, or an all-purpose all- 5250  
terrain vehicle, ~~in addition to the certificate of registration,~~ 5251  
one license plate and a validation sticker, or a validation 5252  
sticker alone when applicable upon a registration renewal. The 5253  
license plate and validation sticker shall be displayed on the 5254  
~~all-purpose~~ mini-truck, utility vehicle, or all-terrain vehicle 5255  
so that they are distinctly visible, in accordance with such 5256  
rules as the registrar adopts. The validation sticker shall 5257  
indicate the expiration date of the registration period of the 5258  
~~all-purpose~~ vehicle. During each succeeding registration period 5259  
following the issuance of the license plate and validation 5260  
sticker, upon the filing of an application for registration and 5261  
payment of the ~~fee~~ applicable taxes and fees specified in 5262

division (C) of this section, a validation sticker alone shall 5263  
be issued. 5264

~~(C)~~ (1) Unless previously canceled, each certificate of 5265  
registration issued for a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, or 5266  
all-purpose all-terrain vehicle expires upon the thirty-first 5267  
day of December in the third year after the date it is issued. 5268  
Unless previously canceled and except as provided in section 5269  
4519.041 of the Revised Code, each certificate of registration 5270  
issued for a mini-truck or a utility vehicle expires annually 5271  
upon the thirty-first day of December after the date it is 5272  
issued. Application for renewal of a certificate may be made not 5273  
earlier than ninety days preceding the expiration date, and . 5274

(2) Except as provided in section 4519.08 of the Revised 5275  
Code, the application for and renewal of a certificate of 5276  
registration for a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, or all- 5277  
terrain vehicle shall be accompanied by a fee of thirty-one 5278  
dollars and twenty-five cents. 5279

~~Notwithstanding section 4519.11 of the Revised Code, of Of~~ 5280  
each thirty-one dollar and twenty-five-cent fee collected ~~for~~ 5281  
~~the registration of an all-purpose vehicle,~~ the registrar shall 5282  
retain not more than five dollars to pay for the licensing and 5283  
registration costs the bureau of motor vehicles incurs in 5284  
registering the ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle. The remainder of the fee 5285  
shall be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the 5286  
state recreational vehicle fund created by section 4519.11 of 5287  
the Revised Code. 5288

(3) Except as provided in section 4519.041 or 4519.08 of 5289  
the Revised Code, the application for and renewal of a 5290  
certificate of registration for a mini-truck or utility vehicle 5291  
shall be accompanied by the following taxes and fees: 5292

(a) A tax of ten dollars to be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the auto registration distribution fund established in section 4501.03 of the Revised Code; 5293  
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(b) An additional fee of eleven dollars for the purpose of defraying the department of public safety's costs associated with the administration and enforcement of the motor vehicle and traffic laws of Ohio to be deposited into the public safety - highway purposes fund established in section 4501.06 of the Revised Code. 5296  
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(4) (a) If the owner of a utility vehicle intends to use the utility vehicle on trails and other similar areas of operation managed by the department of natural resources and open to all-terrain vehicles, off-highway motorcycles, snowmobiles, and utility vehicles, the owner shall pay a fee of eight dollars and seventy-five cents. The fee shall be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the state recreational vehicle fund established in section 4519.11 of the Revised Code. The registrar or deputy registrar shall issue a decal sticker to the owner that verifies payment of the fee and authorization to use the state trails and similar areas that allow the use of utility vehicles. 5302  
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(b) The owner shall place the decal sticker on the utility vehicle. The decal sticker expires upon the thirty-first day of December after the date it is issued. Application for renewal of a decal sticker may be made not earlier than ninety days preceding the expiration date. 5314  
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**Sec. 4519.041.** (A) The registrar of motor vehicles shall authorize any person who owns a mini-truck or a utility vehicle to file an application for registration for not more than five succeeding registration years. At the time of application, the 5319  
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applicant shall pay all of the following taxes and fees: 5323

(1) The annual taxes for each registration year, 5324  
calculated in accordance with division (C)(3)(a) of section 5325  
4519.04 of the Revised Code, and multiplied by the number of 5326  
years for which the applicant is registering; 5327

(2) The annual bureau of motor vehicles fee, calculated in 5328  
accordance with division (C)(3)(b) of section 4519.04 of the 5329  
Revised Code, and multiplied by the number of years for which 5330  
the applicant is registering; 5331

(3) The deputy registrar service fee or the bureau of 5332  
motor vehicles service fee equal to the amount established under 5333  
section 4503.038 of the Revised Code. 5334

(B) The registrar shall authorize any person who owns a 5335  
utility vehicle to apply to use the vehicle on trails and other 5336  
similar areas of operation managed by the department of natural 5337  
resources for not more than five succeeding years. At the time 5338  
of application, the applicant shall pay the state recreational 5339  
vehicle fund fee, calculated in accordance with division (C)(4) 5340  
of section 4519.04 of the Revised Code, and multiplied by the 5341  
number of years for which the applicant is registering. 5342

(C) Each certificate of registration or decal sticker 5343  
issued for a mini-truck or utility vehicle under this section 5344  
expires upon the thirty-first day of December in the second, 5345  
third, fourth, or fifth year after the date that it is issued, 5346  
as applicable. Application for renewal of a certificate or decal 5347  
sticker may be made not earlier than ninety days preceding the 5348  
expiration date. 5349

(D) No person applying for a multi-year registration under 5350  
division (A) or a multi-year decal sticker under division (B) of 5351

this section is entitled to a refund of any taxes or fees paid. 5352

**Sec. 4519.05.** (A) Whenever a registered snowmobile, off- 5353  
highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, or ~~all-purpose-~~ 5354  
all-terrain vehicle is destroyed or similarly disposed of, the 5355  
owner shall surrender the certificate of registration to the 5356  
registrar of motor vehicles or a deputy registrar within fifteen 5357  
days following the destruction or disposal. The registrar 5358  
thereupon shall cancel the certificate and enter that fact in 5359  
the registrar's records. 5360

In the case of ~~an~~ a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, 5361  
mini-truck, utility vehicle, or ~~all-purpose-~~ all-terrain vehicle 5362  
for which a certificate of title has been issued, the owner also 5363  
shall surrender the certificate of title to the clerk of the 5364  
court of common pleas who issued it and the clerk, with the 5365  
consent of any lienholders noted thereon, shall enter a 5366  
cancellation upon the clerk's records and shall notify the 5367  
registrar of the cancellation. Upon the cancellation of a 5368  
certificate of title in the manner prescribed by this division, 5369  
the clerk and the registrar may cancel and destroy all 5370  
certificates of title and memorandum certificates of title in 5371  
that chain of title. 5372

(B) Subject to division (B) of section 4519.03 of the 5373  
Revised Code, whenever the ownership of a registered snowmobile, 5374  
off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, or ~~all-~~ 5375  
~~purpose-~~ all-terrain vehicle is transferred by sale or otherwise, 5376  
the new owner, within fifteen days following the transfer, shall 5377  
make application to the registrar or a deputy registrar for the 5378  
transfer of the certificate of registration. Upon receipt of the 5379  
application and a fee of one dollar, the registrar shall 5380  
transfer the certificate to the new owner and shall enter the 5381



new owner's name and address in the registrar's records. 5382

(C) Whenever the owner of a registered snowmobile, off- 5383  
highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, or ~~all-purpose-~~ 5384  
all-terrain vehicle changes address, the owner shall surrender 5385  
the certificate of registration to the registrar or a deputy 5386  
registrar within fifteen days following the address change. Upon 5387  
receipt of the certificate, the registrar shall enter the new 5388  
address thereon and shall make the appropriate change in the 5389  
registrar's records. In a case where the owner's change of 5390  
address involves a move outside of the state, the registrar 5391  
shall cancel the certificate of registration for that 5392  
~~snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, or all-purpose~~ vehicle. 5393

(D) Whenever a certificate of registration for a 5394  
snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, 5395  
or ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle is lost, mutilated, or 5396  
destroyed, the owner may obtain a duplicate certificate, which 5397  
shall be identified as such, upon application and the payment of 5398  
a fee of one dollar. 5399

(E) The registrar and each deputy registrar may collect 5400  
and retain an additional fee equal to the amount established 5401  
under section 4503.038 of the Revised Code for each application 5402  
for the transfer of a certificate of registration or duplicate 5403  
certificate of registration received by the registrar or deputy 5404  
registrar. 5405

(F) Whoever violates division (A), (B), or (C) of this 5406  
section shall be fined not more than twenty-five dollars for a 5407  
first offense; for each subsequent offense, the offender shall 5408  
be fined not less than twenty-five nor more than fifty dollars. 5409

**Sec. 4519.08.** (A) Any snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, 5410

mini-truck, utility vehicle, or all-purpose-all-terrain vehicle 5411  
owned or leased by the state, by any of its political 5412  
subdivisions, or by any volunteer organization that uses such 5413  
vehicles exclusively for emergency purposes shall be registered 5414  
free of charge. ~~The~~ 5415

(B) Any all-terrain vehicle, mini-truck, or utility 5416  
vehicle that is used primarily for agricultural purposes, when 5417  
the owner qualifies for the current agricultural use valuation 5418  
tax credit, shall be registered free of charge. 5419

(C) The registration number and registration sticker 5420  
assigned to each such snowmobile or off-highway motorcycle, and 5421  
the license plate and validation sticker assigned to each such 5422  
an all-purpose-mini-truck, utility vehicle, or all-terrain 5423  
vehicle, registered free of charge in accordance with this 5424  
section, shall be displayed as required by section 4519.04 of 5425  
the Revised Code. 5426

**Sec. 4519.09.** (A) Every owner or operator of a snowmobile, 5427  
off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, or all- 5428  
purpose-all-terrain vehicle who is a resident of a state not 5429  
having a registration law similar to this chapter, and who 5430  
expects to use the snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini- 5431  
truck, utility vehicle, or all-purpose-all-terrain vehicle in 5432  
Ohio, shall apply to the registrar of motor vehicles or a deputy 5433  
registrar for a temporary operating permit. ~~The~~ 5434

(B) The temporary operating permit shall be: 5435

(1) Be issued for a period not to exceed one year from the 5436  
date of issuance, ~~shall be;~~ 5437

(2) Be in such form as the registrar determines, shall 5438  
~~include;~~ 5439

(3) Include the name and address of the owner and operator 5440  
of the ~~snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, or all-purpose~~ 5441  
vehicle, and any other information as the registrar considers 5442  
necessary, ~~and shall be~~; 5443

(4) Be issued upon payment of a fee of eleven dollars and 5444  
twenty-five cents. ~~Every~~ 5445

(C) Every owner or operator receiving a temporary 5446  
operating permit shall display it upon the reasonable request of 5447  
any law enforcement officer or other person as authorized by 5448  
sections 4519.42 and 4519.43 of the Revised Code. 5449

**Sec. 4519.10.** (A) The purchaser of ~~an~~ a snowmobile, off- 5450  
highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, or ~~all-purpose~~ 5451  
all-terrain vehicle, upon application and proof of purchase, may 5452  
obtain a temporary motor vehicle license registration for it. 5453  
The application shall be signed by the purchaser of the ~~off-~~ 5454  
~~highway motorcycle or all-purpose~~ vehicle. The temporary motor 5455  
vehicle license registration shall be issued only for the 5456  
applicant's use of the ~~off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose~~ 5457  
vehicle to enable the applicant to operate it legally while 5458  
proper title and a registration sticker or license plate and 5459  
validation sticker are being obtained and shall be displayed on 5460  
no other ~~off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose~~ vehicle. A 5461  
temporary motor vehicle license registration issued under this 5462  
section shall be in a form prescribed by the registrar of motor 5463  
vehicles, shall differ in some distinctive manner from a 5464  
registration issued under section 4503.182 of the Revised Code, 5465  
shall be valid for a period of forty-five days from the date of 5466  
issuance, and shall not be transferable or renewable. The 5467  
temporary motor vehicle license registration either shall 5468  
consist of or be coated with such material as will enable it to 5469

remain legible and relatively intact despite the environmental 5470  
conditions to which it is likely to be exposed during the forty- 5471  
five-day period for which it is valid. The purchaser of ~~an a~~ 5472  
snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, 5473  
or ~~all purpose all-terrain~~ vehicle shall attach the temporary 5474  
motor vehicle license registration to it, in a manner prescribed 5475  
by rules the registrar shall adopt, so that the numerals or 5476  
letters are clearly visible. 5477

The fee for a temporary motor vehicle license registration 5478  
issued under this section is two dollars. If the temporary motor 5479  
vehicle license registration is issued by a deputy registrar, 5480  
the deputy registrar shall charge an additional fee equal to the 5481  
amount established under section 4503.038 of the Revised Code, 5482  
which the deputy registrar shall retain. The deputy registrar 5483  
shall transmit each two-dollar fee received by the deputy 5484  
registrar under this section to the registrar, who shall pay the 5485  
two dollars to the treasurer of state for deposit into the 5486  
public safety - highway purposes fund established by section 5487  
4501.06 of the Revised Code. 5488

(B) The registrar may issue temporary motor vehicle 5489  
license registrations to a dealer to be issued to purchasers for 5490  
use on vehicles sold by the dealer, in accordance with rules 5491  
prescribed by the registrar. The dealer shall notify the 5492  
registrar within forty-eight hours of proof of issuance on a 5493  
form prescribed by the registrar. 5494

The fee for each such temporary motor vehicle license 5495  
registration issued by the registrar to a dealer shall be two 5496  
dollars plus a fee equal to the amount established under section 5497  
4503.038 of the Revised Code. 5498

**Sec. 4519.11.** ~~(A) Five dollars of each fee collected under~~ 5499

~~section 4519.04 of the Revised Code and one dollar and twenty-~~ 5500  
~~five cents of each fee collected under section 4519.09 of the~~ 5501  
~~Revised Code shall be paid into the public safety - highway~~ 5502  
~~purposes fund created by section 4501.06 of the Revised Code.~~ 5503  
All other fees, and all taxes, and fines levied, charged, or 5504  
referred to in this chapter, unless otherwise designated by law, 5505  
shall be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the 5506  
state recreational vehicle fund, which is hereby created. ~~The~~ 5507

(B) The state recreational vehicle fund shall be used for 5508  
the purpose of enforcing following purposes: 5509

(1) Enforcing and administering the law relative to the 5510  
registration and operation of snowmobiles, off-highway 5511  
motorcycles, utility vehicles, and ~~all-purpose all-terrain~~ 5512  
vehicles within the state, ~~for the purpose of expanding;~~ 5513

(2) Expanding the activities of the department of natural 5514  
resources to provide trails and other areas for the operation of 5515  
such motorcycles and vehicles on state-controlled land and 5516  
waters, ~~for the;~~ 5517

(3) The purchase of additional land to be used for such 5518  
the purposes, and for the stated in division (B)(2) of this 5519  
section; 5520

(4) The development and implementation by the department 5521  
of programs relating to the safe use and enjoyment of 5522  
snowmobiles, off-highway motorcycles, utility vehicles, and ~~all-~~ 5523  
~~purpose all-terrain~~ vehicles. 5524

(C) All investment earnings of the state recreational 5525  
vehicle fund shall be credited to the fund. 5526

(D) Notwithstanding section 1501.01 of the Revised Code, 5527  
nothing in this section authorizes the appropriation of property 5528

to provide trails and other areas for the operation of 5529  
snowmobiles, off-highway motorcycles, utility vehicles, and ~~all-~~ 5530  
~~purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicles. 5531

**Sec. 4519.20.** (A) The director of public safety, pursuant 5532  
to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall adopt rules for the 5533  
equipment of snowmobiles, off-highway motorcycles, mini-trucks, 5534  
utility vehicles, and ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicles. The 5535  
rules may be revised from time to time as the director considers 5536  
necessary, and shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, 5537  
requirements for the following items of equipment: 5538

(1) At least one headlight for a snowmobile or an off- 5539  
highway motorcycle and two headlights for a mini-truck, a 5540  
utility vehicle, or an all-terrain vehicle, having a minimum 5541  
candlepower of sufficient intensity to reveal persons and 5542  
objects at a distance of at least one hundred feet ahead under 5543  
normal atmospheric conditions during hours of darkness; 5544

(2) At least one red tail light for a snowmobile or an 5545  
off-highway motorcycle and two red tail lights for a mini-truck, 5546  
a utility vehicle, or an all-terrain vehicle, having a minimum 5547  
candlepower of sufficient intensity to be plainly visible from a 5548  
distance of five hundred feet to the rear under normal 5549  
atmospheric conditions during hours of darkness; 5550

(3) Adequate brakes. Every snowmobile, while traveling on 5551  
packed snow, shall be capable of carrying a driver who weighs 5552  
one hundred seventy-five pounds or more, and, while carrying 5553  
such driver, be capable of stopping in not more than forty feet 5554  
from an initial steady speed of twenty miles per hour, or 5555  
locking its traction belt. 5556

(4) A muffler system capable of precluding the emission of 5557

excessive smoke or exhaust fumes, and of limiting the engine 5558  
noise of vehicles. On snowmobiles manufactured after January 1, 5559  
1973, such requirement shall include sound dampening equipment 5560  
such that noise does not exceed eighty-two decibels on the "A" 5561  
scale at fifty feet as measured according to SAE J192 (September 5562  
1970). 5563

(5) Additionally, for utility vehicles, all of the 5564  
following: 5565

(a) A roll cage; 5566

(b) Two red reflectors that are of such size and 5567  
characteristics and so maintained as to be visible at night from 5568  
all distances within three hundred feet to fifty feet from the 5569  
vehicle; 5570

(c) A mirror located so as to reflect to the operator a 5571  
view of the highway to the rear of the vehicle; 5572

(d) Either a windshield, or if there is no windshield, the 5573  
operator of the vehicle shall wear safety glasses or another 5574  
protective eye device; 5575

(e) Occupant restraining devices for the operator and all 5576  
passengers in the vehicle. 5577

(B) No person shall operate any snowmobile, off-highway 5578  
motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, or all-purpose-all- 5579  
terrain vehicle in violation of division ~~(A) (1), (2), (3), or~~ 5580  
~~(4)(A)~~ of this section, except that are applicable to the 5581  
particular vehicle. The equipment specified in divisions (A) (1) 5582  
and (2) of this section shall not be required on snowmobiles, 5583  
off-highway motorcycles, or ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicles 5584  
operated only during the daylight hours. 5585

(C) Except as otherwise provided in this division, whoever  
violates division (B) of this section shall be fined not more  
than fifty dollars. If the offender within the preceding year  
previously has committed a violation of division (B) of this  
section, whoever violates division (B) of this section shall be  
fined not less than fifteen nor more than one hundred dollars,  
imprisoned not more than three days, or both.

**Sec. 4519.21.** The director of public safety may authorize  
sample tests of new snowmobiles, off-highway motorcycles, mini-  
trucks, utility vehicles, and ~~all-purpose all-terrain~~ vehicles  
to determine their degree of conformity to rules adopted under  
section 4519.20 of the Revised Code. In prescribing tests for  
muffler equipment, the director may require sound pressure  
levels in decibels to be measured on the "A" scale of a sound  
level meter having characteristics defined by the American  
standards association standard S1.4-1961 "General Purpose Sound  
Meter," and also may require the use of applicable measurement  
practices outlined in the procedures for sound level measurement  
of snowmobiles endorsed by the international snowmobile industry  
association, January 1969, or such other sources of standards  
for the measurement of sound levels as the director may consider  
advisable.

Upon finding that any make or model of vehicle authorized  
to be tested under this section does not meet an applicable  
standard adopted by the director, the person conducting the test  
shall report that fact to the director, who immediately shall  
notify the manufacturer of the vehicle and the registrar of  
motor vehicles. Upon receipt of a notification, the registrar  
shall refuse to issue a certificate of registration to an owner  
or dealer with respect to any vehicle of the same make or model  
as that named in the notification until the vehicle has been



modified in such manner as the director shall prescribe, and 5617  
meets the applicable standard. 5618

**Sec. 4519.22.** (A) No person shall have for sale, sell, 5619  
offer for sale, lease, rent, or otherwise furnish for hire in 5620  
this state any new snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini- 5621  
truck, utility vehicle, or all-purpose-all-terrain vehicle that 5622  
fails to comply with any rule adopted by the director of public 5623  
safety under section 4519.20 of the Revised Code, after the 5624  
effective date of the rule. 5625

(B) Except as otherwise provided in this division, whoever 5626  
violates this section shall be fined not more than fifty 5627  
dollars. If the offender within the preceding year previously 5628  
has committed a violation of this section, whoever violates this 5629  
section shall be fined not less than fifteen nor more than one 5630  
hundred dollars, imprisoned not more than three days, or both. 5631

**Sec. 4519.23.** (A) The operator of a utility vehicle shall 5632  
ensure that the total number of occupants of the utility vehicle 5633  
does not exceed the total number of occupant restraining devices 5634  
originally installed in the utility vehicle by its manufacturer. 5635

(B) The operator and each occupant of a utility vehicle 5636  
shall wear all of the available elements of a properly adjusted 5637  
occupant restraining device while the utility vehicle is being 5638  
operated on any street or highway. 5639

(C) (1) Whoever violates division (A) or (B) of this 5640  
section shall be fined thirty dollars. 5641

(2) All fines collected for violations of division (A) or 5642  
(B) of this section, or for violations of any ordinance or 5643  
resolution of a political subdivision that is substantively 5644  
comparable to those divisions, shall be transmitted to the 5645

treasurer of state for deposit into the state treasury to the 5646  
credit of the trauma and emergency medical services fund created 5647  
by section 4513.263 of the Revised Code. 5648

**Sec. 4519.40.** (A) Notwithstanding sections 4519.401, 5649  
4519.402, 4519.403, and 4519.41 of the Revised Code, the 5650  
director of public safety may authorize a person to operate an 5651  
off-highway motorcycle, an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a 5652  
utility vehicle, or a mini-truck on a public street or highway 5653  
for emergency travel during such time and in such manner as 5654  
designated by the director. 5655

(B) When authorized to operate on a public street or 5656  
highway, the applicable provisions of Chapters 4511., 4513., and 5657  
4549. of the Revised Code apply to the operation of an off- 5658  
highway motorcycle, an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a 5659  
utility vehicle, or a mini-truck. 5660

(C) A person may operate an off-highway motorcycle, an 5661  
all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini- 5662  
truck without local authorization as follows: 5663

(1) When the person operates the motorcycle or vehicle 5664  
exclusively on lands owned by the owner of the motorcycle or 5665  
vehicle or lands to which the owner has a contractual right; 5666

(2) On other private property when the person has the 5667  
permission of the owner of the private property or any other 5668  
person having a right to the possession of the property. 5669

(D) No person shall operate an off-highway motorcycle, an 5670  
all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini- 5671  
truck on any of the following: 5672

(1) Private property, unless authorized under division (C) 5673  
of this section; 5674

(2) Any land or water controlled by the state, unless the person is operating the motorcycle or vehicle at a location where a sign is posted permitting such operation; 5675  
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(3) The tracks or right-of-way of an operating railroad; 5678

(4) A freeway. 5679

(E) Except as provided in sections 1533.103 and 2923.26 of the Revised Code or by rules adopted by the department of natural resources, no person shall operate an off-highway motorcycle, an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini-truck while doing either of the following: 5680  
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(1) Transporting a firearm, bow, or other implement for hunting, unless that firearm, bow, or other implement is unloaded and securely encased; 5685  
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(2) Chasing, pursuing, capturing, or killing an animal or wildfowl. 5688  
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(F) Whoever violates division (D) or (E) of this section shall be fined not less than fifty nor more than five hundred dollars, imprisoned not less than three nor more than thirty days, or both. 5690  
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**Sec. 4519.401.** ~~(A) Except as provided in this section and section 4511.215 of the Revised Code, no~~ A person shall may operate a mini-truck within this state on public streets and highways where the local authority has authorized the operation of mini-trucks in accordance with division (B) of this section. 5694  
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(B) A ~~By ordinance or resolution, a local authority may authorize the operation of mini-trucks on the public streets or highways under its jurisdiction, provided the local authority does all of the following:~~ 5699  
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(1) Limits the operation of the mini-trucks to streets and 5703  
highways having an established speed limit not greater than 5704  
thirty-five miles per hour; 5705

(2) Requires the mini-truck to meet the equipment 5706  
requirements specified by the director of public safety under 5707  
section 4519.20 of the Revised Code and pass a vehicle 5708  
inspection conducted by a local law enforcement agency that 5709  
complies with the inspection requirements under section 4513.02 5710  
of the Revised Code; 5711

(3) Requires the mini-truck owner to register the mini- 5712  
truck in accordance with this chapter; 5713

(4) Notifies the director, in a manner the director 5714  
determines, of the authorization for the operation of mini- 5715  
trucks on its streets and highways. 5716

(C) Where authorized to operate on a public street or 5717  
highway, a person operating a mini-truck may proceed across an 5718  
intersection of a street or highway having a speed limit greater 5719  
than thirty-five miles per hour. 5720

(D) A person may operate a mini-truck ~~on a farm for~~ 5721  
agricultural purposes only when the owner of the farm qualifies 5722  
for the current agricultural use valuation tax credit. A mini- 5723  
truck may be operated by or on behalf of such a farm owner on 5724  
public roads ~~streets and rights of way~~ only highways without 5725  
local authorization when traveling from one farm field to 5726  
another for agricultural purposes if the vehicle is displaying a 5727  
triangular slow-moving vehicle emblem as described in section 5728  
4513.112 of the Revised Code and the vehicle meets all of the 5729  
equipment, inspection, and registration requirements of this 5730  
chapter. 5731

~~(C)-(E)~~ A person may operate a mini-truck on property 5732  
owned or leased by a dealer who sells mini-trucks at retail 5733  
without local authorization. 5734

~~(D) Whoever~~ (F) No person shall operate a mini-truck in a 5735  
manner that is not authorized by this section or section 4519.40 5736  
of the Revised Code, or that is not authorized by a local 5737  
authority in accordance with this section. 5738

(G) Except as otherwise provided in this division, whoever 5739  
violates this section shall be penalized as provided in division 5740  
~~(D) of section 4511.214 of the Revised Code~~ is guilty of a minor 5741  
misdemeanor. If within one year of the offense, the offender 5742  
previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to one 5743  
predicate motor vehicle or traffic offense, whoever violates 5744  
this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If 5745  
within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been 5746  
convicted of two or more predicate motor vehicle or traffic 5747  
offenses, whoever violates this section is guilty of a 5748  
misdemeanor of the third degree. 5749

**Sec. 4519.402.** (A) A person may operate a utility vehicle 5750  
on public streets and highways where the local authority has 5751  
authorized the operation of utility vehicles in accordance with 5752  
division (B) of this section. 5753

(B) By ordinance or resolution, a local authority may 5754  
authorize the operation of utility vehicles on the public 5755  
streets or highways under its jurisdiction, provided the local 5756  
authority does all of the following: 5757

(1) Limits the operation of the utility vehicles to 5758  
streets and highways having an established speed limit not 5759  
greater than fifty-five miles per hour; 5760

(2) Requires the utility vehicle to meet the equipment requirements specified by the director of public safety under section 4519.20 of the Revised Code and pass a vehicle inspection conducted by a local law enforcement agency that complies with the inspection requirements under section 4513.02 of the Revised Code; 5761  
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(3) Requires the utility vehicle owner to register the utility vehicle in accordance with this chapter; 5767  
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(4) Notifies the director, in a manner the director determines, of the authorization for the operation of utility vehicles on its streets and highways. 5769  
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(C) Where authorized to operate on a public street or highway, a person operating a utility vehicle may do both of the following: 5772  
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(1) Proceed across an intersection of a street or highway having a speed limit greater than fifty-five miles per hour; 5775  
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(2) Travel along a state highway with an established speed limit not greater than fifty-five miles per hour, provided that the operator enters the state highway from a public street or highway authorized under division (B)(1) of this section and then exits at the next intersecting street or highway. 5777  
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The authorization granted in division (C)(2) of this section does not apply if the state highway is a freeway or if the next intersecting street or highway is not authorized for the operation of utility vehicles. 5782  
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(D) A person may operate a utility vehicle on a public street or highway without local authorization when traveling from one farm field to another for agricultural purposes if the vehicle is displaying a triangular slow-moving vehicle emblem as 5786  
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described in section 4513.112 of the Revised Code and the 5790  
vehicle meets all of the equipment, inspection, and registration 5791  
requirements of this chapter. 5792

(E) A state park or political subdivision employee or 5793  
volunteer may operate a utility vehicle exclusively within the 5794  
boundaries of state parks or political subdivision parks for the 5795  
operation or maintenance of state or political subdivision park 5796  
facilities. 5797

(F) No person shall operate a utility vehicle in a manner 5798  
that is not authorized by this section or section 4519.40 of the 5799  
Revised Code, or that is not authorized by a local authority in 5800  
accordance with this section. 5801

(G) Except as otherwise provided in this division, whoever 5802  
violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. If 5803  
within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been 5804  
convicted of or pleaded guilty to one predicate motor vehicle or 5805  
traffic offense, whoever violates this section is guilty of a 5806  
misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If within one year of the 5807  
offense, the offender previously has been convicted of two or 5808  
more predicate motor vehicle or traffic offenses, whoever 5809  
violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third 5810  
degree. 5811

**Sec. 4519.403.** (A) A person may operate an all-terrain 5812  
vehicle on a public street or highway if both of the following 5813  
apply: 5814

(1) The street or highway is under the jurisdiction of a 5815  
local authority that, prior to the effective date of this 5816  
section, authorized the operation of all-terrain vehicles on its 5817  
public streets or highways by either an ordinance or resolution; 5818

(2) The local authority did not repeal or rescind the ordinance or resolution prior to the effective date of this section. 5819  
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The authorization established under this division ceases if the local authority repeals or rescinds the ordinance or resolution on or after the effective date of this section. 5822  
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(B) By ordinance or resolution, a local authority may authorize a person to operate an all-terrain vehicle to make a crossing of a public street or highway under its jurisdiction, when all of the following apply: 5825  
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(1) The crossing can be made in safety and will not interfere with the movement of vehicular traffic approaching from any direction on the highway. 5829  
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(2) The operator yields the right-of-way to any approaching traffic that presents an immediate hazard. 5832  
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(3) The all-terrain vehicle is displaying a triangular slow-moving vehicle emblem as described in section 4513.112 of the Revised Code. 5834  
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(4) The all-terrain vehicle meets all of the equipment, inspection, and registration requirements of this chapter. 5837  
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(C) A person may operate an all-terrain vehicle on a public street or highway without local authorization when traveling from one farm field to another for agricultural purposes if the vehicle is displaying a triangular slow-moving vehicle emblem as described in section 4513.112 of the Revised Code and the vehicle meets all of the equipment, inspection, and registration requirements of this chapter. 5839  
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(D) No person shall operate an all-terrain vehicle in a 5846



manner that is not authorized by this section or section 4519.40 5847  
of the Revised Code, or that is not authorized by a local 5848  
authority in accordance with this section. 5849

(E) Except as otherwise provided in this division, whoever 5850  
violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. If 5851  
within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been 5852  
convicted of or pleaded guilty to one predicate motor vehicle or 5853  
traffic offense, whoever violates this section is guilty of a 5854  
misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If within one year of the 5855  
offense, the offender previously has been convicted of two or 5856  
more predicate motor vehicle or traffic offenses, whoever 5857  
violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third 5858  
degree. 5859

**Sec. 4519.41.** (A) Snowmobiles, and off-highway 5860  
motorcycles, and all purpose vehicles may be operated as 5861  
follows: 5862

~~(A)(1)~~ To make a crossing of a highway, other than a 5863  
state highway as designated in division (A)(1) of section 5864  
4519.40 of the Revised Code, whenever the crossing can be made 5865  
in safety and will not interfere with the movement of vehicular 5866  
traffic approaching from any direction on the highway, and 5867  
provided that the operator yields the right-of-way to any 5868  
approaching traffic that presents an immediate hazard; 5869

~~(B)(2)~~ On highways in the county or township road systems 5870  
whenever the local authority having jurisdiction over such 5871  
highways so permits and provided the snowmobile or off-highway 5872  
motorcycle meets all of the equipment, inspection, and 5873  
registration requirements of this chapter; 5874

~~(C)(3)~~ Off and alongside a street or highway for limited 5875

distances from the point of unloading from a conveyance to the 5876  
point at which the snowmobile, ~~or off-highway motorcycle, or~~ 5877  
~~all-purpose vehicle~~ is intended and authorized to be operated; 5878

~~(D)~~ (4) On the berm or shoulder of a highway, other than a 5879  
state highway as designated in division (A)(1) of section 5880  
4519.40 of the Revised Code, when the terrain permits such 5881  
operation to be undertaken safely and without the necessity of 5882  
entering any traffic lane; 5883

~~(E)~~ (5) On the berm or shoulder of a county or township 5884  
road, while traveling from one area of operation of the 5885  
snowmobile, ~~or off-highway motorcycle, or all-purpose vehicle~~ to 5886  
another such area; 5887

~~(F)~~ (6) For snowmobiles without metal studded tracks ~~and~~ 5888  
~~all-purpose vehicles~~, on state highways located on an island in 5889  
Lake Erie, including limited access highways and freeways, 5890  
between the first day of November and the thirtieth day of 5891  
April, provided that all of the following conditions apply: 5892

~~(1)~~ (a) The operator has a valid driver's license as 5893  
required under section 4519.44 of the Revised Code. 5894

~~(2)~~ (b) The snowmobile ~~or all-purpose vehicle~~ is in 5895  
compliance with rules governing safety equipment adopted under 5896  
section 4519.20 of the Revised Code. 5897

~~(3)~~ (c) The owner of the snowmobile ~~or all-purpose vehicle~~ 5898  
maintains proof of financial responsibility for both on-road and 5899  
off-road use of the snowmobile ~~or all-purpose vehicle~~. 5900

~~(4)~~ (d) The operator obeys all traffic rules and 5901  
regulations. 5902

(B) No person shall operate a snowmobile or an off-highway 5903

motorcycle in a manner that is not authorized by this section or 5904  
section 4519.40 of the Revised Code, or that is not authorized 5905  
by a local authority in accordance with this section. 5906

(C) Except as otherwise provided in this division, whoever 5907  
violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. If 5908  
within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been 5909  
convicted of or pleaded guilty to one predicate motor vehicle or 5910  
traffic offense, whoever violates this section is guilty of a 5911  
misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If within one year of the 5912  
offense, the offender previously has been convicted of two or 5913  
more predicate motor vehicle or traffic offenses, whoever 5914  
violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third 5915  
degree. 5916

**Sec. 4519.42.** (A) The director of natural resources shall 5917  
adopt rules for the operation of snowmobiles, off-highway 5918  
motorcycles, utility vehicles, mini-trucks, and ~~all-purpose-all-~~ 5919  
~~terrain~~ vehicles on land or waters controlled by the state. ~~The~~ 5920

(B) The director also shall undertake a program relating 5921  
to the development of trails and special areas for the use of 5922  
snowmobiles, off-highway motorcycles, utility vehicles, and ~~all-~~ 5923  
~~purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicles, and may require any permits for 5924  
such use as the director considers necessary. 5925

(C) The director may designate employees of the department 5926  
of natural resources to enforce any rules adopted under this 5927  
section. An employee so designated shall have full authority to 5928  
enforce any provision of this chapter with respect to the proper 5929  
titling, registration, equipping, and operation of snowmobiles, 5930  
off-highway motorcycles, utility vehicles, mini-trucks, or ~~all-~~ 5931  
~~purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicles on land or waters controlled by the 5932  
state. 5933

**Sec. 4519.43.** A board of park commissioners of any park 5934  
district created under Chapter 1545. of the Revised Code may 5935  
provide by rule for the operation of snowmobiles, off-highway 5936  
motorcycles, utility vehicles, mini-trucks, and ~~all-purpose-all-~~ 5937  
~~terrain~~ vehicles in the parks, parkways, and other reservations 5938  
of land under its jurisdiction, and shall file a copy of any 5939  
such rules with the director of natural resources. 5940

Any employee of a board of park commissioners designated 5941  
pursuant to section 1545.13 of the Revised Code shall have full 5942  
authority to enforce any of the provisions of this chapter with 5943  
respect to the proper titling, registration, equipping, and 5944  
operation of snowmobiles, off-highway motorcycles, utility 5945  
vehicles, mini-trucks, or ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicles 5946  
within the lands under the jurisdiction and control of the 5947  
board. 5948

**Sec. 4519.44.** (A) No person who does not hold a valid, 5949  
current motor vehicle driver's or commercial driver's license, 5950  
motorcycle operator's endorsement, or probationary license, 5951  
issued under Chapter 4506. or 4507. of the Revised Code or a 5952  
valid, current driver's license issued by another jurisdiction, 5953  
shall operate a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, utility 5954  
vehicle, mini-truck, or ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle on any 5955  
street or highway in this state, on any portion of the right-of- 5956  
way thereof, or on any public land or waters. 5957

(B) No person who is less than sixteen years of age shall 5958  
operate a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, utility vehicle, 5959  
mini-truck, or ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle on any land or 5960  
waters other than private property or waters owned by or leased 5961  
to the person's parent or guardian, unless accompanied by 5962  
another person who is eighteen years of age, or older, and who 5963

holds a license as provided in division (A) of this section, 5964  
except that the department of natural resources may permit such 5965  
operation on state controlled land under its jurisdiction when 5966  
such person is less than sixteen years of age and is accompanied 5967  
by a parent or guardian who is a licensed driver eighteen years 5968  
of age or older. 5969

(C) Whoever violates this section shall be fined not less 5970  
than fifty nor more than five hundred dollars, imprisoned not 5971  
less than three nor more than thirty days, or both. 5972

**Sec. 4519.45.** (A) Any dealer who rents, leases, or 5973  
otherwise furnishes a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, 5974  
utility vehicle, mini-truck, or all-purpose-all-terrain vehicle 5975  
for hire shall maintain the vehicle in safe operating condition. 5976  
No dealer, or agent or employee of a dealer, shall rent, lease, 5977  
or otherwise furnish a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, 5978  
utility vehicle, mini-truck, or all-purpose-all-terrain vehicle 5979  
for hire to any person who does not hold a license as required 5980  
by division (A) of section 4519.44 of the Revised Code, or to 5981  
any person whom the dealer or an agent or employee of the dealer 5982  
has reasonable cause to believe is incompetent to operate the 5983  
vehicle in a safe and lawful manner. 5984

(B) Whoever violates this section shall be fined not less 5985  
than one hundred nor more than five hundred dollars. 5986

**Sec. 4519.46.** The operator of a snowmobile, off-highway 5987  
motorcycle, utility vehicle, mini-truck, or all-purpose-all- 5988  
terrain vehicle involved in any accident resulting in bodily 5989  
injury to or death of any person, or damage to the property of 5990  
any person in excess of one hundred dollars, shall report the 5991  
accident within forty-eight hours to the state highway patrol, 5992  
the sheriff of the county within which the accident occurred, or 5993

the chief of police, if the accident occurred within a municipal corporation, and, within thirty days, shall forward a written report of the accident to the registrar of motor vehicles on a form prescribed by the registrar. If the operator is physically incapable of making the reports and there is another participant in the accident not so incapacitated, the participant shall make the reports. In the event there is no other participant, and the operator is other than the owner, the owner, within the prescribed periods of time, shall make the reports.

Any law enforcement officer, or other person authorized by sections 4519.42 and 4519.43 of the Revised Code, who investigates or receives information of an accident involving a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, utility vehicle, mini-truck, or ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle, shall forward to the registrar a written report of the accident within forty-eight hours.

The registrar shall maintain a file of all reports received by the registrar of accidents involving a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, utility vehicle, mini-truck, or ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle. The reports shall be for the confidential use of the director of public safety and the director of natural resources in the development of equipment and operating regulations, and of programs relating to the safe use of snowmobiles, off-highway motorcycles, utility vehicles, mini-truck, and ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicles, except that the registrar shall furnish a copy of such report to any person claiming to have been injured or damaged in such accident, or the person's attorney, upon the payment of a fee of one dollar.

**Sec. 4519.47.** (A) Whenever a person is found guilty of operating a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck,

utility vehicle, or all-purpose-all-terrain vehicle in violation 6024  
of any rule authorized to be adopted under section 4519.21 or 6025  
4519.42 of the Revised Code, the trial judge of any court of 6026  
record, in addition to or independent of any other penalties 6027  
provided by law, may impound for not less than sixty days the 6028  
certificate of registration and license plate, if applicable, of 6029  
that snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, mini-truck, utility  
vehicle, or all-purpose-all-terrain vehicle. The court shall 6030  
send the impounded certificate of registration and license 6031  
plate, if applicable, to the registrar of motor vehicles, who 6032  
shall retain the certificate of registration and license plate, 6033  
if applicable, until the expiration of the period of 6034  
impoundment. 6035  
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(B) If a court impounds the certificate of registration 6037  
and license plate of a utility vehicle or an all-purpose-all-  
terrain vehicle pursuant to section 2911.21 of the Revised Code, 6038  
the court shall send the impounded certificate of registration 6039  
and license plate to the registrar, who shall retain them until 6040  
the expiration of the period of impoundment. 6041  
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**Sec. 4519.48.** ~~Nothing contained in this chapter shall~~ 6043  
~~prevent local authorities from regulating the operation of~~ 6044  
~~snowmobiles, off-highway motorcycles, and all-purpose vehicles~~ 6045  
~~on streets and highways and other public property under their~~ 6046  
~~jurisdiction, and within the reasonable exercise of the police~~ 6047  
~~power, except that no~~ No local authority shall require the local 6048  
registration or licensing of any snowmobile, off-highway 6049  
motorcycle, mini-truck, utility vehicle, or all-purpose-all- 6050  
terrain vehicle required or authorized to be registered or 6051  
titled under this chapter. 6052

**Sec. 4519.511.** (A) The registrar of motor vehicles shall 6053

designate as an electronic dealer a dealer who meets both of the 6054  
following criteria: 6055

~~(A)~~ (1) The dealer has the capability, via electronic 6056  
means, to send title and registration information relating to 6057  
off-highway motorcycles and ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicles, as 6058  
specified by the registrar, to the registrar and the clerks of 6059  
the courts of common pleas. 6060

~~(B)~~ (2) The dealer meets other criteria for electronic 6061  
dealers that the registrar may establish by rule adopted under 6062  
Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. 6063

(B) An electronic dealer also may, via electronic means, 6064  
send title and registration information relating to snowmobiles, 6065  
utility vehicles, and mini-trucks, as specified by the 6066  
registrar, to the registrar and the clerks of the courts of 6067  
common pleas. 6068

**Sec. 4519.512.** (A) The owner of an off-highway motorcycle 6069  
~~or all-purpose-all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle,~~ 6070  
~~or mini-truck~~ shall apply for a certificate of title for the 6071  
motorcycle or vehicle when required by this chapter, ~~but, except~~ 6072  
~~. Except~~ as otherwise specifically required in this chapter, the 6073  
owner may elect whether or not to have the clerk of the court of 6074  
common pleas to whom the certificate of title application is 6075  
submitted issue a physical certificate of title for the 6076  
motorcycle or vehicle, as provided in section 4519.58 of the 6077  
Revised Code. 6078

(B) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this 6079  
chapter, any provision of this chapter relating to the 6080  
cancellation, issuance, or surrender of a certificate of title, 6081  
including, but not limited to, provisions that contain a phrase 6082



such as "when a certificate of title is issued," "the clerk 6083  
shall issue a certificate of title," or "the person shall obtain 6084  
a certificate of title to the ~~off-highway motorcycle or all-~~ 6085  
~~purpose vehicle,...~~" or another phrase of similar import, shall 6086  
include those circumstances when a clerk enters certificate of 6087  
title information into the automated title processing system, 6088  
but does not take any further action relating to a physical 6089  
certificate of title for the motorcycle or vehicle. 6090

**Sec. 4519.52.** (A) Except as provided in sections 4519.521 6091  
and 4519.54 of the Revised Code, no dealer engaged in the 6092  
business of selling new or used off-highway motorcycles or ~~all-~~ 6093  
~~purpose all-terrain~~ vehicles shall sell or otherwise transfer a 6094  
new or used off-highway motorcycle or ~~all-purpose all-terrain~~ 6095  
vehicle without obtaining a certificate of title to the new or 6096  
used motorcycle or vehicle, in accordance with this chapter, and 6097  
delivering the certificate of title or memorandum certificate of 6098  
title to the purchaser or transferee. 6099

(B) (1) ~~A person who is not a dealer engaged in the~~ 6100  
~~business of selling new or used off-highway motorcycles or all-~~ 6101  
~~purpose vehicles and~~ In addition to the circumstances in which a 6102  
certificate of title is required under division (A) of this 6103  
section, any person who owns an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-~~ 6104  
~~purpose~~, an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility 6105  
vehicle, or a mini-truck may choose to obtain a certificate of 6106  
title to the motorcycle or vehicle. The person shall comply with 6107  
this chapter in order to obtain the certificate of title. 6108

(2) If a person ~~who is not a dealer engaged in the~~ 6109  
~~business of selling new or used off-highway motorcycles or all-~~ 6110  
~~purpose vehicles and~~ who owns an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-~~ 6111  
~~purpose~~, an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility 6112

vehicle, or a mini-truck obtains a certificate of title to the 6113  
motorcycle or vehicle, that person, except as otherwise provided 6114  
in section 4519.521 of the Revised Code, shall not sell or 6115  
otherwise transfer the motorcycle or vehicle without delivering 6116  
to the purchaser or transferee a certificate of title with an 6117  
assignment on it as is necessary to show title in the purchaser 6118  
or transferee, and no person shall subsequently purchase or 6119  
otherwise acquire the motorcycle or vehicle without obtaining a 6120  
certificate of title to the motorcycle or vehicle in the 6121  
person's own name. 6122

(C) Whoever violates this section shall be fined fifty 6123  
dollars. 6124

**Sec. 4519.521.** (A) (1) If a person who is not an electronic 6125  
dealer owns an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, an all- 6126  
terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini- 6127  
truck for which a physical certificate of title has not been 6128  
issued by a clerk of a court of common pleas and the person 6129  
sells the motorcycle or vehicle to an electronic dealer, the 6130  
person is not required to obtain a physical certificate of title 6131  
to the motorcycle or vehicle in order to transfer ownership to 6132  
the dealer. The person shall present the dealer, in a manner 6133  
approved by the registrar of motor vehicles, with sufficient 6134  
proof of the person's identity and complete and sign a form 6135  
prescribed by the registrar attesting to the person's identity 6136  
and assigning the motorcycle or vehicle to the dealer. The 6137  
electronic dealer then shall inform a clerk of a court of common 6138  
pleas via electronic means of the sale of the motorcycle or 6139  
vehicle and assignment of ownership of the motorcycle or vehicle 6140  
to the dealer. The clerk shall enter the information relating to 6141  
the assignment into the automated title processing system, and 6142  
ownership of the motorcycle or vehicle passes to the dealer when 6143

the clerk enters this information into the system. The dealer is 6144  
not required to obtain a certificate of title to the motorcycle 6145  
or vehicle in the dealer's name. 6146

(2) A clerk shall charge and collect from a dealer a fee 6147  
of five dollars for each motorcycle or vehicle assigned to the 6148  
dealer under division (A) (1) of this section. The fee shall be 6149  
distributed in accordance with section 4519.59 of the Revised 6150  
Code. 6151

(B) If a person who is not an electronic dealer owns an 6152  
~~off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose~~, an all-terrain vehicle, 6153  
a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini-truck that is titled 6154  
but for which a physical certificate of title has not been 6155  
issued by a clerk of a court of common pleas and the person 6156  
sells the motorcycle or vehicle to a person who is not an 6157  
electronic dealer, the person shall obtain a physical 6158  
certificate of title to the motorcycle or vehicle in order to 6159  
transfer ownership of the motorcycle or vehicle to the person 6160  
who is not an electronic dealer. 6161

**Sec. 4519.53.** (A) (1) No person who acquires an off-highway 6162  
~~motorcycle or all-purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, 6163  
utility vehicle, or mini-truck for which a certificate of title 6164  
is required by this chapter from the owner of it, whether the 6165  
owner is a manufacturer, importer, dealer, or any other person, 6166  
acquires any right, title, claim, or interest in or to the ~~off-~~ 6167  
~~highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle~~ until one of the 6168  
following occurs: 6169

(a) The person has been is issued a certificate of title 6170  
to the ~~off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle, or there~~ 6171  
~~is delivered to the~~. 6172

(b) The person receives a manufacturer's or importer's 6173  
certificate for ~~it, or the motorcycle or vehicle.~~ 6174

(c) The person is assigned a certificate of title to it is 6175  
~~assigned the motorcycle or vehicle~~ as authorized by section 6176  
4519.521 of the Revised Code. ~~No~~ 6177

(2) No waiver or estoppel operates in favor of that person 6178  
against a person having possession or assignment of the 6179  
certificate of title to, or manufacturer's or importer's 6180  
certificate for, the ~~off highway motorcycle or all purpose~~ 6181  
vehicle, for a valuable consideration. 6182

(B) No court in any case at law or in equity shall 6183  
recognize the right, title, claim, or interest of any person in 6184  
or to any ~~off highway such motorcycle or all purpose vehicle,~~ 6185  
for which a certificate of title is required by this chapter, 6186  
sold or disposed of, or mortgaged or encumbered, unless 6187  
evidenced by one of the following: 6188

~~(A) (1) A certificate of title or a ;~~ 6189

(2) A manufacturer's or importer's certificate issued in 6190  
accordance with this chapter, ~~or an ;~~ 6191

(3) An assignment of a certificate of title made under 6192  
section 4519.521 of the Revised Code; 6193

~~(B) (4) Admission in the pleadings or stipulation of the~~ 6194  
parties. 6195

**Sec. 4519.54.** (A) No manufacturer, importer, dealer, or 6196  
other person shall sell or otherwise dispose of a new off- 6197  
highway motorcycle or ~~all purpose~~ all-terrain vehicle to a 6198  
dealer to be used by the dealer for purposes of display and 6199  
resale, without delivering to the dealer a manufacturer's or 6200

importer's certificate executed in accordance with this section, 6201  
and with such assignments thereon as are necessary to show title 6202  
in the purchaser. No dealer shall purchase or acquire a new off- 6203  
highway motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain vehicle without 6204  
obtaining from the seller the manufacturer's or importer's 6205  
certificate. 6206

(B) A manufacturer's or importer's certificate of the 6207  
origin of an off-highway motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain 6208  
vehicle shall contain the following information, in such form 6209  
and together with such further information as the registrar of 6210  
motor vehicles may require: 6211

~~(A)~~ (1) A description of the off-highway motorcycle or 6212  
~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain vehicle, including its make, year, 6213  
series or model, if any, body type, and manufacturer's vehicle 6214  
identification number; 6215

~~(B)~~ (2) Certification of the date of transfer of the off- 6216  
highway motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain vehicle to a 6217  
distributor or dealer or other transferee, and the name and 6218  
address of the transferee; 6219

~~(C)~~ (3) Certification that this was the first transfer of 6220  
the new off-highway motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain 6221  
vehicle in ordinary trade and commerce; 6222

~~(D)~~ (4) The signature and address of a representative of 6223  
the transferor. 6224

(C) An assignment of a manufacturer's or importer's 6225  
certificate before a notary public or other officer empowered to 6226  
administer oaths shall be printed on the reverse side of the 6227  
manufacturer's or importer's certificate in a form to be 6228  
prescribed by the registrar. The assignment form shall include 6229

the name and address of the transferee, a certification that the 6230  
off-highway motorcycle or ~~all-purpose-all-terrain~~ vehicle is 6231  
new, and a warranty that the title at the time of delivery is 6232  
subject only to such liens and encumbrances as are set forth and 6233  
described in full in the assignment. 6234

**Sec. 4519.55.** ~~Application~~ (A) (1) Any application for a 6235  
certificate of title for an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-~~ 6236  
~~purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or 6237  
mini-truck shall be made upon a form prescribed by the registrar 6238  
of motor vehicles and shall be sworn to before a notary public 6239  
or other officer empowered to administer oaths. The application 6240  
shall be filed with the clerk of any court of common pleas. An 6241  
application for a certificate of title may be filed 6242  
electronically by any electronic means approved by the registrar 6243  
in any county with the clerk of the court of common pleas of 6244  
that county. 6245

(2) If an application for a certificate of title is filed 6246  
electronically by an electronic dealer on behalf of the 6247  
purchaser of an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, an all- 6248  
terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini- 6249  
truck, the clerk shall retain the completed electronic record to 6250  
which the electronic dealer converted the certificate of title 6251  
application and other required documents. The registrar, after 6252  
consultation with the attorney general, shall adopt rules that 6253  
govern the location at which, and the manner in which, are 6254  
stored the actual application and all other documents relating 6255  
to the sale ~~of an off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle~~ 6256  
when an electronic dealer files the application for a 6257  
certificate of title electronically on behalf of the purchaser. 6258

(B) The application shall be accompanied by the fee 6259

prescribed in section 4519.59 of the Revised Code. The fee shall  
be retained by the clerk who issues the certificate of title and  
shall be distributed in accordance with that section. If a clerk  
of a court of common pleas, other than the clerk of the court of  
common pleas of an applicant's county of residence, issues a  
certificate of title to the applicant, the clerk shall transmit  
data related to the transaction to the automated title  
processing system.

(C) (1) If a certificate of title previously has been  
issued for ~~an the off-highway motorcycle or all purpose~~, all-  
terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck, the  
application also shall be accompanied by the certificate of  
title duly assigned, unless otherwise provided in this chapter.  
~~if~~

(2) If a certificate of title previously has not been  
issued for the off-highway motorcycle ~~or all purpose~~, all-  
terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck, the  
application, unless otherwise provided in this chapter, shall be  
accompanied by a one of the following:

(a) A manufacturer's or importer's certificate; ~~by a~~

(b) A sworn statement of ownership; ~~or by a~~

(c) A certificate of title, bill of sale, or other  
evidence of ownership required by law of another state from  
which the ~~off-highway motorcycle or all purpose~~ vehicle was  
brought into this state. ~~The~~

(3) The registrar, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the  
Revised Code, shall prescribe the types of additional  
documentation sufficient to establish proof of ownership,  
including, but not limited to, receipts from the purchase of

parts or components, photographs, and affidavits of other 6289  
persons. 6290

(D) (1) If the application is made by two persons regarding 6291  
an off-highway motorcycle ~~or, an all-purpose all-terrain~~ 6292  
vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini-truck in 6293  
which they wish to establish joint ownership with right of 6294  
survivorship, they may do so as provided in section 2131.12 of 6295  
the Revised Code. ~~If~~ 6296

(2) If the applicant requests a designation of the off- 6297  
highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose, all-terrain~~ vehicle,  6298  
snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck in beneficiary form 6299  
so that upon the death of the owner of the ~~off-highway~~ 6300  
motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle, ownership of the ~~off-highway~~ 6301  
motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle will pass to a designated 6302  
transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries, the applicant 6303  
may do so as provided in section 2131.13 of the Revised Code. A 6304  
person who establishes ownership of ~~an off-highway the~~ 6305  
motorcycle or ~~an all-purpose~~ vehicle that is transferable on 6306  
death in accordance with section 2131.13 of the Revised Code may 6307  
terminate that type of ownership or change the designation of 6308  
the transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries by applying 6309  
for a certificate of title pursuant to this section. 6310

(E) For purposes of the transfer of a certificate of 6311  
title, if the clerk is satisfied that a secured party has duly 6312  
discharged a lien notation but has not canceled the lien 6313  
notation with a clerk, the clerk may cancel the lien notation on 6314  
the automated title processing system and notify the clerk of 6315  
the county of origin. 6316

(F) (1) In the case of the sale of an off-highway 6317  
motorcycle or ~~all-purpose all-terrain~~ vehicle by a dealer to a 6318



general purchaser or user, the certificate of title shall be 6319  
obtained in the name of the purchaser by the dealer upon 6320  
application signed by the purchaser. ~~In~~ 6321

(2) In the case of a dealer selling a snowmobile, utility 6322  
vehicle, or mini-truck to a general purchaser, the dealer may 6323  
obtain a certificate of title in the name of the purchaser upon 6324  
application signed by the purchaser. 6325

(3) In all other cases not specified by division (F) (1) or 6326  
(2) of this section, the certificate shall be obtained by the 6327  
purchaser. ~~In~~ 6328

(4) In all cases of transfer of ~~an a titled~~ off-highway 6329  
motorcycle or all purpose, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, 6330  
utility vehicle, or mini-truck, the application for certificate 6331  
of title shall be filed within thirty days after the later of 6332  
the date of purchase or assignment of ownership of the ~~off-~~ 6333  
~~highway motorcycle or all purpose vehicle. If~~ 6334

(5) If the application for certificate of title is not 6335  
filed within the thirty days ~~after the later of the date of~~ 6336  
~~purchase or assignment of ownership of the off-highway~~ 6337  
~~motorcycle or all purpose vehicles~~specified by division (F) (4) of 6338  
this section, the clerk shall charge a late filing fee of five 6339  
dollars in addition to the fee prescribed by section 4519.59 of 6340  
the Revised Code. The clerk shall retain the entire amount of 6341  
each late filing fee. 6342

(G) (1) ~~Except in the case of an off-highway motorcycle or~~ 6343  
~~all purpose vehicle purchased prior to July 1, 1999~~as provided 6344  
by division (G) (3) of this section, the clerk shall refuse to 6345  
accept an application for certificate of title unless the 6346  
applicant either tenders with the application payment of all 6347

taxes levied by or pursuant to Chapter 5739. or 5741. of the 6348  
Revised Code based on the purchaser's county of residence, or 6349  
submits either of the following: 6350

~~(A)~~ (a) A receipt issued by the tax commissioner or a 6351  
clerk of courts showing payment of the tax; 6352

~~(B)~~ (b) An exemption certificate, in any form prescribed 6353  
by the tax commissioner, that specifies why the purchase is not 6354  
subject to the tax imposed by Chapter 5739. or 5741. of the 6355  
Revised Code. 6356

(2) Payment of the tax shall be made in accordance with 6357  
division (E) of section 4505.06 of the Revised Code and any 6358  
rules issued by the tax commissioner. When a dealer submits 6359  
payment of the tax to the clerk, the dealer shall retain any 6360  
discount to which the dealer is entitled under section 5739.12 6361  
of the Revised Code. The clerk shall issue a receipt in the form 6362  
prescribed by the tax commissioner to any applicant who tenders 6363  
payment of the tax with the application for a certificate of 6364  
title. ~~If the application for a certificate of title is for an-~~ 6365  
~~off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle purchased prior to-~~ 6366  
~~July 1, 1999, the-~~ 6367

(3) A clerk shall accept ~~the~~ an application for a 6368  
certificate of title without payment of the taxes levied by or 6369  
pursuant to Chapter 5739. or 5741. of the Revised Code or 6370  
presentation of either of the items listed in division ~~(A)~~ or 6371  
~~(B)~~ (G) (1) of this section for both of the following: 6372

(a) An off-highway motorcycle or all-terrain vehicle 6373  
purchased prior to July 1, 1999; 6374

(b) A snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck purchased 6375  
prior to the effective date of this amendment. 6376

(H) (1) For receiving and disbursing such taxes paid to the 6377  
clerk by a resident of the clerk's county, the clerk may retain 6378  
a poundage fee of one and one-hundredth per cent of the taxes 6379  
collected, which shall be paid into the certificate of title 6380  
administration fund created by section 325.33 of the Revised 6381  
Code. The clerk shall not retain a poundage fee from payments of 6382  
taxes by persons who do not reside in the clerk's county. 6383

(2) A clerk, however, may retain from the taxes paid to 6384  
the clerk an amount equal to the poundage fees associated with 6385  
certificates of title issued by other clerks of courts of common 6386  
pleas to applicants who reside in the first clerk's county. The 6387  
registrar, in consultation with the tax commissioner and the 6388  
clerks of the courts of common pleas, shall develop a report 6389  
from the automated title processing system that informs each 6390  
clerk of the amount of the poundage fees that the clerk is 6391  
permitted to retain from those taxes because of certificates of 6392  
title issued by the clerks of other counties to applicants who 6393  
reside in the first clerk's county. 6394

(3) In the case of casual sales of ~~off-highway such~~ 6395  
motorcycles or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicles that are subject to the tax 6396  
imposed by Chapter 5739. or 5741. of the Revised Code, the 6397  
purchase price for the purpose of determining the tax shall be 6398  
the purchase price on an affidavit executed and filed with the 6399  
clerk by the seller on a form to be prescribed by the registrar, 6400  
which shall be prima-facie evidence of the price for the 6401  
determination of the tax. 6402

(I) In addition to the information required by section 6403  
4519.57 of the Revised Code, each certificate of title shall 6404  
contain in bold lettering the following notification and 6405  
statements: "WARNING TO TRANSFEROR AND TRANSFEREE (SELLER AND 6406

BUYER): You are required by law to state the true selling price. 6407  
A false statement is in violation of section 2921.13 of the 6408  
Revised Code and is punishable by six months imprisonment or a 6409  
fine of up to one thousand dollars, or both. All transfers are 6410  
audited by the department of taxation. The seller and buyer must 6411  
provide any information requested by the department of taxation. 6412  
The buyer may be assessed any additional tax found to be due." 6413

(J) The clerk shall forward all payments of taxes, less 6414  
poundage fees, to the treasurer of state in a manner to be 6415  
prescribed by the tax commissioner and shall furnish information 6416  
to the commissioner as the commissioner may require. 6417

(K) Every clerk shall have the capability to transact by 6418  
electronic means all procedures and transactions relating to the 6419  
issuance of certificates of title for off-highway motorcycles 6420  
~~and all purpose~~, all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles, utility 6421  
vehicles, and mini-trucks that are described in the Revised Code 6422  
as being accomplished by electronic means. 6423

**Sec. 4519.551.** Notwithstanding any general requirement in 6424  
this chapter to the effect that an application for a certificate 6425  
of title to an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all purpose~~, an all- 6426  
terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini- 6427  
truck shall be "sworn to" or shall be "sworn to before a notary 6428  
public or other officer empowered to administer oaths," that 6429  
requirement shall apply only in the case of a transfer of ~~an~~ 6430  
~~off highway a~~ motorcycle or ~~all purpose~~ vehicle between parties 6431  
in the course of a sale by a person other than a registered 6432  
dealer to a person who purchases the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or 6433  
~~all purpose~~ vehicle for use as a consumer. 6434

**Sec. 4519.56.** ~~(A)~~ (A) (1) An application for a certificate 6435  
of title shall be sworn to before a notary public or other 6436

officer empowered to administer oaths by the lawful owner or 6437  
purchaser of the off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, all- 6438  
terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck and 6439  
shall contain at least the following information in a form and 6440  
together with any other information the registrar of motor 6441  
vehicles may require: 6442

~~(1)~~ (a) Name, address, and social security number or 6443  
employer's tax identification number of the applicant; 6444

~~(2)~~ (b) Statement of how the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or 6445  
~~all-purpose~~ vehicle was acquired; 6446

~~(3)~~ (c) Name and address of the previous owner; 6447

~~(4)~~ (d) A statement of all liens, mortgages, or other 6448  
encumbrances on the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ 6449  
vehicle, and the name and address of each holder thereof; 6450

~~(5)~~ (e) If there are no outstanding liens, mortgages, or 6451  
other encumbrances, a statement of that fact; 6452

~~(6)~~ (f) A description of the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or 6453  
~~all-purpose~~ vehicle, including the make, year, series or model, 6454  
if any, body type, and manufacturer's vehicle identification 6455  
number. 6456

(2) If the off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, all- 6457  
terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck 6458  
contains a permanent identification number placed thereon by the 6459  
manufacturer, this number shall be used as the vehicle 6460  
identification number. Except as provided in division (B) of 6461  
this section, if the application for a certificate of title 6462  
refers to an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, an all- 6463  
terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini- 6464  
truck that contains such a permanent identification number, but 6465

for which no certificate of title has been issued previously by 6466  
this state, the application shall be accompanied by a physical 6467  
inspection certificate as described in that division. 6468

(3) If there is no manufacturer's vehicle identification 6469  
number or if the manufacturer's vehicle identification number 6470  
has been removed or obliterated, the registrar, upon receipt of 6471  
a prescribed application and proof of ownership, but prior to 6472  
issuance of a certificate of title, shall assign a vehicle 6473  
identification number for the off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-~~ 6474  
~~purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or 6475  
mini-truck. This assigned vehicle identification number shall be 6476  
permanently affixed to or imprinted upon the ~~off-highway~~ 6477  
motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle by the state highway patrol. 6478  
The state highway patrol shall assess a fee of fifty dollars for 6479  
affixing the number to the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ 6480  
vehicle and shall deposit each such fee in the public safety - 6481  
highway purposes fund established by section 4501.06 of the 6482  
Revised Code. 6483

~~(B)(B)(1)~~ Except in the case of a new off-highway 6484  
motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle sold by a dealer title to 6485  
which is evidenced by a manufacturer's or importer's 6486  
~~certificate~~ as provided in division (B)(2) of this section, if 6487  
the application for a certificate of title refers to an off- 6488  
highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, 6489  
snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck that contains a 6490  
permanent identification number placed thereon by the 6491  
manufacturer, but for which no certificate of title previously 6492  
has been issued by this state, the application shall be 6493  
accompanied by a physical inspection certificate issued by the 6494  
department of public safety ~~verifying~~. The physical inspection 6495  
certificate shall verify the make, year, series or model, if 6496

any, body type, and manufacturer's vehicle identification number 6497  
of the ~~off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose~~ vehicle for which 6498  
the certificate of title is desired. The physical inspection 6499  
certificate shall be in such form as is designated by the 6500  
registrar. The physical inspection shall be made at a deputy 6501  
registrar's office or at an established place of business 6502  
operated by a licensed motor vehicle dealer. The deputy 6503  
registrar or motor vehicle dealer may charge a maximum fee equal 6504  
to the amount established under section 4503.038 of the Revised 6505  
Code for conducting the physical inspection. 6506

(2) A new off-highway motorcycle or all-terrain vehicle 6507  
that is sold by a dealer and is evidenced by a manufacturer's or 6508  
importer's certificate does not require an accompanying physical 6509  
inspection certificate under division (B)(1) of this section. 6510

(C) The clerk of the court of common pleas shall charge a 6511  
fee of one dollar and fifty cents for the processing of each 6512  
physical inspection certificate. The clerk shall retain fifty 6513  
cents of the one dollar and fifty cents so charged and shall pay 6514  
the remaining one dollar to the registrar by monthly returns, 6515  
which shall be forwarded to the registrar not later than the 6516  
fifth day of the month next succeeding that in which the 6517  
certificate is received by the clerk. The registrar shall pay 6518  
such remaining sums into the public safety - highway purposes 6519  
fund established by section 4501.06 of the Revised Code. 6520

**Sec. 4519.57.** ~~(A)~~ (A) (1) When the clerk of a court of 6521  
common pleas issues a physical certificate of title for an off- 6522  
highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, 6523  
snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck, the clerk shall 6524  
issue it over the clerk's official seal. The front side of each 6525  
physical certificate of title shall contain the information 6526

required in the application for it as prescribed by section 6527  
4519.56 of the Revised Code, spaces for the dates of notation 6528  
and cancellation of two liens, mortgages, or encumbrances, and 6529  
any other pertinent information as may be required by the 6530  
registrar of motor vehicles, ~~but~~. The physical certificate of 6531  
title shall contain neither the social security number nor 6532  
taxpayer identification number of the applicant. ~~The~~ 6533

(2) The reverse side of each physical certificate of title 6534  
shall contain all of the information specified in division (F) 6535  
of section 4505.07 of the Revised Code. An assignment of 6536  
certificate of title before a notary public or other officer 6537  
empowered to administer oaths shall appear on the reverse side 6538  
of each physical certificate of title in the form to be 6539  
prescribed by the registrar. The assignment form shall include a 6540  
warranty that the signer is the owner of the off-highway 6541  
motorcycle ~~or all purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, 6542  
utility vehicle, or mini-truck and that there are no mortgages, 6543  
liens, or encumbrances on the ~~off-highway motorcycle or all-~~ 6544  
~~purpose~~ vehicle except as are noted on the face of the 6545  
certificate of title. 6546

(3) Physical certificates of title also shall ~~bear display~~ 6547  
a statement that liens applicable to the off-highway motorcycle 6548  
~~or all purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility 6549  
vehicle, or mini-truck other than the two for which there are 6550  
spaces on the certificates may exist and, if so, are entered 6551  
into the automated title processing system. 6552

(B) An electronic certificate of title is an electronic 6553  
record stored in the automated title processing system that 6554  
establishes ownership of an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-~~ 6555  
~~purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or 6556



mini-truck, as well as any security interests that exist in that 6557  
~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle. 6558

**Sec. 4519.58.** ~~(A)~~ (A) (1) When the clerk of a court of 6559  
common pleas issues a physical certificate of title, the clerk 6560  
shall issue the certificate of title on a form and in a manner 6561  
prescribed by the registrar of motor vehicles. The clerk shall 6562  
file a copy of the physical evidence for the creation of the 6563  
certificate of title in a manner prescribed by the registrar. A 6564  
clerk may retain digital images of documents used as evidence 6565  
for issuance of a certificate of title. Certified printouts of 6566  
documents retained as digital images shall have the same 6567  
evidentiary value as the original physical documents. The record 6568  
of the issuance of the certificate of title shall be maintained 6569  
in the automated title processing system. ~~The~~ 6570

(2) The clerk shall sign and affix the clerk's seal to the 6571  
original certificate of title and, if there are no liens on the 6572  
~~off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, 6573  
snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck, shall deliver the 6574  
certificate to the applicant or the selling dealer, as 6575  
applicable. Except as otherwise provided in this section, if 6576  
there are one or more liens on the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or 6577  
~~all-purpose~~ vehicle, the certificate of title shall be delivered 6578  
to the holder of the first lien. If the certificate of title is 6579  
obtained by a dealer on behalf of the applicant and there are 6580  
one or more liens on the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ 6581  
vehicle, the clerk shall issue a certificate of title and may 6582  
issue a memorandum certificate of title. The certificate of 6583  
title and memorandum certificate of title, if issued, shall be 6584  
delivered to the holder of the first lien or the selling dealer, 6585  
who shall deliver the certificate of title to the holder of the 6586  
first lien and the memorandum certificate of title to the 6587

applicant. The selling dealer also may make arrangements with 6588  
the clerk to have the clerk deliver the memorandum certificate 6589  
of title to the applicant. 6590

~~(B)~~ (B) (1) The registrar shall prescribe a uniform method 6591  
of numbering certificates of title. The numbering shall be in 6592  
such manner that the county of issuance is indicated. Numbers 6593  
shall be assigned to certificates of title in the manner 6594  
prescribed by the registrar. The clerk shall file all 6595  
certificates of title according to the rules to be prescribed by 6596  
the registrar, and the clerk shall maintain in the clerk's 6597  
office indexes for the certificates of title. 6598

(2) The clerk need not retain on file any current 6599  
certificates of title, current duplicate certificates of title, 6600  
current memorandum certificates of title, or current salvage 6601  
certificates of title, or supporting evidence of them, covering 6602  
any off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, 6603  
snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck for a period longer 6604  
than seven years after the date of their filing; ~~thereafter.~~ 6605  
Thereafter, the documents and supporting evidence may be 6606  
destroyed. The clerk need not retain on file any inactive 6607  
records, including certificates of title, duplicate certificates 6608  
of title, or memorandum certificates of title, or supporting 6609  
evidence of them, including the electronic record described in 6610  
section 4519.55 of the Revised Code, covering any off-highway 6611  
motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, 6612  
utility vehicle, or mini-truck for a period longer than five 6613  
years after the date of their filing; ~~thereafter.~~ Thereafter, 6614  
the documents and supporting evidence may be destroyed. 6615

(3) The automated title processing system shall contain 6616  
all active records and an index of the active records, and shall 6617

contain a record and index of all inactive titles for ten years, 6618  
and a record and index of all inactive titles for ~~manufactured-~~ 6619  
~~and mobile homes~~ off-highway motorcycles, all-terrain vehicles, 6620  
snowmobiles, utility vehicles, or mini-trucks for thirty years. 6621  
If the clerk provides a written copy of any information 6622  
contained in the database, the copy shall be considered the 6623  
original for purposes of the clerk certifying the record of such 6624  
information for use in any legal proceedings. 6625

(C) Except as provided in this division, the clerk shall 6626  
issue a physical certificate of title to an applicant unless the 6627  
applicant specifically requests the clerk not to issue a 6628  
physical certificate of title and instead to issue an electronic 6629  
certificate of title. In the case of a title application that is 6630  
submitted electronically to the clerk, the clerk shall issue an 6631  
electronic certificate of title unless the applicant requests 6632  
the issuance of a physical certificate of title. The fact that a 6633  
physical certificate of title is not issued for an off-highway 6634  
~~motorcycle or all-purpose,~~ all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, 6635  
utility vehicle, or mini-truck does not affect ownership of the 6636  
motorcycle or vehicle. In that case, when the clerk completes 6637  
the process of entering certificate of title application 6638  
information into the automated title processing system, the 6639  
effect of the completion of the process is the same as if the 6640  
clerk actually issued a physical certificate of title for the 6641  
motorcycle or vehicle. 6642

(D) An electronic dealer, who applies for a certificate of 6643  
title on behalf of a customer ~~who purchases an off-highway-~~ 6644  
~~motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle from the dealer,~~ may print a 6645  
non-negotiable evidence of ownership for the customer if the 6646  
customer so requests. The authorization to print the non- 6647  
negotiable evidence of ownership shall come from the clerk with 6648

whom the dealer makes application for the certificate of title 6649  
for the customer, but the printing by the dealer does not create 6650  
an agency relationship of any kind between the dealer and the 6651  
clerk. 6652

(E) The owner of the off-highway motorcycle ~~or all purpose~~ 6653  
, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini- 6654  
truck may apply at any time to a clerk of a court of common 6655  
pleas for a non-negotiable evidence of ownership for the ~~off-~~ 6656  
~~highway motorcycle or all purpose~~ vehicle. 6657

**Sec. 4519.59.** (A) (1) The clerk of a court of common pleas 6658  
shall charge and retain fees as follows: 6659

(a) Fifteen dollars for each certificate of title or 6660  
duplicate certificate of title including the issuance of a 6661  
memorandum certificate of title, authorization to print a non- 6662  
negotiable evidence of ownership described in division (D) of 6663  
section 4519.58 of the Revised Code, non-negotiable evidence of 6664  
ownership printed by the clerk under division (E) of that 6665  
section, and notation of any lien on a certificate of title that 6666  
is applied for at the same time as the certificate of title. The 6667  
clerk shall retain eleven dollars and fifty cents of that fee 6668  
for each certificate of title when there is a notation of a lien 6669  
or security interest on the certificate of title, twelve dollars 6670  
and twenty-five cents when there is no lien or security interest 6671  
noted on the certificate of title, and eleven dollars and fifty 6672  
cents for each duplicate certificate of title. 6673

(b) Five dollars for each certificate of title with no 6674  
security interest noted that is issued to a licensed motor 6675  
vehicle dealer for resale purposes. The clerk shall retain two 6676  
dollars and twenty-five cents of that fee. 6677

(c) Five dollars for each memorandum certificate of title 6678  
or non-negotiable evidence of ownership that is applied for 6679  
separately. The clerk shall retain that entire fee. 6680

(2) The fees that are not retained by the clerk shall be 6681  
paid to the registrar of motor vehicles by monthly returns, 6682  
which shall be forwarded to the registrar not later than the 6683  
fifth day of the month next succeeding that in which the 6684  
certificate is forwarded or that in which the registrar is 6685  
notified of a lien or cancellation of a lien. 6686

(B) (1) The registrar shall pay twenty-five cents of the 6687  
amount received for each certificate of title that is issued to 6688  
a motor vehicle dealer for resale, one dollar for certificates 6689  
of title issued with a lien or security interest noted on the 6690  
certificate of title, and twenty-five cents for each certificate 6691  
of title with no lien or security interest noted on the 6692  
certificate of title into the public safety - highway purposes 6693  
fund established in section 4501.06 of the Revised Code. 6694

(2) Fifty cents of the amount received for each 6695  
certificate of title shall be paid by the registrar as follows: 6696

(a) Four cents shall be paid into the state treasury to 6697  
the credit of the motor vehicle dealers board fund created in 6698  
section 4505.09 of the Revised Code, for use as described in 6699  
division (B) (2) (a) of that section. 6700

(b) ~~Twenty-one~~ Thirty-one cents shall be paid into the 6701  
highway operating fund. 6702

(c) ~~Twenty-five~~ Fifteen cents shall be paid into the state 6703  
treasury to the credit of the motor vehicle sales audit fund 6704  
created in section 4505.09 of the Revised Code, for use as 6705  
described in division (B) (2) (c) of that section. 6706

(3) Two dollars of the amount received by the registrar 6707  
for each certificate of title shall be paid into the state 6708  
treasury to the credit of the automated title processing fund 6709  
created in section 4505.09 of the Revised Code, for use as 6710  
described in divisions (B) (3) (a) and (c) of that section. 6711

**Sec. 4519.60.** (A) ~~In the event of the transfer of This~~ 6712  
~~section applies when ownership of an off-highway motorcycle or~~ 6713  
~~all-purpose, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle,~~ 6714  
~~or mini-truck transfers~~ by operation of law, as upon 6715  
inheritance, devise, bequest, order in bankruptcy, insolvency, 6716  
replevin, or execution of sale, or when repossession is had upon 6717  
default in performance of the terms of a security agreement as 6718  
provided in Chapter 1309. of the Revised Code, ~~a~~. 6719

(B) A clerk of a court of common pleas, upon the may 6720  
issue to an applicant a certificate of title to an off-highway 6721  
motorcycle, an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility 6722  
vehicle, or a mini-truck after all of the following occur: 6723

(1) The surrender of the prior certificate of title or the 6724  
manufacturer's or importer's certificate, if any, or, when that 6725  
is not possible, upon presentation to the clerk of satisfactory 6726  
proof of ownership and rights of possession to the ~~off-highway~~ 6727  
motorcycle or ~~all-purpose vehicle, and upon;~~ 6728

(2) The payment of the fee prescribed in section 4519.59 6729  
of the Revised Code ~~and;~~ 6730

(3) The presentation of an a completed application for 6731  
certificate of title, ~~may issue to the applicant a certificate~~ 6732  
~~of title to the off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle.~~ 6733  
~~Only~~ 6734

(C) Only an affidavit by the person or agent of the person 6735

to whom possession of the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ 6736  
vehicle has passed, setting forth the facts entitling the person 6737  
to the possession and ownership, together with a copy of the 6738  
journal entry, court order, or instrument upon which the claim 6739  
of possession and ownership is founded, is satisfactory proof of 6740  
ownership and right of possession. If the applicant cannot 6741  
produce that proof of ownership, the applicant may apply 6742  
directly to the registrar of motor vehicles and submit the 6743  
applicant's evidence the applicant has, and the of ownership. 6744  
The registrar, upon finding the evidence sufficient, may 6745  
authorize the clerk to issue a certificate of title. If, from 6746  
the records in the office of the clerk, there appears to be any 6747  
lien on the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle, the 6748  
certificate of title shall contain a statement of the lien 6749  
unless the application is accompanied by proper evidence of its 6750  
extinction. 6751

~~(B)-(D)~~ Upon the death of one of the persons who have 6752  
established joint ownership with right of survivorship under 6753  
section 2131.12 of the Revised Code in an off-highway motorcycle 6754  
~~or all-purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility 6755  
vehicle, or mini-truck and the presentation to the clerk of the 6756  
title and the certificate of death of the deceased person, the 6757  
clerk shall enter into the records the transfer of the ~~off-~~ 6758  
~~highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle to the surviving 6759  
person, ~~and the~~. The title to the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or 6760  
~~all-purpose~~ vehicle immediately passes to the surviving person. 6761  
The transfer does not affect any liens on the ~~off-highway~~ 6762  
motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle. 6763

~~(C)-(E)~~ Upon the death of an owner of an off-highway 6764  
motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, 6765  
utility vehicle, or mini-truck designated in beneficiary form 6766

under section 2131.13 of the Revised Code, upon application of 6767  
the transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries designated 6768  
pursuant to that section, and upon presentation to the clerk of 6769  
the certificate of title and the certificate of death of the 6770  
deceased owner, the clerk shall transfer the ~~off-highway~~ 6771  
motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle and issue a certificate of 6772  
title to the transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries. The 6773  
transfer does not affect any liens upon any ~~off-highway~~ 6774  
motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle so transferred. 6775

**Sec. 4519.61.** (A) Each owner of an off-highway motorcycle 6776  
~~or all-purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility 6777  
vehicle, or mini-truck and each person mentioned as owner in the 6778  
last certificate of title, when ~~the off-highway that~~ motorcycle 6779  
or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle is dismantled, destroyed, or changed in 6780  
such manner that it loses its character as ~~an off-highway the~~ 6781  
original motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle titled, or changed in 6782  
such manner that it is not the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-~~ 6783  
~~purpose~~ vehicle described in the certificate of title, shall 6784  
surrender the certificate of title to a clerk of a court of 6785  
common pleas, ~~and the~~. The clerk, with the consent of the 6786  
holders of any liens noted on the certificate of title, then 6787  
shall enter a cancellation upon the clerk's records and shall 6788  
notify the registrar of motor vehicles of the cancellation. 6789

Upon the cancellation of a certificate of title in the 6790  
manner prescribed by this section, any clerk and the registrar 6791  
may cancel and destroy all certificates and all memorandum 6792  
certificates in that chain of title. 6793

(B) If an Ohio certificate of title or salvage certificate 6794  
of title to an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, all- 6795  
terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck is 6796



assigned to a salvage dealer, the dealer shall not be required 6797  
to obtain an Ohio certificate of title or a salvage certificate 6798  
of title to the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle in 6799  
the dealer's own name if the dealer ~~dismantles~~ does all of the 6800  
following: 6801

(1) Dismantles or destroys the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or 6802  
~~all-purpose~~ vehicle, ~~completes~~; 6803

(2) Completes the assignment on the certificate of title 6804  
or salvage certificate of title, ~~indicates~~; 6805

(3) Indicates the number of the dealer's motor vehicle 6806  
salvage dealer's license on it, ~~marks~~; 6807

(4) Marks "FOR DESTRUCTION" across the face of the 6808  
certificate of title or salvage certificate of title, ~~and~~ 6809  
~~surrenders~~; 6810

(5) Surrenders the certificate of title or salvage 6811  
certificate of title to a clerk of a court of common pleas as 6812  
provided in division (A) of this section. ~~If~~ 6813

If the salvage dealer retains the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle 6814  
or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle for resale, the salvage dealer shall make 6815  
application for a salvage certificate of title to the ~~off-~~ 6816  
~~highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle in the salvage 6817  
dealer's own name as provided in division (C) (1) of this 6818  
section. 6819

(C) (1) When an insurance company declares it economically 6820  
impractical to repair the off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~ 6821  
, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini- 6822  
truck, and has paid an agreed price for the purchase of the ~~off-~~ 6823  
~~highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle to any insured or 6824  
claimant owner, the insurance company shall receive the 6825

certificate of title and ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ 6826  
vehicle and proceed as follows. Within thirty days, the 6827  
insurance company shall deliver the certificate of title to a 6828  
clerk of a court of common pleas and shall make application for 6829  
a salvage certificate of title. The clerk shall issue the 6830  
salvage certificate of title on a form, prescribed by the 6831  
registrar, that shall be easily distinguishable from the 6832  
original certificate of title and shall ~~bear~~ display the same 6833  
information as the original certificate of title except that it 6834  
may ~~bear~~ display a different number from that of the original 6835  
certificate of title. Except as provided in division (C) (2) of 6836  
this section, the salvage certificate of title shall be assigned 6837  
by the insurance company to a salvage dealer or any other person 6838  
for use as evidence of ownership upon the sale or other 6839  
disposition of the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ 6840  
vehicle, and the salvage certificate of title shall be 6841  
transferable to any other person. The clerk of the court of 6842  
common pleas shall charge a fee of four dollars for the cost of 6843  
processing each salvage certificate of title. 6844

(2) If an insurance company considers ~~an off-highway~~ the 6845  
motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle as described in division (C) 6846  
(1) of this section to be impossible to restore to normal 6847  
operation, the insurance company may assign the certificate of 6848  
title to the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle to a 6849  
salvage dealer or scrap metal processing facility and send the 6850  
assigned certificate of title to the clerk of the court of 6851  
common pleas of any county. The insurance company shall mark the 6852  
face of the certificate of title "FOR DESTRUCTION" and shall 6853  
deliver a photocopy of the certificate of title to the salvage 6854  
dealer or scrap metal processing facility for its records. 6855

(3) If an insurance company declares it economically 6856

impractical to repair ~~an off-highway~~ the motorcycle or ~~all-~~ 6857  
~~purpose~~ vehicle, agrees to pay to the insured or claimant owner 6858  
an amount in settlement of a claim against a policy of motor 6859  
vehicle insurance covering the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-~~ 6860  
~~purpose~~ vehicle, and agrees to permit the insured or claimant 6861  
owner to retain possession of the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-~~ 6862  
~~purpose~~ vehicle, the insurance company shall not pay the insured 6863  
or claimant owner any amount in settlement of the insurance 6864  
claim until the owner obtains a salvage certificate of title to 6865  
the vehicle and furnishes a copy of the salvage certificate of 6866  
title to the insurance company. 6867

(D) When a self-insured organization, rental or leasing 6868  
company, or secured creditor becomes the owner of an off-highway 6869  
motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, 6870  
utility vehicle, or mini-truck that is burned, damaged, or 6871  
dismantled and is determined to be economically impractical to 6872  
repair, the self-insured organization, rental or leasing 6873  
company, or secured creditor shall do one of the following: 6874

(1) Mark the face of the certificate of title to the ~~off-~~ 6875  
~~highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle "FOR DESTRUCTION" and 6876  
surrender the certificate of title to a clerk of a court of 6877  
common pleas for cancellation as described in division (A) of 6878  
this section. The self-insured organization, rental or leasing 6879  
company, or secured creditor then shall deliver the ~~off-highway-~~ 6880  
motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle, together with a photocopy of 6881  
the certificate of title, to a salvage dealer or scrap metal 6882  
processing facility and shall cause the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle 6883  
or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle to be dismantled, flattened, crushed, or 6884  
destroyed. 6885

(2) Obtain a salvage certificate of title to the ~~off-~~ 6886

~~highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle~~ in the name of the 6887  
self-insured organization, rental or leasing company, or secured 6888  
creditor, as provided in division (C) (1) of this section, and 6889  
then sell or otherwise dispose of the ~~off-highway motorcycle or~~ 6890  
~~all-purpose vehicle~~. If the ~~off-highway motorcycle or all-~~ 6891  
~~purpose vehicle~~ is sold, the self-insured organization, rental 6892  
or leasing company, or secured creditor shall obtain a salvage 6893  
certificate of title to the ~~off-highway motorcycle or all-~~ 6894  
~~purpose vehicle~~ in the name of the purchaser from a clerk of a 6895  
court of common pleas. 6896

(E) If an ~~off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose~~, all- 6897  
terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck 6898  
titled with a salvage certificate of title is restored for 6899  
operation, application shall be made to a clerk of a court of 6900  
common pleas for a certificate of title after inspection by the 6901  
state highway patrol. The inspection shall include establishing 6902  
proof of ownership and an inspection of the motor number and 6903  
vehicle identification number of the ~~off-highway motorcycle or~~ 6904  
~~all-purpose vehicle~~ and of documentation or receipts for the 6905  
materials used in restoration by the owner of the ~~off-highway-~~ 6906  
~~motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle~~ being inspected, which 6907  
documentation or receipts shall be presented at the time of 6908  
inspection. Upon successful completion of the inspection, the 6909  
state highway patrol shall issue to the owner a completed 6910  
inspection form. The clerk, upon submission of the completed 6911  
inspection form and surrender of the salvage certificate of 6912  
title, shall issue a certificate of title for a fee prescribed 6913  
by the registrar. The certificate of title shall be in the same 6914  
form as the original certificate of title and shall bear the 6915  
words "REBUILT SALVAGE" in black boldface letters on its face. 6916  
Every subsequent certificate of title, memorandum certificate of 6917

title, or certified copy of a certificate of title or memorandum 6918  
certificate of title issued for the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or 6919  
~~all-purpose~~ vehicle also shall bear the words "REBUILT SALVAGE" 6920  
in black boldface letters on its face. The exact location on the 6921  
face of the certificate of title of the words "REBUILT SALVAGE" 6922  
shall be determined by the registrar, who shall develop an 6923  
automated procedure within the automated title processing system 6924  
to comply with this division. The clerk shall use reasonable 6925  
care in performing the duties imposed on the clerk by this 6926  
division in issuing a certificate of title pursuant to this 6927  
division, but the clerk is not liable for errors or omissions of 6928  
the clerk of courts, the clerk's deputies, or the automated 6929  
title processing system in the performance of such duties. A fee 6930  
of fifty dollars shall be assessed by the state highway patrol 6931  
for each inspection made pursuant to this division. 6932

(F) No ~~off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose~~, all-terrain 6933  
vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck the 6934  
certificate of title to which has been marked "FOR DESTRUCTION" 6935  
and surrendered to a clerk of a court of common pleas shall be 6936  
used for anything except parts and scrap metal. 6937

**Sec. 4519.62.** In the event of a lost or destroyed 6938  
certificate of title, application shall be made to a clerk of a 6939  
court of common pleas, by the owner of the off-highway 6940  
~~motorcycle or all-purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, 6941  
utility vehicle, or mini-truck, or the holder of a lien on it, 6942  
for a certified copy of the certificate, upon a form prescribed 6943  
by the registrar of motor vehicles and accompanied by the fee 6944  
prescribed by section 4519.59 of the Revised Code. The 6945  
application shall be signed and sworn to by the person making 6946  
the application, and the clerk shall issue a certified copy of 6947  
the certificate of title to the person entitled to receive it 6948

under this chapter. The certified copy shall be plainly marked 6949  
across its face with the word "duplicate," and any subsequent 6950  
purchaser of the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle 6951  
in the chain of title originating through the certified copy 6952  
acquires only such rights in the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-~~ 6953  
~~purpose~~ vehicle as the original holder of the certified copy 6954  
had. Any purchaser of the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ 6955  
vehicle, at the time of purchase, may require the seller of the 6956  
same to indemnify the purchaser and all subsequent purchasers of 6957  
the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle against any 6958  
loss that the purchaser or subsequent purchasers may suffer by 6959  
reason of any claim presented upon the original certificate. In 6960  
the event of the recovery of the original certificate of title 6961  
by the owner, the owner shall surrender it immediately to the 6962  
clerk for cancellation. 6963

The holder of a certificate of title for an off-highway 6964  
motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, 6965  
utility vehicle, or mini-truck upon which is noted an existing 6966  
lien, encumbrance, or mortgage, may make application at any time 6967  
to a clerk for a memorandum certificate, which application shall 6968  
be made in the form prescribed by the registrar and signed and 6969  
sworn to by the applicant. Upon receipt of the application, if 6970  
it appears to be correct, together with the fee prescribed by 6971  
section 4519.59 of the Revised Code, the clerk shall issue to 6972  
the applicant a memorandum certificate for the ~~off-highway~~ 6973  
motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle. If the memorandum certificate 6974  
is lost or destroyed, the holder of it may obtain a certified 6975  
copy of it upon the filing of an application with the clerk on a 6976  
form prescribed by the registrar, accompanied by the fee 6977  
prescribed in section 4519.59 of the Revised Code. The 6978  
memorandum certificate is not assignable and constitutes no 6979

evidence of title or of right to transfer or encumber the ~~off-~~ 6980  
~~highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle described in it. 6981

**Sec. 4519.63.** (A) The registrar of motor vehicles or the 6982  
clerk of the court of common pleas, upon the application of any 6983  
person and payment of the proper fee, may prepare and furnish 6984  
title information regarding off-highway motorcycles ~~and all-~~ 6985  
~~purpose~~, all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles, utility vehicles, 6986  
and mini-trucks in the form and subject to any territorial 6987  
division or other classification as they may direct. The 6988  
registrar or the clerk may search the records of the bureau of 6989  
motor vehicles regarding ~~off-highway~~ those motorcycles and ~~all-~~ 6990  
~~purpose~~ vehicles and furnish reports of those records under the 6991  
signature of the registrar or the clerk. 6992

(B) (1) Fees for lists containing title information shall 6993  
be charged and collected as follows: 6994

(a) For lists containing three thousand titles or more, 6995  
twenty-five dollars per thousand or part thereof; 6996

(b) For each report of a search of the records, the fee is 6997  
five dollars per copy. The registrar and clerk may certify 6998  
copies of records generated by an automated title processing 6999  
system. 7000

(2) A copy of any such report shall be taken as prima- 7001  
facie evidence of the facts therein stated in any court of the 7002  
state. The registrar and the clerk shall furnish information on 7003  
any title without charge to state highway patrol troopers, 7004  
sheriffs, chiefs of police, or the attorney general. The clerk 7005  
also may provide a copy of a certificate of title to a public 7006  
agency without charge. 7007

(C) (1) Those fees collected by the registrar as provided 7008

in division (B) (1) (a) of this section shall be paid to the 7009  
treasurer of state to the credit of the public safety - highway 7010  
purposes fund established in section 4501.06 of the Revised 7011  
Code. Those fees collected by the clerk as provided in division 7012  
(B) (1) (a) of this section shall be paid to the certificate of 7013  
title administration fund created by section 325.33 of the 7014  
Revised Code. 7015

(2) The registrar shall pay each five-dollar fee the 7016  
registrar collects under division (B) (1) (b) of this section into 7017  
the state treasury to the credit of the public safety - highway 7018  
purposes fund established in section 4501.06 of the Revised 7019  
Code. 7020

(3) The clerk of the court of common pleas shall retain 7021  
two dollars of each fee the clerk collects under division (B) (1) 7022  
(b) of this section and deposit that two dollars into the 7023  
certificate of title administration fund created by section 7024  
325.33 of the Revised Code. The clerk shall forward the 7025  
remaining three dollars to the registrar not later than the 7026  
fifth day of the month next succeeding that in which the 7027  
transaction occurred. The registrar shall deposit the three- 7028  
dollar portion of each fee into the state treasury to the credit 7029  
of the public safety - highway purposes fund established in 7030  
section 4501.06 of the Revised Code. 7031

**Sec. 4519.631.** The registrar of motor vehicles shall 7032  
enable the public to access off-highway motorcycle ~~and all-~~ 7033  
~~purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, and 7034  
mini-truck title information via electronic means. No fee shall 7035  
be charged for this access. The title information that must be 7036  
so accessible is only the title information that is in an 7037  
electronic format at the time a person requests this access. 7038



The registrar shall establish procedures governing this 7039  
access. The procedures may be established by rule in accordance 7040  
with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. In adopting the rules, 7041  
the registrar shall confer with the clerks of the courts of 7042  
common pleas. 7043

Access by the public to ~~off-highway~~ the motorcycle and 7044  
~~all-purpose~~ vehicle title information under this section shall 7045  
comply with all restrictions contained in the Revised Code and 7046  
federal law that govern the disclosure of that information. 7047

**Sec. 4519.64.** Manufacturers and importers of off-highway 7048  
motorcycles or ~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain vehicles shall appoint 7049  
and authorize agents who shall sign manufacturer's or importer's 7050  
certificates. The registrar of motor vehicles may require that a 7051  
certified copy of a list containing the names and the facsimile 7052  
signatures of the authorized agents be furnished to the 7053  
registrar and be forwarded to each clerk of the court of common 7054  
pleas in the respective counties within the state, and the 7055  
registrar may prescribe the form of authorization to be used by 7056  
the manufacturers or importers and the method of certification 7057  
of the names of the agents. 7058

**Sec. 4519.65.** The clerk of the court of common pleas and 7059  
the clerk's deputies may administer oaths on any application or 7060  
affidavit required or authorized by this chapter. 7061

**Sec. 4519.66.** (A) No person shall do any of the following: 7062

(1) Operate in this state an off-highway motorcycle ~~or~~ 7063  
~~all-purpose~~, an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility 7064  
vehicle, or a mini-truck without having a certificate of title 7065  
for the ~~off-highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle, if such a 7066  
certificate is required by this chapter to be issued for the 7067

~~off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle~~, or, if a physical  
certificate of title has not been issued for it and a  
certificate of title is required under this chapter for that  
motorcycle or vehicle, operate an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-~~  
~~purpose~~, an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility  
vehicle, or a mini-truck knowing that the ownership information  
relating to the motorcycle or vehicle has not been entered into  
the automated title processing system by a clerk of a court of  
common pleas;

(2) Operate in this state an off-highway motorcycle ~~or~~  
~~all-purpose~~, an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility  
vehicle, or a mini-truck if a certificate of title to the ~~off-~~  
~~highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle~~ has been issued and  
then has been canceled;

(3) Fail to surrender any certificate of title upon  
cancellation of it by the registrar of motor vehicles and notice  
of the cancellation as prescribed in this chapter;

(4) Fail to surrender the certificate of title to a clerk  
of a court of common pleas as provided in this chapter, in case  
of the destruction or dismantling of, or change in, the off-  
highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle,  
snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck described in the  
certificate of title;

(5) Violate any provision of sections 4519.51 to 4519.70  
of the Revised Code for which no penalty is otherwise provided  
or any lawful rules adopted pursuant to those sections;

(6) Operate in this state an off-highway motorcycle ~~or~~  
~~all-purpose~~, an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility  
vehicle, or a mini-truck knowing that the certificate of title

to or ownership of the motorcycle or vehicle as otherwise 7097  
reflected in the automated title processing system has been 7098  
canceled. 7099

(B) Whoever violates this section shall be fined not more 7100  
than two hundred dollars, imprisoned not more than ninety days, 7101  
or both. 7102

**Sec. 4519.67.** (A) No person shall do any of the following: 7103

(1) Procure or attempt to procure a certificate of title 7104  
to an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all purpose~~, an all-terrain 7105  
vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini-truck, or 7106  
pass or attempt to pass a certificate of title or any assignment 7107  
of a certificate of title to an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-~~ 7108  
~~purpose~~, an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility 7109  
vehicle, or a mini-truck, or in any other manner gain or attempt 7110  
to gain ownership to an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all purpose~~,  7111  
an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a 7112  
mini-truck, knowing or having reason to believe that the ~~off-~~ 7113  
~~highway~~ motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle has been stolen; 7114

(2) Sell or offer for sale in this state an off-highway 7115  
motorcycle ~~or all purpose~~, an all-terrain vehicle, a 7116  
snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini-truck on which the 7117  
manufacturer's or assigned vehicle identification number has 7118  
been destroyed, removed, covered, altered, or defaced with 7119  
knowledge of the destruction, removal, covering, alteration, or 7120  
defacement of the manufacturer's or assigned vehicle 7121  
identification number; 7122

(3) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, sell or 7123  
transfer ~~an a titled off-highway motorcycle or all purpose~~,  7124  
all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck 7125

without delivering to the purchaser or transferee of it a 7126  
certificate of title, or a manufacturer's or importer's 7127  
certificate to it, assigned to the purchaser as provided for in 7128  
this chapter. 7129

(B) Whoever violates this section shall be fined not more 7130  
than five thousand dollars, imprisoned in the county jail ~~or~~ 7131  
~~workhouse~~ not less than six months nor more than one year or in 7132  
~~the penitentiary~~ a state correctional institution not less than 7133  
one year nor more than five years, or both. 7134

**Sec. 4519.68.** (A) (1) Chapter 1309. of the Revised Code 7135  
does not permit or require the deposit, filing, or other record 7136  
of a security interest covering an off-highway motorcycle ~~or~~ 7137  
~~all-purpose~~, an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility 7138  
vehicle, or a mini-truck, except as provided in division (A) (2) 7139  
of this section. 7140

(2) Chapter 1309. of the Revised Code applies to a 7141  
security interest in an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, 7142  
an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a 7143  
mini-truck held as inventory, as defined in section 1309.102 of 7144  
the Revised Code, for sale by a dealer. The security interest 7145  
has priority over creditors of the dealer as provided in Chapter 7146  
1309. of the Revised Code without notation of the security 7147  
interest on a certificate of title, without entry of a notation 7148  
of the security interest into the automated title processing 7149  
system if a physical certificate of title has not been issued, 7150  
or without the retention of a manufacturer's or importer's 7151  
certificate. 7152

(B) Subject to division (A) of this section, any security 7153  
agreement covering a security interest in an off-highway 7154  
motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, an all-terrain vehicle, a 7155

snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini-truck, if a notation of 7156  
the agreement has been made by a clerk of a court of common 7157  
pleas on the face of the certificate of title or if the clerk 7158  
has entered a notation of the agreement into the automated title 7159  
processing system if a physical certificate of title has not 7160  
been issued, is valid as against the creditors of the debtor, 7161  
whether armed with process or not, and against subsequent 7162  
purchasers, secured parties, and other lienholders or claimants. 7163  
All security interests, liens, mortgages, and encumbrances 7164  
entered into the automated title processing system in relation 7165  
to a particular certificate of title, regardless of whether a 7166  
physical certificate of title is issued, take priority according 7167  
to the order of time in which they are entered into the 7168  
automated title processing system by the clerk. Exposure for 7169  
sale of any off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, all-terrain 7170  
vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck by its 7171  
owner, with the knowledge or with the knowledge and consent of 7172  
the holder of any security interest, lien, mortgage, or 7173  
encumbrance on it, does not render the security interest, lien, 7174  
mortgage, or encumbrance ineffective as against the creditors of 7175  
the owner, or against holders of subsequent security interests, 7176  
liens, mortgages, or encumbrances upon the ~~off-highway~~ 7177  
motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle. 7178

The secured party, upon presentation of evidence of a 7179  
security interest to a clerk of a court of common pleas, 7180  
together with the certificate of title if a physical certificate 7181  
of title for the off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, all- 7182  
terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck 7183  
exists, and the fee prescribed by section 4519.59 of the Revised 7184  
Code, may have a notation of the security interest made. Unless 7185  
the secured party specifically requests the clerk not to issue a 7186

physical certificate of title and instead to issue an electronic 7187  
certificate of title, the clerk, over the clerk's signature and 7188  
seal of office, shall issue a new original certificate of title 7189  
from the automated title processing system that indicates the 7190  
security interest and the date of the security interest. 7191

If a security interest is fully discharged as a result of 7192  
its holder's receipt of good funds in the correct amount and if 7193  
the holder holds a physical certificate of title, the holder 7194  
shall note the discharge of the security interest over the 7195  
holder's signature on the face of the certificate of title, or 7196  
over the holder's signature on a form prescribed by the 7197  
registrar of motor vehicles when there is no space for the 7198  
discharge on the face of the certificate of title. Except as 7199  
otherwise provided in this section, prior to delivering the 7200  
certificate of title to the owner, the holder or the holder's 7201  
agent shall convey the certificate of title or a separate sworn 7202  
statement of the discharge of the security interest to a clerk. 7203  
The conveyance shall occur not more than seven business days 7204  
after the date good funds in the correct amount to discharge 7205  
fully the security interest have been credited to an account of 7206  
the holder, provided the holder has been provided accurate 7207  
information concerning the off-highway motorcycle ~~or all purpose~~ 7208  
, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini- 7209  
truck. Conveyance of the certificate of title or separate sworn 7210  
statement of the discharge within the required seven business 7211  
days may be indicated by postmark or receipt by a clerk within 7212  
that period. If the discharge of the security interest appears 7213  
to be genuine, the clerk shall note the cancellation of the 7214  
security interest on the face of the certificate of title, if it 7215  
was so conveyed, and also shall note it in the automated title 7216  
processing system. 7217

If a security interest is fully discharged as a result of 7218  
its holder's receipt of good funds in the correct amount and the 7219  
holder does not hold a physical certificate of title, when the 7220  
holder notifies a clerk of the discharge of its security 7221  
interest, the holder at that time also may request the clerk to 7222  
issue a physical certificate of title to the off-highway 7223  
~~motorcycle or all purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, 7224  
utility vehicle, or mini-truck. The request shall specify 7225  
whether the clerk is to send the certificate of title directly 7226  
to the owner or to the holder or the holder's agent for 7227  
transmission to the owner. If such a request is made, the clerk 7228  
shall issue a physical certificate of title and send it to the 7229  
specified person. 7230

The clerk shall not honor such a request for a physical 7231  
certificate of title if it is not made by the holder at the same 7232  
time as the holder's notification to the clerk of the discharge 7233  
of its security interest. 7234

(C) In all cases, a secured party may choose to present a 7235  
clerk with evidence of a security interest via electronic means, 7236  
and the clerk shall enter the security interest into the 7237  
automated title processing system. A secured party also may 7238  
choose to notify a clerk of the discharge of its security 7239  
interest via electronic means, and the clerk shall enter the 7240  
cancellation into the automated title processing system. 7241

(D) If a physical certificate of title has not been issued 7242  
for an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all purpose~~, an all-terrain 7243  
vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini-truck and 7244  
all the security interests relating to that motorcycle or 7245  
vehicle have been discharged, the owner of the motorcycle or 7246  
vehicle may obtain a physical certificate of title from the 7247

clerk of any court of common pleas upon payment of the fee 7248  
specified in section 4519.59 of the Revised Code. 7249

(E) If a clerk of a court of common pleas, other than the 7250  
clerk of the court of common pleas of the county in which the 7251  
owner of an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, an all- 7252  
terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini- 7253  
truck resides, enters a notation of the existence of, or the 7254  
cancellation of, a security interest relating to the ~~off-highway~~ 7255  
motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle, the clerk shall transmit the 7256  
data relating to the notation to the automated title processing 7257  
system. 7258

**Sec. 4519.69.** (A) If the application for a certificate of 7259  
title refers to an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose~~, an 7260  
all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini- 7261  
truck last previously registered in another state, including 7262  
when the motorcycle or vehicle was titled as an "off-road 7263  
vehicle" in the other state, the application shall be 7264  
accompanied by a physical inspection certificate ~~issued by the~~ . 7265  
The department of public safety ~~verifying shall issue the~~ 7266  
physical inspection certificate, which shall verify the make, 7267  
year, series or model, if any, body type, and manufacturer's 7268  
identification number of the off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-~~ 7269  
~~purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or 7270  
mini-truck for which the certificate of title is desired. The 7271  
physical inspection certificate shall be in such form as is 7272  
designated by the registrar of motor vehicles. ~~The~~ 7273

(B) The physical inspection of the off-highway motorcycle 7274  
~~or all-purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility 7275  
vehicle, or mini-truck shall be made at a deputy registrar's 7276  
office, or at an established place of business operated by a 7277



licensed motor vehicle dealer. Additionally, the physical 7278  
inspection of a salvage off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose,~~ 7279  
all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck 7280  
owned by an insurance company may be made at an established 7281  
place of business operated by a salvage motor vehicle dealer 7282  
licensed under Chapter 4738. of the Revised Code. The deputy 7283  
registrar, the motor vehicle dealer, or the salvage motor 7284  
vehicle dealer may charge a maximum fee equal to the amount 7285  
established under section 4503.038 of the Revised Code for 7286  
conducting the physical inspection. 7287

(C) The clerk of the court of common pleas shall charge a 7288  
fee of one dollar and fifty cents for the processing of each 7289  
physical inspection certificate. The clerk shall retain fifty 7290  
cents of the one dollar and fifty cents so charged and shall pay 7291  
the remaining one dollar to the registrar by monthly returns, 7292  
which shall be forwarded to the registrar not later than the 7293  
fifth day of the month next succeeding that in which the 7294  
certificate is received by the clerk. The registrar shall pay 7295  
such remaining sums into the state treasury to the credit of the 7296  
public safety - highway purposes fund established in section 7297  
4501.06 of the Revised Code. 7298

**Sec. 4519.70.** (A) (1) No minor under eighteen years of age 7299  
shall purchase or otherwise acquire an off-highway motorcycle ~~or~~ 7300  
~~all-purpose,~~ an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility 7301  
vehicle, or a mini-truck and obtain a certificate of title for 7302  
the motorcycle or vehicle unless the application for the 7303  
certificate of title is accompanied by a form prescribed by the 7304  
registrar of motor vehicles that is signed by a parent of the 7305  
minor, the minor's guardian, or other person having custody of 7306  
the minor authorizing the purchase or acquisition of the ~~off-~~ 7307  
~~highway motorcycle or all-purpose~~ vehicle. 7308

(2) No minor under eighteen years of age shall sell or 7309  
otherwise dispose of an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose,~~ 7310  
an all-terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a 7311  
mini-truck for which a certificate of title has been issued 7312  
under this chapter unless a parent of the minor, the minor's 7313  
guardian, or other person having custody of the minor furnishes 7314  
to the buyer or person acquiring the motorcycle or vehicle, at 7315  
the time of the sale or disposition, a form prescribed by the 7316  
registrar that is signed by the parent, guardian, or other 7317  
person authorizing the sale or disposition of the ~~off-highway~~ 7318  
motorcycle or ~~all-purpose~~ vehicle. 7319

(B) (1) At the time an application for a certificate of 7320  
title for an off-highway motorcycle ~~or all-purpose,~~ an all- 7321  
terrain vehicle, a snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini- 7322  
truck described in division (A) of this section is submitted, 7323  
one of the following shall occur: 7324

(a) The adult who signed the form authorizing the sale, 7325  
disposition, purchase, or acquisition of the motorcycle or 7326  
vehicle by the minor shall be present and shall provide 7327  
identification establishing that the adult is the individual 7328  
whose signature appears on the form. 7329

(b) A dealer or the dealer's designee, if the transaction 7330  
involves that dealer, shall submit a signed statement affirming 7331  
that the dealer or the dealer's designee used reasonable 7332  
diligence in ascertaining the age of the minor and the identity 7333  
of the adult who signed the form and that the adult provided the 7334  
identification required by division (B) of this section 7335  
establishing that the adult is the individual whose signature 7336  
appears on the form. 7337

(2) The registrar shall prescribe, by rule, the types of 7338

identification that are acceptable for the purposes of division 7339  
(B) of this section. If the adult who signed the form does not 7340  
provide identification at the time of application to the clerk 7341  
of court or to the dealer at the time of sale, disposition, 7342  
purchase, or acquisition as required by this division, the 7343  
application shall be refused. 7344

(C) No right, title, claim to, or interest in an off- 7345  
highway motorcycle ~~or all purpose~~, an all-terrain vehicle, a 7346  
snowmobile, a utility vehicle, or a mini-truck shall be acquired 7347  
by or from a minor unless the application for a certificate of 7348  
title for the motorcycle or vehicle is accompanied by the form 7349  
required by this section. 7350

(D) No clerk of a court of common pleas shall be held 7351  
liable in any civil action that arises under the law of this 7352  
state for injury or loss to persons or property caused when a 7353  
person has obtained a certificate of title in violation of this 7354  
section, unless the clerk failed to use reasonable diligence in 7355  
ascertaining the age of the minor or the identity of the adult 7356  
who signed the form authorizing the sale, disposition, purchase, 7357  
or acquisition of the off-highway motorcycle ~~or all purpose~~, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, utility vehicle, or mini-truck 7358  
by the minor. 7359  
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Sec. 4519.99. Unless otherwise specified, the offenses 7361  
established under this chapter are strict liability offenses and 7362  
section 2901.20 of the Revised Code does not apply. The 7363  
designation of these offenses as strict liability offenses shall 7364  
not be construed to imply that any other offense, for which 7365  
there is no specified degree of culpability, is not a strict 7366  
liability offense. 7367

**Sec. 5553.044.** In any proceeding on a petition or 7368

resolution to vacate a road which begins on a public road and 7369  
ends on a public road, the board of county commissioners may 7370  
determine the suitability of the road for public nonmotorized 7371  
vehicular recreational use. Such uses include, but are not 7372  
limited to, hiking, bicycling, horseback riding, and ski 7373  
touring. They do not include use by motorcycles, snowmobiles, 7374  
~~all purpose all-terrain~~ vehicles, or any other form of motorized 7375  
vehicle. If the board finds that such uses will not unreasonably 7376  
interfere with current land uses along the road, it may vacate 7377  
the road subject to the preservation of a public right of way at 7378  
least thirty feet wide within such roadway for such uses. 7379

**Sec. 5739.02.** For the purpose of providing revenue with 7380  
which to meet the needs of the state, for the use of the general 7381  
revenue fund of the state, for the purpose of securing a 7382  
thorough and efficient system of common schools throughout the 7383  
state, for the purpose of affording revenues, in addition to 7384  
those from general property taxes, permitted under 7385  
constitutional limitations, and from other sources, for the 7386  
support of local governmental functions, and for the purpose of 7387  
reimbursing the state for the expense of administering this 7388  
chapter, an excise tax is hereby levied on each retail sale made 7389  
in this state. 7390

(A) (1) The tax shall be collected as provided in section 7391  
5739.025 of the Revised Code. The rate of the tax shall be five 7392  
and three-fourths per cent. The tax applies and is collectible 7393  
when the sale is made, regardless of the time when the price is 7394  
paid or delivered. 7395

(2) In the case of the lease or rental, with a fixed term 7396  
of more than thirty days or an indefinite term with a minimum 7397  
period of more than thirty days, of any motor vehicles designed 7398

by the manufacturer to carry a load of not more than one ton, 7399  
watercraft, outboard motor, or aircraft, or of any tangible 7400  
personal property, other than motor vehicles designed by the 7401  
manufacturer to carry a load of more than one ton, to be used by 7402  
the lessee or renter primarily for business purposes, the tax 7403  
shall be collected by the vendor at the time the lease or rental 7404  
is consummated and shall be calculated by the vendor on the 7405  
basis of the total amount to be paid by the lessee or renter 7406  
under the lease agreement. If the total amount of the 7407  
consideration for the lease or rental includes amounts that are 7408  
not calculated at the time the lease or rental is executed, the 7409  
tax shall be calculated and collected by the vendor at the time 7410  
such amounts are billed to the lessee or renter. In the case of 7411  
an open-end lease or rental, the tax shall be calculated by the 7412  
vendor on the basis of the total amount to be paid during the 7413  
initial fixed term of the lease or rental, and for each 7414  
subsequent renewal period as it comes due. As used in this 7415  
division, "motor vehicle" has the same meaning as in section 7416  
4501.01 of the Revised Code, and "watercraft" includes an 7417  
outdrive unit attached to the watercraft. 7418

A lease with a renewal clause and a termination penalty or 7419  
similar provision that applies if the renewal clause is not 7420  
exercised is presumed to be a sham transaction. In such a case, 7421  
the tax shall be calculated and paid on the basis of the entire 7422  
length of the lease period, including any renewal periods, until 7423  
the termination penalty or similar provision no longer applies. 7424  
The taxpayer shall bear the burden, by a preponderance of the 7425  
evidence, that the transaction or series of transactions is not 7426  
a sham transaction. 7427

(3) Except as provided in division (A) (2) of this section, 7428  
in the case of a sale, the price of which consists in whole or 7429

in part of the lease or rental of tangible personal property, 7430  
the tax shall be measured by the installments of that lease or 7431  
rental. 7432

(4) In the case of a sale of a physical fitness facility 7433  
service or recreation and sports club service, the price of 7434  
which consists in whole or in part of a membership for the 7435  
receipt of the benefit of the service, the tax applicable to the 7436  
sale shall be measured by the installments thereof. 7437

(B) The tax does not apply to the following: 7438

(1) Sales to the state or any of its political 7439  
subdivisions, or to any other state or its political 7440  
subdivisions if the laws of that state exempt from taxation 7441  
sales made to this state and its political subdivisions; 7442

(2) Sales of food for human consumption off the premises 7443  
where sold; 7444

(3) Sales of food sold to students only in a cafeteria, 7445  
dormitory, fraternity, or sorority maintained in a private, 7446  
public, or parochial school, college, or university; 7447

(4) Sales of newspapers and sales or transfers of 7448  
magazines distributed as controlled circulation publications; 7449

(5) The furnishing, preparing, or serving of meals without 7450  
charge by an employer to an employee provided the employer 7451  
records the meals as part compensation for services performed or 7452  
work done; 7453

(6) (a) Sales of motor fuel upon receipt, use, 7454  
distribution, or sale of which in this state a tax is imposed by 7455  
the law of this state, but this exemption shall not apply to the 7456  
sale of motor fuel on which a refund of the tax is allowable 7457

under division (A) of section 5735.14 of the Revised Code; and 7458  
the tax commissioner may deduct the amount of tax levied by this 7459  
section applicable to the price of motor fuel when granting a 7460  
refund of motor fuel tax pursuant to division (A) of section 7461  
5735.14 of the Revised Code and shall cause the amount deducted 7462  
to be paid into the general revenue fund of this state; 7463

(b) Sales of motor fuel other than that described in 7464  
division (B) (6) (a) of this section and used for powering a 7465  
refrigeration unit on a vehicle other than one used primarily to 7466  
provide comfort to the operator or occupants of the vehicle. 7467

(7) Sales of natural gas by a natural gas company or 7468  
municipal gas utility, of water by a water-works company, or of 7469  
steam by a heating company, if in each case the thing sold is 7470  
delivered to consumers through pipes or conduits, and all sales 7471  
of communications services by a telegraph company, all terms as 7472  
defined in section 5727.01 of the Revised Code, and sales of 7473  
electricity delivered through wires; 7474

(8) Casual sales by a person, or auctioneer employed 7475  
directly by the person to conduct such sales, except as to such 7476  
sales of motor vehicles, watercraft or outboard motors required 7477  
to be titled under section 1548.06 of the Revised Code, 7478  
watercraft documented with the United States coast guard, 7479  
snowmobiles, and ~~all-purpose~~ all-terrain vehicles as defined in 7480  
section 4519.01 of the Revised Code; 7481

(9) (a) Sales of services or tangible personal property, 7482  
other than motor vehicles, mobile homes, and manufactured homes, 7483  
by churches, organizations exempt from taxation under section 7484  
501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or nonprofit 7485  
organizations operated exclusively for charitable purposes as 7486  
defined in division (B) (12) of this section, provided that the 7487

number of days on which such tangible personal property or 7488  
services, other than items never subject to the tax, are sold 7489  
does not exceed six in any calendar year, except as otherwise 7490  
provided in division (B) (9) (b) of this section. If the number of 7491  
days on which such sales are made exceeds six in any calendar 7492  
year, the church or organization shall be considered to be 7493  
engaged in business and all subsequent sales by it shall be 7494  
subject to the tax. In counting the number of days, all sales by 7495  
groups within a church or within an organization shall be 7496  
considered to be sales of that church or organization. 7497

(b) The limitation on the number of days on which tax- 7498  
exempt sales may be made by a church or organization under 7499  
division (B) (9) (a) of this section does not apply to sales made 7500  
by student clubs and other groups of students of a primary or 7501  
secondary school, or a parent-teacher association, booster 7502  
group, or similar organization that raises money to support or 7503  
fund curricular or extracurricular activities of a primary or 7504  
secondary school. 7505

(c) Divisions (B) (9) (a) and (b) of this section do not 7506  
apply to sales by a noncommercial educational radio or 7507  
television broadcasting station. 7508

(10) Sales not within the taxing power of this state under 7509  
the Constitution or laws of the United States or the 7510  
Constitution of this state; 7511

(11) Except for transactions that are sales under division 7512  
(B) (3) (p) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code, the 7513  
transportation of persons or property, unless the transportation 7514  
is by a private investigation and security service; 7515

(12) Sales of tangible personal property or services to 7516



churches, to organizations exempt from taxation under section 7517  
501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and to any other 7518  
nonprofit organizations operated exclusively for charitable 7519  
purposes in this state, no part of the net income of which 7520  
inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, 7521  
and no substantial part of the activities of which consists of 7522  
carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence 7523  
legislation; sales to offices administering one or more homes 7524  
for the aged or one or more hospital facilities exempt under 7525  
section 140.08 of the Revised Code; and sales to organizations 7526  
described in division (D) of section 5709.12 of the Revised 7527  
Code. 7528

"Charitable purposes" means the relief of poverty; the 7529  
improvement of health through the alleviation of illness, 7530  
disease, or injury; the operation of an organization exclusively 7531  
for the provision of professional, laundry, printing, and 7532  
purchasing services to hospitals or charitable institutions; the 7533  
operation of a home for the aged, as defined in section 5701.13 7534  
of the Revised Code; the operation of a radio or television 7535  
broadcasting station that is licensed by the federal 7536  
communications commission as a noncommercial educational radio 7537  
or television station; the operation of a nonprofit animal 7538  
adoption service or a county humane society; the promotion of 7539  
education by an institution of learning that maintains a faculty 7540  
of qualified instructors, teaches regular continuous courses of 7541  
study, and confers a recognized diploma upon completion of a 7542  
specific curriculum; the operation of a parent-teacher 7543  
association, booster group, or similar organization primarily 7544  
engaged in the promotion and support of the curricular or 7545  
extracurricular activities of a primary or secondary school; the 7546  
operation of a community or area center in which presentations 7547

in music, dramatics, the arts, and related fields are made in 7548  
order to foster public interest and education therein; the 7549  
production of performances in music, dramatics, and the arts; or 7550  
the promotion of education by an organization engaged in 7551  
carrying on research in, or the dissemination of, scientific and 7552  
technological knowledge and information primarily for the 7553  
public. 7554

Nothing in this division shall be deemed to exempt sales 7555  
to any organization for use in the operation or carrying on of a 7556  
trade or business, or sales to a home for the aged for use in 7557  
the operation of independent living facilities as defined in 7558  
division (A) of section 5709.12 of the Revised Code. 7559

(13) Building and construction materials and services sold 7560  
to construction contractors for incorporation into a structure 7561  
or improvement to real property under a construction contract 7562  
with this state or a political subdivision of this state, or 7563  
with the United States government or any of its agencies; 7564  
building and construction materials and services sold to 7565  
construction contractors for incorporation into a structure or 7566  
improvement to real property that are accepted for ownership by 7567  
this state or any of its political subdivisions, or by the 7568  
United States government or any of its agencies at the time of 7569  
completion of the structures or improvements; building and 7570  
construction materials sold to construction contractors for 7571  
incorporation into a horticulture structure or livestock 7572  
structure for a person engaged in the business of horticulture 7573  
or producing livestock; building materials and services sold to 7574  
a construction contractor for incorporation into a house of 7575  
public worship or religious education, or a building used 7576  
exclusively for charitable purposes under a construction 7577  
contract with an organization whose purpose is as described in 7578

division (B) (12) of this section; building materials and 7579  
services sold to a construction contractor for incorporation 7580  
into a building under a construction contract with an 7581  
organization exempt from taxation under section 501(c) (3) of the 7582  
Internal Revenue Code of 1986 when the building is to be used 7583  
exclusively for the organization's exempt purposes; building and 7584  
construction materials sold for incorporation into the original 7585  
construction of a sports facility under section 307.696 of the 7586  
Revised Code; building and construction materials and services 7587  
sold to a construction contractor for incorporation into real 7588  
property outside this state if such materials and services, when 7589  
sold to a construction contractor in the state in which the real 7590  
property is located for incorporation into real property in that 7591  
state, would be exempt from a tax on sales levied by that state; 7592  
building and construction materials for incorporation into a 7593  
transportation facility pursuant to a public-private agreement 7594  
entered into under sections 5501.70 to 5501.83 of the Revised 7595  
Code; until one calendar year after the construction of a 7596  
convention center that qualifies for property tax exemption 7597  
under section 5709.084 of the Revised Code is completed, 7598  
building and construction materials and services sold to a 7599  
construction contractor for incorporation into the real property 7600  
comprising that convention center; and building and construction 7601  
materials sold for incorporation into a structure or improvement 7602  
to real property that is used primarily as, or primarily in 7603  
support of, a manufacturing facility or research and development 7604  
facility and that is to be owned by a megaproject operator upon 7605  
completion and located at the site of a megaproject that 7606  
satisfies the criteria described in division (A) (11) (a) (ii) of 7607  
section 122.17 of the Revised Code, provided that the sale 7608  
occurs during the period that the megaproject operator has an 7609  
agreement for such megaproject with the tax credit authority 7610

under division (D) of section 122.17 of the Revised Code that 7611  
remains in effect and has not expired or been terminated. 7612

(14) Sales of ships or vessels or rail rolling stock used 7613  
or to be used principally in interstate or foreign commerce, and 7614  
repairs, alterations, fuel, and lubricants for such ships or 7615  
vessels or rail rolling stock; 7616

(15) Sales to persons primarily engaged in any of the 7617  
activities mentioned in division (B) (42) (a), (g), or (h) of this 7618  
section, to persons engaged in making retail sales, or to 7619  
persons who purchase for sale from a manufacturer tangible 7620  
personal property that was produced by the manufacturer in 7621  
accordance with specific designs provided by the purchaser, of 7622  
packages, including material, labels, and parts for packages, 7623  
and of machinery, equipment, and material for use primarily in 7624  
packaging tangible personal property produced for sale, 7625  
including any machinery, equipment, and supplies used to make 7626  
labels or packages, to prepare packages or products for 7627  
labeling, or to label packages or products, by or on the order 7628  
of the person doing the packaging, or sold at retail. "Packages" 7629  
includes bags, baskets, cartons, crates, boxes, cans, bottles, 7630  
bindings, wrappings, and other similar devices and containers, 7631  
but does not include motor vehicles or bulk tanks, trailers, or 7632  
similar devices attached to motor vehicles. "Packaging" means 7633  
placing in a package. Division (B) (15) of this section does not 7634  
apply to persons engaged in highway transportation for hire. 7635

(16) Sales of food to persons using supplemental nutrition 7636  
assistance program benefits to purchase the food. As used in 7637  
this division, "food" has the same meaning as in 7 U.S.C. 2012 7638  
and federal regulations adopted pursuant to the Food and 7639  
Nutrition Act of 2008. 7640

(17) Sales to persons engaged in farming, agriculture, horticulture, or floriculture, of tangible personal property for use or consumption primarily in the production by farming, agriculture, horticulture, or floriculture of other tangible personal property for use or consumption primarily in the production of tangible personal property for sale by farming, agriculture, horticulture, or floriculture; or material and parts for incorporation into any such tangible personal property for use or consumption in production; and of tangible personal property for such use or consumption in the conditioning or holding of products produced by and for such use, consumption, or sale by persons engaged in farming, agriculture, horticulture, or floriculture, except where such property is incorporated into real property;

(18) Sales of drugs for a human being that may be dispensed only pursuant to a prescription; insulin as recognized in the official United States pharmacopoeia; urine and blood testing materials when used by diabetics or persons with hypoglycemia to test for glucose or acetone; hypodermic syringes and needles when used by diabetics for insulin injections; epoetin alfa when purchased for use in the treatment of persons with medical disease; hospital beds when purchased by hospitals, nursing homes, or other medical facilities; and medical oxygen and medical oxygen-dispensing equipment when purchased by hospitals, nursing homes, or other medical facilities;

(19) Sales of prosthetic devices, durable medical equipment for home use, or mobility enhancing equipment, when made pursuant to a prescription and when such devices or equipment are for use by a human being.

(20) Sales of emergency and fire protection vehicles and

equipment to nonprofit organizations for use solely in providing 7671  
fire protection and emergency services, including trauma care 7672  
and emergency medical services, for political subdivisions of 7673  
the state; 7674

(21) Sales of tangible personal property manufactured in 7675  
this state, if sold by the manufacturer in this state to a 7676  
retailer for use in the retail business of the retailer outside 7677  
of this state and if possession is taken from the manufacturer 7678  
by the purchaser within this state for the sole purpose of 7679  
immediately removing the same from this state in a vehicle owned 7680  
by the purchaser; 7681

(22) Sales of services provided by the state or any of its 7682  
political subdivisions, agencies, instrumentalities, 7683  
institutions, or authorities, or by governmental entities of the 7684  
state or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, 7685  
instrumentalities, institutions, or authorities; 7686

(23) Sales of motor vehicles to nonresidents of this state 7687  
under the circumstances described in division (B) of section 7688  
5739.029 of the Revised Code; 7689

(24) Sales to persons engaged in the preparation of eggs 7690  
for sale of tangible personal property used or consumed directly 7691  
in such preparation, including such tangible personal property 7692  
used for cleaning, sanitizing, preserving, grading, sorting, and 7693  
classifying by size; packages, including material and parts for 7694  
packages, and machinery, equipment, and material for use in 7695  
packaging eggs for sale; and handling and transportation 7696  
equipment and parts therefor, except motor vehicles licensed to 7697  
operate on public highways, used in intraplant or interplant 7698  
transfers or shipment of eggs in the process of preparation for 7699  
sale, when the plant or plants within or between which such 7700

transfers or shipments occur are operated by the same person. 7701

"Packages" includes containers, cases, baskets, flats, fillers, 7702  
filler flats, cartons, closure materials, labels, and labeling 7703  
materials, and "packaging" means placing therein. 7704

(25) (a) Sales of water to a consumer for residential use; 7705

(b) Sales of water by a nonprofit corporation engaged 7706  
exclusively in the treatment, distribution, and sale of water to 7707  
consumers, if such water is delivered to consumers through pipes 7708  
or tubing. 7709

(26) Fees charged for inspection or reinspection of motor 7710  
vehicles under section 3704.14 of the Revised Code; 7711

(27) Sales to persons licensed to conduct a food service 7712  
operation pursuant to section 3717.43 of the Revised Code, of 7713  
tangible personal property primarily used directly for the 7714  
following: 7715

(a) To prepare food for human consumption for sale; 7716

(b) To preserve food that has been or will be prepared for 7717  
human consumption for sale by the food service operator, not 7718  
including tangible personal property used to display food for 7719  
selection by the consumer; 7720

(c) To clean tangible personal property used to prepare or 7721  
serve food for human consumption for sale. 7722

(28) Sales of animals by nonprofit animal adoption 7723  
services or county humane societies; 7724

(29) Sales of services to a corporation described in 7725  
division (A) of section 5709.72 of the Revised Code, and sales 7726  
of tangible personal property that qualifies for exemption from 7727  
taxation under section 5709.72 of the Revised Code; 7728

(30) Sales and installation of agricultural land tile, as 7729  
defined in division (B) (5) (a) of section 5739.01 of the Revised 7730  
Code; 7731

(31) Sales and erection or installation of portable grain 7732  
bins, as defined in division (B) (5) (b) of section 5739.01 of the 7733  
Revised Code; 7734

(32) The sale, lease, repair, and maintenance of, parts 7735  
for, or items attached to or incorporated in, motor vehicles 7736  
that are primarily used for transporting tangible personal 7737  
property belonging to others by a person engaged in highway 7738  
transportation for hire, except for packages and packaging used 7739  
for the transportation of tangible personal property; 7740

(33) Sales to the state headquarters of any veterans' 7741  
organization in this state that is either incorporated and 7742  
issued a charter by the congress of the United States or is 7743  
recognized by the United States veterans administration, for use 7744  
by the headquarters; 7745

(34) Sales to a telecommunications service vendor, mobile 7746  
telecommunications service vendor, or satellite broadcasting 7747  
service vendor of tangible personal property and services used 7748  
directly and primarily in transmitting, receiving, switching, or 7749  
recording any interactive, one- or two-way electromagnetic 7750  
communications, including voice, image, data, and information, 7751  
through the use of any medium, including, but not limited to, 7752  
poles, wires, cables, switching equipment, computers, and record 7753  
storage devices and media, and component parts for the tangible 7754  
personal property. The exemption provided in this division shall 7755  
be in lieu of all other exemptions under division (B) (42) (a) or 7756  
(n) of this section to which the vendor may otherwise be 7757  
entitled, based upon the use of the thing purchased in providing 7758



the telecommunications, mobile telecommunications, or satellite 7759  
broadcasting service. 7760

(35) (a) Sales where the purpose of the consumer is to use 7761  
or consume the things transferred in making retail sales and 7762  
consisting of newspaper inserts, catalogues, coupons, flyers, 7763  
gift certificates, or other advertising material that prices and 7764  
describes tangible personal property offered for retail sale. 7765

(b) Sales to direct marketing vendors of preliminary 7766  
materials such as photographs, artwork, and typesetting that 7767  
will be used in printing advertising material; and of printed 7768  
matter that offers free merchandise or chances to win sweepstake 7769  
prizes and that is mailed to potential customers with 7770  
advertising material described in division (B) (35) (a) of this 7771  
section; 7772

(c) Sales of equipment such as telephones, computers, 7773  
facsimile machines, and similar tangible personal property 7774  
primarily used to accept orders for direct marketing retail 7775  
sales. 7776

(d) Sales of automatic food vending machines that preserve 7777  
food with a shelf life of forty-five days or less by 7778  
refrigeration and dispense it to the consumer. 7779

For purposes of division (B) (35) of this section, "direct 7780  
marketing" means the method of selling where consumers order 7781  
tangible personal property by United States mail, delivery 7782  
service, or telecommunication and the vendor delivers or ships 7783  
the tangible personal property sold to the consumer from a 7784  
warehouse, catalogue distribution center, or similar fulfillment 7785  
facility by means of the United States mail, delivery service, 7786  
or common carrier. 7787

(36) Sales to a person engaged in the business of 7788  
horticulture or producing livestock of materials to be 7789  
incorporated into a horticulture structure or livestock 7790  
structure; 7791

(37) Sales of personal computers, computer monitors, 7792  
computer keyboards, modems, and other peripheral computer 7793  
equipment to an individual who is licensed or certified to teach 7794  
in an elementary or a secondary school in this state for use by 7795  
that individual in preparation for teaching elementary or 7796  
secondary school students; 7797

(38) Sales of tangible personal property that is not 7798  
required to be registered or licensed under the laws of this 7799  
state to a citizen of a foreign nation that is not a citizen of 7800  
the United States, provided the property is delivered to a 7801  
person in this state that is not a related member of the 7802  
purchaser, is physically present in this state for the sole 7803  
purpose of temporary storage and package consolidation, and is 7804  
subsequently delivered to the purchaser at a delivery address in 7805  
a foreign nation. As used in division (B) (38) of this section, 7806  
"related member" has the same meaning as in section 5733.042 of 7807  
the Revised Code, and "temporary storage" means the storage of 7808  
tangible personal property for a period of not more than sixty 7809  
days. 7810

(39) Sales of used manufactured homes and used mobile 7811  
homes, as defined in section 5739.0210 of the Revised Code, made 7812  
on or after January 1, 2000; 7813

(40) Sales of tangible personal property and services to a 7814  
provider of electricity used or consumed directly and primarily 7815  
in generating, transmitting, or distributing electricity for use 7816  
by others, including property that is or is to be incorporated 7817

into and will become a part of the consumer's production, 7818  
transmission, or distribution system and that retains its 7819  
classification as tangible personal property after 7820  
incorporation; fuel or power used in the production, 7821  
transmission, or distribution of electricity; energy conversion 7822  
equipment as defined in section 5727.01 of the Revised Code; and 7823  
tangible personal property and services used in the repair and 7824  
maintenance of the production, transmission, or distribution 7825  
system, including only those motor vehicles as are specially 7826  
designed and equipped for such use. The exemption provided in 7827  
this division shall be in lieu of all other exemptions in 7828  
division (B) (42) (a) or (n) of this section to which a provider 7829  
of electricity may otherwise be entitled based on the use of the 7830  
tangible personal property or service purchased in generating, 7831  
transmitting, or distributing electricity. 7832

(41) Sales to a person providing services under division 7833  
(B) (3) (p) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code of tangible 7834  
personal property and services used directly and primarily in 7835  
providing taxable services under that section. 7836

(42) Sales where the purpose of the purchaser is to do any 7837  
of the following: 7838

(a) To incorporate the thing transferred as a material or 7839  
a part into tangible personal property to be produced for sale 7840  
by manufacturing, assembling, processing, or refining; or to use 7841  
or consume the thing transferred directly in producing tangible 7842  
personal property for sale by mining, including, without 7843  
limitation, the extraction from the earth of all substances that 7844  
are classed geologically as minerals, or directly in the 7845  
rendition of a public utility service, except that the sales tax 7846  
levied by this section shall be collected upon all meals, 7847

drinks, and food for human consumption sold when transporting 7848  
persons. This paragraph does not exempt from "retail sale" or 7849  
"sales at retail" the sale of tangible personal property that is 7850  
to be incorporated into a structure or improvement to real 7851  
property. 7852

(b) To hold the thing transferred as security for the 7853  
performance of an obligation of the vendor; 7854

(c) To resell, hold, use, or consume the thing transferred 7855  
as evidence of a contract of insurance; 7856

(d) To use or consume the thing directly in commercial 7857  
fishing; 7858

(e) To incorporate the thing transferred as a material or 7859  
a part into, or to use or consume the thing transferred directly 7860  
in the production of, magazines distributed as controlled 7861  
circulation publications; 7862

(f) To use or consume the thing transferred in the 7863  
production and preparation in suitable condition for market and 7864  
sale of printed, imprinted, overprinted, lithographic, 7865  
multilithic, blueprinted, photostatic, or other productions or 7866  
reproductions of written or graphic matter; 7867

(g) To use the thing transferred, as described in section 7868  
5739.011 of the Revised Code, primarily in a manufacturing 7869  
operation to produce tangible personal property for sale; 7870

(h) To use the benefit of a warranty, maintenance or 7871  
service contract, or similar agreement, as described in division 7872  
(B) (7) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code, to repair or 7873  
maintain tangible personal property, if all of the property that 7874  
is the subject of the warranty, contract, or agreement would not 7875  
be subject to the tax imposed by this section; 7876

- (i) To use the thing transferred as qualified research and development equipment; 7877  
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- (j) To use or consume the thing transferred primarily in storing, transporting, mailing, or otherwise handling purchased sales inventory in a warehouse, distribution center, or similar facility when the inventory is primarily distributed outside this state to retail stores of the person who owns or controls the warehouse, distribution center, or similar facility, to retail stores of an affiliated group of which that person is a member, or by means of direct marketing. This division does not apply to motor vehicles registered for operation on the public highways. As used in this division, "affiliated group" has the same meaning as in division (B) (3) (e) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code and "direct marketing" has the same meaning as in division (B) (35) of this section. 7879  
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- (k) To use or consume the thing transferred to fulfill a contractual obligation incurred by a warrantor pursuant to a warranty provided as a part of the price of the tangible personal property sold or by a vendor of a warranty, maintenance or service contract, or similar agreement the provision of which is defined as a sale under division (B) (7) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code; 7892  
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- (l) To use or consume the thing transferred in the production of a newspaper for distribution to the public; 7899  
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- (m) To use tangible personal property to perform a service listed in division (B) (3) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code, if the property is or is to be permanently transferred to the consumer of the service as an integral part of the performance of the service; 7901  
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(n) To use or consume the thing transferred primarily in producing tangible personal property for sale by farming, agriculture, horticulture, or floriculture. Persons engaged in rendering farming, agriculture, horticulture, or floriculture services for others are deemed engaged primarily in farming, agriculture, horticulture, or floriculture. This paragraph does not exempt from "retail sale" or "sales at retail" the sale of tangible personal property that is to be incorporated into a structure or improvement to real property.

(o) To use or consume the thing transferred in acquiring, formatting, editing, storing, and disseminating data or information by electronic publishing;

(p) To provide the thing transferred to the owner or lessee of a motor vehicle that is being repaired or serviced, if the thing transferred is a rented motor vehicle and the purchaser is reimbursed for the cost of the rented motor vehicle by a manufacturer, warrantor, or provider of a maintenance, service, or other similar contract or agreement, with respect to the motor vehicle that is being repaired or serviced;

(q) To use or consume the thing transferred directly in production of crude oil and natural gas for sale. Persons engaged in rendering production services for others are deemed engaged in production.

As used in division (B) (42) (q) of this section, "production" means operations and tangible personal property directly used to expose and evaluate an underground reservoir that may contain hydrocarbon resources, prepare the wellbore for production, and lift and control all substances yielded by the reservoir to the surface of the earth.

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| (i) For the purposes of division (B) (42) (q) of this            | 7935 |
| section, the "thing transferred" includes, but is not limited    | 7936 |
| to, any of the following:  | 7937 |
| (I) Services provided in the construction of permanent           | 7938 |
| access roads, services provided in the construction of the well  | 7939 |
| site, and services provided in the construction of temporary     | 7940 |
| impoundments;  | 7941 |
| (II) Equipment and rigging used for the specific purpose         | 7942 |
| of creating with integrity a wellbore pathway to underground     | 7943 |
| reservoirs;  | 7944 |
| (III) Drilling and workover services used to work within a       | 7945 |
| subsurface wellbore, and tangible personal property directly     | 7946 |
| used in providing such services;                                 | 7947 |
| (IV) Casing, tubulars, and float and centralizing                | 7948 |
| equipment;   | 7949 |
| (V) Trailers to which production equipment is attached;          | 7950 |
| (VI) Well completion services, including cementing of            | 7951 |
| casing, and tangible personal property directly used in          | 7952 |
| providing such services;   | 7953 |
| (VII) Wireline evaluation, mud logging, and perforation          | 7954 |
| services, and tangible personal property directly used in        | 7955 |
| providing such services;   | 7956 |
| (VIII) Reservoir stimulation, hydraulic fracturing, and          | 7957 |
| acidizing services, and tangible personal property directly used | 7958 |
| in providing such services, including all material pumped        | 7959 |
| downhole;  | 7960 |
| (IX) Pressure pumping equipment;                                 | 7961 |

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| (X) Artificial lift systems equipment;   | 7962                         |
| (XI) Wellhead equipment and well site equipment used to separate, stabilize, and control hydrocarbon phases and produced water;  | 7963<br>7964<br>7965         |
| (XII) Tangible personal property directly used to control production equipment.  | 7966<br>7967                 |
| (ii) For the purposes of division (B) (42) (q) of this section, the "thing transferred" does not include any of the following:   | 7968<br>7969<br>7970         |
| (I) Tangible personal property used primarily in the exploration and production of any mineral resource regulated under Chapter 1509. of the Revised Code other than oil or gas;   | 7971<br>7972<br>7973         |
| (II) Tangible personal property used primarily in storing, holding, or delivering solutions or chemicals used in well stimulation as defined in section 1509.01 of the Revised Code;   | 7974<br>7975<br>7976         |
| (III) Tangible personal property used primarily in preparing, installing, or reclaiming foundations for drilling or pumping equipment or well stimulation material tanks;  | 7977<br>7978<br>7979         |
| (IV) Tangible personal property used primarily in transporting, delivering, or removing equipment to or from the well site or storing such equipment before its use at the well site;  | 7980<br>7981<br>7982<br>7983 |
| (V) Tangible personal property used primarily in gathering operations occurring off the well site, including gathering pipelines transporting hydrocarbon gas or liquids away from a crude oil or natural gas production facility; | 7984<br>7985<br>7986<br>7987 |
| (VI) Tangible personal property that is to be incorporated into a structure or improvement to real property;   | 7988<br>7989                 |



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| (VII) Well site fencing, lighting, or security systems;  | 7990                                 |
| (VIII) Communication devices or services;  | 7991                                 |
| (IX) Office supplies;  | 7992                                 |
| (X) Trailers used as offices or lodging;   | 7993                                 |
| (XI) Motor vehicles of any kind;   | 7994                                 |
| (XII) Tangible personal property used primarily for the<br>storage of drilling byproducts and fuel not used for production;  | 7995<br>7996                         |
| (XIII) Tangible personal property used primarily as a<br>safety device;  | 7997<br>7998                         |
| (XIV) Data collection or monitoring devices;   | 7999                                 |
| (XV) Access ladders, stairs, or platforms attached to<br>storage tanks.  | 8000<br>8001                         |
| The enumeration of tangible personal property in division<br>(B) (42) (q) (ii) of this section is not intended to be exhaustive,<br>and any tangible personal property not so enumerated shall not<br>necessarily be construed to be a "thing transferred" for the<br>purposes of division (B) (42) (q) of this section. | 8002<br>8003<br>8004<br>8005<br>8006 |
| The commissioner shall adopt and promulgate rules under<br>sections 119.01 to 119.13 of the Revised Code that the<br>commissioner deems necessary to administer division (B) (42) (q)<br>of this section.  | 8007<br>8008<br>8009<br>8010         |
| As used in division (B) (42) of this section, "thing"<br>includes all transactions included in divisions (B) (3) (a), (b),<br>and (e) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code.  | 8011<br>8012<br>8013                 |
| (43) Sales conducted through a coin operated device that<br>activates vacuum equipment or equipment that dispenses water,<br>whether or not in combination with soap or other cleaning agents  | 8014<br>8015<br>8016                 |

or wax, to the consumer for the consumer's use on the premises 8017  
in washing, cleaning, or waxing a motor vehicle, provided no 8018  
other personal property or personal service is provided as part 8019  
of the transaction. 8020

(44) Sales of replacement and modification parts for 8021  
engines, airframes, instruments, and interiors in, and paint 8022  
for, aircraft used primarily in a fractional aircraft ownership 8023  
program, and sales of services for the repair, modification, and 8024  
maintenance of such aircraft, and machinery, equipment, and 8025  
supplies primarily used to provide those services. 8026

(45) Sales of telecommunications service that is used 8027  
directly and primarily to perform the functions of a call 8028  
center. As used in this division, "call center" means any 8029  
physical location where telephone calls are placed or received 8030  
in high volume for the purpose of making sales, marketing, 8031  
customer service, technical support, or other specialized 8032  
business activity, and that employs at least fifty individuals 8033  
that engage in call center activities on a full-time basis, or 8034  
sufficient individuals to fill fifty full-time equivalent 8035  
positions. 8036

(46) Sales by a telecommunications service vendor of 900 8037  
service to a subscriber. This division does not apply to 8038  
information services. 8039

(47) Sales of value-added non-voice data service. This 8040  
division does not apply to any similar service that is not 8041  
otherwise a telecommunications service. 8042

(48) Sales of feminine hygiene products. 8043

(49) Sales of materials, parts, equipment, or engines used 8044  
in the repair or maintenance of aircraft or avionics systems of 8045

such aircraft, and sales of repair, remodeling, replacement, or 8046  
maintenance services in this state performed on aircraft or on 8047  
an aircraft's avionics, engine, or component materials or parts. 8048  
As used in division (B) (49) of this section, "aircraft" means 8049  
aircraft of more than six thousand pounds maximum certified 8050  
takeoff weight or used exclusively in general aviation. 8051

(50) Sales of full flight simulators that are used for 8052  
pilot or flight-crew training, sales of repair or replacement 8053  
parts or components, and sales of repair or maintenance services 8054  
for such full flight simulators. "Full flight simulator" means a 8055  
replica of a specific type, or make, model, and series of 8056  
aircraft cockpit. It includes the assemblage of equipment and 8057  
computer programs necessary to represent aircraft operations in 8058  
ground and flight conditions, a visual system providing an out- 8059  
of-the-cockpit view, and a system that provides cues at least 8060  
equivalent to those of a three-degree-of-freedom motion system, 8061  
and has the full range of capabilities of the systems installed 8062  
in the device as described in appendices A and B of part 60 of 8063  
chapter 1 of title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations. 8064

(51) Any transfer or lease of tangible personal property 8065  
between the state and JobsOhio in accordance with section 8066  
4313.02 of the Revised Code. 8067

(52) (a) Sales to a qualifying corporation. 8068

(b) As used in division (B) (52) of this section: 8069

(i) "Qualifying corporation" means a nonprofit corporation 8070  
organized in this state that leases from an eligible county 8071  
land, buildings, structures, fixtures, and improvements to the 8072  
land that are part of or used in a public recreational facility 8073  
used by a major league professional athletic team or a class A 8074

to class AAA minor league affiliate of a major league 8075  
professional athletic team for a significant portion of the 8076  
team's home schedule, provided the following apply: 8077

(I) The facility is leased from the eligible county 8078  
pursuant to a lease that requires substantially all of the 8079  
revenue from the operation of the business or activity conducted 8080  
by the nonprofit corporation at the facility in excess of 8081  
operating costs, capital expenditures, and reserves to be paid 8082  
to the eligible county at least once per calendar year. 8083

(II) Upon dissolution and liquidation of the nonprofit 8084  
corporation, all of its net assets are distributable to the 8085  
board of commissioners of the eligible county from which the 8086  
corporation leases the facility. 8087

(ii) "Eligible county" has the same meaning as in section 8088  
307.695 of the Revised Code. 8089

(53) Sales to or by a cable service provider, video 8090  
service provider, or radio or television broadcast station 8091  
regulated by the federal government of cable service or 8092  
programming, video service or programming, audio service or 8093  
programming, or electronically transferred digital audiovisual 8094  
or audio work. As used in division (B) (53) of this section, 8095  
"cable service" and "cable service provider" have the same 8096  
meanings as in section 1332.01 of the Revised Code, and "video 8097  
service," "video service provider," and "video programming" have 8098  
the same meanings as in section 1332.21 of the Revised Code. 8099

(54) Sales of a digital audio work electronically 8100  
transferred for delivery through use of a machine, such as a 8101  
juke box, that does all of the following: 8102

(a) Accepts direct payments to operate; 8103

(b) Automatically plays a selected digital audio work for 8104  
a single play upon receipt of a payment described in division 8105  
(B) (54) (a) of this section; 8106

(c) Operates exclusively for the purpose of playing 8107  
digital audio works in a commercial establishment. 8108

(55) (a) Sales of the following occurring on the first 8109  
Friday of August and the following Saturday and Sunday of each 8110  
year, beginning in 2018: 8111

(i) An item of clothing, the price of which is seventy- 8112  
five dollars or less; 8113

(ii) An item of school supplies, the price of which is 8114  
twenty dollars or less; 8115

(iii) An item of school instructional material, the price 8116  
of which is twenty dollars or less. 8117

(b) As used in division (B) (55) of this section: 8118

(i) "Clothing" means all human wearing apparel suitable 8119  
for general use. "Clothing" includes, but is not limited to, 8120  
aprons, household and shop; athletic supporters; baby receiving 8121  
blankets; bathing suits and caps; beach capes and coats; belts 8122  
and suspenders; boots; coats and jackets; costumes; diapers, 8123  
children and adult, including disposable diapers; earmuffs; 8124  
footlets; formal wear; garters and garter belts; girdles; gloves 8125  
and mittens for general use; hats and caps; hosiery; insoles for 8126  
shoes; lab coats; neckties; overshoes; pantyhose; rainwear; 8127  
rubber pants; sandals; scarves; shoes and shoe laces; slippers; 8128  
sneakers; socks and stockings; steel-toed shoes; underwear; 8129  
uniforms, athletic and nonathletic; and wedding apparel. 8130  
"Clothing" does not include items purchased for use in a trade 8131  
or business; clothing accessories or equipment; protective 8132

equipment; sports or recreational equipment; belt buckles sold 8133  
separately; costume masks sold separately; patches and emblems 8134  
sold separately; sewing equipment and supplies including, but 8135  
not limited to, knitting needles, patterns, pins, scissors, 8136  
sewing machines, sewing needles, tape measures, and thimbles; 8137  
and sewing materials that become part of "clothing" including, 8138  
but not limited to, buttons, fabric, lace, thread, yarn, and 8139  
zippers. 8140

(ii) "School supplies" means items commonly used by a 8141  
student in a course of study. "School supplies" includes only 8142  
the following items: binders; book bags; calculators; cellophane 8143  
tape; blackboard chalk; compasses; composition books; crayons; 8144  
erasers; folders, expandable, pocket, plastic, and manila; glue, 8145  
paste, and paste sticks; highlighters; index cards; index card 8146  
boxes; legal pads; lunch boxes; markers; notebooks; paper, 8147  
loose-leaf ruled notebook paper, copy paper, graph paper, 8148  
tracing paper, manila paper, colored paper, poster board, and 8149  
construction paper; pencil boxes and other school supply boxes; 8150  
pencil sharpeners; pencils; pens; protractors; rulers; scissors; 8151  
and writing tablets. "School supplies" does not include any item 8152  
purchased for use in a trade or business. 8153

(iii) "School instructional material" means written 8154  
material commonly used by a student in a course of study as a 8155  
reference and to learn the subject being taught. "School 8156  
instructional material" includes only the following items: 8157  
reference books, reference maps and globes, textbooks, and 8158  
workbooks. "School instructional material" does not include any 8159  
material purchased for use in a trade or business. 8160

(56) (a) Sales of diapers or incontinence underpads sold 8161  
pursuant to a prescription, for the benefit of a medicaid 8162

recipient with a diagnosis of incontinence, and by a medicaid 8163  
provider that maintains a valid provider agreement under section 8164  
5164.30 of the Revised Code with the department of medicaid, 8165  
provided that the medicaid program covers diapers or 8166  
incontinence underpads as an incontinence garment. 8167

(b) As used in division (B) (56) (a) of this section: 8168

(i) "Diaper" means an absorbent garment worn by humans who 8169  
are incapable of, or have difficulty, controlling their bladder 8170  
or bowel movements. 8171

(ii) "Incontinence underpad" means an absorbent product, 8172  
not worn on the body, designed to protect furniture or other 8173  
tangible personal property from soiling or damage due to human 8174  
incontinence. 8175

(57) Sales of investment metal bullion and investment 8176  
coins. "Investment metal bullion" means any bullion described in 8177  
section 408(m) (3) (B) of the Internal Revenue Code, regardless of 8178  
whether that bullion is in the physical possession of a trustee. 8179  
"Investment coin" means any coin composed primarily of gold, 8180  
silver, platinum, or palladium. 8181

(58) Sales of tangible personal property used primarily 8182  
for any of the following purposes by a megaproject operator at 8183  
the site of a megaproject that satisfies the criteria described 8184  
in division (A) (11) (a) (ii) of section 122.17 of the Revised 8185  
Code, provided that the sale occurs during the period that the 8186  
megaproject operator has an agreement for such megaproject with 8187  
the tax credit authority under division (D) of section 122.17 of 8188  
the Revised Code that remains in effect and has not expired or 8189  
been terminated: 8190

(a) To store, transmit, convey, distribute, recycle, 8191

circulate, or clean water, steam, or other gases used in or 8192  
produced as a result of manufacturing activity, including items 8193  
that support or aid in the operation of such property; 8194

(b) To clean or prepare inventory, at any stage of storage 8195  
or production, or equipment used in a manufacturing activity, 8196  
including chemicals, solvents, catalysts, soaps, and other items 8197  
that support or aid in the operation of property; 8198

(c) To regulate, treat, filter, condition, improve, clean, 8199  
maintain, or monitor environmental conditions within areas where 8200  
manufacturing activities take place; 8201

(d) To handle, transport, or convey inventory during 8202  
production or manufacturing. 8203

(59) Documentary services charges imposed pursuant to 8204  
section 4517.261 or 4781.24 of the Revised Code. 8205

(C) For the purpose of the proper administration of this 8206  
chapter, and to prevent the evasion of the tax, it is presumed 8207  
that all sales made in this state are subject to the tax until 8208  
the contrary is established. 8209

(D) The tax collected by the vendor from the consumer 8210  
under this chapter is not part of the price, but is a tax 8211  
collection for the benefit of the state, and of counties levying 8212  
an additional sales tax pursuant to section 5739.021 or 5739.026 8213  
of the Revised Code and of transit authorities levying an 8214  
additional sales tax pursuant to section 5739.023 of the Revised 8215  
Code. Except for the discount authorized under section 5739.12 8216  
of the Revised Code and the effects of any rounding pursuant to 8217  
section 5703.055 of the Revised Code, no person other than the 8218  
state or such a county or transit authority shall derive any 8219  
benefit from the collection or payment of the tax levied by this 8220



section or section 5739.021, 5739.023, or 5739.026 of the Revised Code.

**Sec. 5815.36.** (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Disclaimant" means any person, any guardian or personal representative of a person or estate of a person, or any attorney-in-fact or agent of a person having a general or specific authority to act granted in a written instrument, who is any of the following:

(a) With respect to testamentary instruments and intestate succession, an heir, next of kin, devisee, legatee, donee, person succeeding to a disclaimed interest, surviving joint tenant, surviving tenant by the entirety, surviving tenant of a tenancy with a right of survivorship, beneficiary under a testamentary instrument, or person designated to take pursuant to a power of appointment exercised by a testamentary instrument;

(b) With respect to nontestamentary instruments, a grantee, donee, person succeeding to a disclaimed interest, surviving joint tenant, surviving tenant by the entirety, surviving tenant of a tenancy with a right of survivorship, beneficiary under a nontestamentary instrument, or person designated to take pursuant to a power of appointment exercised by a nontestamentary instrument;

(c) With respect to fiduciary rights, privileges, powers, and immunities, a fiduciary under a testamentary or nontestamentary instrument. Division (A)(1)(c) of this section does not authorize a fiduciary who disclaims fiduciary rights, privileges, powers, and immunities to cause the rights of any beneficiary to be disclaimed unless the instrument creating the

fiduciary relationship authorizes the fiduciary to make such a disclaimer. 8250  
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(d) Any person entitled to take an interest in property 8252  
upon the death of a person or upon the occurrence of any other 8253  
event. 8254

(2) "Personal representative" includes any fiduciary as 8255  
defined in section 2109.01 of the Revised Code and any executor, 8256  
trustee, guardian, or other person or entity having a fiduciary 8257  
relationship with regard to any interest in property passing to 8258  
the fiduciary, executor, trustee, guardian, or other person or 8259  
entity by reason of a disclaimant's death. 8260

(3) "Property" means all forms of property, real and 8261  
personal, tangible and intangible. 8262

(B) (1) A disclaimant, other than a fiduciary under an 8263  
instrument who is not authorized by the instrument to disclaim 8264  
the interest of a beneficiary, may disclaim, in whole or in 8265  
part, the succession to any property by executing and by 8266  
delivering, filing, or recording a written disclaimer instrument 8267  
in the manner provided in this section. 8268

(2) A disclaimant who is a fiduciary under an instrument 8269  
may disclaim, in whole or in part, any right, power, privilege, 8270  
or immunity, by executing and by delivering, filing, or 8271  
recording a written disclaimer instrument in the manner provided 8272  
in this section. 8273

(3) The written instrument of disclaimer shall be signed 8274  
and acknowledged by the disclaimant and shall contain all of the 8275  
following: 8276

(a) A reference to the donative instrument; 8277

(b) A description of the property, part of property, or 8278  
interest disclaimed, and of any fiduciary right, power, 8279  
privilege, or immunity disclaimed; 8280

(c) A declaration of the disclaimer and its extent. 8281

(4) The guardian of the estate of a minor or an 8282  
incompetent, or the personal representative of a deceased 8283  
person, whether or not authorized by the instrument to disclaim, 8284  
with the consent of the probate division of the court of common 8285  
pleas may disclaim, in whole or in part, the succession to any 8286  
property, or interest in property, that the ward, if an adult 8287  
and competent, or the deceased, if living, might have 8288  
disclaimed. The guardian or personal representative, or any 8289  
interested person may file an application with the probate 8290  
division of the court of common pleas that has jurisdiction of 8291  
the estate, asking that the court order the guardian or personal 8292  
representative to execute and deliver, file, or record the 8293  
disclaimer on behalf of the ward, estate, or deceased person. 8294  
The court shall order the guardian or personal representative to 8295  
execute and deliver, file, or record the disclaimer if the court 8296  
finds, upon hearing after notice to interested parties and such 8297  
other persons as the court shall direct, that: 8298

(a) It is in the best interests of those interested in the 8299  
estate of the person and of those who will take the disclaimed 8300  
interest; 8301

(b) It would not materially, adversely affect the minor or 8302  
incompetent, or the beneficiaries of the estate of the decedent, 8303  
taking into consideration other available resources and the age, 8304  
probable life expectancy, physical and mental condition, and 8305  
present and reasonably anticipated future needs of the minor or 8306  
incompetent or the beneficiaries of the estate of the decedent. 8307

A written instrument of disclaimer ordered by the court 8308  
under this division shall be executed and be delivered, filed, 8309  
or recorded within the time and in the manner in which the 8310  
person could have disclaimed if the person were living, an 8311  
adult, and competent. 8312

(C) A partial disclaimer of property that is subject to a 8313  
burdensome interest created by the donative instrument is not 8314  
effective unless the disclaimed property constitutes a gift that 8315  
is separate and distinct from undisclaimed gifts. 8316

(D) The disclaimant shall deliver, file, or record the 8317  
disclaimer, or cause the same to be done, prior to accepting any 8318  
benefits of the disclaimed interest and at any time after the 8319  
latest of the following dates: 8320

(1) The effective date of the donative instrument if both 8321  
the taker and the taker's interest in the property are finally 8322  
ascertained on that date; 8323

(2) The date of the occurrence of the event upon which 8324  
both the taker and the taker's interest in the property become 8325  
finally ascertainable; 8326

(3) The date on which the disclaimant attains eighteen 8327  
years of age or is no longer an incompetent, without tendering 8328  
or repaying any benefit received while the disclaimant was under 8329  
eighteen years of age or an incompetent, and even if a guardian 8330  
of a minor or incompetent had filed an application pursuant to 8331  
division (B) (4) of this section and the probate division of the 8332  
court of common pleas involved did not consent to the guardian 8333  
executing a disclaimer. 8334

(E) No disclaimer instrument is effective under this 8335  
section if either of the following applies under the terms of 8336

the disclaimer instrument: 8337

(1) The disclaimant has power to revoke the disclaimer. 8338

(2) The disclaimant may transfer, or direct to be 8339  
transferred, to self the entire legal and equitable ownership of 8340  
the property subject to the disclaimer instrument. 8341

(F) (1) Subject to division (F) (2) of this section, if the 8342  
interest disclaimed is created by a nontestamentary instrument, 8343  
including, but not limited to, a transfer on death designation 8344  
affidavit pursuant to section 5302.22 of the Revised Code, the 8345  
disclaimer instrument shall be delivered personally or by 8346  
certified mail to the trustee or other person who has legal 8347  
title to, or possession of, the property disclaimed. If the 8348  
interest disclaimed is created by a transfer on death 8349  
designation affidavit pursuant to section 5302.22 of the Revised 8350  
Code, the disclaimer instrument shall be filed with the county 8351  
recorder of the county in which the real property that is the 8352  
subject of that affidavit is located. 8353

(2) If the interest disclaimed is created by a 8354  
testamentary instrument, by intestate succession, or by a 8355  
certificate of title to a ~~motor vehicle, watercraft, or outboard~~ 8356  
~~motor~~ titled mode of transportation, as defined in section 8357  
2131.12 of the Revised Code, that evidences ownership of the 8358  
~~motor vehicle, watercraft, or outboard motor~~ titled mode of 8359  
transportation that is transferable on death pursuant to section 8360  
2131.13 of the Revised Code, the disclaimer instrument shall be 8361  
filed in the probate division of the court of common pleas in 8362  
the county in which proceedings for the administration of the 8363  
decedent's estate have been commenced, and an executed copy of 8364  
the disclaimer instrument shall be delivered personally or by 8365  
certified mail to the personal representative of the decedent's 8366

estate. 8367

(3) If no proceedings for the administration of the 8368  
decedent's estate have been commenced, the disclaimer instrument 8369  
shall be filed in the probate division of the court of common 8370  
pleas in the county in which proceedings for the administration 8371  
of the decedent's estate might be commenced according to law. 8372  
The disclaimer instrument shall be filed and indexed, and fees 8373  
charged, in the same manner as provided by law for an 8374  
application to be appointed as personal representative to 8375  
administer the decedent's estate. The disclaimer is effective 8376  
whether or not proceedings thereafter are commenced to 8377  
administer the decedent's estate. If proceedings thereafter are 8378  
commenced for the administration of the decedent's estate, they 8379  
shall be filed under, or consolidated with, the case number 8380  
assigned to the disclaimer instrument. 8381

(4) If an interest in real estate is disclaimed, an 8382  
executed copy of the disclaimer instrument also shall be 8383  
recorded in the office of the recorder of the county in which 8384  
the real estate is located. The disclaimer instrument shall 8385  
include a description of the real estate with sufficient 8386  
certainty to identify it, and shall contain a reference to the 8387  
record of the instrument that created the interest disclaimed. 8388  
If title to the real estate is registered under Chapters 5309. 8389  
and 5310. of the Revised Code, the disclaimer interest shall be 8390  
entered as a memorial on the last certificate of title. A spouse 8391  
of a disclaimant has no dower or other interest in the real 8392  
estate disclaimed. 8393

(G) If a donative instrument expressly provides for the 8394  
distribution of property, part of property, or interest in 8395  
property if there is a disclaimer, the property, part of 8396

property, or interest disclaimed shall be distributed or 8397  
disposed of, and accelerated or not accelerated, in accordance 8398  
with the donative instrument. In the absence of express 8399  
provisions to the contrary in the donative instrument, the 8400  
property, part of property, or interest in property disclaimed, 8401  
and any future interest that is to take effect in possession or 8402  
enjoyment at or after the termination of the interest 8403  
disclaimed, shall descend, be distributed, or otherwise be 8404  
disposed of, and shall be accelerated, in the following manner: 8405

(1) If intestate or testate succession is disclaimed, as 8406  
if the disclaimant had predeceased the decedent; 8407

(2) If the disclaimant is one designated to take pursuant 8408  
to a power of appointment exercised by a testamentary 8409  
instrument, as if the disclaimant had predeceased the donee of 8410  
the power; 8411

(3) If the donative instrument is a nontestamentary 8412  
instrument, as if the disclaimant had died before the effective 8413  
date of the nontestamentary instrument; 8414

(4) If the disclaimer is of a fiduciary right, power, 8415  
privilege, or immunity, as if the right, power, privilege, or 8416  
immunity was never in the donative instrument. 8417

(H) A disclaimer pursuant to this section is effective as 8418  
of, and relates back for all purposes to, the date upon which 8419  
the taker and the taker's interest have been finally 8420  
ascertained. 8421

(I) A disclaimant who has a present and future interest in 8422  
property, and disclaims the disclaimant's present interest in 8423  
whole or in part, is considered to have disclaimed the 8424  
disclaimant's future interest to the same extent, unless a 8425

contrary intention appears in the disclaimer instrument or the 8426  
donative instrument. A disclaimant is not precluded from 8427  
receiving, as an alternative taker, a beneficial interest in the 8428  
property disclaimed, unless a contrary intention appears in the 8429  
disclaimer instrument or in the donative instrument. 8430

(J) The disclaimant's right to disclaim under this section 8431  
is barred if the disclaimant does any of the following: 8432

(1) Assigns, conveys, encumbers, pledges, or transfers, or 8433  
contracts to assign, convey, encumber, pledge, or transfer, the 8434  
property or any interest in it; 8435

(2) Waives in writing the disclaimant's right to disclaim 8436  
and executes and delivers, files, or records the waiver in the 8437  
manner provided in this section for a disclaimer instrument; 8438

(3) Accepts the property or an interest in it; 8439

(4) Permits or suffers a sale or other disposition of the 8440  
property pursuant to judicial action against the disclaimant. 8441

(K) Neither a fiduciary's application for appointment or 8442  
assumption of duties as a fiduciary nor a beneficiary's 8443  
application for appointment as a personal representative or 8444  
fiduciary waives or bars the disclaimant's right to disclaim a 8445  
right, power, privilege, or immunity as a personal 8446  
representative or fiduciary or the beneficiary's right to 8447  
disclaim property. 8448

(L) The right to disclaim under this section exists 8449  
irrespective of any limitation on the interest of the 8450  
disclaimant in the nature of a spendthrift provision or similar 8451  
restriction. 8452

(M) A disclaimer instrument or written waiver of the right 8453



to disclaim that has been executed and delivered, filed, or 8454  
recorded as required by this section is final and binding upon 8455  
all persons. 8456

(N) (1) The right to disclaim and the procedures for 8457  
disclaimer established by this section are in addition to, and 8458  
do not exclude or abridge, any other rights or procedures that 8459  
exist or formerly existed under any other section of the Revised 8460  
Code or at common law to assign, convey, release, refuse to 8461  
accept, renounce, waive, or disclaim property. 8462

(2) A disclaimer is not considered a transfer or 8463  
conveyance by the disclaimant, and no creditor of a disclaimant 8464  
may avoid a disclaimer. 8465

(3) This section shall take precedence over any other 8466  
section of the Revised Code that conflicts with this section. 8467

(O) (1) No person is liable for distributing or disposing 8468  
of property in a manner inconsistent with the terms of a valid 8469  
disclaimer if the distribution or disposition is otherwise 8470  
proper and the person has no actual knowledge of the disclaimer. 8471

(2) No person is liable for distributing or disposing of 8472  
property in reliance upon the terms of a disclaimer that is 8473  
invalid because the right of disclaimer has been waived or 8474  
barred if the distribution or disposition is otherwise proper 8475  
and the person has no actual knowledge of the facts that 8476  
constitute a waiver or bar to the right to disclaim. 8477

(P) (1) A disclaimant may disclaim pursuant to this section 8478  
any interest in property that is in existence on September 27, 8479  
1976, if either the interest in the property or the taker of the 8480  
interest in the property is not finally ascertained on that 8481  
date. 8482

(2) No disclaimer executed pursuant to this section 8483  
destroys or diminishes an interest in property that exists on 8484  
September 27, 1976, in any person other than the disclaimant. 8485

(Q) This section may be applied separately to different 8486  
interests or powers created in the disclaimant by the same 8487  
testamentary or nontestamentary instrument. 8488

**Section 2.** That existing sections 1531.01, 1533.01, 8489  
1533.103, 1533.18, 2131.12, 2131.13, 2744.01, 2911.21, 2921.331, 8490  
2923.16, 4501.01, 4501.13, 4503.01, 4503.038, 4503.04, 4503.10, 8491  
4503.191, 4503.312, 4504.01, 4505.01, 4505.06, 4505.09, 4505.11, 8492  
4510.036, 4511.01, 4511.214, 4511.713, 4513.02, 4513.221, 8493  
4513.263, 4517.01, 4519.01, 4519.02, 4519.03, 4519.031, 4519.04, 8494  
4519.05, 4519.08, 4519.09, 4519.10, 4519.11, 4519.20, 4519.21, 8495  
4519.22, 4519.401, 4519.41, 4519.42, 4519.43, 4519.44, 4519.45, 8496  
4519.46, 4519.47, 4519.48, 4519.511, 4519.512, 4519.52, 8497  
4519.521, 4519.53, 4519.54, 4519.55, 4519.551, 4519.56, 4519.57, 8498  
4519.58, 4519.59, 4519.60, 4519.61, 4519.62, 4519.63, 4519.631, 8499  
4519.64, 4519.65, 4519.66, 4519.67, 4519.68, 4519.69, 4519.70, 8500  
5553.044, 5739.02, and 5815.36 of the Revised Code are hereby 8501  
repealed. 8502

**Section 3.** That sections 4511.215, 4511.216, and 4519.40 8503  
of the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 8504

**Section 4.** (A) Notwithstanding the change from "all- 8505  
purpose vehicle" to "all-terrain vehicle" enacted by this act, 8506  
the Registrar of Motor Vehicles may continue to issue license 8507  
plates that display "all-purpose vehicle" or "APV" printed on 8508  
them until the supply of license plates printed before the 8509  
effective date of this section is depleted. 8510

(B) Any person that is newly issued or that currently 8511

operates a vehicle with a license plate printed with "all- 8512  
purpose vehicle" or "APV" may continue to use that license plate 8513  
until both of the following apply: 8514

(1) The Registrar's supply of the "all-purpose vehicle" 8515  
and "APV" license plates is depleted in accordance with division 8516  
(A) of this section; 8517

(2) The person's current license plate is lost, stolen, 8518  
mutilated, or destroyed or the person otherwise is required or 8519  
desires to replace the person's license plate. 8520

**Section 5.** Sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 of this act take effect 8521  
six months after the effective date of this section. 8522

**Section 6.** The General Assembly, applying the principle 8523  
stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that 8524  
amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of 8525  
simultaneous operation, finds that the following sections, 8526  
presented in this act as composites of the sections as amended 8527  
by the acts indicated, are the resulting versions of the 8528  
sections in effect prior to the effective date of the sections 8529  
as presented in this act: 8530

Section 4503.04 of the Revised Code as amended by both 8531  
H.B. 74 and H.B. 281 of the 134th General Assembly. 8532