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A BILL

To amend section 3313.6114 of the Revised Code to 1
revise the Military Enlistment diploma seal. 2

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

Section 1. That section 3313.6114 of the Revised Code be 3
amended to read as follows: 4

Sec. 3313.6114. (A) The state board of education shall 5
establish a system of state diploma seals for the purposes of 6
allowing a student to qualify for graduation under section 7
3313.618 of the Revised Code. State diploma seals may be 8
attached or affixed to the high school diploma of a student 9
enrolled in a public or chartered nonpublic school. The system 10
of state diploma seals shall consist of all of the following: 11

(1) The state seal of biliteracy established under section 12

3313.6111 of the Revised Code;	13
(2) The OhioMeansJobs-readiness seal established under section 3313.6112 of the Revised Code;	14 15
(3) The state diploma seals prescribed under division (C) of this section.	16 17
(B) A school district, community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, STEM school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, college-preparatory boarding school established under Chapter 3328. of the Revised Code, or chartered nonpublic school shall attach or affix the state seals prescribed under division (C) of this section to the diploma and transcript of a student enrolled in the district or school who meets the requirements established under that division.	18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25
(C) The state board shall establish all of the following state diploma seals:	26 27
(1) An industry-recognized credential seal. A student shall meet the requirement for this seal by doing either of the following:	28 29 30
(a) Earning an industry-recognized credential, or group of credentials, approved under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code that is both of the following:	31 32 33
(i) At least equal to the total number of points established under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code to qualify for a high school diploma;	34 35 36
(ii) Aligned to a job that is determined to be in demand in this state and its regions under section 6301.11 of the Revised Code.	37 38 39
(b) Obtaining a license approved under section 3313.6113	40

of the Revised Code that is issued by a state agency or board 41
for practice in a vocation that requires an examination for 42
issuance of that license. 43

(2) A college-ready seal. A student shall meet the 44
requirement for this seal by attaining a score that is 45
remediation-free, in accordance with standards adopted under 46
division (F) of section 3345.061 of the Revised Code, on a 47
nationally standardized assessment prescribed under division (B) 48
(1) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code. 49

(3) A military ~~enlistment~~ seal. A student shall meet the 50
requirement for this seal by doing ~~either one~~ of the following: 51

(a) Providing evidence that the student has enlisted in a 52
branch of the armed services of the United States as defined in 53
section 5910.01 of the Revised Code; 54

(b) Participating in a junior reserve officer training 55
program approved by the congress of the United States under 56
title 10 of the United States Code; 57

(c) Providing evidence that the student has accepted a 58
scholarship to enter the reserve officer training corps; 59

(d) Providing evidence that the student has been appointed 60
to a United States military service academy. 61

(4) A citizenship seal. A student shall meet the 62
requirement for this seal by doing any of the following: 63

(a) Demonstrating at least a proficient level of skill as 64
prescribed under division (B) (5) (a) of section 3301.0712 of the 65
Revised Code on both the American history and American 66
government end-of-course examinations prescribed under division 67
(B) (2) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code; 68

(b) Attaining a score level prescribed under division (B)	69
(5) (d) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code that is at least	70
the equivalent of a proficient level of skill in appropriate	71
advanced placement or international baccalaureate examinations	72
in lieu of the American history and American government end-of-	73
course examinations;	74
(c) In lieu of the American history and American	75
government end-of-course examinations, attaining a final course	76
grade that is the equivalent of a "B" or higher in either:	77
(i) An American history course and an American government	78
course that are offered by the student's high school;	79
(ii) Appropriate courses taken through the college credit	80
plus program established under Chapter 3365. of the Revised	81
Code.	82
(d) In the case of a student who takes an alternate	83
assessment in accordance with division (C) (1) of section	84
3301.0711 of the Revised Code, attaining a score established by	85
the state board on the alternate assessment in social studies;	86
(e) In the case of a student who transfers into an Ohio	87
public or chartered nonpublic high school from another state or	88
who enrolls in an Ohio public or chartered nonpublic high school	89
after receiving home instruction or attending a nonchartered,	90
nontax-supported school in the previous school year, attaining a	91
final course grade that is the equivalent of a "B" or higher in	92
courses that correspond with the American history and American	93
government end-of-course examinations and that the student	94
completed in the state from which the student transferred or	95
completed while receiving home instruction or attending a	96
nonchartered, nontax-supported school. Division (C) (4) (e) of	97

this section does not apply to any such student with respect to 98
an American history or American government course for which an 99
end-of-course examination is associated that the student takes 100
after enrolling in the high school. 101

(5) A science seal. A student shall meet the requirement 102
for this seal by doing any of the following: 103

(a) Demonstrating at least a proficient level of skill as 104
prescribed under division (B) (5) (a) of section 3301.0712 of the 105
Revised Code on the science end-of-course examination prescribed 106
under division (B) (2) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code; 107

(b) Attaining a score level prescribed under division (B) 108
(5) (d) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code that is at least 109
the equivalent of a proficient level of skill in an appropriate 110
advanced placement or international baccalaureate examination in 111
lieu of the science end-of-course examination; 112

(c) In lieu of the science end-of-course examination, 113
attaining a final course grade that is the equivalent of a "B" 114
or higher in either: 115

(i) A science course listed in divisions (C) (5) (c) (i) to 116
(iii) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code that is offered by 117
the student's high school; 118

(ii) An appropriate course taken through the college 119
credit plus program established under Chapter 3365. of the 120
Revised Code. 121

(d) In the case of a student who takes an alternate 122
assessment in accordance with division (C) (1) of section 123
3301.0711 of the Revised Code, attaining a score established by 124
the state board on the alternate assessment in science; 125

(e) In the case of a student who transfers into an Ohio public or chartered nonpublic high school from another state or enrolls in an Ohio public or chartered nonpublic high school after receiving home instruction or attending a nonchartered, nontax-supported school in the previous school year, attaining a final course grade that is the equivalent of a "B" or higher in a course that corresponds with the science end-of-course examination and that the student completed in the state from which the student transferred or completed while receiving home instruction or attending a nonchartered, nontax-supported school. Division (C) (5) (e) of this section does not apply to any such student who takes a science course for which an end-of-course examination is associated after enrolling in the high school.

(6) An honors diploma seal. A student shall meet the requirement for this seal by meeting the additional criteria for an honors diploma under division (B) of section 3313.61 of the Revised Code.

(7) A technology seal. A student shall meet the requirement for this seal by doing any of the following:

(a) Subject to division (B) (5) (d) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code, attaining a score level that is at least the equivalent of a proficient level of skill in an appropriate advanced placement or international baccalaureate examination;

(b) Attaining a final course grade that is the equivalent of a "B" or higher in an appropriate course taken through the college credit plus program established under Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code;

(c) Completing a course offered through the student's

district or school that meets guidelines developed by the 155
department of education. However, a district or school shall not 156
be required to offer a course that meets guidelines developed by 157
the department. 158

(d) In the case of a student who transfers into an Ohio 159
public or chartered nonpublic high school from another state or 160
enrolls in an Ohio public or chartered nonpublic high school 161
after receiving home instruction or attending a nonchartered, 162
nontax-supported school in the previous school year, attaining a 163
final course grade that is the equivalent of a "B" or higher in 164
an appropriate course, as determined by the district or school, 165
that the student completed in the state from which the student 166
transferred or completed while receiving home instruction or 167
attending a nonchartered, nontax-supported school. 168

(8) A community service seal. A student shall meet the 169
requirement for this seal by completing a community service 170
project that is aligned with guidelines adopted by the student's 171
district board or school governing authority. 172

(9) A fine and performing arts seal. A student shall meet 173
the requirement for this seal by demonstrating skill in the fine 174
or performing arts according to an evaluation that is aligned 175
with guidelines adopted by the student's district board or 176
school governing authority. 177

(10) A student engagement seal. A student shall meet the 178
requirement for this seal by participating in extracurricular 179
activities such as athletics, clubs, or student government to a 180
meaningful extent, as determined by guidelines adopted by the 181
student's district board or school governing authority. 182

(D) (1) Each district or school shall develop guidelines 183

for at least one of the state seals prescribed under divisions 184
(C) (8) to (10) of this section. 185

(2) For the purposes of determining whether a student who 186
transfers to a district or school has satisfied the state 187
diploma seal requirement under division (B) (2) of section 188
3313.618 of the Revised Code, each district or school shall 189
recognize a state diploma seal prescribed under divisions (C) (8) 190
to (10) of this section and earned by a student at another 191
district or a different public or chartered nonpublic school 192
regardless of whether the district or school to which the 193
student transfers has developed guidelines under this section 194
for that state seal. 195

(3) In guidelines developed for a state diploma seal 196
prescribed under divisions (C) (8) to (10) of this section, each 197
district or school shall include a method to give, to the extent 198
feasible, a student who transfers into the district or school a 199
proportional amount of credit for any progress the student was 200
making toward earning that state seal at the school district or 201
different public or chartered nonpublic school from which the 202
student transfers. 203

(E) Each district or school shall maintain appropriate 204
records to identify students who have met the requirements 205
prescribed under division (C) of this section for earning the 206
state seals established under that division. 207

(F) The department shall prepare and deliver to each 208
district or school an appropriate mechanism for assigning a 209
state diploma seal established under division (C) of this 210
section. 211

(G) A student shall not be charged a fee to be assigned a 212

state seal prescribed under division (C) of this section on the	213
student's diploma and transcript.	214
Section 2. That existing section 3313.6114 of the Revised	215
Code is hereby repealed.	216
Section 3. Any school district that purchased state	217
diploma seals that include the text "Military Enlistment Seal"	218
prior to the effective date of this section may attach or affix	219
those seals to the high school diplomas of students who, on and	220
after that date, earn a military seal prescribed under division	221
(C) (3) of section 3313.6114 of the Revised Code.	222