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**A BILL**

To amend sections 3501.01 and 5747.502 and to enact 1  
sections 3505.011, 3513.141, 5747.504, and 2  
5747.505 of the Revised Code to generally 3  
prohibit the use of ranked choice voting and to 4  
withhold Local Government Fund distributions 5  
from a municipality or chartered county that 6  
uses ranked choice voting. 7

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

**Section 1.** That sections 3501.01 and 5747.502 be amended 8  
and sections 3505.011, 3513.141, 5747.504, and 5747.505 of the 9  
Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 10

**Sec. 3501.01.** As used in the sections of the Revised Code 11  
relating to elections and political communications: 12

(A) "General election" means the election held on the 13  
first Tuesday after the first Monday in each November. 14

(B) "Regular municipal election" means the election held 15  
on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in each 16  
odd-numbered year. 17

(C) "Regular state election" means the election held on 18

the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in each 19  
even-numbered year. 20

(D) "Special election" means any election other than those 21  
elections defined in other divisions of this section. A special 22  
election may be held only on the first Tuesday after the first 23  
Monday in May or November, on the first Tuesday after the first 24  
Monday in August in accordance with section 3501.022 of the 25  
Revised Code, or on the day authorized by a particular municipal 26  
or county charter for the holding of a primary election, except 27  
that in any year in which a presidential primary election is 28  
held, no special election shall be held in May, except as 29  
authorized by a municipal or county charter, but may be held on 30  
the third Tuesday after the first Monday in March. 31

(E) (1) "Primary" or "primary election" means an election 32  
held for the purpose of nominating persons as candidates of 33  
political parties for election to offices, and for the purpose 34  
of electing persons as members of the controlling committees of 35  
political parties and as delegates and alternates to the 36  
conventions of political parties. Primary elections shall be 37  
held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in May of each 38  
year except in years in which a presidential primary election is 39  
held. 40

(2) "Presidential primary election" means a primary 41  
election as defined by division (E) (1) of this section at which 42  
an election is held for the purpose of choosing delegates and 43  
alternates to the national conventions of the major political 44  
parties pursuant to section 3513.12 of the Revised Code. Unless 45  
otherwise specified, presidential primary elections are included 46  
in references to primary elections. In years in which a 47  
presidential primary election is held, all primary elections 48

shall be held on the third Tuesday after the first Monday in 49  
March except as otherwise authorized by a municipal or county 50  
charter. 51

(F) "Political party" means any group of voters meeting 52  
the requirements set forth in section 3517.01 of the Revised 53  
Code for the formation and existence of a political party. 54

(1) "Major political party" means any political party 55  
organized under the laws of this state whose candidate for 56  
governor or nominees for presidential electors received not less 57  
than twenty per cent of the total vote cast for such office at 58  
the most recent regular state election. 59

(2) "Minor political party" means any political party 60  
organized under the laws of this state that meets either of the 61  
following requirements: 62

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this division, the 63  
political party's candidate for governor or nominees for 64  
presidential electors received less than twenty per cent but not 65  
less than three per cent of the total vote cast for such office 66  
at the most recent regular state election. A political party 67  
that meets the requirements of this division remains a political 68  
party for a period of four years after meeting those 69  
requirements. 70

(b) The political party has filed with the secretary of 71  
state, subsequent to its failure to meet the requirements of 72  
division (F) (2) (a) of this section, a petition that meets the 73  
requirements of section 3517.01 of the Revised Code. 74

A newly formed political party shall be known as a minor 75  
political party until the time of the first election for 76  
governor or president which occurs not less than twelve months 77

subsequent to the formation of such party, after which election 78  
the status of such party shall be determined by the vote for the 79  
office of governor or president. 80

(G) "Dominant party in a precinct" or "dominant political 81  
party in a precinct" means that political party whose candidate 82  
for election to the office of governor at the most recent 83  
regular state election at which a governor was elected received 84  
more votes than any other person received for election to that 85  
office in such precinct at such election. 86

(H) "Candidate" means any qualified person certified in 87  
accordance with the provisions of the Revised Code for placement 88  
on the official ballot of a primary, general, or special 89  
election to be held in this state, or any qualified person who 90  
claims to be a write-in candidate, or who knowingly assents to 91  
being represented as a write-in candidate by another at either a 92  
primary, general, or special election to be held in this state. 93

(I) "Independent candidate" means any candidate who claims 94  
not to be affiliated with a political party, and whose name has 95  
been certified on the office-type ballot at a general or special 96  
election through the filing of a statement of candidacy and 97  
nominating petition, as prescribed in section 3513.257 of the 98  
Revised Code. 99

(J) "Nonpartisan candidate" means any candidate whose name 100  
is required, pursuant to section 3505.04 of the Revised Code, to 101  
be listed on the nonpartisan ballot, including all candidates 102  
for judge of a municipal court, county court, or court of common 103  
pleas, for member of any board of education, for municipal or 104  
township offices in which primary elections are not held for 105  
nominating candidates by political parties, and for offices of 106  
municipal corporations having charters that provide for separate 107

ballots for elections for these offices.	108
(K) "Party candidate" means any candidate who claims to be	109
a member of a political party and who has been certified to	110
appear on the office-type ballot at a general or special	111
election as the nominee of a political party because the	112
candidate has won the primary election of the candidate's party	113
for the public office the candidate seeks, has been nominated	114
under section 3517.012, or is selected by party committee in	115
accordance with section 3513.31 of the Revised Code.	116
(L) "Officer of a political party" includes, but is not	117
limited to, any member, elected or appointed, of a controlling	118
committee, whether representing the territory of the state, a	119
district therein, a county, township, a city, a ward, a	120
precinct, or other territory, of a major or minor political	121
party.	122
(M) "Question or issue" means any question or issue	123
certified in accordance with the Revised Code for placement on	124
an official ballot at a general or special election to be held	125
in this state.	126
(N) "Elector" or "qualified elector" means a person having	127
the qualifications provided by law to be entitled to vote.	128
(O) "Voter" means an elector who votes at an election.	129
(P) "Voting residence" means that place of residence of an	130
elector which shall determine the precinct in which the elector	131
may vote.	132
(Q) "Precinct" means a district within a county	133
established by the board of elections of such county within	134
which all qualified electors having a voting residence therein	135
may vote at the same polling place.	136

(R) "Polling place" means that place provided for each precinct at which the electors having a voting residence in such precinct may vote.

(S) "Board" or "board of elections" means the board of elections appointed in a county pursuant to section 3501.06 of the Revised Code.

(T) "Political subdivision" means a county, township, city, village, or school district.

(U) "Election officer" or "election official" means any of the following:

(1) Secretary of state;

(2) Employees of the secretary of state serving the division of elections in the capacity of attorney, administrative officer, administrative assistant, elections administrator, office manager, or clerical supervisor;

(3) Director of a board of elections;

(4) Deputy director of a board of elections;

(5) Member of a board of elections;

(6) Employees of a board of elections;

(7) Precinct election officials;

(8) Employees appointed by the boards of elections on a temporary or part-time basis.

(V) "Acknowledgment notice" means a notice sent by a board of elections, on a form prescribed by the secretary of state, informing a voter registration applicant or an applicant who wishes to change the applicant's residence or name of the status of the application; the information necessary to complete or

update the application, if any; and if the application is 164  
complete, the precinct in which the applicant is to vote. 165

(W) "Confirmation notice" means a notice sent by a board 166  
of elections, on a form prescribed by the secretary of state, to 167  
a registered elector to confirm the registered elector's current 168  
address. 169

(X) "Designated agency" means an office or agency in the 170  
state that provides public assistance or that provides state- 171  
funded programs primarily engaged in providing services to 172  
persons with disabilities and that is required by the National 173  
Voter Registration Act of 1993 to implement a program designed 174  
and administered by the secretary of state for registering 175  
voters, or any other public or government office or agency that 176  
implements a program designed and administered by the secretary 177  
of state for registering voters, including the department of job 178  
and family services, the program administered under section 179  
3701.132 of the Revised Code by the department of health, the 180  
department of mental health and addiction services, the 181  
department of developmental disabilities, the opportunities for 182  
Ohioans with disabilities agency, and any other agency the 183  
secretary of state designates. "Designated agency" does not 184  
include public high schools and vocational schools, public 185  
libraries, or the office of a county treasurer. 186

(Y) "National Voter Registration Act of 1993" means the 187  
"National Voter Registration Act of 1993," 107 Stat. 77, 42 188  
U.S.C.A. 1973gg. 189

(Z) "Voting Rights Act of 1965" means the "Voting Rights 190  
Act of 1965," 79 Stat. 437, 42 U.S.C.A. 1973, as amended. 191

(AA) (1) "Photo identification" means one of the following 192

documents that includes the individual's name and photograph and	193
is not expired:	194
(a) An Ohio driver's license, state identification card,	195
or interim identification form issued by the registrar of motor	196
vehicles or a deputy registrar under Chapter 4506. or 4507. of	197
the Revised Code;	198
(b) A United States passport or passport card;	199
(c) A United States military identification card, Ohio	200
national guard identification card, or United States department	201
of veterans affairs identification card.	202
(2) A "copy" of an individual's photo identification means	203
images of both the front and back of a document described in	204
division (AA) (1) of this section, except that if the document is	205
a United States passport, a copy of the photo identification	206
means an image of the passport's identification page that	207
includes the individual's name, photograph, and other	208
identifying information and the passport's expiration date.	209
(BB) "Driver's license" means a license or permit issued	210
by the registrar or a deputy registrar under Chapter 4506. or	211
4507. of the Revised Code that authorizes an individual to	212
drive. "Driver's license" includes a driver's license,	213
commercial driver's license, probationary license, restricted	214
license, motorcycle operator's license, or temporary instruction	215
permit identification card. "Driver's license" does not include	216
a nonrenewable license issued under section 4507.09 of the	217
Revised Code.	218
(CC) "State identification card" means a card issued by	219
the registrar or a deputy registrar under sections 4507.50 to	220
4507.52 of the Revised Code.	221

(DD) "Interim identification form" means the document 222  
issued by the registrar or a deputy registrar to an applicant 223  
for a driver's license or state identification card that 224  
contains all of the information otherwise found on the license 225  
or card and that an applicant may use as a form of 226  
identification until the physical license or card arrives in the 227  
mail. 228

(EE) "Ranked choice voting" and "instant runoff voting" 229  
mean a method of nominating or electing one or more candidates 230  
to an office as follows: 231

(1) Voters rank candidates on the ballot in order of 232  
preference. 233

(2) Tabulation proceeds in rounds such that in each round, 234  
one or more candidates are nominated or elected or a last-place 235  
candidate is defeated. 236

(3) Votes are transferred from nominated, elected, or 237  
defeated candidates to the voter's next-ranked candidate or 238  
candidates in order of preference. 239

(4) Tabulation ends when a candidate receives the majority 240  
of the votes cast or when the number of candidates nominated or 241  
elected equals the number of offices to be filled, as 242  
applicable. 243

**Sec. 3505.011.** (A) Except as otherwise permitted under 244  
Article X or Article XVIII, Ohio Constitution, no election shall 245  
be conducted in this state using ranked choice voting or instant 246  
runoff voting. 247

(B) If the secretary of state determines that a county or 248  
municipal corporation has, by resolution or ordinance, approved 249  
the use of ranked choice voting or instant runoff voting in an 250

election, then the county or municipal corporation is ineligible 251  
to receive any local government fund distributions from the 252  
state during the period beginning with the month following the 253  
adoption of the resolution or ordinance and ending with the 254  
month following the last day it is in effect. Upon making that 255  
determination, the secretary of state promptly shall notify the 256  
tax commissioner of the county or municipal corporation's 257  
ineligibility. 258

(C) Upon determining that a county or municipal 259  
corporation has, by resolution or ordinance, rescinded previous 260  
approval for the use of ranked choice voting that resulted in 261  
notice to the tax commissioner under division (B) of this 262  
section, the secretary of state shall promptly notify the tax 263  
commissioner of the rescission. 264

**Sec. 3513.141.** (A) Except as otherwise permitted under 265  
Article X or Article XVIII, Ohio Constitution, no primary 266  
election shall be conducted in this state using ranked choice 267  
voting or instant runoff voting. 268

(B) If the secretary of state determines that a county or 269  
municipal corporation has, by resolution or ordinance, approved 270  
the use of ranked choice voting or instant runoff voting in a 271  
primary election, then the county or municipal corporation is 272  
ineligible to receive any local government fund distributions 273  
from the state during the period beginning with the month 274  
following the adoption of the resolution or ordinance and ending 275  
with the month following the last day it is in effect. Upon 276  
making that determination, the secretary of state promptly shall 277  
notify the tax commissioner of the county or municipal 278  
corporation's ineligibility. 279

(C) Upon determining that a county or municipal 280

corporation has, by resolution or ordinance, rescinded previous 281  
approval for the use of ranked choice voting that resulted in 282  
notice to the tax commissioner under division (B) of this 283  
section, the secretary of state shall promptly notify the tax 284  
commissioner of the rescission. 285

**Sec. 5747.502.** (A) As used in this section: 286

(1) "Local authority" and "traffic law photo-monitoring 287  
device" have the same meanings as in section 4511.092 of the 288  
Revised Code. 289

(2) "School zone" has the same meaning as in section 290  
4511.21 of the Revised Code. 291

(3) "Transportation district" means a territorial district 292  
established by the director of transportation under section 293  
5501.14 of the Revised Code. 294

(4) "District deputy director" means the person appointed 295  
and assigned by the director of transportation under section 296  
5501.14 of the Revised Code to administer the activities of a 297  
transportation district. 298

(5) "Gross amount" means the entire amount of traffic 299  
camera fines and fees paid by a driver. 300

(6) "Local government fund adjustment" or "LGF adjustment" 301  
means the sum of: 302

(a) The gross amount of all traffic camera fines collected 303  
by a local authority during the preceding fiscal year, as 304  
reported under division (B)(1) of this section, if such a report 305  
is required; plus 306

(b) The residual adjustment computed for the local 307  
authority under division (B)(4) of this section, if such an 308

adjustment applies.	309
(7) "Local government fund payments" or "LGF payments"	310
means the payments a local authority would receive under	311
sections <del>5747.502</del> <u>5747.503</u> , 5747.51, and 5747.53, and division	312
(C) of section 5747.50 of the Revised Code, as applicable, if	313
not for the reductions required by divisions (C) and (D) of this	314
section.	315
(8) "Residual adjustment" means the most recent LGF	316
adjustment computed for a local authority under division (B) (2)	317
or (3) of this section minus the sum of the reductions applied	318
after that computation under division (C) of this section to the	319
local authority's LGF payments.	320
(9) "Traffic camera fines" means civil fines for any	321
violation of any local ordinance or resolution that are based	322
upon evidence recorded by a traffic law photo-monitoring device.	323
(10) "Qualifying village" has the same meaning as in	324
section 5747.503 of the Revised Code.	325
(B) (1) Annually, on or before the thirty-first day of	326
July, any local authority that directly or indirectly collected	327
traffic camera fines during the preceding fiscal year shall file	328
a report with the tax commissioner that includes a detailed	329
statement of the gross amount of all traffic camera fines the	330
local authority collected during that period and the gross	331
amount of such fines that the local authority collected for	332
violations that occurred within a school zone.	333
(2) Annually, on or before the tenth day of August, the	334
commissioner shall compute a local government fund adjustment	335
for each local authority that files a report under division (B)	336
(1) of this section or with respect to which a residual	337

adjustment applies. Subject to division (B) (3) of this section 338  
and section 5747.505 of the Revised Code, the LGF adjustment 339  
shall be used by the commissioner to determine the amount of the 340  
reductions required under division (C) of this section for each 341  
of the next twelve months, starting with the month in which the 342  
LGF adjustment is computed. After those twelve months, the LGF 343  
adjustment ceases to apply and, if an LGF adjustment continues 344  
to be required, the amount of the reductions required under 345  
division (C) of this section shall be determined based on an 346  
updated LGF adjustment computed under this division. 347

(3) Upon receipt of a report described by division (B) (1) 348  
of this section that is not timely filed, the commissioner shall 349  
do both of the following: 350

(a) If one or more payments to the local authority has 351  
been withheld under division (D) of this section because of the 352  
local authority's failure to file the report, notify the county 353  
auditor and county treasurer of the appropriate county that the 354  
report has been received and that, subject to division (C) of 355  
this section, payments to the local authority from the undivided 356  
local government fund are to resume. 357

(b) Compute the local authority's LGF adjustment using the 358  
information in the report. An LGF adjustment computed under this 359  
division shall be used by the commissioner to determine the 360  
amount of the reductions required under division (C) of this 361  
section starting with the next required reduction. The LGF 362  
adjustment ceases to apply on the thirty-first day of the 363  
ensuing July, following which, if an LGF adjustment continues to 364  
be required, the amount of the reductions required under 365  
division (C) of this section shall be determined based on an 366  
updated LGF adjustment computed under division (B) (2) of this 367

section. 368

(4) Annually, on or before the tenth day of August, the 369  
commissioner shall compute a residual adjustment for each local 370  
authority whose LGF adjustment for the preceding year exceeds 371  
the amount by which the local authority's LGF payments were 372  
reduced during that year under division (C) of this section. The 373  
residual adjustment shall be used to compute the LGF adjustment 374  
for the ensuing year under division (B) (2) of this section. 375

(C) ~~The Subject to section 5747.505 of the Revised Code,~~ 376  
the commissioner shall do the following, as applicable, 377  
respecting any local authority to which an LGF adjustment 378  
computed under division (B) of this section applies: 379

(1) If the local authority is a municipal corporation with 380  
a population of one thousand or more, reduce payments to the 381  
municipal corporation under division (C) of section 5747.50 of 382  
the Revised Code by one-twelfth of the LGF adjustment. If one- 383  
twelfth of the LGF adjustment exceeds the amount of money the 384  
municipal corporation would otherwise receive under division (C) 385  
of section 5747.50 of the Revised Code, the commissioner also 386  
shall reduce payments to the appropriate county undivided local 387  
government fund under division (B) of section 5747.50 of the 388  
Revised Code by an amount equal to the lesser of (a) one-twelfth 389  
of the excess, or (b) the amount of the payment the municipal 390  
corporation would otherwise receive from the fund under section 391  
5747.51 or 5747.53 of the Revised Code. 392

(2) If the local authority is a township or qualifying 393  
village, reduce the supplemental payments to the appropriate 394  
county undivided local government fund under section 5747.503 of 395  
the Revised Code by the lesser of one-twelfth of the LGF 396  
adjustment, or the amount of money the township or qualifying 397

village would otherwise receive under that section. If one- 398  
twelfth of the LGF adjustment exceeds the amount of money the 399  
township or qualifying village would otherwise receive under 400  
section 5747.503 of the Revised Code, the commissioner also 401  
shall reduce payments to the appropriate county undivided local 402  
government fund under division (B) of section 5747.50 of the 403  
Revised Code by an amount equal to the lesser of (a) one-twelfth 404  
of the excess, or (b) the amount of the payment the township or 405  
qualifying village would otherwise receive from the fund under 406  
section 5747.51 or 5747.53 of the Revised Code. 407

(3) If the local authority is a county, reduce payments to 408  
the appropriate county undivided local government fund under 409  
division (B) of section 5747.50 of the Revised Code by an amount 410  
equal to the lesser of (a) one-twelfth of the LGF adjustment, or 411  
(b) the amount of the payment the county would otherwise receive 412  
from the fund under section 5747.51 or 5747.53 of the Revised 413  
Code. 414

(4) For any local authority, on or before the tenth day of 415  
each month a reduction is made under division (C) (1), (2), or 416  
(3) of this section, make a payment to the local authority in an 417  
amount equal to the lesser of (a) one-twelfth of the gross 418  
amount of traffic camera fines the local authority collected in 419  
the preceding fiscal year for violations that occurred within a 420  
school zone, as indicated on the report filed by the local 421  
authority pursuant to division (B) (1) of this section, or (b) 422  
the amount by which the local authority's LGF payments were 423  
reduced that month pursuant to division (C) (1), (2), or (3) of 424  
this section. Payments received by a local authority under this 425  
division shall be used by the local authority for school safety 426  
purposes. 427

(D) ~~Upon~~ Subject to section 5747.505 of the Revised Code, 428  
upon discovery, based on information in the commissioner's 429  
possession, that a local authority required to file a report 430  
under division (B) (1) of this section has failed to do so, the 431  
commissioner shall do the following, as applicable: 432

(1) If the local authority is a municipal corporation with 433  
a population of one thousand or more, cease providing for 434  
payments to the municipal corporation under section 5747.50 of 435  
the Revised Code beginning with the next required payment and 436  
until such time as the report is received by the commissioner; 437

(2) If the local authority is a township or qualifying 438  
village, reduce the supplemental payments to the appropriate 439  
county undivided local government fund under section 5747.503 of 440  
the Revised Code by an amount equal to the amount of such 441  
payments the local authority would otherwise receive under that 442  
section, beginning with the next required payment and until such 443  
time as the report is received by the commissioner; 444

(3) For any local authority, reduce payments to the 445  
appropriate county undivided local government fund under 446  
division (B) of section 5747.50 of the Revised Code by an amount 447  
equal to the amount of such payments the local authority would 448  
otherwise receive under section 5747.51 or 5747.53 of the 449  
Revised Code, beginning with the next required payment and until 450  
such time as the report is received by the commissioner; 451

(4) For any local authority, notify the county auditor and 452  
county treasurer that such payments are to cease until the 453  
commissioner notifies the auditor and treasurer under division 454  
(E) of this section that the payments are to resume. 455

(E) The commissioner shall notify the county auditor and 456

county treasurer on or before the day the commissioner first 457  
reduces a county undivided local government fund payment to that 458  
county under division (C) of this section. The notice shall 459  
include the full amount of the reduction, a list of the local 460  
authorities to which the reduction applies, and the amount of 461  
reduction attributed to each such local authority. The 462  
commissioner shall send an updated notice to the county auditor 463  
and county treasurer any time the amount the reduction 464  
attributed to any local authority changes. 465

A county treasurer that receives a notice from the 466  
commissioner under this division or division (B) (3) (a) or (D) (4) 467  
of this section shall reduce, cease, or resume payments from the 468  
undivided local government fund to the local authority that is 469  
the subject of the notice as specified by the commissioner in 470  
the notice. Unless otherwise specified in the notice, the 471  
payments shall be reduced, ceased, or resumed beginning with the 472  
next required payment. 473

(F) There is hereby created in the state treasury the Ohio 474  
highway and transportation safety fund. On or before the tenth 475  
day of each month, the commissioner shall deposit in the fund an 476  
amount equal to the total amount by which payments to local 477  
authorities were reduced or ceased under division (C) or (D) of 478  
this section minus the total amount of payments made under 479  
division (C) (4) of this section. The amount deposited with 480  
respect to a local authority shall be credited to an account to 481  
be created in the fund for the transportation district in which 482  
that local authority is located. If the local authority is 483  
located within more than one transportation district, the amount 484  
credited to the account of each such transportation district 485  
shall be prorated on the basis of the number of centerline miles 486  
of public roads and highways in both the local authority and the 487

respective districts. Amounts credited to a transportation 488  
district's account shall be used by the department of 489  
transportation and the district deputy director exclusively to 490  
enhance public safety on public roads and highways within that 491  
transportation district. 492

Sec. 5747.504. (A) As used in this section, "local 493  
government fund payments" means the payments a municipal 494  
corporation or county would receive under sections 5747.503, 495  
5747.51, and 5747.53, and division (C) of section 5747.50 of the 496  
Revised Code, as applicable, if not for the reductions required 497  
by this section or section 5747.502 of the Revised Code. 498

(B) Beginning with the month following receipt of a notice 499  
from the secretary of state pursuant to division (B) of section 500  
3505.011 or 3513.141 of the Revised Code, the tax commissioner 501  
shall do the following, as applicable: 502

(1) If the notice concerns a municipal corporation with a 503  
population of one thousand or more, cease providing for payments 504  
to the municipal corporation under section 5747.50 of the 505  
Revised Code beginning with the next required payment; 506

(2) If the notice concerns a qualifying village, as 507  
defined in section 5747.503 of the Revised Code, reduce the 508  
supplemental payments to the appropriate county undivided local 509  
government fund under section 5747.503 of the Revised Code by an 510  
amount equal to the amount of such payments the qualifying 511  
village would otherwise receive under that section, beginning 512  
with the next required payment; 513

(3) For any county or municipal corporation identified in 514  
the notice, reduce payments to the appropriate county undivided 515  
local government fund under division (B) of section 5747.50 of 516

the Revised Code by an amount equal to the amount of such 517  
payments the county or municipal corporation would otherwise 518  
receive under section 5747.51 or 5747.53 of the Revised Code, 519  
beginning with the next required payment. 520

(C) Subject to section 5747.505 of the Revised Code, upon 521  
receiving notice from the secretary of state, under division (C) 522  
of section 3505.11 or 3513.141 of the Revised Code, that a 523  
county or municipal corporation has, by resolution or ordinance, 524  
rescinded previous approval for the use of ranked choice voting, 525  
the commissioner shall resume all local government fund payments 526  
ceased or reduced under division (B) of this section due to that 527  
county's or municipal corporation's use of ranked choice voting. 528

(D) (1) The commissioner shall notify the county auditor 529  
and county treasurer on or before the day the commissioner first 530  
reduces a county undivided local government fund payment to that 531  
county under division (B) (3) of this section. The notice shall 532  
include the full amount of the reduction, a list of the counties 533  
and municipal corporations to which the reduction applies, and 534  
the amount of reduction attributed to each such county or 535  
municipal corporation. 536

(2) The commissioner shall also notify the county auditor 537  
and county treasurer on or before the day that the commissioner 538  
first resumes payments to the county undivided local government 539  
fund under division (C) of this section. The notification shall 540  
include a list of the counties or municipal corporations that 541  
are again eligible to receive local government fund payments. 542

(3) Subject to section 5747.505 of the Revised Code, a 543  
county treasurer that receives a notice from the commissioner 544  
under division (D) (1) or (2) of this section shall cease or 545  
resume payments from the undivided local government fund to the 546

county or municipal corporation that is the subject of the 547  
notice as specified by the commissioner in the notice. 548

(E) On or before the tenth day of each month, the 549  
commissioner shall transfer from the local government fund to 550  
the general revenue fund the sum of the payments withheld that 551  
month under division (B) of this section. 552

**Sec. 5747.505.** If a municipal corporation or county is 553  
subject to more than one reduction required by sections 5747.502 554  
and 5747.504 of the Revised Code for the same month, the tax 555  
commissioner shall apply the reduction required by section 556  
5747.504 of the Revised Code first and deposit the amount of 557  
payments withheld to the general revenue fund under division (E) 558  
of that section. 559

**Section 2.** That existing sections 3501.01 and 5747.502 of 560  
the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 561