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Sub. S. B. No. 234

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A BILL

Го	amend sections 3314.03, 3326.11, 3328.24,	1
	3345.37, and 3728.01 and to enact sections	2
	5.2539, 5.56, 3313.473, 3345.371, and 3345.87 of	3
	the Revised Code to designate May as "Food	4
	Allergy Awareness Month" and as "Lupus Awareness	5
	Month"; to authorize certain peace officers to	6
	use epinephrine autoinjectors acquired by their	7
	law enforcement agencies; and to require schools	8
	and higher education institutions to advertise	9
	the national suicide and crisis lifeline	10
	telephone number to students, and to require	11
	higher education institutions to provide	12
	information about declarations for mental health	13
	treatment.	14

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

Section 1. That sections 3314.03, 3326.11, 3328.24,	15
3345.37, and 3728.01 be amended and sections 5.2539, 5.56,	16
3313.473, 3345.371, and 3345.87 of the Revised Code be enacted	17

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to read as follows:	18
Sec. 5.2539. The month of May is designated as "Food	19
Allergy Awareness Month."	20
Sec. 5.56. The month of May is designated as "Lupus	21
Awareness Month" in recognition of the following:	22
(A) Systemic lupus erythematosus, or lupus, is a chronic,	23
complex, and often disabling autoimmune disorder in which the	24
body's immune system attacks the body's own cells, tissues, and	25
organs.	26
(B) Lupus can affect many parts of the body, including the	27
joints, skin, brain, heart, lungs, and kidneys.	28
(C) Lupus nephritis is a serious manifestation of lupus	29
that causes inflammation of the kidneys.	30
(D) Lupus nephritis can lead to irreversible kidney damage	31
or even kidney failure, which may require dialysis or a	32
<pre>transplant.</pre>	33
(E) Prompt diagnosis and treatment are crucial for	34
patients with lupus and lupus nephritis.	35
(F) Lupus and lupus nephritis are more common in and	36
disproportionately impact women and patients of color.	37
(G) Too many lupus and lupus nephritis patients, and	38
especially marginalized patients, in the United States face	39
harmful delays in diagnosis and treatment of these conditions.	40
(H) The department of health's lupus education and	41
awareness program, established under section 3701.77 of the	42
Revised Code.	43
Sec. 3313.473. Each city, local, and exempted village_	44

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(b) The governing authority will purchase liability

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insurance, or otherwise provide for the potential liability of	128
the school.	129
(a) The acheel will be representation in its programs	130
(c) The school will be nonsectarian in its programs,	
admission policies, employment practices, and all other	131
operations, and will not be operated by a sectarian school or	132
religious institution.	133
(d) The school will comply with sections 9.90, 9.91,	134
109.65, 121.22, 149.43, 2151.357, 2151.421, 2313.19, 3301.0710,	135
3301.0711, 3301.0712, 3301.0715, 3301.0729, 3301.948, 3302.037,	136
3313.472, <u>3313.473,</u> 3313.50, 3313.539, 3313.5310, 3313.5318,	137
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3313.661, 3313.662, 3313.666, 3313.667, 3313.668, 3313.669,	141
3313.6610, 3313.67, 3313.671, 3313.672, 3313.673, 3313.69,	142
3313.71, 3313.716, 3313.718, 3313.719, 3313.7112, 3313.7117,	143
3313.721, 3313.753, 3313.80, 3313.814, 3313.816, 3313.817,	144
3313.818, 3313.819, 3313.86, 3313.89, 3313.96, 3319.073,	145
3319.077, 3319.078, 3319.0812, 3319.238, 3319.318, 3319.321,	146
3319.324, 3319.39, 3319.391, 3319.393, 3319.41, 3319.46,	147
3319.614, 3320.01, 3320.02, 3320.03, 3320.04, 3321.01, 3321.041,	148
3321.13, 3321.14, 3321.141, 3321.17, 3321.18, 3321.19, 3322.20,	149
3322.24, 3323.251, 3327.10, 4111.17, 4113.52, 5502.262,	150
5502.703, and 5705.391 and Chapters 117., 1347., 2744., 3365.,	151
3742., 4112., 4123., 4141., and 4167. of the Revised Code as if	152
it were a school district and will comply with section 3301.0714	153
of the Revised Code in the manner specified in section 3314.17	154
of the Revised Code.	155
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(e) The school shall comply with Chapter 102. and section	156
2921.42 of the Revised Code.	157

(f) The school will comply with sections 3313.61,	158
3313.611, 3313.614, 3313.617, 3313.618, and 3313.6114 of the	159
Revised Code, except that for students who enter ninth grade for	160
the first time before July 1, 2010, the requirement in sections	161
3313.61 and 3313.611 of the Revised Code that a person must	162
successfully complete the curriculum in any high school prior to	163
receiving a high school diploma may be met by completing the	164
curriculum adopted by the governing authority of the community	165
school rather than the curriculum specified in Title XXXIII of	166
the Revised Code or any rules of the department. Beginning with	167
students who enter ninth grade for the first time on or after	168
July 1, 2010, the requirement in sections 3313.61 and 3313.611	169
of the Revised Code that a person must successfully complete the	170
curriculum of a high school prior to receiving a high school	171
diploma shall be met by completing the requirements prescribed	172
in section 3313.6027 and division (C) of section 3313.603 of the	173
Revised Code, unless the person qualifies under division (D) or	174
(F) of that section. Each school shall comply with the plan for	175
awarding high school credit based on demonstration of subject	176
area competency, and beginning with the 2017-2018 school year,	177
with the updated plan that permits students enrolled in seventh	178
and eighth grade to meet curriculum requirements based on	179
subject area competency adopted by the department under	180
divisions (J)(1) and (2) of section 3313.603 of the Revised	181
Code. Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, the school shall	182
comply with the framework for granting units of high school	183
credit to students who demonstrate subject area competency	184
through work-based learning experiences, internships, or	185
cooperative education developed by the department under division	186
(J)(3) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code.	187

(g) The school governing authority will submit within four

months after the end of each school year a report of its	189
activities and progress in meeting the goals and standards of	190
divisions (A)(3) and (4) of this section and its financial	191
status to the sponsor and the parents of all students enrolled	192
in the school.	193
(h) The school, unless it is an internet- or computer-	194
based community school, will comply with section 3313.801 of the	195
Revised Code as if it were a school district.	196
(i) If the school is the recipient of moneys from a grant	197
awarded under the federal race to the top program, Division (A),	198
Title XIV, Sections 14005 and 14006 of the "American Recovery	199
and Reinvestment Act of 2009," Pub. L. No. 111-5, 123 Stat. 115,	200
the school will pay teachers based upon performance in	201
accordance with section 3317.141 and will comply with section	202
3319.111 of the Revised Code as if it were a school district.	203
(j) If the school operates a preschool program that is	204
licensed by the department under sections 3301.52 to 3301.59 of	205
the Revised Code, the school shall comply with sections 3301.50	206
to 3301.59 of the Revised Code and the minimum standards for	207
preschool programs prescribed in rules adopted by the department	208
of children and youth under section 3301.53 of the Revised Code.	209
(k) The school will comply with sections 3313.6021 and	210
3313.6023 of the Revised Code as if it were a school district	211
unless it is either of the following:	212
(i) An internet- or computer-based community school;	213
(ii) A community school in which a majority of the	214
enrolled students are children with disabilities as described in	215
division (B)(2) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code.	216

(1) The school will comply with section 3321.191 of the

agreement applicable to such employees;

(18) Provisions establishing procedures for resolving	247
disputes or differences of opinion between the sponsor and the	248
governing authority of the community school;	249
(19) A provision requiring the governing authority to	250
adopt a policy regarding the admission of students who reside	251
outside the district in which the school is located. That policy	252
shall comply with the admissions procedures specified in	253
sections 3314.06 and 3314.061 of the Revised Code and, at the	254
sole discretion of the authority, shall do one of the following:	255
(a) Prohibit the enrollment of students who reside outside	256
the district in which the school is located;	257
(b) Permit the enrollment of students who reside in	258
districts adjacent to the district in which the school is	259
located;	260
(c) Permit the enrollment of students who reside in any	261
other district in the state.	262
(20) A provision recognizing the authority of the	263
department to take over the sponsorship of the school in	264
accordance with the provisions of division (C) of section	265
3314.015 of the Revised Code;	266
(21) A provision recognizing the sponsor's authority to	267
assume the operation of a school under the conditions specified	268
in division (B) of section 3314.073 of the Revised Code;	269
(22) A provision recognizing both of the following:	270
(a) The authority of public health and safety officials to	271
inspect the facilities of the school and to order the facilities	272
closed if those officials find that the facilities are not in	273
compliance with health and safety laws and regulations;	274

under section 3326.032 of the Revised Code;

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(b) The authority of the department as the community 275 school oversight body to suspend the operation of the school 276 under section 3314.072 of the Revised Code if the department has 277 evidence of conditions or violations of law at the school that 278 pose an imminent danger to the health and safety of the school's 279 students and employees and the sponsor refuses to take such 280 action. 281 (23) A description of the learning opportunities that will 282 be offered to students including both classroom-based and non-283 classroom-based learning opportunities that is in compliance 284 with criteria for student participation established by the 285 department under division (H)(2) of section 3314.08 of the 286 Revised Code; 287 (24) The school will comply with sections 3302.04 and 288 3302.041 of the Revised Code, except that any action required to 289 be taken by a school district pursuant to those sections shall 290 be taken by the sponsor of the school. 291 (25) Beginning in the 2006-2007 school year, the school 292 will open for operation not later than the thirtieth day of 293 September each school year, unless the mission of the school as 294 specified under division (A)(2) of this section is solely to 295 serve dropouts. In its initial year of operation, if the school 296 fails to open by the thirtieth day of September, or within one 297 year after the adoption of the contract pursuant to division (D) 298 of section 3314.02 of the Revised Code if the mission of the 299 school is solely to serve dropouts, the contract shall be void. 300 (26) Whether the school's governing authority is planning 301 to seek designation for the school as a STEM school equivalent 302

(27) That the school's attendance and participation	304
policies will be available for public inspection;	305
(28) That the school's attendance and participation	306
records shall be made available to the department, auditor of	307
state, and school's sponsor to the extent permitted under and in	308
accordance with the "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act	309
of 1974," 88 Stat. 571, 20 U.S.C. 1232g, as amended, and any	310
regulations promulgated under that act, and section 3319.321 of	311
the Revised Code;	312
(29) If a school operates using the blended learning	313
model, as defined in section 3301.079 of the Revised Code, all	314
of the following information:	315
(a) An indication of what blended learning model or models	316
will be used;	317
(b) A description of how student instructional needs will	318
be determined and documented;	319
(c) The method to be used for determining competency,	320
granting credit, and promoting students to a higher grade level;	321
(d) The school's attendance requirements, including how	322
the school will document participation in learning	323
opportunities;	324
(e) A statement describing how student progress will be	325
monitored;	326
(f) A statement describing how private student data will	327
be protected;	328
(g) A description of the professional development	329
activities that will be offered to teachers.	330

(30) A provision requiring that all moneys the school's	331
operator loans to the school, including facilities loans or cash	332
flow assistance, must be accounted for, documented, and bear	333
<pre>interest at a fair market rate;</pre>	334
(31) A provision requiring that, if the governing	335
authority contracts with an attorney, accountant, or entity	336
specializing in audits, the attorney, accountant, or entity	337
shall be independent from the operator with which the school has	338
contracted.	339
(32) A provision requiring the governing authority to	340
adopt an enrollment and attendance policy that requires a	341
student's parent to notify the community school in which the	342
student is enrolled when there is a change in the location of	343
the parent's or student's primary residence.	344
(33) A provision requiring the governing authority to	345
adopt a student residence and address verification policy for	346
students enrolling in or attending the school.	347
(B) The community school shall also submit to the sponsor	348
a comprehensive plan for the school. The plan shall specify the	349
following:	350
(1) The process by which the governing authority of the	351
school will be selected in the future;	352
(2) The management and administration of the school;	353
(3) If the community school is a currently existing public	354
school or educational service center building, alternative	355
arrangements for current public school students who choose not	356
to attend the converted school and for teachers who choose not	357
to teach in the school or building after conversion:	358

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contract;	388
(4) Take steps to intervene in the school's operation to	389
correct problems in the school's overall performance, declare	390
the school to be on probationary status pursuant to section	391
3314.073 of the Revised Code, suspend the operation of the	392
school pursuant to section 3314.072 of the Revised Code, or	393
terminate the contract of the school pursuant to section 3314.07	394
of the Revised Code as determined necessary by the sponsor;	395
(5) Have in place a plan of action to be undertaken in the	396
event the community school experiences financial difficulties or	397
closes prior to the end of a school year.	398
(E) Upon the expiration of a contract entered into under	399
this section, the sponsor of a community school may, with the	400
approval of the governing authority of the school, renew that	401
contract for a period of time determined by the sponsor, but not	402
ending earlier than the end of any school year, if the sponsor	403
finds that the school's compliance with applicable laws and	404
terms of the contract and the school's progress in meeting the	405
academic goals prescribed in the contract have been	406
satisfactory. Any contract that is renewed under this division	407
remains subject to the provisions of sections 3314.07, 3314.072,	408
and 3314.073 of the Revised Code.	409
(F) If a community school fails to open for operation	410
within one year after the contract entered into under this	411
section is adopted pursuant to division (D) of section 3314.02	412
of the Revised Code or permanently closes prior to the	413

expiration of the contract, the contract shall be void and the

school shall not be considered permanently closed because the

school shall not enter into a contract with any other sponsor. A

operations of the school have been suspended pursuant to section

as if it were a school district.

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3314.072 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3326.11. Each science, technology, engineering, and
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mathematics school established under this chapter and its 420 governing body shall comply with sections 9.90, 9.91, 109.65, 421 121.22, 149.43, 2151.357, 2151.421, 2313.19, 2921.42, 2921.43, 422 3301.0714, 3301.0715, 3301.0729, 3301.948, 3302.037, 3313.14, 423 3313.15, 3313.16, 3313.18, 3313.201, 3313.26, 3313.472, 424 3313.473, 3313.48, 3313.481, 3313.482, 3313.50, 3313.539, 425 3313.5310, 3313.5318, 3313.5319, 3313.608, 3313.6012, 3313.6013, 426 3313.6014, 3313.6020, 3313.6021, 3313.6023, 3313.6024, 427 3313.6025, 3313.6026, 3313.6028, 3313.6029, 3313.61, 3313.611, 428 3313.614, 3313.615, 3313.617, 3313.618, 3313.6114, 3313.643, 429 3313.648, 3313.6411, 3313.6413, 3313.66, 3313.661, 3313.662, 430 3313.666, 3313.667, 3313.668, 3313.669, 3313.6610, 3313.67, 431 3313.671, 3313.672, 3313.673, 3313.69, 3313.71, 3313.716, 432 3313.717, 3313.718, 3313.719, 3313.7112, 3313.7117, 3313.721, 433 3313.753, 3313.80, 3313.801, 3313.814, 3313.816, 3313.817, 434 3313.818, 3313.819, 3313.86, 3313.89, 3313.96, 3319.073, 435 3319.077, 3319.078, 3319.0812, 3319.21, 3319.238, 3319.318, 436 3319.32, 3319.321, 3319.324, 3319.35, 3319.39, 3319.391, 437 3319.393, 3319.41, 3319.45, 3319.46, 3319.614, 3320.01, 3320.02, 438 3320.03, 3320.04, 3321.01, 3321.041, 3321.05, 3321.13, 3321.14, 439 3321.141, 3321.17, 3321.18, 3321.19, 3321.191, 3322.20, 3322.24, 440 3323.251, 3327.10, 4111.17, 4113.52, 5502.262, 5502.703, and 441 5705.391 and Chapters 102., 117., 1347., 2744., 3307., 3309., 442 3365., 3742., 4112., 4123., 4141., and 4167. of the Revised Code 443

Sec. 3328.24. A college-preparatory boarding school 445
established under this chapter and its board of trustees shall 446
comply with sections 102.02, 3301.0710, 3301.0711, 3301.0712, 447
3301.0714, 3301.0729, 3301.948, 3302.037, 3313.473, 3313.5318, 448

3313.5319, 3313.6013, 3313.6021, 3313.6023, 3313.6024,	449
3313.6025, 3313.6026, 3313.6029, 3313.617, 3313.618, 3313.6114,	450
3313.6411, 3313.6413, 3313.668, 3313.669, 3313.6610, 3313.717,	451
3313.7112, 3313.7117, 3313.721, 3313.753, 3313.89, 3319.073,	452
3319.077, 3319.078, 3319.318, 3319.324, 3319.39, 3319.391,	453
3319.393, 3319.46, 3320.01, 3320.02, 3320.03, 3320.04, 3323.251,	454
and 5502.262, and Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code as if the	455
school were a school district and the school's board of trustees	456
were a district board of education.	457
Sec. 3345.37. (A) Not later than one year after the	458
effective date of this section October 15, 2016, each state	459
institution of higher education, as defined in section 3345.011	460
of the Revised Code, shall develop and implement a policy to	461
advise students and staff on suicide prevention programs	462
available on and off campus that includes all of the following:	463
(1) Crisis intervention access, which shall include	464
information for national, state, and local suicide prevention	465
hotlines;	466
(2) Mental health program access, which shall provide	467
information on the availability of local mental health clinics,	468
student health services, and counseling services;	469
(3) Multimedia application access, which shall include	470
crisis hotline contact information, suicide warning signs,	471
resources offered, and free-of-cost applications;	472
(4) Student communication plans, which shall consist of	473
creating outreach plans regarding educational and outreach	474
activities on suicide prevention;	475
(5) Postvention plans, which shall consist of creating a	476
strategic plan to communicate effectively with students, staff,	477

and parents after a loss of a person to suicide.	478
(B) Each state institution of higher education, as defined	479
in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code, shall provide all	480
incoming students with information about mental health topics,	481
including depression and suicide prevention resources available	482
to students. The information provided to students shall include	483
available mental health services and other support services,	484
including student-run organizations for individuals at risk of	485
or affected by suicide.	486
(C) The information prescribed by divisions (A)(1), (2),	487
(3), and (4) of this section shall be posted on the web site of	488
each state institution of higher education.	489
Any applicable free-of-cost prevention materials or	490
programs shall be posted on the web sites of the board of	491
regents and the department of mental health and addiction	492
services. The materials or programs shall be reviewed on an	493
annual basis by the department of mental health and addiction	494
services.	495
(D) Each state institution of higher education shall	496
include the telephone number for the national suicide and crisis	497
lifeline, "988" or its successor, on each student identification	498
card issued after the effective date of this amendment and on	499
any electronic portal administered by the state institution that	500
may be accessed by students, if provided or used by the	501
institution.	502
Sec. 3345.371. Each private college, as defined in section	503
3365.01 of the Revised Code, shall include the telephone number	504
for the national suicide and crisis lifeline, "988" or its	505
successor, on each student identification card issued after the	506

effective date of this section and on any electronic portal	507
administered by the private college that may be accessed by	508
students, if provided or used by the private college.	509
Sec. 3345.87. (A) Each institution of higher education, as	510
defined in section 3345.19 of the Revised Code, shall provide	511
new students and the parents or guardians of the new students	512
information about declarations for mental health treatment, as	513
described in Chapter 2135. of the Revised Code, including how to	514
access and execute a declaration and considerations to determine	515
whether a declaration would be beneficial to a student. The	516
information shall be provided as part of the institution's	517
orientation, onboarding, or transfer materials and programs.	518
(B) The chancellor of higher education, in collaboration	519
with the director of mental health and addiction services, shall	520
create a standard information sheet that may be used by	521
institutions of higher education to convey the information	522
described in division (A) of this section.	523
Sec. 3728.01. As used in this chapter:	524
(A) "Administer epinephrine" means to inject an individual	525
with epinephrine using an autoinjector in a manufactured dosage	526
form.	527
(B) "Peace officer" has the same meaning as in section	528
109.71 of the Revised Code and also includes a sheriff.	529
(C) "Prescriber" means an individual who is authorized by	530
law to prescribe drugs or dangerous drugs or drug therapy	531
related devices in the course of the individual's professional	532
practice, including only the following:	533
(1) A clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife,	534

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law enforcement agency or other entity described in division (A)	565
of section 109.71 of the Revised Code.	566
Section 2. That existing sections 3314.03, 3326.11,	567
3328.24, 3345.37, and 3728.01 of the Revised Code are hereby	568
repealed.	569
Section 3. Nothing in this act prohibits a city, local, or	570
exempted village school district or chartered nonpublic school	571
serving any of grades nine through twelve from issuing or	572
providing a student identification card or planner that does not	573
include the telephone number for the National Suicide and Crisis	574
Lifeline in accordance with section 3313.473 of the Revised	575
Code, if the identification card or planner was printed before	576
the effective date of this section.	577
Nothing in this act prohibits a state institution of	578
higher education or a private college from issuing or providing	579
a student identification card that does not include the	580
telephone number for the National Suicide and Crisis Lifeline in	581
accordance with section 3345.37 or 3345.371 of the Revised Code,	582
if the identification card was printed before the effective date	583
of this section.	584
Section 4. The General Assembly, applying the principle	585
stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that	586
amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of	587
simultaneous operation, finds that the following sections,	588
presented in this act as composites of the sections as amended	589
by the acts indicated, are the resulting versions of the	590
sections in effect prior to the effective date of the sections	591
as presented in this act:	592

Section 3314.03 of the Revised Code as amended by H.B.

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214, H.B. 250, and S.B. 168, all of the 135th General Assembly.	594	
Section 3326.11 of the Revised Code as amended by H.B. 47,	595	
H.B. 214, and S.B. 168, all of the 135th General Assembly.	596	
Section 3328.24 of the Revised Code as amended by both	597	
H.B. 47 and H.B. 214 of the 135th General Assembly.	598	