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A BILL

То	amend sections 3331.02 and 4109.07 of the	1
	Revised Code to allow a person under sixteen	2
	years of age to be employed after 7 p.m. during	3
	the school year and to require a parent or	4
	guardian to sign a work hour notification form	5
	for a minor to receive an age and schooling	6
	certificate.	7

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

Section 1. That sections 3331.02 and 4109.07 of the	8
Revised Code be amended to read as follows:	9
Sec. 3331.02. (A) The superintendent of schools or the	10
chief administrative officer, as appropriate pursuant to section	11
3331.01 of the Revised Code, shall not issue an age and	12
schooling certificate until the superintendent or chief	13
administrative officer has received, examined, approved, and	14
filed the following papers duly executed:	15
(1) The written pledge or promise of the person,	16
partnership, or corporation to legally employ the child, and for	17

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this purpose work performed by a minor, directly and exclusively	18
for the benefit of such minor's parent, in the farm home or on	19
the farm of such parent is legal employment, irrespective of any	20
contract of employment, or the absence thereof, to permit the	21
child to attend school as provided in section 3321.08 of the	22
Revised Code, and give notice of the nonuse of an age and	23
schooling certificate within five days from the date of the	24
child's withdrawal or dismissal from the service of that person,	25
partnership, or corporation, giving the reasons for such	26
withdrawal or dismissal;	27

- (2) The child's school record or notification. As used in this division, a "school record" means documents properly filled out and signed by the person in charge of the school which the child last attended, giving the recorded age of the child, the child's address, standing in studies, rating in conduct, and attendance in days during the school year of the child's last attendance; "notification" means the information submitted to the superintendent by the parent of a child excused from attendance at school pursuant to division (A)(2) of section 3321.04 of the Revised Code, as the notification is required by rules adopted by the department of education.
 - (3) Evidence of the age of the child as follows:
- (a) A certified copy of an original birth record or a 40 certification of birth, issued in accordance with Chapter 3705. 41 of the Revised Code, or by an officer charged with the duty of 42 recording births in another state or country, shall be 43 conclusive evidence of the age of the child; 44
- (b) In the absence of such birth record or certification 45 of birth, a passport, or duly attested transcript thereof, 46 showing the date and place of birth of the child, filed with a 47

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register of passports at a port of entry of the United States;

or an attested transcript of the certificate of birth or baptism

or other religious record, showing the date and place of birth

of the child, shall be conclusive evidence of the age of the

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child;

- (c) In case none of the above proofs of age can be

 produced, other documentary evidence, except the affidavit of

 the parent, guardian, or custodian, satisfactory to the

 superintendent or chief administrative officer may be accepted

 in lieu thereof;

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- (d) In case no documentary proof of age can be procured, the superintendent or chief administrative officer may receive and file an application signed by the parent, guardian, or custodian of the child that a medical certificate be secured to establish the sufficiency of the age of the child, which application shall state the alleged age of the child, the place and date of birth, the child's present residence, and such further facts as may be of assistance in determining the age of the child, and shall certify that the person signing the application is unable to obtain any of the documentary proofs specified in divisions (A)(3)(a), (b), and (c) of this section; and if the superintendent or chief administrative officer is satisfied that a reasonable effort to procure such documentary proof has been without success such application shall be granted and the certificate of the school physician or if there be none, of a physician, a physician assistant, a clinical nurse specialist, or a certified nurse practitioner employed by the board of education, that said physician, physician assistant, clinical nurse specialist, or certified nurse practitioner is satisfied that the child is above the age required for an age and schooling certificate as stated in section 3331.01 of the

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(4) A certificate, including an athletic certificate of	80
examination, from a physician licensed pursuant to Chapter 4731.	81
of the Revised Code, a physician assistant, a clinical nurse	82
specialist, or a certified nurse practitioner, or from the	83
district health commissioner, showing after a thorough	84
examination that the child is physically fit to be employed in	85
such occupations as are not prohibited by law for a boy or girl,	86
as the case may be, under eighteen years of age; but a	87
certificate with "limited" written, printed, marked, or stamped	88
thereon may be furnished by such physician, physician assistant,	89
clinical nurse specialist, or certified nurse practitioner and	90
accepted by the superintendent or chief administrative officer	91
in issuing a "limited" age and schooling certificate provided in	92
section 3331.06 of the Revised Code, showing that the child is	93
physically fit to be employed in some particular occupation not	94
prohibited by law for a boy or girl of such child's age, as the	95
case may be, even if the child's complete physical ability to	96
engage in such occupation cannot be vouched for.	97

Revised Code, shall be accepted as sufficient evidence of aget.

(5) A minor work hour notification form described in division (D) of this section that is signed by the child's parent or legal guardian.

(B)(1) Except as provided in division (B)(2) of this 101 section, a physical fitness certificate described in division 102 (A) (4) of this section is valid for purposes of that division 103 while the child remains employed in job duties of a similar 104 nature as the job duties for which the child last was issued an 105 age and schooling certificate. The superintendent or chief 106 administrative officer who issues an age and schooling 107 certificate shall determine whether job duties are similar for 108

purposes of this division.	109
(2) A "limited" physical fitness certificate described in	110
division (A)(4) of this section is valid for one year.	111
(C) The superintendent of schools or the chief	112
administrative officer shall require a child who resides out of	113
this state to file all the information required under division	114
(A) of this section. The superintendent of schools or the chief	115
administrative officer shall evaluate the information filed and	116
determine whether to issue the age and schooling certificate	117
using the same standards as those the superintendent or officer	118
uses for in-state children.	119
(D) The director of commerce shall create, and make	120
available to the public, a minor work hour notification form	121
that provides notice of the hours a minor may work in accordance	122
with section 4109.07 of the Revised Code. The director shall	123
include on the form a space for a child's parent or legal	124
guardian to provide a signature. By signing the form, the parent	125
or guardian acknowledges that the parent or guardian has	126
received notice of the information on the form.	127
Sec. 4109.07. (A) No person under sixteen years of age	128
shall be employed:	129
(1) During school hours except where specifically	130
permitted by this chapter;	131
(2) Before seven a.m.;	132
(3) After nine p.m. from the first day of June to the	133
first day of September or during any school holiday of five	134
school days or more duration, or after;	135
(4) After seven p.m. at any other time, except the person	136

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may be employed between seven p.m. and nine p.m. if the person	137
has approval to do so from the person's parent or legal	138
<pre>guardian;</pre>	139
$\frac{(4)-(5)}{(5)}$ For more than three hours a day in any school day;	140
(5) (6) For more than eighteen hours in any week while	141
school is in session;	142
$\frac{(6)}{(7)}$ For more than eight hours in any day which is not	143
a school day;	144
(7) (8) For more than forty hours in any week that school	145
is not in session.	146
(B) No person under sixteen years of age may be employed	147
more than forty hours in any one week nor during school hours	148
unless employment is incidental to bona fide programs of	149
vocational cooperative training, work-study, or other work-	150
oriented programs with the purpose of educating students, and	151
the program meets standards established by the state board of	152
education.	153
(C) No employer shall employ a minor more than five	154
consecutive hours without allowing the minor a rest period of at	155
least thirty minutes. The rest period need not be included in	156
the computation of the number of hours worked by the minor.	157
(D) No person sixteen or seventeen years of age who is	158
required to attend school under Chapter 3321. of the Revised	159
Code shall be employed:	160
(1) Before seven a.m. on any day that school is in	161
session, except such person may be employed after six a.m. if	162
the person was not employed after eight p.m. the previous night;	163
(2) After eleven p.m. on any night preceding a day that	164

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school is in session.	165
(E) As used in this section, "school" refers to either a	166
school the child actually attends or a school he is required to	167
attend pursuant to Chapter 3321. of the Revised Code.	168
Section 2. That existing sections 3331.02 and 4109.07 of	169
the Revised Code are hereby repealed.	170