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A BILL

To enact sections 5.037, 5.212, 5.2322, 5.2323,	1
5.2324, 5.2325, 5.2326, 5.2410, 5.2411, 5.2412,	2
5.2413, 5.2414, 5.2415, 5.2472, 5.2540, 5.2541,	3
5.267, 5.491, 5.56, 5.561, 5.563, 5.61,	4
3701.1311, and 3701.147 of the Revised Code to	5
make a variety of designations, and to increase	6
awareness about sudden unexpected death in	7
epilepsy, and about cognitive impairment and	8
other types of dementia.	9

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

Se	ection 1.	. That se	ections 5	5.037, 5.212, 5.2322, 5.2323,	10
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Am. S. B. No. 62

5.563, 5.61, 3701.1311, and 3701.147 of the Revised Code be	13
enacted to read as follows:	14
Sec. 5.037. The fish, Sander vitreus, commonly known as	15
the "walleye," is the official fish of the state.	16
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Sec. 5.212. The ninth day of March is designated as	17
"6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion Day" to honor those	18
who served in the 6888th central postal directory battalion, the	19
only all-Black women's unit to serve overseas during World War_	20
<u>II.</u>	21
Sec. 5.2322. The eleventh day of September is designated	22
as "9/11 Remembrance Day" to honor the lives of those lost to	23
the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, including many	24
Ohioans, and to honor the first responders, national guard	25
members, and other heroes who selflessly responded to the	26
attacks.	27
Sec. 5.2323. The month of May is designated as "Umpire	28
Recognition Month."	29
Necognition Month.	29
Sec. 5.2324. The fourth day of October is designated as	30
"Rutherford B. Hayes Day."	31
Sec. 5.2325. The month of April is designated as	32
"Counseling Awareness Month."	33
Sec. 5.2326. The first week of October is designated as	34
<u>"Ohio Stormwater Awareness Week."</u>	35
Sec. 5.2410. The month of May is designated as "Older_	36
Ohioans Month."	37
Sec. 5.2411. The week beginning on the Saturday before the	38
last Saturday of February through the last Saturday in February	39
is designated as "FFA Week."	40
IS designated as ITA week.	10

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Sec. 5.2412. The twelfth day of October is designated as	41
"Farmer's Day."	42
Sec. 5.2413. The week ending with the second Saturday of	43
March is designated as "4-H Week."	44
Sec. 5.2414. The twenty-first day of March is designated	45
as "Agriculture Day."	46
Sec. 5.2415. The second full week of November is	47
designated "Ohio Soil Health Week," to celebrate and raise	48
awareness for the importance of soil health to Ohio agriculture	49
and in honor of the birthday of soil pioneer and advocate David	50
Brandt.	51
Sec. 5.2472. The nineteenth day of September is designated	52
as "Ohio Stillbirth Prevention Day."	53
Sec. 5.2540. The fifth day of November is designated as	54
"Roy Rogers Day," in honor of Roy Rogers, also known as "King of	55
the Cowboys," who was a singer and actor from Portsmouth, Ohio.	56
Sec. 5.2541. The month of March is designated as "Triple_	57
Negative Breast Cancer Awareness Month."	58
Sec. 5.267. The week beginning on Thursday of the second	59
full week in June is designated as "Ohio Nursing Assistants	60
Week."	61
Sec. 5.491. The eighteenth day of November is designated	62
"A Christmas Story Family Day," commemorating the date in 1983	63
when the classic movie, filmed in Cleveland, Ohio, was released.	64
Sec. 5.56. The twenty-fifth day of March is designated as	65
"Greek Independence Day," to remember this important day in	66
Greek history, and to honor and recognize Ohioans of Greek	67
descent and their contributions to this state.	68

Sec. 5.561. The third Sunday in November is designated as	69
"Road Traffic Victims Day of Remembrance," to honor the people	70
killed or seriously injured on the roads of this state and to	71
encourage road safety and support for road traffic victims and	72
their families.	73
Sec. 5.563. The twenty-eighth day of September is	74
designated as "Speaker Jo Ann Davidson Day" in recognition of Jo	75
Ann Davidson, the first female speaker of the Ohio House of	76
Representatives, who was born on that day in 1927.	77
Sec. 5.61. The twenty-fourth day of August is designated	78
as "Ukraine Independence Day" in Ohio, in recognition of that	79
day in 1991 when the parliament of Ukraine, the Verkhovna Rada,	80
formally declared an independent, sovereign, and democratic	81
<u>Ukrainian state.</u>	82
Sec. 3701.1311. (A) As used in this section:	83
(1) "Health care practitioner" means all of the following:	84
(a) A physician authorized under Chapter 4731. of the	85
Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic	86
medicine and surgery;	87
(b) An advanced practice registered nurse authorized under	88
Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code to practice nursing as an	89
advanced practice registered nurse and designated as a clinical	90
nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse	91
practitioner;	92
(c) A physician assistant authorized under Chapter 4730.	93
of the Revised Code to practice as a physician assistant.	94
(2) "Sudden unexpected death in epilepsy" means sudden,	95
unexpected death in patients with epilepsy, with or without	96

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evidence of a seizure.	97
(B) Any health care practitioner who has the primary	98
responsibility for the treatment or care, other than treatment	99
during an emergency situation, of a patient who has been	100
diagnosed with epilepsy shall provide the patient with the	101
following written information:	102
(1) Current, evidence-based information developed by the	103
federal centers for disease control and prevention about sudden	104
unexpected death in epilepsy risk factors and conditions, which	105
may be obtained through the link described in division (C) of	106
this section;	107
(2) Contact information for nonprofit organizations that	108
provide information and support services for epilepsy	109
conditions.	110
(C)(1) The director of health shall post a link on the	111
department of health's internet web site to the federal centers	112
for disease control and prevention's sudden unexpected death in	113
epilepsy information.	114
(2) Any local or national organization that provides	115
education or services related to epilepsy conditions may request	116
that the director include the organization's informational	117
material and contact information on the department's internet	118
web site. Once a request is made, the director may, in the	119
director's discretion, add the information to the department's	120
<u>internet web site.</u>	121
Sec. 3701.147. (A) The department of health, in	122
coordination with the department of aging, the commission on	123
minority health, and community organizations focusing on	124

minority health, and community organizations focusing on124Alzheimer's disease and other types of dementia awareness, shall125

incorporate awareness information into relevant public health	126
outreach conducted by the department of health.	127
(B) The parties described in division (A) of this section	128
shall design the information to educate and increase awareness	129
and understanding among health care providers, community	130
organizations, and the general public on the following topics	131
related to cognitive impairment, Alzheimer's disease, and other	132
types of dementia:	133
(1) Early warning signs;	134
(2) The value of reducing risk factors of Alzheimer's	135
disease and other types of dementia, including through	136
conducting healthy brain initiatives and disseminating healthy	137
lifestyle materials;	138
(3) The importance of early detection and timely	139
diagnosis;	140
(4) How to reduce the risk of cognitive decline,	141
particularly among individuals from broad cultural, ethnic,	142
racial, geographic, and socioeconomic backgrounds and those	143
disproportionately affected by dementia who are at greater risk	144
of developing Alzheimer's disease or other types of dementia;	145
(5) Assessment tools for detection and diagnosis;	146
(6) The importance of an annual medicare wellness visit or	147
other annual physical for individuals sixty-five years of age	148
and older for cognitive health, including the medicare plan	149
billing code for treatment relating to cognitive impairment.	150
Section 2. Section 3701.1311 of the Revised Code shall be	151
known as the Brenna Brossard SUDEP Awareness Act.	152