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**A BILL**

To amend sections 109.71, 109.73, 109.75, 109.79, 1  
109.801, 1345.02, 1701.07, 1702.06, 1702.59, 2  
1703.041, 1703.15, 1703.29, 1706.09, 1729.11, 3  
1746.04, 1747.03, 1776.07, 1782.04, 1785.06, 4  
1901.123, 1907.143, 2923.126, 3505.06, 3729.05, 5  
4505.061, 4519.56, 4519.69, 5709.084, and 6  
5709.121 and to enact sections 109.7481, 7  
109.774, 111.242, and 111.243 of the Revised 8  
Code to address fraudulent business filings, 9  
deceptive mailings, reinstatement of canceled 10  
business entities, and addresses of statutory 11  
agents, and to make changes regarding property 12  
taxation, fire investigator firearms, acting or 13  
assigned judge reimbursements, common pleas 14  
clerk of court duties, recreational vehicle park 15  
and camp operation licenses, and state ballot 16  
numbering. 17

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

**Section 1.** That sections 109.71, 109.73, 109.75, 109.79, 18  
109.801, 1345.02, 1701.07, 1702.06, 1702.59, 1703.041, 1703.15, 19  
1703.29, 1706.09, 1729.11, 1746.04, 1747.03, 1776.07, 1782.04, 20  
1785.06, 1901.123, 1907.143, 2923.126, 3505.06, 3729.05, 21  
4505.061, 4519.56, 4519.69, 5709.084, and 5709.121 be amended 22  
and sections 109.7481, 109.774, 111.242, and 111.243 of the 23  
Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 24

**Sec. 109.71.** There is hereby created in the office of the 25  
attorney general the Ohio peace officer training commission. The 26  
commission shall consist of ten members appointed by the 27  
governor with the advice and consent of the senate and selected 28  
as follows: one member representing the public; one member who 29  
represents a fraternal organization representing law enforcement 30  
officers; two members who are incumbent sheriffs; two members 31  
who are incumbent chiefs of police; one member from the bureau 32  
of criminal identification and investigation; one member from 33  
the state highway patrol; one member who is the special agent in 34  
charge of a field office of the federal bureau of investigation 35  
in this state; and one member from the department of education 36  
and workforce, trade and industrial education services, law 37  
enforcement training. 38

This section does not confer any arrest authority or any 39  
ability or authority to detain a person, write or issue any 40  
citation, or provide any disposition alternative, as granted 41  
under Chapter 2935. of the Revised Code. 42

Pursuant to division (A) (9) of section 101.82 of the 43  
Revised Code, the commission is exempt from the requirements of 44  
sections 101.82 to 101.87 of the Revised Code. 45

As used in sections 109.71 to 109.801 of the Revised Code: 46

(A) "Peace officer" means:	47
(1) A deputy sheriff, marshal, deputy marshal, member of the organized police department of a township or municipal corporation, member of a township police district or joint police district police force, member of a police force employed by a metropolitan housing authority under division (D) of section 3735.31 of the Revised Code, or township constable, who is commissioned and employed as a peace officer by a political subdivision of this state or by a metropolitan housing authority, and whose primary duties are to preserve the peace, to protect life and property, and to enforce the laws of this state, ordinances of a municipal corporation, resolutions of a township, or regulations of a board of county commissioners or board of township trustees, or any of those laws, ordinances, resolutions, or regulations;	48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61
(2) A police officer who is employed by a railroad company and appointed and commissioned by the secretary of state pursuant to sections 4973.17 to 4973.22 of the Revised Code;	62 63 64
(3) Employees of the department of taxation engaged in the enforcement of Chapter 5743. of the Revised Code and designated by the tax commissioner for peace officer training for purposes of the delegation of investigation powers under section 5743.45 of the Revised Code;	65 66 67 68 69
(4) An undercover drug agent;	70
(5) Enforcement agents of the department of public safety whom the director of public safety designates under section 5502.14 of the Revised Code;	71 72 73
(6) An employee of the department of natural resources who is a natural resources law enforcement staff officer designated	74 75

pursuant to section 1501.013, a natural resources officer	76
appointed pursuant to section 1501.24, a forest-fire	77
investigator appointed pursuant to section 1503.09, or a	78
wildlife officer designated pursuant to section 1531.13 of the	79
Revised Code;	80
(7) An employee of a park district who is designated	81
pursuant to section 511.232 or 1545.13 of the Revised Code;	82
(8) An employee of a conservancy district who is	83
designated pursuant to section 6101.75 of the Revised Code;	84
(9) A police officer who is employed by a hospital that	85
employs and maintains its own proprietary police department or	86
security department, and who is appointed and commissioned by	87
the secretary of state pursuant to sections 4973.17 to 4973.22	88
of the Revised Code;	89
(10) Veterans' homes police officers designated under	90
section 5907.02 of the Revised Code;	91
(11) A police officer who is employed by a qualified	92
nonprofit corporation police department pursuant to section	93
1702.80 of the Revised Code;	94
(12) A state university law enforcement officer appointed	95
under section 3345.04 of the Revised Code or a person serving as	96
a state university law enforcement officer on a permanent basis	97
on June 19, 1978, who has been awarded a certificate by the	98
executive director of the Ohio peace officer training commission	99
attesting to the person's satisfactory completion of an approved	100
state, county, municipal, or department of natural resources	101
peace officer basic training program;	102
(13) A special police officer employed by the department	103
of mental health and addiction services pursuant to section	104

5119.08 of the Revised Code or the department of developmental disabilities pursuant to section 5123.13 of the Revised Code;	105 106
(14) A member of a campus police department appointed under section 1713.50 of the Revised Code;	107 108
(15) A member of a police force employed by a regional transit authority under division (Y) of section 306.35 of the Revised Code;	109 110 111
(16) Investigators appointed by the auditor of state pursuant to section 117.091 of the Revised Code and engaged in the enforcement of Chapter 117. of the Revised Code;	112 113 114
(17) A special police officer designated by the superintendent of the state highway patrol pursuant to section 5503.09 of the Revised Code or a person who was serving as a special police officer pursuant to that section on a permanent basis on October 21, 1997, and who has been awarded a certificate by the executive director of the Ohio peace officer training commission attesting to the person's satisfactory completion of an approved state, county, municipal, or department of natural resources peace officer basic training program;	115 116 117 118 119 120 121 122 123 124
(18) A special police officer employed by a port authority under section 4582.04 or 4582.28 of the Revised Code or a person serving as a special police officer employed by a port authority on a permanent basis on May 17, 2000, who has been awarded a certificate by the executive director of the Ohio peace officer training commission attesting to the person's satisfactory completion of an approved state, county, municipal, or department of natural resources peace officer basic training program;	125 126 127 128 129 130 131 132 133

(19) A special police officer employed by a municipal corporation who has been awarded a certificate by the executive director of the Ohio peace officer training commission for satisfactory completion of an approved peace officer basic training program and who is employed on a permanent basis on or after March 19, 2003, at a municipal airport, or other municipal air navigation facility, that has scheduled operations, as defined in section 119.3 of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations, 14 C.F.R. 119.3, as amended, and that is required to be under a security program and is governed by aviation security rules of the transportation security administration of the United States department of transportation as provided in Parts 1542. and 1544. of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as amended;

(20) A police officer who is employed by an owner or operator of an amusement park that has an average yearly attendance in excess of six hundred thousand guests and that employs and maintains its own proprietary police department or security department, and who is appointed and commissioned by a judge of the appropriate municipal court or county court pursuant to section 4973.17 of the Revised Code;

(21) A police officer who is employed by a bank, savings and loan association, savings bank, credit union, or association of banks, savings and loan associations, savings banks, or credit unions, who has been appointed and commissioned by the secretary of state pursuant to sections 4973.17 to 4973.22 of the Revised Code, and who has been awarded a certificate by the executive director of the Ohio peace officer training commission attesting to the person's satisfactory completion of a state, county, municipal, or department of natural resources peace officer basic training program;

(22) An investigator, as defined in section 109.541 of the Revised Code, of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation who is commissioned by the superintendent of the bureau as a special agent for the purpose of assisting law enforcement officers or providing emergency assistance to peace officers pursuant to authority granted under that section;

(23) A state fire marshal law enforcement officer appointed under section 3737.22 of the Revised Code or a person serving as a state fire marshal law enforcement officer on a permanent basis on or after July 1, 1982, who has been awarded a certificate by the executive director of the Ohio peace officer training commission attesting to the person's satisfactory completion of an approved state, county, municipal, or department of natural resources peace officer basic training program;

(24) A gaming agent employed under section 3772.03 of the Revised Code;

(25) An employee of the state board of pharmacy designated by the executive director of the board pursuant to section 4729.04 of the Revised Code to investigate violations of Chapters 2925., 3715., 3719., 3796., 4729., and 4752. of the Revised Code and rules adopted thereunder.

(B) "Undercover drug agent" has the same meaning as in division (B) (2) of section 109.79 of the Revised Code.

(C) "Crisis intervention training" means training in the use of interpersonal and communication skills to most effectively and sensitively interview victims of rape.

(D) "Missing children" has the same meaning as in section 2901.30 of the Revised Code.

(E) "Tactical medical professional" means an EMT, EMT-	194
basic, AEMT, EMT-I, paramedic, nurse, or physician who is	195
trained and certified in a nationally recognized tactical	196
medical training program that is equivalent to "tactical combat	197
casualty care" (TCCC) and "tactical emergency medical support"	198
(TEMS) and who functions in the tactical or austere environment	199
while attached to a law enforcement agency of either this state	200
or a political subdivision of this state.	201
(F) "EMT-basic," "EMT-I," and "paramedic" have the same	202
meanings as in section 4765.01 of the Revised Code and "EMT" and	203
"AEMT" have the same meanings as in section 4765.011 of the	204
Revised Code.	205
(G) "Nurse" means any of the following:	206
(1) Any person who is licensed to practice nursing as a	207
registered nurse by the board of nursing;	208
(2) Any certified nurse practitioner, clinical nurse	209
specialist, certified registered nurse anesthetist, or certified	210
nurse-midwife who holds a certificate of authority issued by the	211
board of nursing under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code;	212
(3) Any person who is licensed to practice nursing as a	213
licensed practical nurse by the board of nursing pursuant to	214
Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code.	215
(H) "Physician" means a person who is licensed pursuant to	216
Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and	217
surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery.	218
(I) "County correctional officer" has the same meaning as	219
in section 341.41 of the Revised Code.	220
<u>(J) (1) "Fire investigator" means an employee of a fire</u>	221



department charged with investigating fires and explosions who 222  
has been authorized, in accordance with sections 737.27 and 223  
3737.24 of the Revised Code, to perform the duties of 224  
investigating the origin and cause of fires and explosions using 225  
the scientific method to investigate elements of the event 226  
including the circumstances, actions, persons, means, and 227  
motives that resulted in the fire or explosion or the report of 228  
a fire or explosion within this state. 229

(2) "Fire investigator" does not include a person who is 230  
acting as a fire investigator on behalf of an insurance company 231  
or any other privately owned or operated enterprise. 232

(K) "Fire department" means a fire department of the state 233  
or an instrumentality of the state or of a municipal 234  
corporation, township, joint fire district, or other political 235  
subdivision. 236

**Sec. 109.73.** (A) The Ohio peace officer training 237  
commission shall recommend rules to the attorney general with 238  
respect to all of the following: 239

(1) The approval, or revocation of approval, of peace 240  
officer training schools administered by the state, counties, 241  
municipal corporations, public school districts, technical 242  
college districts, and the department of natural resources; 243

(2) Minimum courses of study, attendance requirements, and 244  
equipment and facilities to be required at approved state, 245  
county, municipal, and department of natural resources peace 246  
officer training schools; 247

(3) Minimum qualifications for instructors at approved 248  
state, county, municipal, and department of natural resources 249  
peace officer training schools; 250

(4) The requirements of minimum basic training that peace officers appointed to probationary terms shall complete before being eligible for permanent appointment, which requirements shall include training in the handling of the offense of domestic violence, other types of domestic violence-related offenses and incidents, and protection orders and consent agreements issued or approved under section 2919.26 or 3113.31 of the Revised Code; crisis intervention training; and training in the handling of missing children and child abuse and neglect cases; and training in handling violations of section 2905.32 of the Revised Code; and the time within which such basic training shall be completed following appointment to a probationary term;

(5) The requirements of minimum basic training that peace officers not appointed for probationary terms but appointed on other than a permanent basis shall complete in order to be eligible for continued employment or permanent appointment, which requirements shall include training in the handling of the offense of domestic violence, other types of domestic violence-related offenses and incidents, and protection orders and consent agreements issued or approved under section 2919.26 or 3113.31 of the Revised Code, crisis intervention training, and training in the handling of missing children and child abuse and neglect cases, and training in handling violations of section 2905.32 of the Revised Code, and the time within which such basic training shall be completed following appointment on other than a permanent basis;

(6) Categories or classifications of advanced in-service training programs for peace officers, including programs in the handling of the offense of domestic violence, other types of domestic violence-related offenses and incidents, and protection orders and consent agreements issued or approved under section

2919.26 or 3113.31 of the Revised Code, in crisis intervention, 282  
and in the handling of missing children and child abuse and 283  
neglect cases, and in handling violations of section 2905.32 of 284  
the Revised Code, and minimum courses of study and attendance 285  
requirements with respect to such categories or classifications; 286

(7) Permitting persons, who are employed as members of a 287  
campus police department appointed under section 1713.50 of the 288  
Revised Code; who are employed as police officers by a qualified 289  
nonprofit corporation police department pursuant to section 290  
1702.80 of the Revised Code; who are appointed and commissioned 291  
as bank, savings and loan association, savings bank, credit 292  
union, or association of banks, savings and loan associations, 293  
savings banks, or credit unions police officers, as railroad 294  
police officers, or as hospital police officers pursuant to 295  
sections 4973.17 to 4973.22 of the Revised Code; or who are 296  
appointed and commissioned as amusement park police officers 297  
pursuant to section 4973.17 of the Revised Code, to attend 298  
approved peace officer training schools, including the Ohio 299  
peace officer training academy, and to receive certificates of 300  
satisfactory completion of basic training programs, if the 301  
private college or university that established the campus police 302  
department; qualified nonprofit corporation police department; 303  
bank, savings and loan association, savings bank, credit union, 304  
or association of banks, savings and loan associations, savings 305  
banks, or credit unions; railroad company; hospital; or 306  
amusement park sponsoring the police officers pays the entire 307  
cost of the training and certification and if trainee vacancies 308  
are available; 309

(8) Permitting undercover drug agents to attend approved 310  
peace officer training schools, other than the Ohio peace 311  
officer training academy, and to receive certificates of 312

satisfactory completion of basic training programs, if, for each 313  
undercover drug agent, the county, township, or municipal 314  
corporation that employs that undercover drug agent pays the 315  
entire cost of the training and certification; 316

(9) (a) The requirements for basic training programs for 317  
bailiffs and deputy bailiffs of courts of record of this state 318  
and for criminal investigators employed by the state public 319  
defender that those persons shall complete before they may carry 320  
a firearm while on duty; 321

(b) The requirements for any training received by a 322  
bailiff or deputy bailiff of a court of record of this state or 323  
by a criminal investigator employed by the state public defender 324  
prior to June 6, 1986, that is to be considered equivalent to 325  
the training described in division (A) (9) (a) of this section. 326

(10) Establishing minimum qualifications and requirements 327  
for certification for dogs utilized by law enforcement agencies; 328

(11) Establishing minimum requirements for certification 329  
of persons who are employed as correction officers in a full- 330  
service jail, five-day facility, or eight-hour holding facility 331  
or who provide correction services in such a jail or facility; 332

(12) Establishing requirements for the training of humane 333  
society agents under section 1717.061 of the Revised Code, 334  
including, without limitation, a requirement that the agents 335  
receive instruction on traditional animal husbandry methods and 336  
training techniques, including customary owner-performed 337  
practices; 338

(13) Permitting tactical medical professionals to attend 339  
approved peace officer training schools, including the Ohio 340  
peace officer training academy, to receive training of the type 341

described in division (A) (14) of this section and to receive 342  
certificates of satisfactory completion of training programs 343  
described in that division; 344

(14) The requirements for training programs that tactical 345  
medical professionals shall complete to qualify them to carry 346  
firearms while on duty under section 109.771 of the Revised 347  
Code, which requirements shall include at least the firearms 348  
training specified in division (A) of section 109.748 of the 349  
Revised Code; 350

(15) Procedures and requirements for a portion of basic 351  
training that peace officers complete in proper interactions 352  
with civilians during traffic stops and other in-person 353  
encounters as specified in division (B) (4) of section 109.803 of 354  
the Revised Code and including the topics of instruction listed 355  
for active duty peace officers under divisions (B) (4) (a) to (d) 356  
of that section; 357

(16) Permitting county correctional officers to attend 358  
approved peace officer training schools, including the Ohio 359  
peace officer training academy, to receive training of the type 360  
described in division (A) (17) of this section, and to receive 361  
certificates of satisfactory completion of basic training 362  
programs described in that division; 363

(17) The requirements for basic training programs that 364  
county correctional officers shall complete to qualify them to 365  
carry firearms while on duty under section 109.772 of the 366  
Revised Code, which requirements shall include the firearms 367  
training specified in section 109.773 of the Revised Code; 368

(18) Permitting fire investigators to attend approved 369  
peace officer training schools, including the Ohio peace officer 370

training academy, to receive training of the type described in 371  
division (A) (19) of this section, and to receive certificates of 372  
satisfactory completion of training programs described in that 373  
division; 374

(19) The requirements for training programs that fire 375  
investigators shall complete to qualify them to carry firearms 376  
while on duty under section 109.774 of the Revised Code, which 377  
requirements shall include at least the firearms training 378  
specified in division (A) of section 109.7481 of the Revised 379  
Code. 380

(B) The commission shall appoint an executive director, 381  
with the approval of the attorney general, who shall hold office 382  
during the pleasure of the commission. The executive director 383  
shall perform such duties assigned by the commission. The 384  
executive director shall receive a salary fixed pursuant to 385  
Chapter 124. of the Revised Code and reimbursement for expenses 386  
within the amounts available by appropriation. The executive 387  
director may appoint officers, employees, agents, and 388  
consultants as the executive director considers necessary, 389  
prescribe their duties, and provide for reimbursement of their 390  
expenses within the amounts available for reimbursement by 391  
appropriation and with the approval of the commission. 392

(C) The commission may do all of the following: 393

(1) Recommend studies, surveys, and reports to be made by 394  
the executive director regarding the carrying out of the 395  
objectives and purposes of sections 109.71 to 109.77 of the 396  
Revised Code; 397

(2) Visit and inspect any peace officer training school 398  
that has been approved by the executive director or for which 399

application for approval has been made; 400

(3) Make recommendations, from time to time, to the 401  
executive director, the attorney general, and the general 402  
assembly regarding the carrying out of the purposes of sections 403  
109.71 to 109.77 of the Revised Code; 404

(4) Report to the attorney general from time to time, and 405  
to the governor and the general assembly at least annually, 406  
concerning the activities of the commission; 407

(5) Establish fees for the services the commission offers 408  
under sections 109.71 to 109.79 of the Revised Code, including, 409  
but not limited to, fees for training, certification, and 410  
testing; 411

(6) Perform such other acts as are necessary or 412  
appropriate to carry out the powers and duties of the commission 413  
as set forth in sections 109.71 to 109.77 of the Revised Code. 414

(D) In establishing the requirements, under division (A) 415  
(12) of this section, the commission may consider any portions 416  
of the curriculum for instruction on the topic of animal 417  
husbandry practices, if any, of the Ohio state university 418  
college of veterinary medicine. No person or entity that fails 419  
to provide instruction on traditional animal husbandry methods 420  
and training techniques, including customary owner-performed 421  
practices, shall qualify to train a humane society agent for 422  
appointment under section 1717.06 of the Revised Code. 423

(E) (1) As used in this division, "license" has the same 424  
meaning as in section 4796.01 of the Revised Code, except that 425  
it includes a certificate of completion of a training program 426  
required under sections 109.71 to 109.804 of the Revised Code. 427  
"License" does not include a certificate of completion of a 428

firearm basic training program under division (B)(1) of section 429  
109.78 of the Revised Code or a certificate of completion of any 430  
firearm requalification training program. 431

(2) Notwithstanding any requirement for a license issued 432  
by the commission, the commission shall issue a license in 433  
accordance with Chapter 4796. of the Revised Code to an 434  
individual if either of the following applies: 435

(a) The individual holds a license in another state. 436

(b) The individual has satisfactory work experience, a 437  
government certification, or a private certification as 438  
described in that chapter in the same profession, occupation, or 439  
occupational activity as the profession, occupation, or 440  
occupational activity for which the license is required in this 441  
state in a state that does not require such a license. 442

Sec. 109.7481. The attorney general shall adopt, in 443  
accordance with Chapter 119. or pursuant to section 109.74 of 444  
the Revised Code, the following rules: 445

(A) Rules governing the training of fire investigators to 446  
qualify them to carry firearms while on duty under section 447  
109.774 of the Revised Code. The rules shall specify the amount 448  
of training necessary for the satisfactory completion of 449  
training programs at approved peace officer training schools, 450  
other than the Ohio peace officer training academy. The rules 451  
shall include all of the following: 452

(1) For all such investigators, a requirement that the 453  
investigator shall receive firearms training through a program 454  
approved by the Ohio peace officer training commission and 455  
training in any additional subjects deemed necessary by the Ohio 456  
peace officer training commission; 457



(2) For such investigators seeking certification to carry a rifle or carbine, a requirement that, in addition to the training described in division (A)(1) of this section, the investigator shall receive training with respect to the carrying and use of rifles and carbines through a program approved by the Ohio peace officer training commission.

(B) Rules authorizing and governing the attendance of fire investigators at approved peace officer training schools, including the Ohio peace officer training academy, to receive training to qualify them to carry firearms while on duty under section 109.774 of the Revised Code, and the certification of the investigators upon their satisfactory completion of training programs providing that training.

**Sec. 109.75.** The executive director of the Ohio peace officer training commission, on behalf of the commission, shall have the following powers and duties, which shall be exercised with the general advice of the commission and only in accordance with section 109.751 of the Revised Code and the rules adopted pursuant to that section, and with the rules adopted by the attorney general pursuant to sections 109.74, 109.741, 109.742, and 109.743 of the Revised Code:

(A) To approve peace officer training schools and firearms requalification programs administered by the state, counties, municipal corporations, and the department of natural resources, to issue certificates of approval to approved schools, and to revoke an approval or certificate;

(B) To certify, as qualified, instructors at approved peace officer training schools, to issue appropriate certificates to these instructors, and to revoke for good cause shown certificates of these instructors;

(C) To certify, as qualified, commanders at approved peace officer training schools, to issue appropriate certificates to these commanders, and to revoke for good cause shown certificates of these commanders. As used in this division, "commander" means the director or other head of an approved peace officer training school.	488 489 490 491 492 493
(D) To certify peace officers and sheriffs who have satisfactorily completed basic training programs and to issue appropriate certificates to these peace officers and sheriffs;	494 495 496
(E) To cause studies and surveys to be made relating to the establishment, operation, and approval of state, county, and municipal peace officer training schools;	497 498 499
(F) To consult and cooperate with state, county, and municipal peace officer training schools for the development of advanced in-service training programs for peace officers;	500 501 502
(G) To consult and cooperate with universities, colleges, and institutes for the development of specialized courses of study in the state for peace officers in police science and police administration;	503 504 505 506
(H) To consult and cooperate with other departments and agencies of the state and federal government concerned with peace officer training;	507 508 509
(I) To perform any other acts that may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the executive director's powers and duties as set forth in sections 109.71 to 109.77 of the Revised Code;	510 511 512 513
(J) To report to the commission at each regular meeting of the commission and at any other times that the commission may require;	514 515 516

(K) To certify persons who have satisfactorily completed 517  
approved training programs for correction officers in full- 518  
service jails, five-day facilities, or eight-hour holding 519  
facilities or approved training programs for others who provide 520  
correction services in those jails or facilities and to issue 521  
appropriate certificates to those persons; 522

(L) To maintain any records associated with the powers and 523  
duties set forth in this section. Certification examinations, 524  
either before or after completion, are not public records for 525  
purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code, but the results 526  
of such examinations are public records under that section; 527

(M) To certify tactical medical professionals who have 528  
satisfactorily completed approved training programs that qualify 529  
them to carry firearms while on duty under section 109.771 of 530  
the Revised Code and to issue appropriate certificates to such 531  
professionals; 532

(N) To certify county correctional officers who have 533  
satisfactorily completed approved basic training programs that 534  
qualify them to carry firearms while on duty under section 535  
109.772 of the Revised Code and to issue appropriate 536  
certificates to such county correctional officers; 537

(O) To certify fire investigators who have satisfactorily 538  
completed approved training programs that qualify them to carry 539  
firearms while on duty under section 109.774 of the Revised Code 540  
and to issue appropriate certificates to such investigators. 541

**Sec. 109.774.** (A) A fire investigator may carry firearms 542  
while on duty if all of the following apply: 543

(1) The state fire marshal, if the fire investigator is 544  
employed by the state; the legislative authority of the 545

municipal corporation served by a fire department, if the fire 546  
investigator is employed by a municipal fire department; or the 547  
chief of the fire department of the township, the chief of the 548  
fire department of the joint fire district, or the fire 549  
prevention officer in a township or village where no fire 550  
department is established that the fire investigator is serving 551  
has specifically authorized the investigator to carry firearms 552  
while on duty. 553

(2) The fire investigator has done or received one of the 554  
following: 555

(a) The investigator has been awarded a certificate by the 556  
executive director of the Ohio peace officer training 557  
commission, which certificate attests to satisfactory completion 558  
of an approved state, county, or municipal basic training 559  
program or a program at the Ohio peace officer training academy 560  
that qualifies the investigator to carry firearms while on duty 561  
and that conforms to the rules adopted under section 109.7481 of 562  
the Revised Code. 563

(b) Prior to or during employment as a fire investigator 564  
and prior to the effective date of this section, the 565  
investigator has successfully completed a firearms training 566  
program, other than one described in division (A)(2)(a) of this 567  
section, that was approved by the Ohio peace officer training 568  
commission. 569

(B) A fire investigator to whom division (A) of this 570  
section applies and who is carrying one or more firearms under 571  
authority of that division has protection from potential civil 572  
or criminal liability for any conduct occurring while carrying 573  
the firearm or firearms to the same extent as a law enforcement 574  
officer of a law enforcement agency has such protection. 575

**Sec. 109.79.** (A) The Ohio peace officer training 576  
commission shall establish and conduct a training school for law 577  
enforcement officers of any political subdivision of the state 578  
or of the state public defender's office. The school shall be 579  
known as the Ohio peace officer training academy. No bailiff or 580  
deputy bailiff of a court of record of this state and no 581  
criminal investigator employed by the state public defender 582  
shall be permitted to attend the academy for training unless the 583  
employing court of the bailiff or deputy bailiff or the state 584  
public defender, whichever is applicable, has authorized the 585  
bailiff, deputy bailiff, or investigator to attend the academy. 586

The Ohio peace officer training commission shall develop 587  
the training program, which shall include courses in both the 588  
civil and criminal functions of law enforcement officers, a 589  
course in crisis intervention with six or more hours of 590  
training, training in the handling of missing children and child 591  
abuse and neglect cases, and training on companion animal 592  
encounters and companion animal behavior, and shall establish 593  
rules governing qualifications for admission to the academy. The 594  
commission may require competitive examinations to determine 595  
fitness of prospective trainees, so long as the examinations or 596  
other criteria for admission to the academy are consistent with 597  
the provisions of Chapter 124. of the Revised Code. 598

The Ohio peace officer training commission shall determine 599  
tuition costs sufficient in the aggregate to pay the costs of 600  
operating the academy. Tuition paid by a political subdivision 601  
of the state or by the state public defender's office shall be 602  
deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the peace 603  
officer training academy fee fund, which is hereby established. 604  
The attorney general shall use money in the fund to pay costs 605  
associated with operation of the academy. The costs of acquiring 606

and equipping the academy shall be paid from appropriations made 607  
by the general assembly to the Ohio peace officer training 608  
commission for that purpose, from gifts or grants received for 609  
that purpose, or from fees for goods related to the academy. 610

The Ohio peace officer training commission shall create a 611  
gaming-related curriculum for gaming agents. The Ohio peace 612  
officer training commission shall use money distributed to the 613  
Ohio peace officer training academy from the Ohio law 614  
enforcement training fund to first support the academy's 615  
training programs for gaming agents and gaming-related 616  
curriculum. The Ohio peace officer training commission may 617  
utilize existing training programs in other states that 618  
specialize in training gaming agents. 619

The law enforcement officers, during the period of their 620  
training, shall receive compensation as determined by the 621  
political subdivision that sponsors them or, if the officer is a 622  
criminal investigator employed by the state public defender, as 623  
determined by the state public defender. The political 624  
subdivision may pay the tuition costs of the law enforcement 625  
officers they sponsor and the state public defender may pay the 626  
tuition costs of criminal investigators of that office who 627  
attend the academy. 628

If trainee vacancies exist, the academy may train and 629  
issue certificates of satisfactory completion to peace officers 630  
who are employed by a campus police department pursuant to 631  
section 1713.50 of the Revised Code, by a qualified nonprofit 632  
corporation police department pursuant to section 1702.80 of the 633  
Revised Code, or by a railroad company, who are amusement park 634  
police officers appointed and commissioned by a judge of the 635  
appropriate municipal court or county court pursuant to section 636

4973.17 of the Revised Code, or who are bank, savings and loan 637  
association, savings bank, credit union, or association of 638  
banks, savings and loan associations, savings banks, or credit 639  
unions, or hospital police officers appointed and commissioned 640  
by the secretary of state pursuant to sections 4973.17 to 641  
4973.22 of the Revised Code, provided that no such officer shall 642  
be trained at the academy unless the officer meets the 643  
qualifications established for admission to the academy and the 644  
qualified nonprofit corporation police department; bank, savings 645  
and loan association, savings bank, credit union, or association 646  
of banks, savings and loan associations, savings banks, or 647  
credit unions; railroad company; hospital; or amusement park or 648  
the private college or university that established the campus 649  
police department prepays the entire cost of the training. A 650  
qualified nonprofit corporation police department; bank, savings 651  
and loan association, savings bank, credit union, or association 652  
of banks, savings and loan associations, savings banks, or 653  
credit unions; railroad company; hospital; or amusement park or 654  
a private college or university that has established a campus 655  
police department is not entitled to reimbursement from the 656  
state for any amount paid for the cost of training the bank, 657  
savings and loan association, savings bank, credit union, or 658  
association of banks, savings and loan associations, savings 659  
banks, or credit unions peace officers; the railroad company's 660  
peace officers; or the peace officers of the qualified nonprofit 661  
corporation police department, campus police department, 662  
hospital, or amusement park. 663

The academy shall permit investigators employed by the 664  
state medical board to take selected courses that the board 665  
determines are consistent with its responsibilities for initial 666  
and continuing training of investigators as required under 667

sections 4730.26 and 4731.05 of the Revised Code. The board 668  
shall pay the entire cost of training that investigators receive 669  
at the academy. 670

The academy shall permit tactical medical professionals 671  
and fire investigators to attend training courses at the academy 672  
that are designed to qualify the professionals and investigators 673  
to carry firearms while on duty under ~~section~~ sections 109.771 674  
and 109.774 of the Revised Code and that provide training 675  
comparable to training mandated under the rules required by 676  
division (A) of section 109.748 and division (A) of section 677  
109.7481 of the Revised Code. The executive director of the Ohio 678  
peace officer training commission may certify tactical medical 679  
professionals and fire investigators who satisfactorily complete 680  
the training courses. The law enforcement agency served by a 681  
tactical medical professional or the political subdivision 682  
served by a fire investigator who attends the academy may pay 683  
the tuition costs of the professional or investigator. 684

The academy shall permit county correctional officers to 685  
attend training courses at the academy that are designed to 686  
qualify the county correctional officers to carry firearms while 687  
on duty under section 109.772 of the Revised Code and that 688  
provide training mandated under the rules required by section 689  
109.773 of the Revised Code. The executive director of the Ohio 690  
peace officer training commission may certify county 691  
correctional officers who satisfactorily complete the training 692  
courses. The county jail, county workhouse, minimum security 693  
jail, joint city and county workhouse, municipal-county 694  
correctional center, multicounty-municipal correctional center, 695  
municipal-county jail or workhouse, or multicounty-municipal 696  
jail or workhouse served by the county correctional officer who 697  
attends the academy may pay the tuition costs of the county 698



correctional officer.	699
(B) As used in this section:	700
(1) "Law enforcement officers" include any undercover drug agent, any bailiff or deputy bailiff of a court of record, and any criminal investigator who is employed by the state public defender.	701 702 703 704
(2) "Undercover drug agent" means any person who:	705
(a) Is employed by a county, township, or municipal corporation for the purposes set forth in division (B) (2) (b) of this section but who is not an employee of a county sheriff's department, of a township constable, or of the police department of a municipal corporation or township;	706 707 708 709 710
(b) In the course of the person's employment by a county, township, or municipal corporation, investigates and gathers information pertaining to persons who are suspected of violating Chapter 2925. or 3719. of the Revised Code, and generally does not wear a uniform in the performance of the person's duties.	711 712 713 714 715
(3) "Crisis intervention training" has the same meaning as in section 109.71 of the Revised Code.	716 717
(4) "Missing children" has the same meaning as in section 2901.30 of the Revised Code.	718 719
(5) "Companion animal" has the same meaning as in section 959.131 of the Revised Code.	720 721
<b>Sec. 109.801.</b> (A) (1) Each year, any of the following persons who are authorized to carry firearms in the course of their official duties shall complete successfully a firearms requalification program approved by the executive director of the Ohio peace officer training commission in accordance with	722 723 724 725 726

rules adopted by the attorney general pursuant to section 727  
109.743 of the Revised Code: any peace officer, sheriff, chief 728  
of police of an organized police department of a municipal 729  
corporation or township, chief of police of a township police 730  
district or joint police district police force, superintendent 731  
of the state highway patrol, state highway patrol trooper, or 732  
chief of police of a university or college police department; 733  
any parole or probation officer who carries a firearm in the 734  
course of official duties; any county correctional officer; the 735  
house of representatives sergeant at arms if the house of 736  
representatives sergeant at arms has arrest authority pursuant 737  
to division (E) (1) of section 101.311 of the Revised Code; any 738  
assistant house of representatives sergeant at arms; the senate 739  
sergeant at arms; any assistant senate sergeant at arms; any 740  
tactical medical professional; any fire investigator; or any 741  
employee of the department of youth services who is designated 742  
pursuant to division (A) (2) of section 5139.53 of the Revised 743  
Code as being authorized to carry a firearm while on duty as 744  
described in that division. 745

(2) No person listed in division (A) (1) of this section 746  
shall carry a firearm during the course of official duties if 747  
the person does not comply with division (A) (1) of this section. 748

(B) The hours that a sheriff spends attending a firearms 749  
requalification program required by division (A) of this section 750  
are in addition to the sixteen hours of continuing education 751  
that are required by division (E) of section 311.01 of the 752  
Revised Code. 753

(C) As used in this section, "firearm" has the same 754  
meaning as in section 2923.11 of the Revised Code. 755

**Sec. 111.242.** (A) As used in this section, "solicit" or 756

<u>"solicitations" means to directly advertise to a person.</u>	757
<u>"Solicit" and "solicitations" do not include either of the</u>	758
<u>following:</u>	759
<u>(1) Communication initiated by a consumer;</u>	760
<u>(2) Advertising or marketing to a person with whom the</u>	761
<u>solicitor has a current or former commercial relationship.</u>	762
<u>(B) Any person other than the federal government, the</u>	763
<u>state, a state agency, or a local government that solicits a fee</u>	764
<u>for filing a document with, or retrieving a copy or certified</u>	765
<u>copy of a certificate or public record from, the solicitor shall</u>	766
<u>do all of the following:</u>	767
<u>(1) (a) Include a statement in the solicitation, in the</u>	768
<u>same language as the solicitation, that is identical or</u>	769
<u>substantially similar to the following:</u>	770
<u>"This is an advertisement. This offer is not being made</u>	771
<u>by, or on behalf of, any government agency. You are not required</u>	772
<u>to make any payment or take any other action in response to this</u>	773
<u>offer."</u>	774
<u>(b) If the solicitation is in writing, the statement shall</u>	775
<u>be in at least twenty-four-point type and located at the top of</u>	776
<u>the physical document or the beginning of the electronic</u>	777
<u>communication.</u>	778
<u>(2) Include, in the case of mailed solicitation, the words</u>	779
<u>"THIS IS NOT A GOVERNMENT DOCUMENT" in twenty-four-point type</u>	780
<u>and all capital letters on the envelope, outside cover, or</u>	781
<u>wrapper in which the solicitation is mailed;</u>	782
<u>(3) Include both of the following in the solicitation:</u>	783
<u>(a) Information on where the person can file a document</u>	784

directly with the secretary of state or retrieve a copy or 785  
certified copy of a certificate or public record; 786

(b) The name of the person making the solicitation and the 787  
person's physical address, which shall not be a post office box. 788

(C) A solicitation described in division (B) of this 789  
section shall not be in a form, or use deadline dates or other 790  
language, that makes the document appear to be issued by the 791  
federal government, the state, a state agency, or a local 792  
government, or that appears to impose a legal duty on the person 793  
being solicited. 794

(D) A violation of this section constitutes a deceptive 795  
act or practice in connection with a consumer transaction in 796  
violation of section 1345.02 of the Revised Code and is subject 797  
to any applicable penalties prescribed under Chapter 1345. of 798  
the Revised Code. 799

**Sec. 111.243.** (A) No person shall do any of the following: 800

(1) Include the name of another person on a document filed 801  
with the secretary of state under Title XIII or Title XVII of 802  
the Revised Code without that person's consent, if the named 803  
person is included in the filing as: 804

(a) A statutory agent; 805

(b) The individual causing the document to be delivered 806  
for filing; 807

(c) The person incorporating, forming, registering, or 808  
organizing an entity or name registration; 809

(d) Any other person required to be identified in the 810  
document. 811

(2) Include an address in a document filed with the 812  
secretary of state under Title XIII or Title XVII of the Revised 813  
Code without the consent of either the owner or occupant of that 814  
address; 815

(3) Deliver a document regarding an entity to the 816  
secretary of state under Title XIII or Title XVII of the Revised 817  
Code without the necessary consent or authority to do so. 818

(B) A person named in, or otherwise affected by, the 819  
filing of a document in violation of division (A) of this 820  
section may submit a complaint to the secretary of state, on a 821  
form prescribed by the secretary of state, alleging that the 822  
filing was made in violation of division (A) of this section. 823  
The complaint shall include at least the following information: 824

(1) A description of the alleged violation; 825

(2) The name, street address, telephone number, electronic 826  
mail address, if available, and any additional contact 827  
information of the person making the complaint; 828

(3) The name, street address, telephone number, electronic 829  
mail address, if available, and any additional contact 830  
information of any third party authorized to submit the 831  
complaint on behalf of the person that is named in, or affected 832  
by, the filing; 833

(4) The document identification number assigned by the 834  
secretary of state to each filed document that is alleged to 835  
have been filed in violation of division (A) of this section; 836

(5) An identification number assigned by the secretary of 837  
state for each entity associated with the complaint and the 838  
filing, if known to the person making the complaint; 839

(6) Information, if known to the person making the 840  
complaint, identifying each person involved in the filing, 841  
including names, street addresses, telephone numbers, web sites, 842  
and electronic mail addresses; 843

(7) Information, if known to the person making the 844  
complaint, identifying the nature of any business or personal 845  
relationship between the person making the complaint and each 846  
person involved in the filing; 847

(8) A statement by the person making the complaint, under 848  
penalty of perjury, that the person believes in good faith that 849  
the facts stated in the complaint are true and that the 850  
complaint complies with the requirements of this section; 851

(9) Any additional information that the person making the 852  
complaint believes may assist in an investigation of the 853  
complaint. 854

(C) (1) Upon receipt of a complaint submitted pursuant to 855  
division (B) of this section, the secretary of state shall 856  
review the complaint and evaluate whether the complaint 857  
indicates a violation of division (A) of this section and 858  
satisfies the requirements of division (B) of this section. 859

(2) The secretary of state may refer the complaint to the 860  
prosecuting attorney of the county in which the person alleged 861  
to have committed the violation resides or is believed to 862  
reside, based on the best available information, for any 863  
potential criminal investigation. 864

(D) If the secretary of state determines that the 865  
information provided in a complaint does not indicate a 866  
violation of division (A) of this section or does not satisfy 867  
the requirements of division (B) of this section, the secretary 868

of state shall notify the person that submitted the complaint 869  
and provide an explanation of any deficiencies in the complaint. 870

(E) The secretary of state may ask a person who submits a 871  
complaint to submit additional information concerning either of 872  
the following: 873

(1) The alleged violation of division (A) of this section; 874

(2) The person's failure to submit the information 875  
required by division (B) of this section. 876

(F) If the secretary of state rejects a complaint for 877  
failure to comply with division (B) of this section, the 878  
complaint may be resubmitted. 879

(G) (1) If the secretary of state determines that a 880  
complaint satisfies the requirements of division (B) of this 881  
section and alleges a violation of division (A) of this section, 882  
the secretary of state shall send notice and demand to the 883  
person who submitted the document described in the complaint 884  
made under division (B) of this section as follows: 885

(a) By mail to the person's address if that address is 886  
known by, or readily available to, the secretary of state; 887

(b) Electronically to the person's electronic mail 888  
address, if that address is known by, or readily available to, 889  
the secretary of state; 890

(c) By telephone if the person's telephone number is known 891  
by, or readily available to, the secretary of state. 892

(2) The secretary of state may provide written or verbal 893  
notice and demand to any other person that the secretary of 894  
state determines, through investigation, is a means by which to 895  
reach the person who is the subject of the complaint. 896

(3) The secretary of state's notice and demand shall 897  
describe the allegations in the complaint and demand that the 898  
person respond to the complaint as required by division (H) of 899  
this section. 900

(H) A person to which the secretary of state sends a 901  
notice and demand shall respond within twenty-one days after the 902  
written notice and demand is mailed under division (G) (1) (a) of 903  
this section. The response shall include all of the following 904  
information: 905

(1) The name, street address, telephone number, and 906  
mailing address of the person responding to the notice and 907  
demand, and any additional contact information, such as an 908  
electronic mail address, that person may wish to provide; 909

(2) If the responding person is the agent of the person to 910  
whom the notice and demand was sent, any supporting documents 911  
that establish the agent's authority to act on the person's 912  
behalf; 913

(3) The name of the entity at issue; 914

(4) Information identifying each person involved in the 915  
alleged violation of division (A) of this section, to the extent 916  
such information is known by the person responding to the notice 917  
and demand, including names, addresses, telephone numbers, web 918  
sites, and electronic mail addresses; 919

(5) Information identifying the nature of any business or 920  
personal relationship between the person that submitted the 921  
complaint and each person involved in the alleged violation of 922  
division (A) of this section, excepting any privileged 923  
communications or information; 924

(6) A statement that affirms or denies having knowledge of 925



or information about the alleged violation of division (A) of 926  
this section; 927

(7) Any material evidence that is reasonably attainable to 928  
the person responding to the notice and demand of written 929  
consent to use the name or address in the filing at issue in the 930  
complaint. 931

(I) If the person that is the subject of the complaint 932  
does not respond to the allegations in the complaint within 933  
twenty-one days after the secretary of state mails the notice 934  
and demand, the person is deemed to have conceded to those 935  
allegations. 936

(J) Following a prima facie showing that division (A) of 937  
this section was violated, the secretary of state shall proceed 938  
as follows: 939

(1) If an entity was created without authorization or for 940  
fraudulent purposes, the secretary of state shall do all of the 941  
following: 942

(a) Cancel the business record in question with a notice 943  
that the entity is unauthorized or fraudulent; 944

(b) Redact each address and name that was used without 945  
authorization from the entity's filing and from any other 946  
relevant filings; 947

(c) Disable additional filing functionality on the 948  
entity's records. 949

(2) If an unauthorized filing was made for a legitimate 950  
entity, the secretary of state shall do both of the following: 951

(a) Cancel each unauthorized filing for the entity with a 952  
notice that the filing is unauthorized; 953

(b) Redact each address and name that was used without authorization from the entity's filing and from the relevant filings. 954  
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(K) Any of the following constitute a prima facie showing that division (A) of this section was violated: 957  
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(1) Concession to the allegations in the complaint by the person that is the subject of the complaint or the person's agent either directly or constructively under division (I) of this section, by failing to timely respond to those allegations; 959  
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(2) A determination by the secretary of state that the violation occurred, based on the merits of the complaint and any responses to the notice and demand. 963  
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(L) The secretary of state shall communicate the outcome of any complaint submitted under this section to all of the following: 966  
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(1) The person who submitted the complaint, using the electronic mail address provided on the complaint form or, if an electronic mail address was not provided, using the mailing address provided on the complaint form; 969  
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(2) Each person at issue, using the person's or person's agent's electronic mail address or, if an electronic mail address was not provided or is not known, the person's or agent's mailing address. 973  
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(M) Any person adversely affected by the outcome of a complaint under this section may appeal the secretary of state's determination in accordance with section 119.12 of the Revised Code. 977  
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**Sec. 1345.02.** (A) No supplier shall commit an unfair or 981

deceptive act or practice in connection with a consumer	982
transaction. Such an unfair or deceptive act or practice by a	983
supplier violates this section whether it occurs before, during,	984
or after the transaction.	985
(B) Without limiting the scope of division (A) of this	986
section, the act or practice of a supplier in representing any	987
of the following is deceptive:	988
(1) That the subject of a consumer transaction has	989
sponsorship, approval, performance characteristics, accessories,	990
uses, or benefits that it does not have;	991
(2) That the subject of a consumer transaction is of a	992
particular standard, quality, grade, style, prescription, or	993
model, if it is not;	994
(3) That the subject of a consumer transaction is new, or	995
unused, if it is not;	996
(4) That the subject of a consumer transaction is	997
available to the consumer for a reason that does not exist;	998
(5) That the subject of a consumer transaction has been	999
supplied in accordance with a previous representation, if it has	1000
not, except that the act of a supplier in furnishing similar	1001
merchandise of equal or greater value as a good faith substitute	1002
does not violate this section;	1003
(6) That the subject of a consumer transaction will be	1004
supplied in greater quantity than the supplier intends;	1005
(7) That replacement or repair is needed, if it is not;	1006
(8) That a specific price advantage exists, if it does	1007
not;	1008

(9) That the supplier has a sponsorship, approval, or 1009  
affiliation that the supplier does not have; 1010

(10) That a consumer transaction involves or does not 1011  
involve a warranty, a disclaimer of warranties or other rights, 1012  
remedies, or obligations if the representation is false. 1013

(C) In construing division (A) of this section, the court 1014  
shall give due consideration and great weight to federal trade 1015  
commission orders, trade regulation rules and guides, and the 1016  
federal courts' interpretations of subsection 45 (a) (1) of the 1017  
"Federal Trade Commission Act," 38 Stat. 717 (1914), 15 U.S.C.A. 1018  
41, as amended. 1019

(D) No supplier shall offer to a consumer or represent 1020  
that a consumer will receive a rebate, discount, or other 1021  
benefit as an inducement for entering into a consumer 1022  
transaction in return for giving the supplier the names of 1023  
prospective consumers, or otherwise helping the supplier to 1024  
enter into other consumer transactions, if earning the benefit 1025  
is contingent upon an event occurring after the consumer enters 1026  
into the transaction. 1027

(E) (1) No supplier, in connection with a consumer 1028  
transaction involving natural gas service or public 1029  
telecommunications service to a consumer in this state, shall 1030  
request or submit, or cause to be requested or submitted, a 1031  
change in the consumer's provider of natural gas service or 1032  
public telecommunications service, without first obtaining, or 1033  
causing to be obtained, the verified consent of the consumer. 1034  
For the purpose of this division and with respect to public 1035  
telecommunications service only, the procedures necessary for 1036  
verifying the consent of a consumer shall be those prescribed by 1037  
rule by the public utilities commission for public 1038

telecommunications service under division (D) of section 4905.72 1039  
of the Revised Code. Also, for the purpose of this division, the 1040  
act, omission, or failure of any officer, agent, or other 1041  
individual, acting for or employed by another person, while 1042  
acting within the scope of that authority or employment, is the 1043  
act or failure of that other person. 1044

(2) Consistent with the exclusion, under 47 C.F.R. 1045  
64.1100(a)(3), of commercial mobile radio service providers from 1046  
the verification requirements adopted in 47 C.F.R. 64.1100, 1047  
64.1150, 64.1160, 64.1170, 64.1180, and 64.1190 by the federal 1048  
communications commission, division (E)(1) of this section does 1049  
not apply to a provider of commercial mobile radio service 1050  
insofar as such provider is engaged in the provision of 1051  
commercial mobile radio service. However, when that exclusion no 1052  
longer is in effect, division (E)(1) of this section shall apply 1053  
to such a provider. 1054

(3) The attorney general may initiate criminal proceedings 1055  
for a prosecution under division (C) of section 1345.99 of the 1056  
Revised Code by presenting evidence of criminal violations to 1057  
the prosecuting attorney of any county in which the offense may 1058  
be prosecuted. If the prosecuting attorney does not prosecute 1059  
the violations, or at the request of the prosecuting attorney, 1060  
the attorney general may proceed in the prosecution with all the 1061  
rights, privileges, and powers conferred by law on prosecuting 1062  
attorneys, including the power to appear before grand juries and 1063  
to interrogate witnesses before grand juries. 1064

(F) Concerning a consumer transaction in connection with a 1065  
residential mortgage, and without limiting the scope of division 1066  
(A) or (B) of this section, the act of a supplier in doing 1067  
either of the following is deceptive: 1068

(1) Knowingly failing to provide disclosures required	1069
under state and federal law;	1070
(2) Knowingly providing a disclosure that includes a	1071
material misrepresentation.	1072
(G) Without limiting the scope of division (A) of this	1073
section, the failure of a supplier to obtain or maintain any	1074
registration, license, bond, or insurance required by state law	1075
or local ordinance for the supplier to engage in the supplier's	1076
trade or profession is an unfair or deceptive act or practice.	1077
<u>(H) A violation of section 111.242 of the Revised Code is</u>	1078
<u>an unfair or deceptive act or practice.</u>	1079
<b>Sec. 1701.07.</b> (A) Every corporation shall have and	1080
maintain an agent, sometimes referred to as the "statutory	1081
agent," upon whom any process, notice, or demand required or	1082
permitted by statute to be served upon a corporation may be	1083
served. The agent shall be one of the following:	1084
(1) A natural person who is a resident of this state;	1085
(2) A domestic or foreign corporation, nonprofit	1086
corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited	1087
partnership, limited liability partnership, limited partnership	1088
association, professional association, business trust, or	1089
unincorporated nonprofit association that has a business address	1090
in this state. If the agent is an entity other than a domestic	1091
corporation, the agent shall meet the requirements of Title XVII	1092
of the Revised Code for an entity of the agent's type to	1093
transact business or exercise privileges in this state.	1094
(B) The secretary of state shall not accept original	1095
articles for filing unless there is filed with the articles a	1096
written appointment of an agent that is signed by the	1097

incorporators of the corporation or a majority of them and a 1098  
written acceptance of the appointment that is signed by the 1099  
agent. In all other cases, the corporation shall appoint the 1100  
agent and shall file in the office of the secretary of state a 1101  
written appointment of the agent that is signed by any 1102  
authorized officer of the corporation and a written acceptance 1103  
of the appointment that is either the original acceptance signed 1104  
by the agent or a photocopy, facsimile, or similar reproduction 1105  
of the original acceptance signed by the agent. 1106

~~(C)~~ (C) (1) The written appointment of an agent shall set 1107  
forth the name and address in this state of the agent, including 1108  
the street and number ~~or other particular description of the~~ 1109  
agent's primary residence in this state or, if the agent is not 1110  
a natural person, the agent's usual place of business in this 1111  
state, and shall otherwise be in such form as the secretary of 1112  
state prescribes. The secretary of state shall keep a record of 1113  
the names of corporations, and the names and addresses of their 1114  
respective agents. 1115

(2) As used in division (C) (1) of this section, "usual 1116  
place of business" means a place in this state that is 1117  
customarily open during normal business hours and where an 1118  
individual is generally present who is authorized to perform the 1119  
services of a registered agent, including accepting service of 1120  
process and other notifications for the person serving as a 1121  
statutory agent. "Usual place of business" does not include a 1122  
post office box, regardless of whether that post office box has 1123  
an associated street address. 1124

(D) If any agent dies, removes from the state, or resigns, 1125  
the corporation shall forthwith appoint another agent and file 1126  
with the secretary of state, on a form prescribed by the 1127

secretary of state, a written appointment of the agent. 1128

(E) If the agent changes the agent's address from that 1129  
appearing upon the record in the office of the secretary of 1130  
state, the corporation or the agent shall forthwith file with 1131  
the secretary of state, on a form prescribed by the secretary of 1132  
state, a written statement setting forth the new address. 1133

(F) An agent may resign by filing with the secretary of 1134  
state, on a form prescribed by the secretary of state, a written 1135  
notice to that effect that is signed by the agent and by sending 1136  
a copy of the notice to the corporation at the current or last 1137  
known address of its principal office on or prior to the date 1138  
the notice is filed with the secretary of state. The notice 1139  
shall set forth the name of the corporation, the name and 1140  
current address of the agent, the current or last known address, 1141  
including the street and number or other particular description, 1142  
of the corporation's principal office, the resignation of the 1143  
agent, and a statement that a copy of the notice has been sent 1144  
to the corporation within the time and in the manner prescribed 1145  
by this division. Upon the expiration of thirty days after the 1146  
filing, the authority of the agent shall terminate. 1147

(G) A corporation may revoke the appointment of an agent 1148  
by filing with the secretary of state, on a form prescribed by 1149  
the secretary of state, a written appointment of another agent 1150  
and a statement that the appointment of the former agent is 1151  
revoked. 1152

(H) Any process, notice, or demand required or permitted 1153  
by statute to be served upon a corporation may be served upon 1154  
the corporation by delivering a copy of it to its agent, if a 1155  
natural person, or by delivering a copy of it at the address of 1156  
its agent in this state, as the address appears upon the record 1157



in the office of the secretary of state. If (1) the agent cannot 1158  
be found, or (2) the agent no longer has that address, or (3) 1159  
the corporation has failed to maintain an agent as required by 1160  
this section, and if in any such case the party desiring that 1161  
the process, notice, or demand be served, or the agent or 1162  
representative of the party, shall have filed with the secretary 1163  
of state an affidavit stating that one of the foregoing 1164  
conditions exists and stating the most recent address of the 1165  
corporation that the party after diligent search has been able 1166  
to ascertain, then service of process, notice, or demand upon 1167  
the secretary of state, as the agent of the corporation, may be 1168  
initiated by delivering to the secretary of state or at the 1169  
secretary of state's office quadruplicate copies of such 1170  
process, notice, or demand and by paying to the secretary of 1171  
state a fee of five dollars. The secretary of state shall 1172  
forthwith give notice of the delivery to the corporation at its 1173  
principal office as shown upon the record in the secretary of 1174  
state's office and at any different address shown on its last 1175  
franchise tax report filed in this state, or to the corporation 1176  
at any different address set forth in the above mentioned 1177  
affidavit, and shall forward to the corporation at said 1178  
addresses, by certified mail, with request for return receipt, a 1179  
copy of the process, notice, or demand; and thereupon service 1180  
upon the corporation shall be deemed to have been made. 1181

(I) The secretary of state shall keep a record of each 1182  
process, notice, and demand delivered to the secretary of state 1183  
or at the secretary of state's office under this section or any 1184  
other law of this state that authorizes service upon the 1185  
secretary of state, and shall record the time of the delivery 1186  
and the action thereafter with respect thereto. 1187

(J) This section does not limit or affect the right to 1188

serve any process, notice, or demand upon a corporation in any 1189  
other manner permitted by law. 1190

(K) Every corporation shall state in each annual report 1191  
filed by it with the department of taxation the name and address 1192  
of its statutory agent. 1193

(L) Except when an original appointment of an agent is 1194  
filed with the original articles, a written appointment of an 1195  
agent or a written statement filed by a corporation with the 1196  
secretary of state shall be signed by any authorized officer of 1197  
the corporation or by the incorporators of the corporation or a 1198  
majority of them if no directors have been elected. 1199

(M) For filing a written appointment of an agent other 1200  
than one filed with original articles, and for filing a 1201  
statement of change of address of an agent, the secretary of 1202  
state shall charge and collect the fee specified in division (R) 1203  
of section 111.16 of the Revised Code. 1204

(N) Upon the failure of a corporation to appoint another 1205  
agent or to file a statement of change of address of an agent, 1206  
the secretary of state shall give notice thereof by ordinary or 1207  
electronic mail to the corporation at the electronic mail 1208  
address provided to the secretary of state, or at the address 1209  
set forth in the notice of resignation or on the last franchise 1210  
tax return filed in this state by the corporation. Unless the 1211  
default is cured within thirty days after the mailing by the 1212  
secretary of state of the notice or within any further period of 1213  
time that the secretary of state grants, upon the expiration of 1214  
that period of time from the date of the mailing, the articles 1215  
of the corporation shall be canceled without further notice or 1216  
action by the secretary of state. The secretary of state shall 1217  
make a notation of the cancellation on the secretary of state's 1218

records. 1219

A corporation whose articles have been canceled may be 1220  
reinstated by filing, within two years of the cancellation, on a 1221  
form prescribed by the secretary of state, an application for 1222  
reinstatement and the required appointment of agent or required 1223  
statement, and by paying the filing fee specified in division 1224  
(Q) of section 111.16 of the Revised Code. The rights, 1225  
privileges, and franchises of a corporation whose articles have 1226  
been reinstated are subject to section 1701.922 of the Revised 1227  
Code. The secretary of state shall furnish the tax commissioner 1228  
a monthly list of all corporations canceled and reinstated under 1229  
this division. 1230

(O) This section does not apply to banks, trust companies, 1231  
insurance companies, or any corporation defined under the laws 1232  
of this state as a public utility for taxation purposes. 1233

**Sec. 1702.06.** (A) Every corporation shall have and 1234  
maintain an agent, sometimes referred to as the "statutory 1235  
agent," upon whom any process, notice, or demand required or 1236  
permitted by statute to be served upon a corporation may be 1237  
served. The agent shall be one of the following: 1238

(1) A natural person who is a resident of this state; 1239

(2) A domestic or foreign corporation, nonprofit 1240  
corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited 1241  
partnership, limited liability partnership, limited partnership 1242  
association, professional association, business trust, or 1243  
unincorporated nonprofit association that has a business address 1244  
in this state. If the agent is an entity other than a domestic 1245  
corporation, the agent shall meet the requirements of Title XVII 1246  
of the Revised Code for an entity of the agent's type to 1247

transact business or exercise privileges in this state. 1248

(B) The secretary of state shall not accept original 1249  
articles for filing unless there is filed with the articles a 1250  
written appointment of an agent signed by the incorporators of 1251  
the corporation or a majority of them and a written acceptance 1252  
of the appointment signed by the agent. In all other cases, the 1253  
corporation shall appoint the agent and shall file in the office 1254  
of the secretary of state a written appointment of the agent 1255  
that is signed by any authorized officer of the corporation and 1256  
a written acceptance of the appointment that is either the 1257  
original acceptance signed by the agent or a photocopy, 1258  
facsimile, or similar reproduction of the original acceptance 1259  
signed by the agent. 1260

~~(C)~~ (C) (1) The written appointment of an agent shall set 1261  
forth the name and address in this state of the agent, including 1262  
the street and number ~~or other particular description of the~~ 1263  
agent's primary residence in this state or, if the agent is not 1264  
a natural person, the agent's usual place of business in this 1265  
state, and shall otherwise be in such form as the secretary of 1266  
state prescribes. The secretary of state shall keep a record of 1267  
the names of corporations and the names and addresses of their 1268  
respective agents. 1269

(2) As used in division (C) (1) of this section, "usual 1270  
place of business" means a place in this state that is 1271  
customarily open during normal business hours and where an 1272  
individual is generally present who is authorized to perform the 1273  
services of a registered agent, including accepting service of 1274  
process and other notifications for the person serving as a 1275  
statutory agent. "Usual place of business" does not include a 1276  
post office box, regardless of whether that post office box has 1277

an associated street address. 1278

(D) If any agent dies, removes from the state, or resigns, 1279  
the corporation shall forthwith appoint another agent and file 1280  
with the secretary of state, on a form prescribed by the 1281  
secretary of state, a written appointment of that agent. 1282

(E) If the agent changes the agent's address from that 1283  
appearing upon the record in the office of the secretary of 1284  
state, the corporation or the agent shall forthwith file with 1285  
the secretary of state, on a form prescribed by the secretary of 1286  
state, a written statement setting forth the new address. 1287

(F) An agent may resign by filing with the secretary of 1288  
state, on a form prescribed by the secretary of state, a written 1289  
notice to that effect that is signed by the agent and by sending 1290  
a copy of the notice to the corporation at the current or last 1291  
known address of its principal office on or prior to the date 1292  
that notice is filed with the secretary of state. The notice 1293  
shall set forth the name of the corporation, the name and 1294  
current address of the agent, the current or last known address, 1295  
including the street and number or other particular description, 1296  
of the corporation's principal office, the resignation of the 1297  
agent, and a statement that a copy of the notice has been sent 1298  
to the corporation within the time and in the manner prescribed 1299  
by this division. Upon the expiration of sixty days after such 1300  
filing, the authority of the agent shall terminate. 1301

(G) A corporation may revoke the appointment of an agent 1302  
by filing with the secretary of state, on a form prescribed by 1303  
the secretary of state, a written appointment of another agent 1304  
and a statement that the appointment of the former agent is 1305  
revoked. 1306

(H) Any process, notice, or demand required or permitted 1307  
by statute to be served upon a corporation may be served upon 1308  
the corporation by delivering a copy of it to its agent, if a 1309  
natural person, or by delivering a copy of it at the address of 1310  
its agent in this state, as such address appears upon the record 1311  
in the office of the secretary of state. If (1) the agent cannot 1312  
be found, or (2) the agent no longer has that address, or (3) 1313  
the corporation has failed to maintain an agent as required by 1314  
this section, and if in any such case the party desiring that 1315  
such process, notice, or demand be served, or the agent or 1316  
representative of the party, shall have filed with the secretary 1317  
of state an affidavit stating that one of the foregoing 1318  
conditions exists and stating the most recent address of the 1319  
corporation that the party after diligent search has been able 1320  
to ascertain, then service of process, notice, or demand upon 1321  
the secretary of state, as the agent of the corporation, may be 1322  
initiated by delivering to the secretary of state or at the 1323  
secretary of state's office triplicate copies of such process, 1324  
notice, or demand and by paying to the secretary of state a fee 1325  
of five dollars. The secretary of state shall forthwith give 1326  
notice of such delivery to the corporation at its principal 1327  
office as shown upon the record in the secretary of state's 1328  
office and also to the corporation at any different address set 1329  
forth in the above mentioned affidavit, and shall forward to the 1330  
corporation at each of those addresses, by certified mail, with 1331  
request for return receipt, a copy of such process, notice, or 1332  
demand; and thereupon service upon the corporation shall be 1333  
deemed to have been made. 1334

(I) The secretary of state shall keep a record of each 1335  
process, notice, and demand delivered to the secretary of state 1336  
or at the secretary of state's office under this section or any 1337

other law of this state that authorizes service upon the 1338  
secretary of state, and shall record the time of such delivery 1339  
and the secretary of state's action thereafter with respect 1340  
thereto. 1341

(J) This section does not limit or affect the right to 1342  
serve any process, notice, or demand upon a corporation in any 1343  
other manner permitted by law. 1344

(K) Except when an original appointment of an agent is 1345  
filed with the original articles, a written appointment of an 1346  
agent or a written statement filed by a corporation with the 1347  
secretary of state shall be signed by any authorized officer of 1348  
the corporation or by the incorporators of the corporation or a 1349  
majority of them if no directors have been elected. 1350

(L) For filing a written appointment of an agent other 1351  
than one filed with original articles, and for filing a 1352  
statement of change of address of an agent, the secretary of 1353  
state shall charge and collect the fee specified in division (R) 1354  
of section 111.16 of the Revised Code. 1355

(M) Upon the failure of any corporation to appoint another 1356  
agent or to file a statement of change of address of an agent, 1357  
the secretary of state shall give notice thereof by certified 1358  
mail to the corporation at the address set forth in the notice 1359  
of resignation or on the most recent statement of continued 1360  
existence filed in this state by the corporation. Unless the 1361  
failure is cured within thirty days after the mailing by the 1362  
secretary of state of the notice or within any further period 1363  
the secretary of state grants, upon the expiration of that 1364  
period, the articles of the corporation shall be canceled 1365  
without further notice or action by the secretary of state. The 1366  
secretary of state shall make a notation of the cancellation on 1367

the secretary of state's records. A corporation whose articles 1368  
have been canceled may be reinstated by filing, within two years 1369  
of the cancellation, on a form prescribed by the secretary of 1370  
state, an application for reinstatement and the required 1371  
appointment of agent or required statement, and by paying the 1372  
filing fee specified in division (Q) of section 111.16 of the 1373  
Revised Code. The rights, privileges, and franchises of a 1374  
corporation whose articles have been reinstated are subject to 1375  
section 1702.60 of the Revised Code. The secretary of state 1376  
shall furnish the tax commissioner a monthly list of all 1377  
corporations canceled and reinstated under this division. 1378

(N) This section does not apply to banks, trust companies, 1379  
insurance companies, or any corporation defined under the laws 1380  
of this state as a public utility for taxation purposes. 1381

**Sec. 1702.59.** (A) Every nonprofit corporation, 1382  
incorporated under the general corporation laws of this state, 1383  
or previous laws, or under special provisions of the Revised 1384  
Code, or created before September 1, 1851, which corporation has 1385  
expressedly or impliedly elected to be governed by the laws 1386  
passed since that date, and whose articles or other documents 1387  
are filed with the secretary of state, shall file with the 1388  
secretary of state a verified statement of continued existence, 1389  
signed by a director, officer, or three members in good 1390  
standing, setting forth the corporate name, the place where the 1391  
principal office of the corporation is located, the date of 1392  
incorporation, the fact that the corporation is still actively 1393  
engaged in exercising its corporate privileges, and the name and 1394  
address of its agent appointed pursuant to section 1702.06 of 1395  
the Revised Code. 1396

(B) Each corporation required to file a statement of 1397



continued existence shall file it with the secretary of state 1398  
within each five years after the date of incorporation or of the 1399  
last corporate filing. 1400

(C) Corporations specifically exempted by division (N) of 1401  
section 1702.06 of the Revised Code, or whose activities are 1402  
regulated or supervised by another state official, agency, 1403  
bureau, department, or commission are exempted from this 1404  
section. 1405

(D) The secretary of state shall give notice by ordinary 1406  
or electronic mail and provide a form for compliance with this 1407  
section to each corporation required by this section to file the 1408  
statement of continued existence, such notice and form to be 1409  
mailed to the last known physical or electronic mail address of 1410  
the corporation as it appears on the records of the secretary of 1411  
state or which the secretary of state may ascertain upon a 1412  
reasonable search. 1413

(E) If any nonprofit corporation required by this section 1414  
to file a statement of continued existence fails to file the 1415  
statement required every fifth year, then the secretary of state 1416  
shall cancel the articles of such corporation, make a notation 1417  
of the cancellation on the records, and mail to the corporation 1418  
a certificate of the action so taken. 1419

(F) A corporation whose articles have been canceled may be 1420  
reinstated by filing, within two years of the cancellation, an 1421  
application for reinstatement and paying to the secretary of 1422  
state the fee specified in division (Q) of section 111.16 of the 1423  
Revised Code. The name of a corporation whose articles have been 1424  
canceled shall be reserved for a period of one year after the 1425  
date of cancellation. If the reinstatement is not made within 1426  
one year from the date of the cancellation of its articles of 1427

incorporation and it appears that a corporate name, limited 1428  
liability company name, limited liability partnership name, 1429  
limited partnership name, or trade name has been filed, the name 1430  
of which is not distinguishable upon the record as provided in 1431  
section 1702.06 of the Revised Code, the applicant for 1432  
reinstatement shall be required by the secretary of state, as a 1433  
condition prerequisite to such reinstatement, to amend its 1434  
articles by changing its name. A certificate of reinstatement 1435  
may be filed in the recorder's office of any county in the 1436  
state, for which the recorder shall charge and collect a base 1437  
fee of one dollar for services and a housing trust fund fee of 1438  
one dollar pursuant to section 317.36 of the Revised Code. The 1439  
rights, privileges, and franchises of a corporation whose 1440  
articles have been reinstated are subject to section 1702.60 of 1441  
the Revised Code. 1442

(G) The secretary of state shall furnish the tax 1443  
commissioner a list of all corporations failing to file the 1444  
required statement of continued existence. 1445

**Sec. 1703.041.** (A) Every foreign corporation for profit 1446  
that is licensed to transact business in this state, and every 1447  
foreign nonprofit corporation that is licensed to exercise its 1448  
privileges in this state, shall have and maintain an agent, 1449  
sometimes referred to as the "designated agent," upon whom 1450  
process against the corporation may be served within this state. 1451  
The agent shall be one of the following: 1452

(1) A natural person who is a resident of this state; 1453

(2) A domestic or foreign corporation, nonprofit 1454  
corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited 1455  
partnership, limited liability partnership, limited partnership 1456  
association, professional association, business trust, or 1457

unincorporated nonprofit association that has a business address 1458  
in this state. If the agent is an entity other than a domestic 1459  
corporation, the agent shall meet the requirements of Title XVII 1460  
of the Revised Code for an entity of the agent's type to 1461  
transact business or exercise privileges in this state. 1462

~~(B)~~ (B) (1) The written appointment of a designated agent 1463  
shall set forth the name and address of the agent, including the 1464  
street and number ~~or other particular description of the agent's~~ 1465  
primary residence in this state or, if the agent is not a 1466  
natural person, the agent's usual place of business in this 1467  
state, and shall otherwise be in such form as the secretary of 1468  
state prescribes. The secretary of state shall keep a record of 1469  
the names of such foreign corporations and the names and 1470  
addresses of their respective agents. 1471

(2) As used in division (B) (1) of this section, "usual 1472  
place of business" means a place in this state that is 1473  
customarily open during normal business hours and where an 1474  
individual is generally present who is authorized to perform the 1475  
services of a registered agent, including accepting service of 1476  
process and other notifications for the person serving as a 1477  
statutory agent. "Usual place of business" does not include a 1478  
post office box, regardless of whether that post office box has 1479  
an associated street address. 1480

(C) If the designated agent dies, removes from the state, 1481  
or resigns, the foreign corporation shall forthwith appoint 1482  
another agent and file in the office of the secretary of state, 1483  
on a form prescribed by the secretary of state, a written 1484  
appointment of the new agent. 1485

(D) If the designated agent changes the agent's address 1486  
from that appearing upon the record in the office of the 1487

secretary of state, the foreign corporation or the designated 1488  
agent in its behalf shall forthwith file with the secretary of 1489  
state, on a form prescribed by the secretary of state, a written 1490  
statement setting forth the agent's new address. 1491

(E) A designated agent may resign by filing with the 1492  
secretary of state, on a form prescribed by the secretary of 1493  
state, a signed statement to that effect. The secretary of state 1494  
shall forthwith mail a copy of the statement to the foreign 1495  
corporation at its principal office as shown by the record in 1496  
the secretary of state's office. Upon the expiration of sixty 1497  
days after the filing, the authority of the agent shall 1498  
terminate. 1499

(F) A foreign corporation may revoke the appointment of a 1500  
designated agent by filing with the secretary of state, on a 1501  
form prescribed by the secretary of state, a written appointment 1502  
of another agent and a statement that the appointment of the 1503  
former agent is revoked. 1504

(G) Process may be served upon a foreign corporation by 1505  
delivering a copy of it to its designated agent, if a natural 1506  
person, or by delivering a copy of it at the address of its 1507  
agent in this state, as the address appears upon the record in 1508  
the office of the secretary of state. 1509

(H) This section does not limit or affect the right to 1510  
serve process upon a foreign corporation in any other manner 1511  
permitted by law. 1512

(I) Every foreign corporation for profit shall state in 1513  
each annual report filed by it with the department of taxation 1514  
the name and address of its designated agent in this state. 1515

**Sec. 1703.15.** No foreign corporation shall transact in 1516

this state any business that could not be lawfully transacted by 1517  
a domestic corporation. Whenever the secretary of state finds 1518  
that a foreign corporation licensed to transact business in this 1519  
state is transacting in this state a business that a domestic 1520  
corporation could not lawfully transact, is transacting business 1521  
in this state in a corporate name that is not readily 1522  
distinguishable from the name of every other corporation, 1523  
limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or 1524  
limited partnership, domestic or foreign, or every trade name, 1525  
registered in the office of the secretary of state, theretofore 1526  
authorized to transact business in this state, without the 1527  
consent of the other corporation, limited liability company, 1528  
limited liability partnership, limited partnership, or trade 1529  
name registrant, evidenced in writing filed with the secretary 1530  
of state pursuant to section 1703.04 of the Revised Code, or has 1531  
failed, after the death or resignation of its designated agent 1532  
or the designated agent's removal from this state, to designate 1533  
another agent as required by section 1703.041 of the Revised 1534  
Code, the secretary of state shall give notice thereof by 1535  
certified mail to the corporation. Unless that failure is cured 1536  
within thirty days after the mailing by the secretary of state 1537  
of the notice or within such further period as the secretary of 1538  
state grants, the secretary of state, upon the expiration of 1539  
such period, shall cancel the license of the foreign corporation 1540  
to transact business in this state, give notice of the 1541  
cancellation to the corporation by mail, and make a notation of 1542  
the cancellation on the secretary of state's records. 1543

A foreign corporation whose license has been canceled may 1544  
be reinstated upon its filing with the secretary of state, 1545  
within two years of the cancellation, on a form prescribed by 1546  
the secretary of state, an application for reinstatement 1547

accompanied by the fee specified in division (Q) of section 1548  
111.16 of the Revised Code. If the application for reinstatement 1549  
is submitted in a tax year or calendar year other than that in 1550  
which the cancellation occurred, the application also shall be 1551  
accompanied by a certificate of reinstatement issued by the 1552  
department of taxation. The name of a corporation whose license 1553  
has been canceled pursuant to this section shall be reserved for 1554  
a period of one year after the date of cancellation. If the 1555  
reinstatement is not made within one year after the date of 1556  
cancellation of the foreign license and it appears that a 1557  
corporate name, limited liability company name, limited 1558  
liability partnership name, limited partnership name, or trade 1559  
name has been filed, the name of which is not distinguishable 1560  
upon the record as provided in division (D) of section 1703.04 1561  
of the Revised Code, the secretary of state shall require the 1562  
applicant for the reinstatement, as a condition prerequisite to 1563  
such reinstatement, to apply for authorization to transact 1564  
business in this state under an assumed name. 1565

**Sec. 1703.29.** (A) The failure of any corporation to obtain 1566  
a license under sections 1703.01 to 1703.31 of the Revised Code, 1567  
does not affect the validity of any contract with such 1568  
corporation, but no foreign corporation that should have 1569  
obtained such license shall maintain any action in any court 1570  
until it has obtained such license. Before any such corporation 1571  
shall maintain such action on any cause of action arising at the 1572  
time when it was not licensed to transact business in this 1573  
state, it shall pay to the secretary of state a forfeiture of 1574  
two hundred fifty dollars and file in the secretary of state's 1575  
office the papers required by divisions (B) or (C) of this 1576  
section, whichever is applicable. 1577

(B) If such corporation has not been previously licensed 1578

to do business in this state or if its license has been 1579  
surrendered it shall file as required by division (A) of this 1580  
section: 1581

(1) Its application for a license certificate, together 1582  
with the filing fee, with such information as the secretary of 1583  
state requires as to the time it began to transact business in 1584  
this state and as to the number of its issued shares represented 1585  
in this state, and with the license fees on its shares 1586  
represented in this state plus a forfeiture of fifteen per cent 1587  
thereon. 1588

(2) A certificate from the tax commissioner that the 1589  
corporation has paid all taxes that it should have paid had it 1590  
qualified to do business in this state at the time it began to 1591  
do so, plus any penalties assessable on said taxes on account of 1592  
failure to pay them within the time prescribed by law, or a 1593  
certificate of the commissioner that the corporation has 1594  
furnished security satisfactory to the commissioner for the 1595  
payment of all such taxes and penalties. 1596

(C) If such corporation has been previously licensed to 1597  
transact business in this state and its license has expired or 1598  
has been canceled by the secretary of state upon order of the 1599  
commissioner, or for failure to designate an agent for service 1600  
of process, it shall file, within two years of the cancellation 1601  
or expiration, with the secretary of state its application for 1602  
reinstatement, as provided by law, together with the proper 1603  
reinstatement fee plus a forfeiture of fifteen per cent thereon. 1604

Upon the filing of such application and payment of such 1605  
fees and penalties or forfeitures, the secretary of state shall 1606  
issue to such corporation a license certificate. 1607

**Sec. 1706.09.** (A) Each limited liability company and 1608  
foreign limited liability company that has an effective 1609  
registration as a foreign limited liability company under 1610  
section 1706.511 of the Revised Code shall maintain continuously 1611  
in this state an agent for service of process on the company. 1612  
The agent shall be one of the following: 1613

(1) A natural person who is a resident of this state; 1614

(2) A domestic or foreign corporation, nonprofit 1615  
corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited 1616  
partnership, limited liability partnership, limited partnership 1617  
association, professional association, business trust, or 1618  
unincorporated nonprofit association that has a business address 1619  
in this state. If the agent is an entity other than a domestic 1620  
corporation, the agent shall meet the requirements of Title XVII 1621  
of the Revised Code for an entity of the agent's type to 1622  
transact business or exercise privileges in this state. 1623

(B) (1) The secretary of state shall not accept original 1624  
articles of organization of a limited liability company or an 1625  
original registration of a foreign limited liability company for 1626  
filing unless both of the following accompany the articles or 1627  
registration: 1628

(a) A written appointment of an agent as described in 1629  
division (A) of this section that is signed by an authorized 1630  
representative of the limited liability company or foreign 1631  
limited liability company; 1632

(b) A written acceptance of the appointment that is signed 1633  
by the designated agent on a form prescribed by the secretary of 1634  
state. 1635

(2) In cases not covered by division (B) (1) of this 1636



section, the company shall appoint the agent described in 1637  
division (A) of this section and shall file with the secretary 1638  
of state, on a form prescribed by the secretary of state, a 1639  
written appointment of that agent that is signed by an 1640  
authorized representative of the company and a written 1641  
acceptance of the appointment that is signed by the designated 1642  
agent. 1643

~~(C)~~(C) (1) The written appointment of an agent shall set 1644  
forth the name and address in this state of the agent, including 1645  
the street and number ~~or other particular description of the~~ 1646  
agent's primary residence in this state or, if the agent is not 1647  
a natural person, the agent's usual place of business in this 1648  
state, and shall otherwise be in such form as the secretary of 1649  
state prescribes. The secretary of state shall keep a record of 1650  
the names of limited liability companies and foreign limited 1651  
liability companies, and the names and addresses of their 1652  
respective agents. 1653

(2) As used in division (C) (1) of this section, "usual 1654  
place of business" means a place in this state that is 1655  
customarily open during normal business hours and where an 1656  
individual is generally present who is authorized to perform the 1657  
services of a registered agent, including accepting service of 1658  
process and other notifications for the person serving as a 1659  
statutory agent. "Usual place of business" does not include a 1660  
post office box, regardless of whether that post office box has 1661  
an associated street address. 1662

(D) If any agent described in division (A) of this section 1663  
dies, resigns, or moves outside of this state, the limited 1664  
liability company or foreign limited liability company shall 1665  
appoint forthwith another agent and file with the secretary of 1666

state, on a form prescribed by the secretary of state, a written 1667  
appointment of the agent and acceptance of appointment as 1668  
described in division (B) (2) of this section. 1669

(E) If the agent described in division (A) of this section 1670  
changes the agent's address from the address stated in the 1671  
records of the secretary of state, the agent or the limited 1672  
liability company or foreign limited liability company shall 1673  
file forthwith with the secretary of state, on a form prescribed 1674  
by the secretary of state, a written statement setting forth the 1675  
new address. 1676

(F) An agent described in division (A) of this section may 1677  
resign by filing with the secretary of state, on a form 1678  
prescribed by the secretary of state, a written notice of 1679  
resignation that is signed by the agent and by mailing a copy of 1680  
that notice to the limited liability company or foreign limited 1681  
liability company at the current or last known address of its 1682  
principal office. The notice shall be mailed to the company on 1683  
or prior to the date that the notice is filed with the secretary 1684  
of state and shall set forth the name of the company, the name 1685  
and current address of the agent, the current or last known 1686  
address, including the street and number or other particular 1687  
description, of the company's principal office, a statement of 1688  
the resignation of the agent, and a statement that a copy of the 1689  
notice has been sent to the company within the time and in the 1690  
manner specified in this division. The authority of the 1691  
resigning agent terminates thirty days after the filing of the 1692  
notice with the secretary of state. 1693

(G) A limited liability company or foreign limited 1694  
liability company may revoke the appointment of its agent 1695  
described in division (A) of this section by filing with the 1696

secretary of state, on a form prescribed by the secretary of 1697  
state, a written appointment of another agent and an acceptance 1698  
of appointment in the manner described in division (B) (2) of 1699  
this section and a statement indicating that the appointment of 1700  
the former agent is revoked. 1701

(H) (1) Any legal process, notice, or demand required or 1702  
permitted by law to be served upon a limited liability company 1703  
may be served upon the company as follows: 1704

(a) By delivering a copy of the process, notice, or demand 1705  
to the address of the agent in this state as contained in the 1706  
records of the secretary of state; 1707

(b) If the agent described in division (A) of this section 1708  
is a natural person, by delivering a copy of the process, 1709  
notice, or demand to the agent. 1710

(2) If the agent described in division (A) of this section 1711  
cannot be found or no longer has the address that is stated in 1712  
the records of the secretary of state or the limited liability 1713  
company or foreign limited liability company has failed to 1714  
maintain an agent as required by this section and if the party 1715  
or the agent or representative of the party that desires service 1716  
of the process, notice, or demand files with the secretary of 1717  
state an affidavit that states that one of those circumstances 1718  
exists and states the most recent address of the company that 1719  
the party who desires service has been able to ascertain after a 1720  
diligent search, then the service of the process, notice, or 1721  
demand upon the secretary of state as the agent of the company 1722  
may be initiated by delivering to the secretary of state four 1723  
copies of the process, notice, or demand accompanied by a fee of 1724  
five dollars. The secretary of state shall give forthwith notice 1725  
of that delivery to the company at either its principal office 1726

as shown upon the secretary of state's records or at any 1727  
different address specified in the affidavit of the party 1728  
desiring service and shall forward to the company at either 1729  
address by certified mail, return receipt requested, a copy of 1730  
the process, notice, or demand. Service upon the company is made 1731  
when the secretary of state gives the notice and forwards the 1732  
process, notice, or demand as set forth in division (H) (2) of 1733  
this section. 1734

(I) The secretary of state shall keep a record of each 1735  
process, notice, and demand that pertains to a limited liability 1736  
company or foreign limited liability company and that is 1737  
delivered to the secretary of state's office under this section 1738  
or another law of this state that authorizes service upon the 1739  
secretary of state in connection with a limited liability 1740  
company or foreign limited liability company. In that record, 1741  
the secretary of state shall record the time of each delivery of 1742  
that type and the secretary of state's subsequent action with 1743  
respect to the process, notice, or demand. 1744

(J) This section does not limit or affect the right to 1745  
serve any process, notice, or demand upon a limited liability 1746  
company or foreign limited liability company in any other manner 1747  
permitted by law. 1748

(K) A written appointment of an agent or a written 1749  
statement filed by a limited liability company or foreign 1750  
limited liability company with the secretary of state shall be 1751  
signed by an authorized representative of the company. 1752

(L) Upon the failure of a limited liability company or 1753  
foreign limited liability company to continuously maintain a 1754  
statutory agent or file a change of name or address of a 1755  
statutory agent, the secretary of state shall give notice 1756

thereof by ordinary or electronic mail to the company at the 1757  
electronic mail address provided to the secretary of state, or 1758  
at the address set forth in the notice of resignation. Unless 1759  
the default is cured within thirty days after the mailing by the 1760  
secretary of state of the notice or within any further period of 1761  
time that the secretary of state grants, upon the expiration of 1762  
that period of time from the date of the mailing, the articles 1763  
of the limited liability company or the registration of the 1764  
foreign limited liability company shall be canceled without 1765  
further notice or action by the secretary of state. The 1766  
secretary of state shall make a notation of the cancellation on 1767  
the secretary of state's records. 1768

A limited liability company or foreign limited liability 1769  
company whose articles or registration has been canceled may be 1770  
reinstated by filing, within two years of the cancellation, on a 1771  
form prescribed by the secretary of state, an application for 1772  
reinstatement and the required appointment of agent or required 1773  
statement, and by paying the filing fee specified in division 1774  
(Q) of section 111.16 of the Revised Code. The rights and 1775  
privileges of a limited liability company or foreign limited 1776  
liability company whose articles or registration has been 1777  
reinstated are subject to section 1706.46 of the Revised Code. 1778  
The secretary of state shall furnish the tax commissioner a 1779  
monthly list of all limited liability companies and foreign 1780  
limited liability companies canceled and reinstated under this 1781  
division. 1782

**Sec. 1729.11.** (A) An association whose articles of 1783  
incorporation have been canceled or an association that has been 1784  
dissolved in a manner other than for a voluntary dissolution as 1785  
provided in section 1729.55 of the Revised Code, or a judicial 1786  
dissolution as provided in section 1729.61 of the Revised Code, 1787

may be reinstated by filing, within two years of the 1788  
cancellation or dissolution, on a form prescribed by the 1789  
secretary of state for the administration of this chapter, an 1790  
application for reinstatement and the required appointment of a 1791  
statutory agent, and by paying a filing fee of ten dollars. 1792

(B) Upon reinstatement of an association's articles of 1793  
incorporation, the rights, privileges, and franchises, including 1794  
all real or personal property rights and credits and all 1795  
contract and other rights, of the association existing at the 1796  
time that its articles were canceled or the dissolution became 1797  
effective shall continue in effect as if the articles had not 1798  
been canceled or the dissolution had not occurred; and the 1799  
association shall again be entitled to exercise the rights, 1800  
privileges, and franchises authorized by its articles. 1801

**Sec. 1746.04.** (A) Except as set forth in section 1746.03 1802  
of the Revised Code, before transacting business in this state, 1803  
a business trust shall file in the office of the secretary of 1804  
state, on forms prescribed by the secretary of state, a report 1805  
containing the following information: 1806

(1) A list of the names and addresses of its trustees; 1807

(2) The address of its principal office; 1808

(3) In the case of a foreign business trust, the address 1809  
of its principal office within this state, if any; 1810

(4) The business names of the business trust, including 1811  
any fictitious or assumed names; 1812

~~(5)~~ (5) (a) The name and primary residence or usual place of 1813  
business address within this state of a designated agent upon 1814  
whom process against the business trust may be served; 1815

(b) As used in division (A) (5) (a) of this section, "usual place of business" means a place in this state that is customarily open during normal business hours and where an individual is generally present who is authorized to perform the services of a registered agent, including accepting service of process and other notifications for the person serving as a statutory agent. "Usual place of business" does not include a post office box, regardless of whether that post office box has an associated street address.

(6) The irrevocable consent of the business trust to service of process upon its designated agent and to service of process upon the secretary of state if, without the registration of another agent with the secretary of state, its designated agent has died, resigned, lost authority, dissolved, become disqualified, or has removed from this state, or if its designated agent cannot, with due diligence, be found.

Such report shall have attached as an exhibit an executed copy of the trust instrument or a true and correct copy of it, certified to be such by a trustee before an official authorized to administer oaths or by a public official in another state in whose office an executed copy is on file.

(B) Not more than ninety days after the occurrence of any event causing any filing, including exhibits, made pursuant to division (A) of this section, or any previous filing made pursuant to this division, to be inaccurate or incomplete, there shall be filed in the office of the secretary of state all information necessary to maintain the accuracy and completeness of such filing.

(C) The secretary of state shall charge and collect the fees specified in division (T) of section 111.16 of the Revised

Code for each filing made under division (A) or (B) of this 1846  
section, except for filings under division (B) of this section 1847  
pertaining solely to division (A) (5) of this section, for which 1848  
the secretary of state shall charge and collect the fee 1849  
specified in division (R) of section 111.16 of the Revised Code. 1850

(D) The trust instrument and other information filed in 1851  
the office of the secretary of state are matters of public 1852  
record, and persons dealing with a business trust are charged 1853  
with constructive notice of the contents of any such instrument 1854  
or information by reason of such filing. 1855

(E) A copy of a trust instrument or other information 1856  
filed in the office of the secretary of state shall be accepted 1857  
as prima-facie evidence of the existence of the instrument or 1858  
other information and of its contents, and conclusive evidence 1859  
of the existence of such record. 1860

(F) The agent designated pursuant to division (A) (5) of 1861  
this section shall be one of the following: 1862

(1) A natural person who is a resident of this state; 1863

(2) A domestic or foreign corporation, nonprofit 1864  
corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited 1865  
partnership, limited liability partnership, limited partnership 1866  
association, professional association, business trust, or 1867  
unincorporated nonprofit association that has a business address 1868  
in this state. If the agent is an entity other than a domestic 1869  
corporation, the agent shall meet the requirements of Title XVII 1870  
of the Revised Code for an entity of the agent's type to 1871  
transact business or exercise privileges in this state. 1872

**Sec. 1747.03.** (A) Before transacting real estate business 1873  
in this state, a real estate investment trust shall file the 1874



following report in the office of the secretary of state, on 1875  
forms prescribed by the secretary of state: 1876

(1) An executed copy of the trust instrument or a true and 1877  
correct copy of it, certified to be such by a trustee before an 1878  
official authorized to administer oaths or by a public official 1879  
in another state in whose office an executed copy is on file; 1880

(2) A list of the names and addresses of its trustees; 1881

(3) The address of its principal office; 1882

(4) In the case of a foreign real estate investment trust, 1883  
the address of its principal office within this state, if any; 1884

(5) The business name of the trust; 1885

~~(6)~~ (6) (a) The name and primary residence or usual place of 1886  
business address within this state of a designated agent upon 1887  
whom process against the trust may be served; 1888

(b) As used in division (A) (6) (a) of this section, "usual 1889  
place of business" means a place in this state that is 1890  
customarily open during normal business hours and where an 1891  
individual is generally present who is authorized to perform the 1892  
services of a registered agent, including accepting service of 1893  
process and other notifications for the person serving as a 1894  
statutory agent. "Usual place of business" does not include a 1895  
post office box, regardless of whether that post office box has 1896  
an associated street address. 1897

(7) The irrevocable consent of the trust to service of 1898  
process on its designated agent and to service of process upon 1899  
the secretary of state if, without the registration of another 1900  
agent with the secretary of state, its designated agent has 1901  
died, resigned, lost authority, dissolved, become disqualified, 1902

or has removed from this state, or if its designated agent 1903  
cannot, with due diligence, be found; 1904

(8) Not more than ninety days after the occurrence of any 1905  
event causing any filing made pursuant to divisions (A) (2) to 1906  
(6) of this section, or any previous filing made pursuant to 1907  
this division, to be inaccurate or incomplete, all information 1908  
necessary to maintain the accuracy and completeness of such 1909  
filing. 1910

(B) For filings under this section, the secretary of state 1911  
shall charge and collect the fee specified in division (T) of 1912  
section 111.16 of the Revised Code, except for filings under 1913  
division (A) (8) of this section pertaining solely to division 1914  
(A) (6) of this section, for which the secretary of state shall 1915  
charge and collect the fee specified in division (R) of section 1916  
111.16 of the Revised Code. 1917

(C) All persons shall be given the opportunity to acquire 1918  
knowledge of the contents of the trust instrument and other 1919  
information filed in the office of the secretary of state, but 1920  
no person dealing with a real estate investment trust shall be 1921  
charged with constructive notice of the contents of any such 1922  
instrument or information by reason of such filing. 1923

(D) A copy of a trust instrument or other information 1924  
filed in the office of the secretary of state is prima-facie 1925  
evidence of the existence of the instrument or other information 1926  
and of its contents, and is conclusive evidence of the existence 1927  
of such record. 1928

(E) The agent designated pursuant to division (A) (6) of 1929  
this section shall be one of the following: 1930

(1) A natural person who is a resident of this state; 1931

(2) A domestic or foreign corporation, nonprofit 1932  
corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited 1933  
partnership, limited liability partnership, limited partnership 1934  
association, professional association, business trust, or 1935  
unincorporated nonprofit association that has a business address 1936  
in this state. If the agent is an entity other than a domestic 1937  
corporation, the agent shall meet the requirements of Title XVII 1938  
of the Revised Code for an entity of the agent's type to 1939  
transact business or exercise privileges in this state. 1940

**Sec. 1776.07.** (A) Any partnership that maintains an 1941  
effective statement of partnership authority under section 1942  
1776.33 of the Revised Code shall maintain continuously in this 1943  
state an agent for service of process on the partnership. The 1944  
agent shall be one of the following: 1945

(1) A natural person who is a resident of this state; 1946

(2) A domestic or foreign corporation, nonprofit 1947  
corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited 1948  
partnership, limited liability partnership, limited partnership 1949  
association, professional association, business trust, or 1950  
unincorporated nonprofit association that has a business address 1951  
in this state. If the agent is an entity other than a domestic 1952  
corporation, the agent shall meet the requirements of Title XVII 1953  
of the Revised Code for an entity of the agent's type to 1954  
transact business or exercise privileges in this state. 1955

~~(B)~~ (B) (1) The secretary of state shall not accept an 1956  
original statement of partnership authority for filing unless 1957  
the statement of partnership authority includes a written 1958  
appointment of an agent as this section requires and a written 1959  
acceptance of the appointment signed by the designated agent. 1960

(2) The written appointment of an agent shall set forth 1961  
the name and address in this state of the agent, including the 1962  
street and number of the agent's primary residence in this state 1963  
or, if the agent is not a natural person, the agent's usual 1964  
place of business in this state, and shall otherwise be in such 1965  
form as the secretary of state prescribes. The secretary of 1966  
state shall keep a record of the names of partnerships, and the 1967  
names and addresses of their respective agents. 1968

(3) As used in division (B)(2) of this section, "usual 1969  
place of business" means a place in this state that is 1970  
customarily open during normal business hours and where an 1971  
individual is generally present who is authorized to perform the 1972  
services of a registered agent, including accepting service of 1973  
process and other notifications for the person serving as a 1974  
statutory agent. "Usual place of business" does not include a 1975  
post office box, regardless of whether that post office box has 1976  
an associated street address. 1977

(C) If an agent dies, resigns, or moves outside of this 1978  
state, the partnership shall appoint forthwith another agent and 1979  
file with the secretary of state an amendment to its statement 1980  
of partnership authority appointing a new agent and including a 1981  
written acceptance of the appointment that is signed by the 1982  
designated agent. 1983

(D) If the address of an agent changes from that stated in 1984  
the records of the secretary of state, the partnership forthwith 1985  
shall file with the secretary of state an amendment to its 1986  
statement of partnership authority setting forth the new 1987  
address. 1988

(E) An agent may resign by filing a written and signed 1989  
notice of resignation with the secretary of state on a form the 1990

secretary prescribes and mailing a copy of that notice to the 1991  
partnership. The agent shall mail the copy of the notice to the 1992  
partnership at the current or last known address of its 1993  
principal office on or prior to the date that the agent files 1994  
the notice with the secretary of state. The notice shall include 1995  
the name of the partnership, the name and current address of the 1996  
agent, the current or last known address, including the street 1997  
and number or other particular description, of the partnership's 1998  
principal office, a statement of the resignation of the agent, 1999  
and a statement that a copy of the notice was provided to the 2000  
partnership within the time and in the manner specified in this 2001  
division. The resigning agent's authority terminates thirty days 2002  
after filing the notice with the secretary of state. 2003

(F) A partnership may revoke the appointment of its agent 2004  
by filing with the secretary of state an amendment to its 2005  
statement of partnership authority indicating that the 2006  
appointment of the former agent is revoked and that a new agent 2007  
is appointed. A written acceptance signed by the new designated 2008  
agent shall accompany the filing. 2009

(G) (1) Any legal process, notice, or demand required or 2010  
permitted by law to be served upon a partnership with an 2011  
effective statement of partnership authority may be served upon 2012  
the partnership as follows: 2013

(a) If its agent is a natural person, by delivering a copy 2014  
of the process, notice, or demand to the agent; 2015

(b) If its agent is not a natural person, by delivering a 2016  
copy of the process, notice, or demand to the address of the 2017  
agent in this state as contained in the records of the secretary 2018  
of state. 2019

(2) (a) If its agent cannot be found or no longer has the address stated in the records of the secretary of state or the partnership has failed to maintain an agent as this section requires, and the party, agent, or representative that desires service files with the secretary of state an affidavit stating that one of those circumstances exists and the most recent address of the partnership ascertained after a diligent search, then service upon the secretary of state as the agent of the partnership may be initiated by delivering to the secretary of state four copies of the process, notice, or demand accompanied by a fee of not less than five and not more than seven dollars, as determined by the secretary of state.

(b) The secretary of state forthwith shall give notice of that delivery to the partnership at either its principal office as shown upon the secretary of state's records or at any different address specified in the affidavit of the party desiring service and shall forward to the partnership at either address by certified mail, return receipt requested, a copy of the process, notice, or demand.

(c) Service upon the partnership is made when the secretary of state gives the notice and forwards the process, notice, or demand as set forth in division (G) (2) of this section.

(H) The secretary of state shall keep a record of each process, notice, and demand that pertains to a partnership and that is delivered to the secretary of state's office under this section or another law of this state that authorizes service upon the secretary of state in connection with a partnership. In that record, the secretary shall record the time of each delivery of that type and the secretary's subsequent action with

respect to the process, notice, or demand. 2050

(I) Nothing in this section limits or affects the right to 2051  
serve process in any other manner now or hereafter provided by 2052  
law. This section is an extension of, and not a limitation upon, 2053  
the right otherwise existing of service of legal process. 2054

**Sec. 1782.04.** (A) Each limited partnership shall maintain 2055  
continuously in this state an agent for service of process on 2056  
the limited partnership. The agent shall be one of the 2057  
following: 2058

(1) A natural person who is a resident of this state; 2059

(2) A domestic or foreign corporation, nonprofit 2060  
corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited 2061  
partnership, limited liability partnership, limited partnership 2062  
association, professional association, business trust, or 2063  
unincorporated nonprofit association that has a business address 2064  
in this state. If the agent is an entity other than a domestic 2065  
corporation, the agent shall meet the requirements of Title XVII 2066  
of the Revised Code for an entity of the agent's type to 2067  
transact business or exercise privileges in this state. 2068

(B) The secretary of state shall not accept a certificate 2069  
of limited partnership for filing unless there is filed with the 2070  
certificate a written appointment of an agent that is signed by 2071  
the general partners of the limited partnership and a written 2072  
acceptance of the appointment that is signed by the agent, or 2073  
unless there is filed a written appointment of an agent that is 2074  
signed by any authorized officer of the limited partnership and 2075  
a written acceptance of the appointment that is either the 2076  
original acceptance signed by the agent or a photocopy, 2077  
facsimile, or similar reproduction of the original acceptance 2078

signed by the agent. 2079

In the discretion of the secretary of state, an original 2080  
appointment of statutory agent may be submitted on the same form 2081  
as the certificate of limited partnership but shall not be 2082  
considered a part of the certificate. 2083

~~(C)~~ (C) (1) The written appointment of an agent shall set 2084  
forth the name and address in this state of the agent, including 2085  
the street and number ~~or other particular description of the~~ 2086  
agent's primary residence in this state or, if the agent is not 2087  
a natural person, the agent's usual place of business in this 2088  
state, and shall otherwise be in the form the secretary of state 2089  
prescribes. The secretary of state shall keep a record of the 2090  
names of limited partnerships, and the names and addresses of 2091  
their respective agents. 2092

(2) As used in division (C) (1) of this section, "usual 2093  
place of business" means a place in this state that is 2094  
customarily open during normal business hours and where an 2095  
individual is generally present who is authorized to perform the 2096  
services of a registered agent, including accepting service of 2097  
process and other notifications for the person serving as a 2098  
statutory agent. "Usual place of business" does not include a 2099  
post office box, regardless of whether that post office box has 2100  
an associated street address. 2101

(D) If any agent dies, removes from the state, or resigns, 2102  
the limited partnership shall forthwith appoint another agent 2103  
and file with the secretary of state, on a form prescribed by 2104  
the secretary of state, a written appointment of the new agent. 2105

(E) If the agent changes the agent's address from that 2106  
appearing upon the record in the office of the secretary of 2107



state, the limited partnership or the agent forthwith shall file 2108  
with the secretary of state, on a form prescribed by the 2109  
secretary of state, a written statement setting forth the new 2110  
address. 2111

(F) An agent may resign by filing with the secretary of 2112  
state, on a form prescribed by the secretary of state, a written 2113  
notice to that effect that is signed by the agent and by sending 2114  
a copy of the notice to the limited partnership at its current 2115  
or last known address or its principal office on or prior to the 2116  
date the notice is filed with the secretary of state. The notice 2117  
shall set forth the name of the limited partnership, the name 2118  
and current address of the agent, the current or last known 2119  
address, including the street and number or other particular 2120  
description, of the limited partnership's principal office, the 2121  
resignation of the agent, and a statement that a copy of the 2122  
notice has been sent to the limited partnership within the time 2123  
and in the manner prescribed by this division. Upon the 2124  
expiration of thirty days after the filing, the authority of the 2125  
agent shall terminate. 2126

(G) A limited partnership may revoke the appointment of an 2127  
agent by filing with the secretary of state, on a form 2128  
prescribed by the secretary of state, a written appointment of 2129  
another agent and a statement that the appointment of the former 2130  
agent is revoked. 2131

(H) Except when an original appointment of an agent is 2132  
filed with the certificate of limited partnership, a written 2133  
appointment of an agent or a written statement filed by a 2134  
limited partnership with the secretary of state shall be signed 2135  
by any authorized officer of the limited partnership, or the 2136  
general partners of the limited partnership, or a majority of 2137

them. 2138

**Sec. 1785.06.** A professional association, within thirty 2139  
days after the thirtieth day of June in each even-numbered year, 2140  
shall furnish a statement to the secretary of state showing the 2141  
names and post-office addresses of all of the shareholders in 2142  
the association and certifying that all of the shareholders are 2143  
duly licensed, certificated, or otherwise legally authorized to 2144  
render within this state the same professional service for which 2145  
the association was organized or, in the case of a combination 2146  
of professional services described in division (B) of section 2147  
1785.01 of the Revised Code, to render within this state any of 2148  
the applicable types of professional services for which the 2149  
association was organized. This statement shall be made on a 2150  
form that the secretary of state shall prescribe, shall be 2151  
signed by an officer of the association, and shall be filed in 2152  
the office of the secretary of state. 2153

If any professional association fails to file the biennial 2154  
statement within the time required by this section, the 2155  
secretary of state shall give notice of the failure by ordinary 2156  
or electronic mail to the last known physical or electronic 2157  
address of the association or its agent. If the biennial 2158  
statement is not filed within thirty days after the mailing of 2159  
the notice, the secretary of state, upon the expiration of that 2160  
period, shall cancel the association's articles of 2161  
incorporation, give notice of the cancellation to the 2162  
association by ordinary or electronic mail sent to the last 2163  
known physical or electronic address of the association or its 2164  
agent, and make a notation of the cancellation on the records of 2165  
the secretary of state. 2166

A professional association whose articles have been 2167

canceled pursuant to this section may be reinstated by filing, 2168  
within two years of the cancellation, an application for 2169  
reinstatement and the required biennial statement or statements 2170  
and by paying the reinstatement fee specified in division (Q) of 2171  
section 111.16 of the Revised Code. The rights, privileges, and 2172  
franchises of a professional association whose articles have 2173  
been reinstated are subject to section 1701.922 of the Revised 2174  
Code. The secretary of state shall inform the tax commissioner 2175  
of all cancellations and reinstatements under this section. 2176

**Sec. 1901.123.** (A) (1) Subject to reimbursement under 2177  
division (B) of this section, the treasurer of the county in 2178  
which a county-operated municipal court or other municipal court 2179  
is located shall pay the per diem compensation to which an 2180  
acting judge appointed pursuant to division (A) (2) (a), (B) (1), 2181  
or (C) (1) of section 1901.121 of the Revised Code is entitled 2182  
pursuant to division (A) (1) of section 1901.122 of the Revised 2183  
Code. 2184

(2) The treasurer of the county in which a county-operated 2185  
municipal court or other municipal court is located shall pay 2186  
the per diem compensation to which an assigned judge assigned 2187  
pursuant to division (A) (1), (A) (2) (b), (B) (2), (C) (2), or (D) 2188  
of section 1901.121 of the Revised Code is entitled pursuant to 2189  
division (B) (1) or (4) of section 1901.122 of the Revised Code. 2190

(3) Subject to reimbursement under division (B) of this 2191  
section, the treasurer of the county in which a county-operated 2192  
municipal court or other municipal court is located shall pay 2193  
the per diem compensation to which an assigned judge assigned 2194  
pursuant to division (A) (1), (A) (2) (b), (B) (2), (C) (2), or (D) 2195  
of section 1901.121 of the Revised Code is entitled pursuant to 2196  
division (B) (2) of section 1901.122 of the Revised Code. 2197

(4) Subject to reimbursement under division (C) of this section, the supreme court shall pay the per diem compensation to which an assigned judge assigned pursuant to division (A) (1), (A) (2) (b), (B) (2), (C) (2), or (D) of section 1901.121 of the Revised Code is entitled pursuant to division (B) (3) of section 1901.122 of the Revised Code.

(B) ~~The treasurer of a~~ A county that, pursuant to division (A) (1) or (3) of this section, is required to pay the per diem compensation to which an acting judge or assigned judge is entitled, shall submit to the administrative director of the supreme court quarterly requests for reimbursements of the state portion of the per diem amounts so paid. The requests shall include verifications of the payment of those amounts and an affidavit from the acting judge or assigned judge stating the days and hours worked. The administrative director shall cause reimbursements of the state portion of the per diem amounts paid to be issued to the county if the administrative director verifies that those amounts were, in fact, so paid. If the county fails to submit a request within one year after the per diem compensation was paid, the administrative director shall refuse to cause reimbursement to be issued.

(C) If the supreme court, pursuant to division (A) (4) of this section, is required to pay the per diem compensation to which an assigned judge is entitled, annually, on the first day of August, the administrative director of the supreme court shall issue a billing to the county treasurer of any county to which such a judge was assigned to a municipal court for reimbursement of the county or local portion of the per diem compensation previously paid by the supreme court for the twelve-month period preceding the last day of June. The county or local portion of the per diem compensation shall be that part

of each per diem paid by the state which is proportional to the 2229  
county or local shares of the total compensation of a resident 2230  
judge of such court. The county treasurer shall forward the 2231  
payment within thirty days. After forwarding the payment, the 2232  
county treasurer shall seek reimbursement from the applicable 2233  
local municipalities as appropriate. 2234

**Sec. 1907.143.** (A) (1) Subject to reimbursement under 2235  
division (B) of this section, the treasurer of the county in 2236  
which a county court is located shall pay the per diem 2237  
compensation to which an acting judge appointed pursuant to 2238  
division (A) (2) (a), (B) (1), or (C) (1) of section 1907.141 of the 2239  
Revised Code is entitled pursuant to division (A) of section 2240  
1907.142 of the Revised Code. 2241

(2) The treasurer of the county in which a county court is 2242  
located shall pay the per diem compensation to which an assigned 2243  
judge assigned pursuant to division (A) (1), (A) (2) (b), (B) (2), 2244  
or (C) (2) of section 1907.141 of the Revised Code is entitled 2245  
pursuant to division (B) (1) or (4) of section 1907.142 of the 2246  
Revised Code. 2247

(3) Subject to reimbursement under division (B) of this 2248  
section, the treasurer of the county in which a county court is 2249  
located shall pay the per diem compensation to which an assigned 2250  
judge assigned pursuant to division (A) (1), (A) (2) (b), (B) (2), 2251  
or (C) (2) of section 1907.141 of the Revised Code is entitled 2252  
pursuant to division (B) (2) of section 1907.142 of the Revised 2253  
Code. 2254

(4) Subject to reimbursement under division (C) of this 2255  
section, the supreme court shall pay the per diem compensation 2256  
to which an assigned judge assigned pursuant to division (A) (1), 2257  
(A) (2) (b), (B) (2), or (C) (2) of section 1907.141 of the Revised 2258

Code is entitled pursuant to division (B) (3) of section 1907.142 2259  
of the Revised Code. 2260

(B) ~~The treasurer of a~~ A county that, pursuant to division 2261  
(A) (1) or (3) of this section, is required to pay the per diem 2262  
compensation to which an acting judge or assigned judge is 2263  
entitled, shall submit to the administrative director of the 2264  
supreme court quarterly requests for reimbursements of the state 2265  
portion of the per diem amounts so paid. The requests shall 2266  
include verifications of the payment of those amounts and an 2267  
affidavit from the acting judge or assigned judge stating the 2268  
days and hours worked. The administrative director shall cause 2269  
reimbursements of the state portion of the per diem amounts paid 2270  
to be issued to the county if the administrative director 2271  
verifies that those amounts were, in fact, so paid. If the 2272  
county fails to submit a request within one year after the per 2273  
diem compensation was paid, the administrative director shall 2274  
refuse to cause reimbursement to be issued. 2275

(C) If the supreme court, pursuant to division (A) (4) of 2276  
this section, is required to pay the per diem compensation to 2277  
which an assigned judge is entitled, annually, on the first day 2278  
of August, the administrative director of the supreme court 2279  
shall issue a billing to the county treasurer of any county to 2280  
which such a judge was assigned to a county court for 2281  
reimbursement of the county portion of the per diem compensation 2282  
previously paid by the supreme court for the twelve-month period 2283  
preceding the last day of June. The county portion of the per 2284  
diem compensation shall be that part of each per diem paid by 2285  
the state which is proportional to the county shares of the 2286  
total compensation of a resident judge of such court. The county 2287  
treasurer shall forward the payment within thirty days. After 2288  
forwarding the payment, the county treasurer shall seek 2289

reimbursement from the applicable local municipalities as 2290  
appropriate. 2291

**Sec. 2923.126.** (A) A concealed handgun license that is 2292  
issued under section 2923.125 of the Revised Code shall expire 2293  
five years after the date of issuance. A licensee who has been 2294  
issued a license under that section shall be granted a grace 2295  
period of thirty days after the licensee's license expires 2296  
during which the licensee's license remains valid. Except as 2297  
provided in divisions (B) and (C) of this section, a licensee 2298  
who has been issued a concealed handgun license under section 2299  
2923.125 or 2923.1213 of the Revised Code may carry a concealed 2300  
handgun anywhere in this state if the license is valid when the 2301  
licensee is in actual possession of a concealed handgun. The 2302  
licensee shall give notice of any change in the licensee's 2303  
residence address to the sheriff who issued the license within 2304  
forty-five days after that change. 2305

(B) A valid concealed handgun license does not authorize 2306  
the licensee to carry a concealed handgun in any manner 2307  
prohibited under division (B) of section 2923.12 of the Revised 2308  
Code or in any manner prohibited under section 2923.16 of the 2309  
Revised Code. A valid license does not authorize the licensee to 2310  
carry a concealed handgun into any of the following places: 2311

(1) A police station, sheriff's office, or state highway 2312  
patrol station, premises controlled by the bureau of criminal 2313  
identification and investigation; a state correctional 2314  
institution, jail, workhouse, or other detention facility; any 2315  
area of an airport passenger terminal that is beyond a passenger 2316  
or property screening checkpoint or to which access is 2317  
restricted through security measures by the airport authority or 2318  
a public agency; or an institution that is maintained, operated, 2319

managed, and governed pursuant to division (A) of section	2320
5119.14 of the Revised Code or division (A) (1) of section	2321
5123.03 of the Revised Code;	2322
(2) A school safety zone if the licensee's carrying the	2323
concealed handgun is in violation of section 2923.122 of the	2324
Revised Code;	2325
(3) A courthouse or another building or structure in which	2326
a courtroom is located if the licensee's carrying the concealed	2327
handgun is in violation of section 2923.123 of the Revised Code;	2328
(4) Any premises or open air arena for which a D permit	2329
has been issued under Chapter 4303. of the Revised Code if the	2330
licensee's carrying the concealed handgun is in violation of	2331
section 2923.121 of the Revised Code;	2332
(5) Any premises owned or leased by any public or private	2333
college, university, or other institution of higher education,	2334
unless the handgun is in a locked motor vehicle or the licensee	2335
is in the immediate process of placing the handgun in a locked	2336
motor vehicle or unless the licensee is carrying the concealed	2337
handgun pursuant to a written policy, rule, or other	2338
authorization that is adopted by the institution's board of	2339
trustees or other governing body and that authorizes specific	2340
individuals or classes of individuals to carry a concealed	2341
handgun on the premises;	2342
(6) Any church, synagogue, mosque, or other place of	2343
worship, unless the church, synagogue, mosque, or other place of	2344
worship posts or permits otherwise;	2345
(7) Any building that is a government facility of this	2346
state or a political subdivision of this state and that is not a	2347
building that is used primarily as a shelter, restroom, parking	2348



facility for motor vehicles, or rest facility and is not a 2349  
courthouse or other building or structure in which a courtroom 2350  
is located that is subject to division (B)(3) of this section, 2351  
unless the governing body with authority over the building has 2352  
enacted a statute, ordinance, or policy that permits a licensee 2353  
to carry a concealed handgun into the building; 2354

(8) A place in which federal law prohibits the carrying of 2355  
handguns. 2356

(C)(1) Nothing in this section shall negate or restrict a 2357  
rule, policy, or practice of a private employer that is not a 2358  
private college, university, or other institution of higher 2359  
education concerning or prohibiting the presence of firearms on 2360  
the private employer's premises or property, including motor 2361  
vehicles owned by the private employer. Nothing in this section 2362  
shall require a private employer of that nature to adopt a rule, 2363  
policy, or practice concerning or prohibiting the presence of 2364  
firearms on the private employer's premises or property, 2365  
including motor vehicles owned by the private employer. 2366

(2)(a) A private employer shall be immune from liability 2367  
in a civil action for any injury, death, or loss to person or 2368  
property that allegedly was caused by or related to a licensee 2369  
bringing a handgun onto the premises or property of the private 2370  
employer, including motor vehicles owned by the private 2371  
employer, unless the private employer acted with malicious 2372  
purpose. A private employer is immune from liability in a civil 2373  
action for any injury, death, or loss to person or property that 2374  
allegedly was caused by or related to the private employer's 2375  
decision to permit a licensee to bring, or prohibit a licensee 2376  
from bringing, a handgun onto the premises or property of the 2377  
private employer. 2378

(b) A political subdivision shall be immune from liability 2379  
in a civil action, to the extent and in the manner provided in 2380  
Chapter 2744. of the Revised Code, for any injury, death, or 2381  
loss to person or property that allegedly was caused by or 2382  
related to a licensee bringing a handgun onto any premises or 2383  
property owned, leased, or otherwise under the control of the 2384  
political subdivision. As used in this division, "political 2385  
subdivision" has the same meaning as in section 2744.01 of the 2386  
Revised Code. 2387

(c) An institution of higher education shall be immune 2388  
from liability in a civil action for any injury, death, or loss 2389  
to person or property that allegedly was caused by or related to 2390  
a licensee bringing a handgun onto the premises of the 2391  
institution, including motor vehicles owned by the institution, 2392  
unless the institution acted with malicious purpose. An 2393  
institution of higher education is immune from liability in a 2394  
civil action for any injury, death, or loss to person or 2395  
property that allegedly was caused by or related to the 2396  
institution's decision to permit a licensee or class of 2397  
licensees to bring a handgun onto the premises of the 2398  
institution. 2399

(d) A nonprofit corporation shall be immune from liability 2400  
in a civil action for any injury, death, or loss to person or 2401  
property that allegedly was caused by or related to a licensee 2402  
bringing a handgun onto the premises of the nonprofit 2403  
corporation, including any motor vehicle owned by the nonprofit 2404  
corporation, or to any event organized by the nonprofit 2405  
corporation, unless the nonprofit corporation acted with 2406  
malicious purpose. A nonprofit corporation is immune from 2407  
liability in a civil action for any injury, death, or loss to 2408  
person or property that allegedly was caused by or related to 2409

the nonprofit corporation's decision to permit a licensee to 2410  
bring a handgun onto the premises of the nonprofit corporation 2411  
or to any event organized by the nonprofit corporation. 2412

(3) (a) Except as provided in division (C) (3) (b) of this 2413  
section and section 2923.1214 of the Revised Code, the owner or 2414  
person in control of private land or premises, and a private 2415  
person or entity leasing land or premises owned by the state, 2416  
the United States, or a political subdivision of the state or 2417  
the United States, may post a sign in a conspicuous location on 2418  
that land or on those premises prohibiting persons from carrying 2419  
firearms or concealed firearms on or onto that land or those 2420  
premises. Except as otherwise provided in this division, a 2421  
person who knowingly violates a posted prohibition of that 2422  
nature is guilty of criminal trespass in violation of division 2423  
(A) (4) of section 2911.21 of the Revised Code and is guilty of a 2424  
misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If a person knowingly violates 2425  
a posted prohibition of that nature and the posted land or 2426  
premises primarily was a parking lot or other parking facility, 2427  
the person is not guilty of criminal trespass under section 2428  
2911.21 of the Revised Code or under any other criminal law of 2429  
this state or criminal law, ordinance, or resolution of a 2430  
political subdivision of this state, and instead is subject only 2431  
to a civil cause of action for trespass based on the violation. 2432

If a person knowingly violates a posted prohibition of the 2433  
nature described in this division and the posted land or 2434  
premises is a child care center, type A family child care home, 2435  
or type B family child care home, unless the person is a 2436  
licensee who resides in a type A family child care home or type 2437  
B family child care home, the person is guilty of aggravated 2438  
trespass in violation of section 2911.211 of the Revised Code. 2439  
Except as otherwise provided in this division, the offender is 2440

guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree. If the person 2441  
previously has been convicted of a violation of this division or 2442  
of any offense of violence, if the weapon involved is a firearm 2443  
that is either loaded or for which the offender has ammunition 2444  
ready at hand, or if the weapon involved is dangerous ordnance, 2445  
the offender is guilty of a felony of the fourth degree. 2446

(b) A landlord may not prohibit or restrict a tenant who 2447  
is a licensee and who on or after September 9, 2008, enters into 2448  
a rental agreement with the landlord for the use of residential 2449  
premises, and the tenant's guest while the tenant is present, 2450  
from lawfully carrying or possessing a handgun on those 2451  
residential premises. 2452

(c) As used in division (C) (3) of this section: 2453

(i) "Residential premises" has the same meaning as in 2454  
section 5321.01 of the Revised Code, except "residential 2455  
premises" does not include a dwelling unit that is owned or 2456  
operated by a college or university. 2457

(ii) "Landlord," "tenant," and "rental agreement" have the 2458  
same meanings as in section 5321.01 of the Revised Code. 2459

(D) A person who holds a valid concealed handgun license 2460  
issued by another state that is recognized by the attorney 2461  
general pursuant to a reciprocity agreement entered into 2462  
pursuant to section 109.69 of the Revised Code or a person who 2463  
holds a valid concealed handgun license under the circumstances 2464  
described in division (B) of section 109.69 of the Revised Code 2465  
has the same right to carry a concealed handgun in this state as 2466  
a person who was issued a concealed handgun license under 2467  
section 2923.125 of the Revised Code and is subject to the same 2468  
restrictions that apply to a person who has been issued a 2469

license under that section that is valid at the time in 2470  
question. 2471

(E) (1) A peace officer has the same right to carry a 2472  
concealed handgun in this state as a person who was issued a 2473  
concealed handgun license under section 2923.125 of the Revised 2474  
Code, provided that the officer when carrying a concealed 2475  
handgun under authority of this division is carrying validating 2476  
identification. For purposes of reciprocity with other states, a 2477  
peace officer shall be considered to be a licensee in this 2478  
state. 2479

(2) An active duty member of the armed forces of the 2480  
United States who is carrying a valid military identification 2481  
card and documentation of successful completion of firearms 2482  
training that meets or exceeds the training requirements 2483  
described in division (G) (1) of section 2923.125 of the Revised 2484  
Code has the same right to carry a concealed handgun in this 2485  
state as a person who was issued a concealed handgun license 2486  
under section 2923.125 of the Revised Code and is subject to the 2487  
same restrictions as specified in this section. 2488

(3) A tactical medical professional who is qualified to 2489  
carry firearms while on duty under section 109.771 of the 2490  
Revised Code has the same right to carry a concealed handgun in 2491  
this state as a person who was issued a concealed handgun 2492  
license under section 2923.125 of the Revised Code. 2493

(4) A fire investigator who is qualified to carry firearms 2494  
while on duty under section 109.774 of the Revised Code has the 2495  
same right to carry a concealed handgun in this state as a 2496  
person who was issued a concealed handgun license under section 2497  
2923.125 of the Revised Code. 2498

(F) (1) A qualified retired peace officer who possesses a 2499  
retired peace officer identification card issued pursuant to 2500  
division (F) (2) of this section and a valid firearms 2501  
requalification certification issued pursuant to division (F) (3) 2502  
of this section has the same right to carry a concealed handgun 2503  
in this state as a person who was issued a concealed handgun 2504  
license under section 2923.125 of the Revised Code and is 2505  
subject to the same restrictions that apply to a person who has 2506  
been issued a license issued under that section that is valid at 2507  
the time in question. For purposes of reciprocity with other 2508  
states, a qualified retired peace officer who possesses a 2509  
retired peace officer identification card issued pursuant to 2510  
division (F) (2) of this section and a valid firearms 2511  
requalification certification issued pursuant to division (F) (3) 2512  
of this section shall be considered to be a licensee in this 2513  
state. 2514

(2) (a) Each public agency of this state or of a political 2515  
subdivision of this state that is served by one or more peace 2516  
officers shall issue a retired peace officer identification card 2517  
to any person who retired from service as a peace officer with 2518  
that agency, if the issuance is in accordance with the agency's 2519  
policies and procedures and if the person, with respect to the 2520  
person's service with that agency, satisfies all of the 2521  
following: 2522

(i) The person retired in good standing from service as a 2523  
peace officer with the public agency, and the retirement was not 2524  
for reasons of mental instability. 2525

(ii) Before retiring from service as a peace officer with 2526  
that agency, the person was authorized to engage in or supervise 2527  
the prevention, detection, investigation, or prosecution of, or 2528

the incarceration of any person for, any violation of law and 2529  
the person had statutory powers of arrest. 2530

(iii) At the time of the person's retirement as a peace 2531  
officer with that agency, the person was trained and qualified 2532  
to carry firearms in the performance of the peace officer's 2533  
duties. 2534

(iv) Before retiring from service as a peace officer with 2535  
that agency, the person was regularly employed as a peace 2536  
officer for an aggregate of fifteen years or more, or, in the 2537  
alternative, the person retired from service as a peace officer 2538  
with that agency, after completing any applicable probationary 2539  
period of that service, due to a service-connected disability, 2540  
as determined by the agency. 2541

(b) A retired peace officer identification card issued to 2542  
a person under division (F) (2) (a) of this section shall identify 2543  
the person by name, contain a photograph of the person, identify 2544  
the public agency of this state or of the political subdivision 2545  
of this state from which the person retired as a peace officer 2546  
and that is issuing the identification card, and specify that 2547  
the person retired in good standing from service as a peace 2548  
officer with the issuing public agency and satisfies the 2549  
criteria set forth in divisions (F) (2) (a) (i) to (iv) of this 2550  
section. In addition to the required content specified in this 2551  
division, a retired peace officer identification card issued to 2552  
a person under division (F) (2) (a) of this section may include 2553  
the firearms requalification certification described in division 2554  
(F) (3) of this section, and if the identification card includes 2555  
that certification, the identification card shall serve as the 2556  
firearms requalification certification for the retired peace 2557  
officer. If the issuing public agency issues credentials to 2558

active law enforcement officers who serve the agency, the agency 2559  
may comply with division (F) (2) (a) of this section by issuing 2560  
the same credentials to persons who retired from service as a 2561  
peace officer with the agency and who satisfy the criteria set 2562  
forth in divisions (F) (2) (a) (i) to (iv) of this section, 2563  
provided that the credentials so issued to retired peace 2564  
officers are stamped with the word "RETIRED." 2565

(c) A public agency of this state or of a political 2566  
subdivision of this state may charge persons who retired from 2567  
service as a peace officer with the agency a reasonable fee for 2568  
issuing to the person a retired peace officer identification 2569  
card pursuant to division (F) (2) (a) of this section. 2570

(3) If a person retired from service as a peace officer 2571  
with a public agency of this state or of a political subdivision 2572  
of this state and the person satisfies the criteria set forth in 2573  
divisions (F) (2) (a) (i) to (iv) of this section, the public 2574  
agency may provide the retired peace officer with the 2575  
opportunity to attend a firearms requalification program that is 2576  
approved for purposes of firearms requalification required under 2577  
section 109.801 of the Revised Code. The retired peace officer 2578  
may be required to pay the cost of the course. 2579

If a retired peace officer who satisfies the criteria set 2580  
forth in divisions (F) (2) (a) (i) to (iv) of this section attends 2581  
a firearms requalification program that is approved for purposes 2582  
of firearms requalification required under section 109.801 of 2583  
the Revised Code, the retired peace officer's successful 2584  
completion of the firearms requalification program requalifies 2585  
the retired peace officer for purposes of division (F) of this 2586  
section for five years from the date on which the program was 2587  
successfully completed, and the requalification is valid during 2588



that five-year period. If a retired peace officer who satisfies 2589  
the criteria set forth in divisions (F) (2) (a) (i) to (iv) of this 2590  
section satisfactorily completes such a firearms requalification 2591  
program, the retired peace officer shall be issued a firearms 2592  
requalification certification that identifies the retired peace 2593  
officer by name, identifies the entity that taught the program, 2594  
specifies that the retired peace officer successfully completed 2595  
the program, specifies the date on which the course was 2596  
successfully completed, and specifies that the requalification 2597  
is valid for five years from that date of successful completion. 2598  
The firearms requalification certification for a retired peace 2599  
officer may be included in the retired peace officer 2600  
identification card issued to the retired peace officer under 2601  
division (F) (2) of this section. 2602

A retired peace officer who attends a firearms 2603  
requalification program that is approved for purposes of 2604  
firearms requalification required under section 109.801 of the 2605  
Revised Code may be required to pay the cost of the program. 2606

(G) As used in this section: 2607

(1) "Qualified retired peace officer" means a person who 2608  
satisfies all of the following: 2609

(a) The person satisfies the criteria set forth in 2610  
divisions (F) (2) (a) (i) to (v) of this section. 2611

(b) The person is not under the influence of alcohol or 2612  
another intoxicating or hallucinatory drug or substance. 2613

(c) The person is not prohibited by federal law from 2614  
receiving firearms. 2615

(2) "Retired peace officer identification card" means an 2616  
identification card that is issued pursuant to division (F) (2) 2617

of this section to a person who is a retired peace officer. 2618

(3) "Government facility of this state or a political 2619  
subdivision of this state" means any of the following: 2620

(a) A building or part of a building that is owned or 2621  
leased by the government of this state or a political 2622  
subdivision of this state and where employees of the government 2623  
of this state or the political subdivision regularly are present 2624  
for the purpose of performing their official duties as employees 2625  
of the state or political subdivision; 2626

(b) The office of a deputy registrar serving pursuant to 2627  
Chapter 4503. of the Revised Code that is used to perform deputy 2628  
registrar functions. 2629

(4) "Governing body" has the same meaning as in section 2630  
154.01 of the Revised Code. 2631

(5) "Tactical medical professional" has the same meaning 2632  
as in section 109.71 of the Revised Code. 2633

(6) "Validating identification" means photographic 2634  
identification issued by the agency for which an individual 2635  
serves as a peace officer that identifies the individual as a 2636  
peace officer of the agency. 2637

(7) "Nonprofit corporation" means any private organization 2638  
that is exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to 2639  
subsection 501(a) and described in subsection 501(c) of the 2640  
Internal Revenue Code. 2641

(8) "Fire investigator" has the same meaning as in section 2642  
109.71 of the Revised Code. 2643

**Sec. 3505.06.** (A) On the questions and issues ballot shall 2644  
be printed all questions and issues to be submitted at any one 2645

election together with the percentage of affirmative votes 2646  
necessary for passage as required by law. Such ballot shall have 2647  
printed across the top thereof, and below the stubs, "Official 2648  
Questions and Issues Ballot." 2649

(B) (1) Questions and issues shall be grouped together on 2650  
the ballot from top to bottom as provided in division (B) (1) of 2651  
this section, except as otherwise provided in division (B) (2) of 2652  
this section. State questions and issues shall always appear as 2653  
the top group of questions and issues. In calendar year 1997, 2654  
the following questions and issues shall be grouped together on 2655  
the ballot, in the following order from top to bottom, after the 2656  
state questions and issues: 2657

(a) County questions and issues; 2658

(b) Municipal questions and issues; 2659

(c) Township questions and issues; 2660

(d) School or other district questions and issues. 2661

In each succeeding calendar year after 1997, each group of 2662  
questions and issues described in division (B) (1) (a) to (d) of 2663  
this section shall be moved down one place on the ballot except 2664  
that the group that was last on the ballot during the 2665  
immediately preceding calendar year shall appear at the top of 2666  
the ballot after the state questions and issues. The rotation 2667  
shall be performed only once each calendar year, beginning with 2668  
the first election held during the calendar year. The rotation 2669  
of groups of questions and issues shall be performed during each 2670  
calendar year as required by division (B) (1) of this section, 2671  
even if no questions and issues from any one or more such groups 2672  
appear on the ballot at any particular election held during that 2673  
calendar year. 2674

(2) Questions and issues shall be grouped together on the ballot, from top to bottom, in the following order when it is not practicable to group them together as required by division (B) (1) of this section because of the type of voting machines used by the board of elections: state questions and issues, county questions and issues, municipal questions and issues, township questions and issues, and school or other district questions and issues. The particular order in which each of a group of state questions or issues is placed on the ballot shall be determined by, and certified to each board of elections by, the secretary of state.

(3) Failure of the board of elections to rotate questions and issues as required by division (B) (1) of this section does not affect the validity of the election at which the failure occurred, and is not grounds for contesting an election under section 3515.08 of the Revised Code.

(C) The particular order in which each of a group of county, municipal, township, or school district questions or issues is placed on the ballot shall be determined by the board providing the ballots.

(D) The printed matter pertaining to each question or issue on the ballot shall be enclosed at the top and bottom thereof by a heavy horizontal line across the width of the ballot. Immediately below such top line shall be printed a brief title descriptive of the question or issue below it, such as "Proposed Constitutional Amendment," "Proposed Bond Issue," "Proposed Annexation of Territory," "Proposed Increase in Tax Rate," or such other brief title as will be descriptive of the question or issue to which it pertains, together with a brief statement of the percentage of affirmative votes necessary for

passage, such as "A sixty-five per cent affirmative vote is 2705  
necessary for passage," "A majority vote is necessary for 2706  
passage," or such other brief statement as will be descriptive 2707  
of the percentage of affirmative votes required. 2708

(E) The questions and issues ballot need not contain the 2709  
full text of the proposal to be voted upon. A condensed text 2710  
that will properly describe the question, issue, or an amendment 2711  
proposed by other than the general assembly shall be used as 2712  
prepared and certified by the secretary of state for state-wide 2713  
questions or issues or by the board for local questions or 2714  
issues. If other than a full text is used, the full text of the 2715  
proposed question, issue, or amendment together with the 2716  
percentage of affirmative votes necessary for passage as 2717  
required by law shall be posted in each polling place in some 2718  
spot that is easily accessible to the voters. 2719

~~(F) Each~~ (F) (1) Except as otherwise provided in division 2720  
(F) (2) of this section, each question and issue appearing on the 2721  
questions and issues ballot may be consecutively numbered. The 2722  
question or issue determined to appear at the top of the ballot 2723  
may be designated on the face thereof by the Arabic numeral "1" 2724  
and all questions and issues placed below on the ballot shall be 2725  
consecutively numbered. Such numeral shall be placed below the 2726  
heavy top horizontal line enclosing such question or issue and 2727  
to the left of the brief title thereof. 2728

(2) Beginning with the general election to be held on 2729  
November 5, 2024, a state question or issue determined to appear 2730  
at the top of the ballot shall be designated on the face thereof 2731  
by the Arabic numeral "1" and all state questions and issues 2732  
placed below on the ballot shall be consecutively numbered. For 2733  
elections occurring after the general election held on November 2734

5, 2024, a state question or issue determined to appear at the 2735  
top of the ballot shall be designated on the face thereof by the 2736  
Arabic numeral that is consecutive to the Arabic numeral of the 2737  
last state question or issue that appeared on the ballot at the 2738  
immediately preceding election at which a state question or 2739  
issue appeared on the ballot and all state questions or issues 2740  
placed below on the ballot shall be consecutively numbered. Such 2741  
numeral shall be placed below the heavy top horizontal line 2742  
enclosing such question or issue and to the left of the brief 2743  
title thereof. Once a state question or issue appears on the 2744  
ballot designated by the Arabic numeral "500," the state 2745  
question or issue appearing at the top of the ballot at the 2746  
immediately following election at which a state question or 2747  
issue appears on the ballot shall be designated by the Arabic 2748  
numeral "1." 2749

(G) No portion of a ballot question proposing to levy a 2750  
property tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation under any 2751  
section of the Revised Code, including the renewal or 2752  
replacement of such a levy, may be printed in boldface type or 2753  
in a font size that is different from the font size of other 2754  
text in the ballot question. The prohibitions in division (G) of 2755  
this section do not apply to printed matter either described in 2756  
division (D) of this section related to such a ballot question 2757  
or located in the area of the ballot in which votes are 2758  
indicated for or against that question. 2759

**Sec. 3729.05.** (A) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this 2760  
section, on or after the first day of April, but before the 2761  
first day of May of each year, every person who intends to 2762  
operate a recreational vehicle park, recreation camp, or 2763  
combined park-camp shall procure a license to operate the park 2764  
or camp from the licenser. If the applicable license fee 2765

prescribed under section 3729.07 of the Revised Code is not 2766  
received by the licensor by the close of business on the last 2767  
day of April, the applicant for the license shall pay a penalty 2768  
equal to twenty-five per cent of the applicable license fee. The 2769  
penalty shall accompany the license fee. If the last day of 2770  
April is not a business day, the penalty attaches upon the close 2771  
of business on the next business day. 2772

(2) Every person who intends to operate a temporary park- 2773  
camp shall obtain a license to operate the temporary park-camp 2774  
from the licensor at any time before the person begins operation 2775  
of the temporary park-camp during the calendar year. 2776

(3) No recreational vehicle park, recreation camp, 2777  
combined park-camp, or temporary park-camp shall be maintained 2778  
or operated in this state without a license. However, no person 2779  
who neither intends to receive nor receives anything of value 2780  
arising from the use of, or the sale of goods or services in 2781  
connection with the use of, a recreational vehicle park, 2782  
recreation camp, combined park-camp, or temporary park-camp is 2783  
required to procure a license under this division. If any health 2784  
hazard exists at such an unlicensed park, camp, or park-camp, 2785  
the health hazard shall be corrected in a manner consistent with 2786  
the appropriate rule adopted under division (A) or (B) of 2787  
section 3729.02 of the Revised Code. 2788

(4) No person who has received a license under division 2789  
(A) (1) of this section, upon the sale or disposition of the 2790  
recreational vehicle park, recreation camp, or combined park- 2791  
camp, may have the license transferred to the new operator. A 2792  
person shall obtain a separate license to operate each 2793  
recreational vehicle park, recreation camp, or combined park- 2794  
camp. No license to operate a temporary park-camp shall be 2795

transferred. A person shall obtain a separate license for each 2796  
temporary park-camp that the person intends to operate, and the 2797  
license shall be valid for a period of not longer than seven 2798  
consecutive days. A person who operates a temporary park-camp on 2799  
a tract of land for more than twenty-one days or parts thereof 2800  
in a calendar year shall obtain a license to operate a 2801  
recreational vehicle park, recreation camp, or combined park- 2802  
camp. 2803

(B) (1) Before a license is initially issued under division 2804  
(A) (1) of this section and annually thereafter, or more often if 2805  
necessary, the licensor shall cause each recreational vehicle 2806  
park, recreation camp, or combined park-camp to be inspected to 2807  
determine compliance with this chapter and rules adopted under 2808  
it. A record shall be made of each inspection on a form 2809  
prescribed by the director of health. 2810

(2) When a license is initially issued under division (A) 2811  
(2) of this section, and more often if necessary, the licensor 2812  
shall cause each temporary park-camp to be inspected to 2813  
determine compliance with this chapter and rules adopted under 2814  
it during the period that the temporary park-camp is in 2815  
operation. A record shall be made of each inspection on a form 2816  
prescribed by the director. 2817

(C) Each person applying for an initial license to operate 2818  
a recreational vehicle park, recreation camp, combined park- 2819  
camp, or temporary park-camp shall provide acceptable proof to 2820  
the director, or to the licensor in the case of a temporary 2821  
park-camp, that adequate fire protection will be provided and 2822  
that applicable fire codes will be adhered to in the 2823  
construction and operation of the park, camp, or park-camp. 2824

(D) Any person that operates a county or state fair or any 2825



independent agricultural society organized pursuant to section 2826  
1711.02 of the Revised Code that operates a fair shall not be 2827  
required to obtain a license under this chapter if recreational 2828  
vehicles, portable camping units, or any combination of them are 2829  
parked at the site of the fair only during the time of 2830  
preparation for, operation of, and dismantling of the fair and 2831  
if the recreational vehicles, portable camping units, or any 2832  
combination of them belong to participants in the fair. 2833

(E) The following entities that operate a fair and that 2834  
hold a license issued under this chapter are not required to 2835  
comply with the requirements normally imposed on a licensee 2836  
under this chapter and rules adopted under it during the time of 2837  
preparation for, operation of, and dismantling of the fair: 2838

(1) A county agricultural society organized pursuant to 2839  
section 1711.01 of the Revised Code; 2840

(2) An independent agricultural society organized pursuant 2841  
to section 1711.02 of the Revised Code; 2842

(3) The Ohio expositions commission. 2843

(F) A motorsports park is exempt from the license 2844  
requirements established in divisions (A) (1) and (2) of this 2845  
section if the motorsports park does both of the following: 2846

(1) Holds at least one annual event sanctioned by the 2847  
national association for stock car auto racing or the national 2848  
hot rod association during a motor sports racing event; 2849

(2) Provides parking for recreational vehicles, dependent 2850  
recreational vehicles, and portable camping units that belong to 2851  
participants in that event. 2852

The exemption established in this division applies to 2853

participant-only areas during the time of preparation for and 2854  
operation of the event. 2855

(G) A site is exempt from the license requirements 2856  
established in divisions (A) (1) and (2) of this section if both 2857  
of the following apply: 2858

(1) The site hosts reenactors for any historical 2859  
reenactment. 2860

(2) The site provides parking for portable camping units 2861  
that belong to the reenactors and their families. 2862

The exemption established in this division applies only to 2863  
areas designated for reenactment participants and for a total of 2864  
seven days. The seven-day time period includes the time of 2865  
preparation for, operation of, and dismantling of the 2866  
reenactment event. 2867

(H) An equestrian event facility is exempt from the 2868  
license requirements established in divisions (A) (1) and (2) of 2869  
this section if the equestrian event facility does both of the 2870  
following: 2871

(1) Holds at least one annual event sanctioned by the 2872  
international professional rodeo association or the American 2873  
professional rodeo association during an equestrian event; 2874

(2) Provides parking for recreational vehicles, dependent 2875  
recreational vehicles, and portable camping units that belong to 2876  
participants in that event. 2877

The exemption established in this division applies to 2878  
participant-only areas during the time of preparation for and 2879  
operation of the event. 2880

~~(H)~~-(I) A person subject to this chapter or rules adopted 2881

under it may apply to the director for a waiver or variance from 2882  
a provision of this chapter or rules adopted under it. The 2883  
director may grant a waiver or variance if the person 2884  
demonstrates, to the satisfaction of the director, that the 2885  
waiver or variance will not result in any adverse effect on the 2886  
public health and safety. The director shall adopt rules in 2887  
accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code establishing 2888  
requirements and procedures governing the application for and 2889  
granting of a waiver or variance under this division. 2890

**Sec. 4505.061.** (A) If the application for a certificate of 2891  
title refers to a motor vehicle last previously registered in 2892  
another state, the application shall be accompanied by a 2893  
physical inspection certificate issued by the registrar of motor 2894  
vehicles. A physical inspection of a motor vehicle shall consist 2895  
of verifying the make, body type, model, and mileage of, and 2896  
manufacturer's vehicle identification number from, the motor 2897  
vehicle for which the certificate of title is desired. 2898

(B) The physical inspection certificate shall be in such 2899  
form as is designated by the registrar. Except as provided for 2900  
in division (C) of this section, the physical inspection of the 2901  
motor vehicle shall occur at ~~either one~~ of the following: 2902

(1) A deputy registrar's office; 2903

(2) An established place of business of a licensed motor 2904  
vehicle dealer located in this state; 2905

(3) A clerk of the court of common pleas' office if the 2906  
clerk offers such physical inspections. 2907

(C) The physical inspection of a salvage vehicle owned by 2908  
an insurance company may be made at an established place of 2909  
business of any of the following that is licensed and located in 2910

this state:	2911
(1) A motor vehicle salvage dealer;	2912
(2) A salvage motor vehicle auction;	2913
(3) A salvage motor vehicle pool.	2914
(D) The deputy registrar, motor vehicle dealer, <u>clerk of</u>	2915
<u>the court of common pleas</u> , motor vehicle salvage dealer, salvage	2916
motor vehicle auction, or salvage motor vehicle pool may charge	2917
a maximum fee equal to the amount established under section	2918
4503.038 of the Revised Code for conducting the physical	2919
inspection.	2920
(E) The clerk of the court of common pleas shall charge a	2921
fee of one dollar and fifty cents for the processing of each	2922
physical inspection certificate. The clerk shall retain fifty	2923
cents of the one dollar and fifty cents so charged and shall pay	2924
the remaining one dollar to the registrar by monthly returns,	2925
which shall be forwarded to the registrar not later than the	2926
fifth day of the month next succeeding that in which the	2927
certificate is received by the clerk. The registrar shall pay	2928
such remaining sums into the public safety - highway purposes	2929
fund established by section 4501.06 of the Revised Code.	2930
<b>Sec. 4519.56.</b> (A) An application for a certificate of	2931
title shall be sworn to before a notary public or other officer	2932
empowered to administer oaths by the lawful owner or purchaser	2933
of the off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle and shall	2934
contain at least the following information in a form and	2935
together with any other information the registrar of motor	2936
vehicles may require:	2937
(1) Name, address, and social security number or	2938
employer's tax identification number of the applicant;	2939

(2) Statement of how the off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle was acquired;	2940
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(3) Name and address of the previous owner;	2942
(4) A statement of all liens, mortgages, or other encumbrances on the off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle, and the name and address of each holder thereof;	2943
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(5) If there are no outstanding liens, mortgages, or other encumbrances, a statement of that fact;	2946
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(6) A description of the off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle, including the make, year, series or model, if any, body type, and manufacturer's vehicle identification number.	2948
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If the off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle contains a permanent identification number placed thereon by the manufacturer, this number shall be used as the vehicle identification number. Except as provided in division (B) of this section, if the application for a certificate of title refers to an off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle that contains such a permanent identification number, but for which no certificate of title has been issued previously by this state, the application shall be accompanied by a physical inspection certificate as described in that division.	2952
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If there is no manufacturer's vehicle identification number or if the manufacturer's vehicle identification number has been removed or obliterated, the registrar, upon receipt of a prescribed application and proof of ownership, but prior to issuance of a certificate of title, shall assign a vehicle identification number for the off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle. This assigned vehicle identification number	2962
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shall be permanently affixed to or imprinted upon the off- 2969  
highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle by the state highway 2970  
patrol. The state highway patrol shall assess a fee of fifty 2971  
dollars for affixing the number to the off-highway motorcycle or 2972  
all-purpose vehicle and shall deposit each such fee in the 2973  
public safety - highway purposes fund established by section 2974  
4501.06 of the Revised Code. 2975

(B) Except in the case of a new off-highway motorcycle or 2976  
all-purpose vehicle sold by a dealer title to which is evidenced 2977  
by a manufacturer's or importer's certificate, if the 2978  
application for a certificate of title refers to an off-highway 2979  
motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle that contains a permanent 2980  
identification number placed thereon by the manufacturer, but 2981  
for which no certificate of title previously has been issued by 2982  
this state, the application shall be accompanied by a physical 2983  
inspection certificate issued by the department of public safety 2984  
verifying the make, year, series or model, if any, body type, 2985  
and manufacturer's vehicle identification number of the off- 2986  
highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle for which the 2987  
certificate of title is desired. The physical inspection 2988  
certificate shall be in such form as is designated by the 2989  
registrar. The physical inspection shall be made at a deputy 2990  
registrar's office, a clerk of the common pleas' office if the 2991  
clerk offers such physical inspections, or at an established 2992  
place of business operated by a licensed motor vehicle dealer. 2993  
The deputy registrar, clerk of the court of common pleas, or 2994  
motor vehicle dealer may charge a maximum fee equal to the 2995  
amount established under section 4503.038 of the Revised Code 2996  
for conducting the physical inspection. 2997

The clerk of the court of common pleas shall charge a fee 2998  
of one dollar and fifty cents for the processing of each 2999

physical inspection certificate. The clerk shall retain fifty 3000  
cents of the one dollar and fifty cents so charged and shall pay 3001  
the remaining one dollar to the registrar by monthly returns, 3002  
which shall be forwarded to the registrar not later than the 3003  
fifth day of the month next succeeding that in which the 3004  
certificate is received by the clerk. The registrar shall pay 3005  
such remaining sums into the public safety - highway purposes 3006  
fund established by section 4501.06 of the Revised Code. 3007

**Sec. 4519.69.** If the application for a certificate of 3008  
title refers to an off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle 3009  
last previously registered in another state, the application 3010  
shall be accompanied by a physical inspection certificate issued 3011  
by the department of public safety verifying the make, year, 3012  
series or model, if any, body type, and manufacturer's 3013  
identification number of the off-highway motorcycle or all- 3014  
purpose vehicle for which the certificate of title is desired. 3015  
The physical inspection certificate shall be in such form as is 3016  
designated by the registrar of motor vehicles. The physical 3017  
inspection of the off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle 3018  
shall be made at a deputy registrar's office, a clerk of the 3019  
court of common pleas' office if the clerk offers such physical 3020  
inspections, or at an established place of business operated by 3021  
a licensed motor vehicle dealer. Additionally, the physical 3022  
inspection of a salvage off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose 3023  
vehicle owned by an insurance company may be made at an 3024  
established place of business operated by a salvage motor 3025  
vehicle dealer licensed under Chapter 4738. of the Revised Code. 3026  
The deputy registrar, the clerk of the court of common pleas, 3027  
the motor vehicle dealer, or the salvage motor vehicle dealer 3028  
may charge a maximum fee equal to the amount established under 3029  
section 4503.038 of the Revised Code for conducting the physical 3030

inspection. 3031

The clerk of the court of common pleas shall charge a fee 3032  
of one dollar and fifty cents for the processing of each 3033  
physical inspection certificate. The clerk shall retain fifty 3034  
cents of the one dollar and fifty cents so charged and shall pay 3035  
the remaining one dollar to the registrar by monthly returns, 3036  
which shall be forwarded to the registrar not later than the 3037  
fifth day of the month next succeeding that in which the 3038  
certificate is received by the clerk. The registrar shall pay 3039  
such remaining sums into the state treasury to the credit of the 3040  
public safety - highway purposes fund established in section 3041  
4501.06 of the Revised Code. 3042

**Sec. 5709.084.** Real and personal property comprising a 3043  
convention center that is constructed or, in the case of 3044  
personal property, acquired, after January 1, 2010, are exempt 3045  
from taxation if the convention center is located in a county 3046  
having a population, when construction of the convention center 3047  
commences, of more than one million two hundred thousand 3048  
according to the most recent federal decennial census, and if 3049  
the convention center, or the land upon which the convention 3050  
center is situated, is owned or leased by the county. For the 3051  
purposes of this section, construction of the convention center 3052  
commences upon the earlier of issuance of debt to finance all or 3053  
a portion of the convention center, demolition of existing 3054  
structures on the site, or grading of the site in preparation 3055  
for construction. 3056

Real and personal property comprising a convention center 3057  
owned by the largest city in a county having a population 3058  
greater than seven hundred thousand but less than nine hundred 3059  
thousand according to the most recent federal decennial census 3060



is exempt from taxation, regardless of whether the property is 3061  
leased to or otherwise operated or managed by a person other 3062  
than the city. 3063

Real and personal property comprising a convention center 3064  
or arena owned by a convention facilities authority in a county 3065  
having a population greater than seven hundred fifty thousand 3066  
according to the most recent federal decennial census is exempt 3067  
from taxation, regardless of whether the property is leased to 3068  
or otherwise operated or managed by a person other than the 3069  
convention facilities authority, notwithstanding section 351.12 3070  
of the Revised Code. 3071

Real and personal property comprising a convention center 3072  
or arena owned by the largest city in a county having a 3073  
population greater than two hundred thirty-five thousand but 3074  
less than three hundred thousand according to the most recent 3075  
federal decennial census at the time of the construction or 3076  
acquisition of the convention center or arena is exempt from 3077  
taxation, regardless of whether the property is leased to or 3078  
otherwise operated or managed by a person other than the city. 3079

Real and personal property comprising a convention center 3080  
or arena owned by the city in which the convention center or 3081  
arena is located, and located in a county having a population 3082  
greater than five hundred thousand but less than six hundred 3083  
thousand according to the most recent federal decennial census 3084  
at the time of the construction of the convention center or 3085  
arena, is exempt from taxation, regardless of whether the 3086  
property is leased to or otherwise operated or managed by a 3087  
person other than the city. 3088

As used in this section, "convention center" and "arena" 3089  
have the same meanings as in section 307.695 of the Revised 3090

Code.—	3091
<b>Sec. 5709.121.</b> (A) Real property and tangible personal	3092
property belonging to a charitable, <u>religious</u> , or educational	3093
institution or to the state or a political subdivision, shall be	3094
considered as used exclusively for charitable or public purposes	3095
by such institution, the state, or political subdivision, if it	3096
meets one of the following requirements:	3097
(1) It is used by such institution, the state, or	3098
political subdivision, or by one or more other <del>such charitable,</del>	3099
<u>religious, or educational</u> institutions, the state, or political	3100
subdivisions under a lease, sublease, or other contractual	3101
arrangement:	3102
(a) As a community or area center in which presentations	3103
in music, dramatics, the arts, and related fields are made in	3104
order to foster public interest and education therein;	3105
(b) As a children's, science, history, or natural history	3106
museum that is open to the general public;	3107
(c) For other charitable, educational, or public purposes	3108
<u>or used for public worship.</u>	3109
(2) It is made available under the direction or control of	3110
such institution, the state, or political subdivision for use in	3111
furtherance of or incidental to its charitable, educational, or	3112
public purposes <u>or for public worship</u> and not with the view to	3113
profit.	3114
(3) It is used by an organization described in division	3115
(D) of section 5709.12 of the Revised Code. If the organization	3116
is a corporation that receives a grant under the Thomas Alva	3117
Edison grant program authorized by division (C) of section	3118
122.33 of the Revised Code at any time during the tax year,	3119

"used," for the purposes of this division, includes holding 3120  
property for lease or resale to others. 3121

(B) (1) Property described in division (A) (1) (a) or (b) of 3122  
this section shall continue to be considered as used exclusively 3123  
for charitable or public purposes even if the property is 3124  
conveyed through one conveyance or a series of conveyances to an 3125  
entity that is not a charitable or educational institution and 3126  
is not the state or a political subdivision, provided that all 3127  
of the following conditions apply with respect to that property: 3128

(a) The property was listed as exempt on the county 3129  
auditor's tax list and duplicate for the county in which it is 3130  
located for the tax year immediately preceding the year in which 3131  
the property is conveyed through one conveyance or a series of 3132  
conveyances; 3133

(b) The property is conveyed through one conveyance or a 3134  
series of conveyances to an entity that does any of the 3135  
following: 3136

(i) Leases at least forty-five per cent of the property, 3137  
through one lease or a series of leases, to the entity that 3138  
owned or occupied the property for the tax year immediately 3139  
preceding the year in which the property is conveyed or to an 3140  
affiliate of that entity; 3141

(ii) Contracts, directly or indirectly to have renovations 3142  
performed as described in division (B) (1) (d) of this section and 3143  
is at least partially owned by a nonprofit organization 3144  
described in section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code that 3145  
is exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of that code. 3146

(c) The property includes improvements that are at least 3147  
fifty years old; 3148

(d) The property is being renovated in connection with a 3149  
claim for historic preservation tax credits available under 3150  
federal law; 3151

(e) All or a portion of the property continues to be used 3152  
for the purposes described in division (A) (1) (a) or (b) of this 3153  
section after its conveyance; and 3154

(f) The property is certified by the United States 3155  
secretary of the interior as a "certified historic structure" or 3156  
certified as part of a certified historic structure. 3157

(2) Notwithstanding section 5715.27 of the Revised Code, 3158  
an application for exemption from taxation of property described 3159  
in division (B) (1) of this section may be filed by either the 3160  
owner of the property or an occupant. 3161

(C) For purposes of this section, an institution that 3162  
meets all of the following requirements is conclusively presumed 3163  
to be a charitable institution: 3164

(1) The institution is a nonprofit corporation or 3165  
association, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the 3166  
benefit of any private shareholder or individual; 3167

(2) The institution is exempt from federal income taxation 3168  
under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code; 3169

(3) The majority of the institution's board of directors 3170  
are appointed by the mayor or legislative authority of a 3171  
municipal corporation or a board of county commissioners, or a 3172  
combination thereof; 3173

(4) The primary purpose of the institution is to assist in 3174  
the development and revitalization of downtown urban areas. 3175

(D) For purposes of division (A) (1) (b) of this section, 3176

the status of a museum as open to the general public shall be 3177  
conclusive if the museum is accredited by the American alliance 3178  
of museums or a successor organization. 3179

(E) (1) Qualifying real property owned by an institution 3180  
that meets the following requirements shall be considered as 3181  
used exclusively for charitable purposes, and the institution 3182  
shall be considered a charitable institution for purposes of 3183  
this section and section 5709.12 of the Revised Code: 3184

(a) The institution is an organization described under 3185  
section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and exempt from 3186  
federal income taxation under section 501(a) of the Internal 3187  
Revenue Code. 3188

(b) The institution's primary purpose is to acquire, 3189  
develop, lease, or otherwise provide suitable housing to 3190  
individuals with developmental disabilities. 3191

(c) Unless otherwise provided by division (E) (3) of this 3192  
section, the institution receives at least a portion of its 3193  
funding from one or more county boards of developmental 3194  
disabilities to assist in the institution's primary purpose 3195  
described in division (E) (1) (b) of this section. 3196

(2) As used in division (E) of this section, "qualifying 3197  
real property" means real property that is used primarily in one 3198  
of the following manners: 3199

(a) The property is used by the institution described in 3200  
division (E) (1) of this section for the purpose described in 3201  
division (E) (1) (b) of this section. 3202

(b) The property is leased or otherwise provided by the 3203  
institution described in division (E) (1) of this section to 3204  
individuals with developmental disabilities and used by those 3205

individuals as housing. 3206

(c) The property is leased or otherwise provided by the 3207  
institution described in division (E) (1) of this section to 3208  
another charitable institution, and that charitable institution 3209  
uses the property exclusively for charitable purposes. 3210

(3) The requirement prescribed by division (E) (1) (c) of 3211  
this section shall be considered to be met if: (a) the 3212  
institution contracts with an entity that receives at least a 3213  
portion of its funding from one or more county boards of 3214  
developmental disabilities; (b) the contracted entity performs 3215  
services for individuals who lease the property for use as 3216  
housing; and (c) those services assist in the institution's 3217  
primary purpose described in division (E) (1) (b) of this section. 3218

If the property owner qualifies as a charitable 3219  
institution under the alternative requirements prescribed by 3220  
division (E) (3) of this section, only the portion of the 3221  
property that, as of the first day of January of the tax year, 3222  
is either leased for use as housing by residents who are 3223  
eligible to receive home and community-based services, as that 3224  
term is defined in section 5123.01 of the Revised Code, or is a 3225  
common area used by all residents of the property is qualifying 3226  
real property and only those portions qualify for exemption from 3227  
taxation. 3228

(F) (1) Qualifying real property owned by an institution 3229  
that meets all of the following requirements shall be considered 3230  
as used exclusively for charitable purposes, and the institution 3231  
shall be considered a charitable institution for purposes of 3232  
this section and section 5709.12 of the Revised Code: 3233

(a) The institution is either (i) an organization 3234

described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code 3235  
and exempt from federal income taxation under section 501(a) of 3236  
the Internal Revenue Code that has as a primary purpose to 3237  
acquire, develop, lease, or otherwise provide suitable 3238  
supportive housing to individuals diagnosed with mental illness 3239  
or substance use disorder and to families residing with such 3240  
individuals or (ii) a limited liability company or limited 3241  
partnership whose controlling or managing member or partner 3242  
either is an organization described in division (F)(1)(a)(i) of 3243  
this section or is wholly owned by one or more such 3244  
organizations. 3245

(b) One or more of the tax-exempt organizations identified 3246  
in division (F)(1)(a) of this section receives at least a 3247  
portion of its funding to assist in the organization's primary 3248  
purpose described in division (F)(1)(a)(i) of this section from 3249  
the department of mental health and addiction services; one or 3250  
more county boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health 3251  
services; or a local continuum of care program governed by 42 3252  
U.S.C. 11381, et seq. and 24 C.F.R. part 578. 3253

(2) As used in division (F) of this section, "qualifying 3254  
real property" means real property that is used primarily in one 3255  
of the following manners: 3256

(a) The property is used by the institution described in 3257  
division (F)(1) of this section for the purpose described in 3258  
division (F)(1)(a)(i) of this section. 3259

(b) The institution (i) leases or otherwise provides the 3260  
property to individuals diagnosed with mental illness or 3261  
substance use disorder and to the families residing with such 3262  
individuals and (ii) makes supportive services available to such 3263  
individuals and families. 3264

(c) The property is leased or otherwise provided by that 3265  
institution to another charitable institution, and that 3266  
charitable institution uses the property exclusively for 3267  
charitable purposes. 3268

(G) (1) For tax years 2020 to 2024, a qualifying parking 3269  
garage shall be considered as used exclusively for charitable 3270  
purposes for the purpose of section 5709.12 of the Revised Code 3271  
if all taxes, interest, and penalties levied and assessed 3272  
against any property owned by the owner and operator of the 3273  
qualifying parking garage, as described in division (G) (2) (b) (i) 3274  
or (ii) of this section, have been paid in full for all of the 3275  
tax years preceding the tax year for which the application for 3276  
exemption is filed. 3277

(2) As used in division (G) of this section: 3278

(a) "Nonprofit arts institution" means an institution that 3279  
is exempt from federal income taxation under section 501(a) of 3280  
the Internal Revenue Code and whose primary purpose is to host 3281  
or present performances in music, dramatics, the arts, and 3282  
related fields in order to foster public interest and education 3283  
therein. 3284

(b) "Qualifying parking garage" means any real property 3285  
that is used primarily for parking motor vehicles within or on a 3286  
structure and that is either (i) owned and operated by a 3287  
nonprofit arts institution or (ii) owned and operated by a 3288  
limited liability company whose sole member is a nonprofit arts 3289  
institution. 3290

**Section 2.** That existing sections 109.71, 109.73, 109.75, 3291  
109.79, 109.801, 1345.02, 1701.07, 1702.06, 1702.59, 1703.041, 3292  
1703.15, 1703.29, 1706.09, 1729.11, 1746.04, 1747.03, 1776.07, 3293



1782.04, 1785.06, 1901.123, 1907.143, 2923.126, 3505.06, 3294  
3729.05, 4505.061, 4519.56, 4519.69, 5709.084, and 5709.121 of 3295  
the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 3296

**Section 3.** The amendment by this act of section 5709.084 3297  
of the Revised Code applies to tax years ending on or after the 3298  
effective date of this section. 3299

**Section 4.** The amendment by this act of section 5709.121 3300  
of the Revised Code applies to tax years ending on or after the 3301  
effective date of this section. 3302

**Section 5.** (A) As used in this section, "qualified 3303  
property" means real property that (1) is owned by a 3304  
metropolitan park district, (2) was acquired by the district 3305  
between January 1, 2023, and December 31, 2023, from a 3306  
charitable organization that is exempt from federal income 3307  
taxation under subsection 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue 3308  
Code, and (3) satisfies the qualifications for tax exemption 3309  
under the terms of section 5709.08 of the Revised Code. 3310

(B) Notwithstanding sections 5713.08, 5713.081, and 3311  
5715.27 of the Revised Code, and without regard to any time or 3312  
payment limitations under any section of the Revised Code, the 3313  
owner of qualified property at any time within twelve months 3314  
after the effective date of this section may file an application 3315  
with the Tax Commissioner requesting that the qualified property 3316  
be placed on the exempt list and that all unpaid taxes, 3317  
penalties, and interest on the property be abated, including 3318  
taxes, penalties, and interest that have become a lien prior to 3319  
the date of acquisition of title to the property by the 3320  
qualified property's owner. 3321

(C) The application shall be made on the form prescribed 3322

by the Tax Commissioner under section 5715.27 of the Revised 3323  
Code and shall list the name of the county in which the property 3324  
is located; the property's legal description, taxable value, and 3325  
the amount, in dollars, of the unpaid taxes, penalties, and 3326  
interest; the date of acquisition of title to the property; the 3327  
use of the property during any time that the unpaid taxes 3328  
accrued; and any other information required by the Commissioner. 3329  
The county auditor shall supply the required information upon 3330  
request of the applicant. 3331

(D) Upon request of the applicant, the county treasurer 3332  
shall determine if all taxes, penalties, and interest that 3333  
became a lien on the qualified property before it was first used 3334  
by the property's owner or a prior owner for an exempt purpose 3335  
have been paid in full. If so, the county treasurer shall issue 3336  
a certificate to the applicant stating that all such taxes, 3337  
penalties, and interest have been paid in full. The applicant 3338  
shall attach the county treasurer's certificate to the 3339  
application filed with the Tax Commissioner under this section. 3340

(E) Upon receipt of an application, the Tax Commissioner 3341  
shall determine if the qualified property meets the 3342  
qualifications set forth in this section and if so shall issue 3343  
an order directing that the property be placed on the exempt 3344  
list of the county in which it is located and that all unpaid 3345  
taxes, penalties, and interest for each year that the property 3346  
met the qualifications for exemption described in section 3347  
5709.08, section 5709.12, or another section of the Revised Code 3348  
be abated. If the Commissioner finds that the property is or 3349  
previously was being used for a purpose that would disqualify it 3350  
for such exemption, the Tax Commissioner shall issue an order 3351  
denying the application with respect to such tax years where the 3352  
Commissioner finds that disqualifying use. 3353

(F) If the Tax Commissioner finds that the property is not 3354  
entitled to the tax exemption and abatement of unpaid taxes, 3355  
penalties, and interest for any of the years for which the 3356  
applicant claims an exemption or abatement, the Commissioner 3357  
shall order the county treasurer of the county in which the 3358  
property is located to collect all taxes, penalties, and 3359  
interest on the property for those years as required by law. 3360

**Section 6.** (A) As used in this section: 3361

(1) "Community improvement corporation" means a community 3362  
improvement corporation created under Chapter 1724. of the 3363  
Revised Code. 3364

(2) "Qualified property" means property that satisfies the 3365  
qualifications for tax exemption under section 5709.08 of the 3366  
Revised Code or any other section of the Revised Code that 3367  
provides a tax exemption for property owned or used by a 3368  
municipal corporation or community improvement corporation and 3369  
that meets either of the following requirements: 3370

(a) The property is owned by a municipal corporation or a 3371  
community improvement corporation and was acquired by a 3372  
municipal corporation which recorded the deed for the property 3373  
between the following dates: 3374

(i) April 15, 2013, and April 30, 2013; 3375

(ii) January 1, 2008, and January 31, 2008; 3376

(iii) January 1, 2006, and January 15, 2006; 3377

(iv) February 1, 2000, and February 15, 2000. 3378

(b) The property is a parcel of real property that is 3379  
owned by a municipal corporation or community improvement 3380  
corporation and to which one of the following applies: 3381

(i) The parcel was created pursuant to the subdivision, 3382  
between August 1, 2004, and August 15, 2004, of an existing 3383  
parcel that had been previously acquired by a municipal 3384  
corporation and where the deed for the previously existing 3385  
parcel was recorded by a municipal corporation between December 3386  
15, 1999, and December 31, 1999; 3387

(ii) The parcel was created pursuant to the subdivision, 3388  
between January 1, 2008, and January 31, 2008, of an existing 3389  
parcel that had been previously acquired by a municipal 3390  
corporation and where the deed for the previously existing 3391  
parcel was recorded by a municipal corporation between February 3392  
15, 2002, and March 1, 2002; 3393

(iii) The parcel was created pursuant to the subdivision, 3394  
between January 1, 2008, and January 15, 2008, of an existing 3395  
parcel that had been previously acquired by a municipal 3396  
corporation and where the deed for the previously existing 3397  
parcel was recorded by a municipal corporation between December 3398  
20, 2007, and January 10, 2008. 3399

(B) Notwithstanding sections 5713.08, 5713.081, and 3400  
5715.27 of the Revised Code, and without regard to any time or 3401  
payment limitations under any section of the Revised Code, the 3402  
owner of qualified property at any time within twelve months 3403  
after the effective date of this section may file an application 3404  
with the Tax Commissioner requesting that the qualified property 3405  
be placed on the exempt list and that all unpaid taxes, 3406  
penalties, and interest on the property be abated, including 3407  
taxes, penalties, and interest that have become a lien prior to 3408  
the date of acquisition of title to the property by the 3409  
qualified property's owner. 3410

(C) The application shall be made on the form prescribed 3411

by the Tax Commissioner under section 5715.27 of the Revised 3412  
Code and shall list the name of the county in which the property 3413  
is located; the property's legal description, taxable value, and 3414  
the amount, in dollars, of the unpaid taxes, penalties, and 3415  
interest; the date of acquisition of title to the property; the 3416  
use of the property during any time that the unpaid taxes 3417  
accrued; and any other information required by the Commissioner. 3418  
The county auditor shall supply the required information upon 3419  
request of the applicant. 3420

(D) Upon request of the applicant, the county treasurer 3421  
shall determine if all taxes, penalties, and interest that 3422  
became a lien on the qualified property before it was first used 3423  
by the property's owner or a prior owner for an exempt purpose 3424  
have been paid in full. If so, the county treasurer shall issue 3425  
a certificate to the applicant stating that all such taxes, 3426  
penalties, and interest have been paid in full. The applicant 3427  
shall attach the county treasurer's certificate to the 3428  
application filed with the Tax Commissioner under this section. 3429

(E) Upon receipt of an application, the Tax Commissioner 3430  
shall determine if the qualified property meets the 3431  
qualifications set forth in this section and if so shall issue 3432  
an order directing that the property be placed on the exempt 3433  
list of the county in which it is located and that all unpaid 3434  
taxes, penalties, and interest for each year that the property 3435  
met the qualifications for exemption described in section 3436  
5709.08 or another section of the Revised Code be abated. If the 3437  
Commissioner finds that the property is or previously was being 3438  
used for a purpose that would disqualify it for such exemption, 3439  
the Tax Commissioner shall issue an order denying the 3440  
application with respect to such tax years where the 3441  
Commissioner finds that disqualifying use. 3442

(F) If the Tax Commissioner finds that the property is not 3443  
entitled to the tax exemption and abatement of unpaid taxes, 3444  
penalties, and interest for any of the years for which the 3445  
applicant claims an exemption or abatement, the Commissioner 3446  
shall order the county treasurer of the county in which the 3447  
property is located to collect all taxes, penalties, and 3448  
interest on the property for those years as required by law. 3449

**Section 7.** (A) As used in this section, "qualified 3450  
property" means real property that is owned by a county and 3451  
satisfies the qualifications for tax exemption under the terms 3452  
of section 5709.08 of the Revised Code. 3453

(B) Notwithstanding sections 5713.08, 5713.081, and 3454  
5715.27 of the Revised Code, and without regard to any time or 3455  
payment limitations under any section of the Revised Code, the 3456  
owner of qualified property at any time within twelve months 3457  
after the effective date of this section may file an application 3458  
with the Tax Commissioner requesting that the qualified property 3459  
be placed on the exempt list and that all unpaid taxes, 3460  
penalties, and interest on the property be abated, including 3461  
taxes, penalties, and interest that have become a lien prior to 3462  
the date of acquisition of title to the property by the 3463  
qualified property's owner. 3464

(C) The application shall be made on the form prescribed 3465  
by the Tax Commissioner under section 5715.27 of the Revised 3466  
Code and shall list the name of the county in which the property 3467  
is located; the property's legal description, taxable value, and 3468  
the amount, in dollars, of the unpaid taxes, penalties, and 3469  
interest; the date of acquisition of title to the property; the 3470  
use of the property during any time that the unpaid taxes 3471  
accrued; and any other information required by the Commissioner. 3472

The county auditor shall supply the required information upon 3473  
request of the applicant. 3474

(D) Upon request of the applicant, the county treasurer 3475  
shall determine if all taxes, penalties, and interest that 3476  
became a lien on the qualified property before it was first used 3477  
by the property's owner or a prior owner for an exempt purpose 3478  
have been paid in full. If so, the county treasurer shall issue 3479  
a certificate to the applicant stating that all such taxes, 3480  
penalties, and interest have been paid in full. The applicant 3481  
shall attach the county treasurer's certificate to the 3482  
application filed with the Tax Commissioner under this section. 3483

(E) Upon receipt of an application, the Tax Commissioner 3484  
shall determine if the qualified property meets the 3485  
qualifications set forth in this section and if so shall issue 3486  
an order directing that the property be placed on the exempt 3487  
list of the county in which it is located and that all unpaid 3488  
taxes, penalties, and interest for each year that the property 3489  
met the qualifications for exemption described in section 3490  
5709.08 or another section of the Revised Code be abated. If the 3491  
Commissioner finds that the property is or previously was being 3492  
used for a purpose that would disqualify it for such exemption, 3493  
the Tax Commissioner shall issue an order denying the 3494  
application with respect to such tax years where the 3495  
Commissioner finds that disqualifying use. 3496

(F) If the Tax Commissioner finds that the property is not 3497  
entitled to the tax exemption and abatement of unpaid taxes, 3498  
penalties, and interest for any of the years for which the 3499  
applicant claims an exemption or abatement, the Commissioner 3500  
shall order the county treasurer of the county in which the 3501  
property is located to collect all taxes, penalties, and 3502

interest on the property for those years as required by law.	3503
<b>Section 8.</b> Section 109.73 of the Revised Code is presented	3504
in this act as a composite of the section as amended by S.B. 16,	3505
S.B. 131, and S.B. 288, all of the 134th General Assembly. The	3506
General Assembly, applying the principle stated in division (B)	3507
of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that amendments are to be	3508
harmonized if reasonably capable of simultaneous operation,	3509
finds that the composite is the resulting version of the section	3510
in effect prior to the effective date of the section as	3511
presented in this act.	3512