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**A BILL**

To amend sections 3313.713, 3314.03, 3326.11, and 1  
3328.24 of the Revised Code to enact Sarah's Law 2  
to require public and chartered nonpublic 3  
schools to create a seizure action plan for each 4  
student with a seizure disorder. 5

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

**Section 1.** That sections 3313.713, 3314.03, 3326.11, and 6  
3328.24 of the Revised Code be amended to read as follows: 7

**Sec. 3313.713.** (A) As used in this section: 8

(1) "Drug" means a drug, as defined in section 4729.01 of 9  
the Revised Code, that is to be administered pursuant to the 10  
instructions of the prescriber, whether or not required by law 11  
to be sold only upon a prescription. 12

(2) "Federal law" means the "Individuals with Disabilities 13  
Education Act of 1997," 111 Stat. 37, 20 U.S.C. 1400, as 14  
amended. 15

(3) "Prescriber" has the same meaning as in section 16  
4729.01 of the Revised Code. 17

(4) "504 plan" means a plan based on an evaluation 18  
conducted in accordance with section 504 of the "Rehabilitation 19  
Act of 1973," 29 U.S.C. 794, as amended. 20

(5) "IEP" has the same meaning as in section 3323.01 of 21  
the Revised Code. 22

(6) "Licensed health care professional" has the same 23  
meaning as in section 3313.7112 of the Revised Code. 24

(B) The board of education of each city, local, exempted 25  
village, and joint vocational school district and the governing 26  
authority of each chartered nonpublic school shall adopt a 27  
policy on the authority of its employees, when acting in 28  
situations other than those governed by sections 2305.23, 29  
2305.231, 3313.712, 3313.7110, 3313.7112, 3313.7113, and 30  
3313.7115 of the Revised Code, to administer drugs prescribed to 31  
students enrolled in the schools of the district or the 32  
chartered nonpublic school. The policy shall provide either 33  
that: 34

(1) Except as otherwise required by federal law, no person 35  
employed by the board or governing authority shall, in the 36  
course of such employment, administer any drug prescribed to any 37  
student enrolled in the schools of the district or the chartered 38  
nonpublic school. 39

(2) Designated persons employed by the board or governing 40  
authority are authorized to administer to a student a drug 41  
prescribed for the student. Effective July 1, 2011, only 42  
employees of the board or governing authority who are licensed 43  
health professionals, or who have completed a drug 44  
administration training program conducted by a licensed health 45  
professional and considered appropriate by the board or 46

governing authority, may administer to a student a drug 47  
prescribed for the student. Except as otherwise provided by 48  
federal law, the board's or governing authority's policy may 49  
provide that certain drugs or types of drugs shall not be 50  
administered or that no employee shall use certain procedures, 51  
such as injection, to administer a drug to a student. 52

(C) No drug prescribed for a student shall be administered 53  
pursuant to federal law or a policy adopted under division (B) 54  
of this section until the following occur: 55

(1) The board or governing authority, or a person 56  
designated by the board or governing authority, receives a 57  
written request, signed by the parent, guardian, or other person 58  
having care or charge of the student, that the drug be 59  
administered to the student. 60

(2) The board or governing authority, or a person 61  
designated by the board or governing authority, receives a 62  
statement, signed by the prescriber, that includes all of the 63  
following information: 64

(a) The name and address of the student; 65

(b) The school and class in which the student is enrolled; 66

(c) The name of the drug and the dosage to be 67  
administered; 68

(d) The times or intervals at which each dosage of the 69  
drug is to be administered; 70

(e) The date the administration of the drug is to begin; 71

(f) The date the administration of the drug is to cease; 72

(g) Any severe adverse reactions that should be reported 73

to the prescriber and one or more phone numbers at which the 74  
prescriber can be reached in an emergency; 75

(h) Special instructions for administration of the drug, 76  
including sterile conditions and storage. 77

(3) The parent, guardian, or other person having care or 78  
charge of the student agrees to submit a revised statement 79  
signed by the prescriber to the board or governing authority or 80  
a person designated by the board or governing authority if any 81  
of the information provided by the prescriber pursuant to 82  
division (C) (2) of this section changes. 83

(4) The person authorized by the board or governing 84  
authority to administer the drug receives a copy of the 85  
statement required by division (C) (2) or (3) of this section. 86

(5) The drug is received by the person authorized to 87  
administer the drug to the student for whom the drug is 88  
prescribed in the container in which it was dispensed by the 89  
prescriber or a licensed pharmacist. 90

(6) Any other procedures required by the board or 91  
governing authority are followed. 92

(D) If a drug is administered to a student, the board of 93  
education or governing authority of the chartered nonpublic 94  
school shall acquire and retain copies of the written requests 95  
required by division (C) (1) and the statements required by 96  
divisions (C) (2) and (3) of this section and shall ensure that 97  
by the next school day following the receipt of any such 98  
statement a copy is given to the person authorized to administer 99  
drugs to the student for whom the statement has been received. 100  
The board or governing authority, or a person designated by the 101  
board or governing authority, shall establish a location in each 102

school building for the storage of drugs to be administered 103  
under this section and federal law. All such drugs shall be 104  
stored in that location in a locked storage place, except that 105  
drugs that require refrigeration may be kept in a refrigerator 106  
in a place not commonly used by students. 107

(E) No person who has been authorized by a board of 108  
education or governing authority of a chartered nonpublic school 109  
to administer a drug and has a copy of the most recent statement 110  
required by division (C) (2) or (3) of this section given to the 111  
person in accordance with division (D) of this section prior to 112  
administering the drug is liable in civil damages for 113  
administering or failing to administer the drug, unless such 114  
person acts in a manner that constitutes gross negligence or 115  
wanton or reckless misconduct. 116

(F) A board of education or governing authority of a 117  
chartered nonpublic school may designate a person or persons to 118  
perform any function or functions in connection with a drug 119  
policy adopted under this section either by name or by position, 120  
training, qualifications, or similar distinguishing factors. 121

(G) A policy adopted by a board of education or governing 122  
authority of a chartered nonpublic school pursuant to this 123  
section may be changed, modified, or revised by action of the 124  
board or the governing authority. 125

(H) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require 126  
a person employed by a board of education or governing authority 127  
of a chartered nonpublic school to administer a drug to a 128  
student unless the board's or governing authority's policy 129  
adopted in compliance with this section establishes such a 130  
requirement. A board or governing authority shall not require an 131  
employee to administer a drug to a student if the employee 132

objects, on the basis of religious convictions, to administering	133
the drug.	134
Nothing in this section affects the application of section	135
2305.23, 2305.231, 3313.712, 3313.7110, 3313.7112, 3313.7113, or	136
3313.7115 of the Revised Code to the administration of emergency	137
care or treatment to a student.	138
Nothing in this section affects the ability of a public or	139
nonpublic school to participate in a school-based fluoride mouth	140
rinse program established by the director of health pursuant to	141
section 3701.136 of the Revised Code. Nothing in this section	142
affects the ability of a person who is employed by, or who	143
volunteers for, a school that participates in such a program to	144
administer fluoride mouth rinse to a student in accordance with	145
section 3701.136 of the Revised Code and any rules adopted by	146
the director under that section.	147
(I) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require	148
a school district or chartered nonpublic school to obtain	149
written authorization or instructions from a health care	150
provider to apply nonprescription topical ointments designed to	151
prevent sunburn. Furthermore, nothing in this section shall be	152
construed to prohibit a student to possess and self-apply	153
nonprescription topical ointment designed to prevent sunburn	154
while on school property or at a school-sponsored event without	155
written authorization or instructions from a healthcare	156
provider. The policy adopted by a school district or chartered	157
nonpublic school pursuant to this section shall not require	158
written authorization from a health care provider, but may	159
require parental authorization, for the possession or	160
application of such sunscreen. A designated person employed by	161
the board of education of a school district or governing	162

authority of a chartered nonpublic school shall apply sunscreen 163  
to a student in accordance with the school district's or 164  
governing authority's policy upon request. 165

(J)(1) In collaboration with a student's parent or 166  
guardian and appropriate licensed health care professionals who 167  
are preferably neurologists or epileptologists, a school nurse, 168  
or another district or school employee if a district or school 169  
does not have a school nurse, of each city, local, exempted 170  
village, and joint vocational school district and the governing 171  
authority of a chartered nonpublic school shall create an 172  
individualized seizure action plan for each student enrolled in 173  
the school district or chartered nonpublic school that is 174  
diagnosed with a seizure disorder. The action plan shall include 175  
all of the following: 176

(a) A written request signed by the parent, guardian, or 177  
other person having care or charge of the student approving the 178  
seizure action plan and giving permission for seizure medication 179  
to be administered to the student; 180

(b) A written statement detailing the following: 181

(i) Name and purpose of medication; 182

(ii) The prescribed dosage; 183

(iii) The route of administration; 184

(iv) The frequency the medication may be administered; 185

(v) The circumstances under which the medication may be 186  
administered. 187

(c) A written notice to staff and volunteers responsible 188  
for the direct supervision of the student, including bus 189  
drivers, describing the seizure action plan and identifying the 190

person or persons who have received training under division (J) 191  
(2) of this section. 192

(2) (a) A school nurse, or another district employee if a 193  
district does not have a school nurse, shall coordinate epilepsy 194  
and seizure disorder care at that school and ensure that all 195  
staff are trained every two years in the care of students with 196  
epilepsy and seizure disorders, including staff working with 197  
school-sponsored programs outside of the regular school day, as 198  
provided in an individualized seizure action plan. 199

(b) The training required under division (J) (2) (a) of this 200  
section shall include an approved online or in-person course of 201  
instruction provided by a nonprofit organization that supports 202  
the welfare of individuals with epilepsy and seizure disorders, 203  
such as epilepsy alliance Ohio or other similar organization, as 204  
determined by the department of education. A seizure training 205  
program approved by the department that is provided to a school 206  
district on portable media shall be provided by the nonprofit 207  
entity free of charge. 208

(3) No student with a seizure disorder shall be prohibited 209  
from attending the school that the student is entitled to attend 210  
under section 3313.64 or 3313.65 of the Revised Code. However, 211  
if a student has an IEP or 504 plan that determines that the 212  
student's health condition requires that the student's care be 213  
provided by a licensed health care professional at a different 214  
school, the student shall be placed in the school specified in 215  
the student's IEP or 504 plan. 216

(4) (a) A school or school district, a member of a board or 217  
governing authority, or a district or school employee is not 218  
liable in damages in a civil action for injury, death, or loss 219  
to person or property allegedly arising from providing care or 220



performing duties under this section unless the act or omission 221  
constitutes willful or wanton misconduct. 222

This section does not eliminate, limit, or reduce any 223  
other immunity or defense that a school district, member of a 224  
school district board of education, or school district employee 225  
may be entitled to under Chapter 2744. or any other provision of 226  
the Revised Code or under the common law of this state. 227

(b) A chartered nonpublic school or any officer, director, 228  
or employee of the school is not liable in damages in a civil 229  
action for injury, death, or loss to person or property 230  
allegedly arising from providing care or performing duties under 231  
this section unless the act or omission constitutes willful or 232  
wanton misconduct. 233

**Sec. 3314.03.** A copy of every contract entered into under 234  
this section shall be filed with the superintendent of public 235  
instruction. The department of education shall make available on 236  
its web site a copy of every approved, executed contract filed 237  
with the superintendent under this section. 238

(A) Each contract entered into between a sponsor and the 239  
governing authority of a community school shall specify the 240  
following: 241

(1) That the school shall be established as either of the 242  
following: 243

(a) A nonprofit corporation established under Chapter 244  
1702. of the Revised Code, if established prior to April 8, 245  
2003; 246

(b) A public benefit corporation established under Chapter 247  
1702. of the Revised Code, if established after April 8, 2003. 248

(2) The education program of the school, including the school's mission, the characteristics of the students the school is expected to attract, the ages and grades of students, and the focus of the curriculum;	249 250 251 252
(3) The academic goals to be achieved and the method of measurement that will be used to determine progress toward those goals, which shall include the statewide achievement assessments;	253 254 255 256
(4) Performance standards, including but not limited to all applicable report card measures set forth in section 3302.03 or 3314.017 of the Revised Code, by which the success of the school will be evaluated by the sponsor;	257 258 259 260
(5) The admission standards of section 3314.06 of the Revised Code and, if applicable, section 3314.061 of the Revised Code;	261 262 263
(6) (a) Dismissal procedures;	264
(b) A requirement that the governing authority adopt an attendance policy that includes a procedure for automatically withdrawing a student from the school if the student without a legitimate excuse fails to participate in seventy-two consecutive hours of the learning opportunities offered to the student.	265 266 267 268 269 270
(7) The ways by which the school will achieve racial and ethnic balance reflective of the community it serves;	271 272
(8) Requirements for financial audits by the auditor of state. The contract shall require financial records of the school to be maintained in the same manner as are financial records of school districts, pursuant to rules of the auditor of state. Audits shall be conducted in accordance with section	273 274 275 276 277

117.10 of the Revised Code.	278
(9) An addendum to the contract outlining the facilities to be used that contains at least the following information:	279 280
(a) A detailed description of each facility used for instructional purposes;	281 282
(b) The annual costs associated with leasing each facility that are paid by or on behalf of the school;	283 284
(c) The annual mortgage principal and interest payments that are paid by the school;	285 286
(d) The name of the lender or landlord, identified as such, and the lender's or landlord's relationship to the operator, if any.	287 288 289
(10) Qualifications of teachers, including a requirement that the school's classroom teachers be licensed in accordance with sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code, except that a community school may engage noncertificated persons to teach up to twelve hours or forty hours per week pursuant to section 3319.301 of the Revised Code.	290 291 292 293 294 295
(11) That the school will comply with the following requirements:	296 297
(a) The school will provide learning opportunities to a minimum of twenty-five students for a minimum of nine hundred twenty hours per school year.	298 299 300
(b) The governing authority will purchase liability insurance, or otherwise provide for the potential liability of the school.	301 302 303
(c) The school will be nonsectarian in its programs,	304

admission policies, employment practices, and all other 305  
operations, and will not be operated by a sectarian school or 306  
religious institution. 307

(d) The school will comply with sections 9.90, 9.91, 308  
109.65, 121.22, 149.43, 2151.357, 2151.421, 2313.19, 3301.0710, 309  
3301.0711, 3301.0712, 3301.0715, 3301.0729, 3301.948, 3302.037, 310  
3313.472, 3313.50, 3313.539, 3313.5310, 3313.608, 3313.609, 311  
3313.6012, 3313.6013, 3313.6014, 3313.6015, 3313.6020, 312  
3313.6024, 3313.6025, 3313.6026, 3313.643, 3313.648, 3313.6411, 313  
3313.66, 3313.661, 3313.662, 3313.666, 3313.667, 3313.668, 314  
3313.669, 3313.6610, 3313.67, 3313.671, 3313.672, 3313.673, 315  
3313.69, 3313.71, 3313.713, 3313.716, 3313.718, 3313.719, 316  
3313.7112, 3313.721, 3313.80, 3313.814, 3313.816, 3313.817, 317  
3313.818, 3313.86, 3313.89, 3313.96, 3319.073, 3319.077, 318  
3319.078, 3319.238, 3319.318, 3319.321, 3319.39, 3319.391, 319  
3319.393, 3319.41, 3319.46, 3320.01, 3320.02, 3320.03, 3321.01, 320  
3321.041, 3321.13, 3321.14, 3321.141, 3321.17, 3321.18, 3321.19, 321  
3323.251, 3327.10, 4111.17, 4113.52, 5502.262, 5502.703, and 322  
5705.391 and Chapters 117., 1347., 2744., 3365., 3742., 4112., 323  
4123., 4141., and 4167. of the Revised Code as if it were a 324  
school district and will comply with section 3301.0714 of the 325  
Revised Code in the manner specified in section 3314.17 of the 326  
Revised Code. 327

(e) The school shall comply with Chapter 102. and section 328  
2921.42 of the Revised Code. 329

(f) The school will comply with sections 3313.61, 330  
3313.611, 3313.614, 3313.617, 3313.618, and 3313.6114 of the 331  
Revised Code, except that for students who enter ninth grade for 332  
the first time before July 1, 2010, the requirement in sections 333  
3313.61 and 3313.611 of the Revised Code that a person must 334

successfully complete the curriculum in any high school prior to 335  
receiving a high school diploma may be met by completing the 336  
curriculum adopted by the governing authority of the community 337  
school rather than the curriculum specified in Title XXXVIII of 338  
the Revised Code or any rules of the state board of education. 339  
Beginning with students who enter ninth grade for the first time 340  
on or after July 1, 2010, the requirement in sections 3313.61 341  
and 3313.611 of the Revised Code that a person must successfully 342  
complete the curriculum of a high school prior to receiving a 343  
high school diploma shall be met by completing the requirements 344  
prescribed in section 3313.6027 and division (C) of section 345  
3313.603 of the Revised Code, unless the person qualifies under 346  
division (D) or (F) of that section. Each school shall comply 347  
with the plan for awarding high school credit based on 348  
demonstration of subject area competency, and beginning with the 349  
2017-2018 school year, with the updated plan that permits 350  
students enrolled in seventh and eighth grade to meet curriculum 351  
requirements based on subject area competency adopted by the 352  
state board of education under divisions (J) (1) and (2) of 353  
section 3313.603 of the Revised Code. Beginning with the 2018- 354  
2019 school year, the school shall comply with the framework for 355  
granting units of high school credit to students who demonstrate 356  
subject area competency through work-based learning experiences, 357  
internships, or cooperative education developed by the 358  
department under division (J) (3) of section 3313.603 of the 359  
Revised Code. 360

(g) The school governing authority will submit within four 361  
months after the end of each school year a report of its 362  
activities and progress in meeting the goals and standards of 363  
divisions (A) (3) and (4) of this section and its financial 364  
status to the sponsor and the parents of all students enrolled 365

in the school. 366

(h) The school, unless it is an internet- or computer- 367  
based community school, will comply with section 3313.801 of the 368  
Revised Code as if it were a school district. 369

(i) If the school is the recipient of moneys from a grant 370  
awarded under the federal race to the top program, Division (A), 371  
Title XIV, Sections 14005 and 14006 of the "American Recovery 372  
and Reinvestment Act of 2009," Pub. L. No. 111-5, 123 Stat. 115, 373  
the school will pay teachers based upon performance in 374  
accordance with section 3317.141 and will comply with section 375  
3319.111 of the Revised Code as if it were a school district. 376

(j) If the school operates a preschool program that is 377  
licensed by the department of education under sections 3301.52 378  
to 3301.59 of the Revised Code, the school shall comply with 379  
sections 3301.50 to 3301.59 of the Revised Code and the minimum 380  
standards for preschool programs prescribed in rules adopted by 381  
the state board under section 3301.53 of the Revised Code. 382

(k) The school will comply with sections 3313.6021 and 383  
3313.6023 of the Revised Code as if it were a school district 384  
unless it is either of the following: 385

(i) An internet- or computer-based community school; 386

(ii) A community school in which a majority of the 387  
enrolled students are children with disabilities as described in 388  
division (A) (4) (b) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code. 389

(l) The school will comply with section 3321.191 of the 390  
Revised Code, unless it is an internet- or computer-based 391  
community school that is subject to section 3314.261 of the 392  
Revised Code. 393

(12) Arrangements for providing health and other benefits	394
to employees;	395
(13) The length of the contract, which shall begin at the	396
beginning of an academic year. No contract shall exceed five	397
years unless such contract has been renewed pursuant to division	398
(E) of this section.	399
(14) The governing authority of the school, which shall be	400
responsible for carrying out the provisions of the contract;	401
(15) A financial plan detailing an estimated school budget	402
for each year of the period of the contract and specifying the	403
total estimated per pupil expenditure amount for each such year.	404
(16) Requirements and procedures regarding the disposition	405
of employees of the school in the event the contract is	406
terminated or not renewed pursuant to section 3314.07 of the	407
Revised Code;	408
(17) Whether the school is to be created by converting all	409
or part of an existing public school or educational service	410
center building or is to be a new start-up school, and if it is	411
a converted public school or service center building,	412
specification of any duties or responsibilities of an employer	413
that the board of education or service center governing board	414
that operated the school or building before conversion is	415
delegating to the governing authority of the community school	416
with respect to all or any specified group of employees provided	417
the delegation is not prohibited by a collective bargaining	418
agreement applicable to such employees;	419
(18) Provisions establishing procedures for resolving	420
disputes or differences of opinion between the sponsor and the	421
governing authority of the community school;	422

(19) A provision requiring the governing authority to	423
adopt a policy regarding the admission of students who reside	424
outside the district in which the school is located. That policy	425
shall comply with the admissions procedures specified in	426
sections 3314.06 and 3314.061 of the Revised Code and, at the	427
sole discretion of the authority, shall do one of the following:	428
(a) Prohibit the enrollment of students who reside outside	429
the district in which the school is located;	430
(b) Permit the enrollment of students who reside in	431
districts adjacent to the district in which the school is	432
located;	433
(c) Permit the enrollment of students who reside in any	434
other district in the state.	435
(20) A provision recognizing the authority of the	436
department of education to take over the sponsorship of the	437
school in accordance with the provisions of division (C) of	438
section 3314.015 of the Revised Code;	439
(21) A provision recognizing the sponsor's authority to	440
assume the operation of a school under the conditions specified	441
in division (B) of section 3314.073 of the Revised Code;	442
(22) A provision recognizing both of the following:	443
(a) The authority of public health and safety officials to	444
inspect the facilities of the school and to order the facilities	445
closed if those officials find that the facilities are not in	446
compliance with health and safety laws and regulations;	447
(b) The authority of the department of education as the	448
community school oversight body to suspend the operation of the	449
school under section 3314.072 of the Revised Code if the	450



department has evidence of conditions or violations of law at 451  
the school that pose an imminent danger to the health and safety 452  
of the school's students and employees and the sponsor refuses 453  
to take such action. 454

(23) A description of the learning opportunities that will 455  
be offered to students including both classroom-based and non- 456  
classroom-based learning opportunities that is in compliance 457  
with criteria for student participation established by the 458  
department under division (H) (2) of section 3314.08 of the 459  
Revised Code; 460

(24) The school will comply with sections 3302.04 and 461  
3302.041 of the Revised Code, except that any action required to 462  
be taken by a school district pursuant to those sections shall 463  
be taken by the sponsor of the school. However, the sponsor 464  
shall not be required to take any action described in division 465  
(F) of section 3302.04 of the Revised Code. 466

(25) Beginning in the 2006-2007 school year, the school 467  
will open for operation not later than the thirtieth day of 468  
September each school year, unless the mission of the school as 469  
specified under division (A) (2) of this section is solely to 470  
serve dropouts. In its initial year of operation, if the school 471  
fails to open by the thirtieth day of September, or within one 472  
year after the adoption of the contract pursuant to division (D) 473  
of section 3314.02 of the Revised Code if the mission of the 474  
school is solely to serve dropouts, the contract shall be void. 475

(26) Whether the school's governing authority is planning 476  
to seek designation for the school as a STEM school equivalent 477  
under section 3326.032 of the Revised Code; 478

(27) That the school's attendance and participation 479

policies will be available for public inspection;	480
(28) That the school's attendance and participation	481
records shall be made available to the department of education,	482
auditor of state, and school's sponsor to the extent permitted	483
under and in accordance with the "Family Educational Rights and	484
Privacy Act of 1974," 88 Stat. 571, 20 U.S.C. 1232g, as amended,	485
and any regulations promulgated under that act, and section	486
3319.321 of the Revised Code;	487
(29) If a school operates using the blended learning	488
model, as defined in section 3301.079 of the Revised Code, all	489
of the following information:	490
(a) An indication of what blended learning model or models	491
will be used;	492
(b) A description of how student instructional needs will	493
be determined and documented;	494
(c) The method to be used for determining competency,	495
granting credit, and promoting students to a higher grade level;	496
(d) The school's attendance requirements, including how	497
the school will document participation in learning	498
opportunities;	499
(e) A statement describing how student progress will be	500
monitored;	501
(f) A statement describing how private student data will	502
be protected;	503
(g) A description of the professional development	504
activities that will be offered to teachers.	505
(30) A provision requiring that all moneys the school's	506

operator loans to the school, including facilities loans or cash 507  
flow assistance, must be accounted for, documented, and bear 508  
interest at a fair market rate; 509

(31) A provision requiring that, if the governing 510  
authority contracts with an attorney, accountant, or entity 511  
specializing in audits, the attorney, accountant, or entity 512  
shall be independent from the operator with which the school has 513  
contracted. 514

(32) A provision requiring the governing authority to 515  
adopt an enrollment and attendance policy that requires a 516  
student's parent to notify the community school in which the 517  
student is enrolled when there is a change in the location of 518  
the parent's or student's primary residence. 519

(33) A provision requiring the governing authority to 520  
adopt a student residence and address verification policy for 521  
students enrolling in or attending the school. 522

(B) The community school shall also submit to the sponsor 523  
a comprehensive plan for the school. The plan shall specify the 524  
following: 525

(1) The process by which the governing authority of the 526  
school will be selected in the future; 527

(2) The management and administration of the school; 528

(3) If the community school is a currently existing public 529  
school or educational service center building, alternative 530  
arrangements for current public school students who choose not 531  
to attend the converted school and for teachers who choose not 532  
to teach in the school or building after conversion; 533

(4) The instructional program and educational philosophy 534

of the school;	535
(5) Internal financial controls.	536
When submitting the plan under this division, the school	537
shall also submit copies of all policies and procedures	538
regarding internal financial controls adopted by the governing	539
authority of the school.	540
(C) A contract entered into under section 3314.02 of the	541
Revised Code between a sponsor and the governing authority of a	542
community school may provide for the community school governing	543
authority to make payments to the sponsor, which is hereby	544
authorized to receive such payments as set forth in the contract	545
between the governing authority and the sponsor. The total	546
amount of such payments for monitoring, oversight, and technical	547
assistance of the school shall not exceed three per cent of the	548
total amount of payments for operating expenses that the school	549
receives from the state.	550
(D) The contract shall specify the duties of the sponsor	551
which shall be in accordance with the written agreement entered	552
into with the department of education under division (B) of	553
section 3314.015 of the Revised Code and shall include the	554
following:	555
(1) Monitor the community school's compliance with all	556
laws applicable to the school and with the terms of the	557
contract;	558
(2) Monitor and evaluate the academic and fiscal	559
performance and the organization and operation of the community	560
school on at least an annual basis;	561
(3) Report on an annual basis the results of the	562
evaluation conducted under division (D) (2) of this section to	563

the department of education and to the parents of students 564  
enrolled in the community school; 565

(4) Provide technical assistance to the community school 566  
in complying with laws applicable to the school and terms of the 567  
contract; 568

(5) Take steps to intervene in the school's operation to 569  
correct problems in the school's overall performance, declare 570  
the school to be on probationary status pursuant to section 571  
3314.073 of the Revised Code, suspend the operation of the 572  
school pursuant to section 3314.072 of the Revised Code, or 573  
terminate the contract of the school pursuant to section 3314.07 574  
of the Revised Code as determined necessary by the sponsor; 575

(6) Have in place a plan of action to be undertaken in the 576  
event the community school experiences financial difficulties or 577  
closes prior to the end of a school year. 578

(E) Upon the expiration of a contract entered into under 579  
this section, the sponsor of a community school may, with the 580  
approval of the governing authority of the school, renew that 581  
contract for a period of time determined by the sponsor, but not 582  
ending earlier than the end of any school year, if the sponsor 583  
finds that the school's compliance with applicable laws and 584  
terms of the contract and the school's progress in meeting the 585  
academic goals prescribed in the contract have been 586  
satisfactory. Any contract that is renewed under this division 587  
remains subject to the provisions of sections 3314.07, 3314.072, 588  
and 3314.073 of the Revised Code. 589

(F) If a community school fails to open for operation 590  
within one year after the contract entered into under this 591  
section is adopted pursuant to division (D) of section 3314.02 592

of the Revised Code or permanently closes prior to the 593  
expiration of the contract, the contract shall be void and the 594  
school shall not enter into a contract with any other sponsor. A 595  
school shall not be considered permanently closed because the 596  
operations of the school have been suspended pursuant to section 597  
3314.072 of the Revised Code. 598

**Sec. 3326.11.** Each science, technology, engineering, and 599  
mathematics school established under this chapter and its 600  
governing body shall comply with sections 9.90, 9.91, 109.65, 601  
121.22, 149.43, 2151.357, 2151.421, 2313.19, 2921.42, 2921.43, 602  
3301.0714, 3301.0715, 3301.0729, 3301.948, 3302.037, 3313.14, 603  
3313.15, 3313.16, 3313.18, 3313.201, 3313.26, 3313.472, 3313.48, 604  
3313.481, 3313.482, 3313.50, 3313.539, 3313.5310, 3313.608, 605  
3313.6012, 3313.6013, 3313.6014, 3313.6015, 3313.6020, 606  
3313.6021, 3313.6024, 3313.6025, 3313.6026, 3313.61, 3313.611, 607  
3313.614, 3313.615, 3313.617, 3313.618, 3313.6114, 3313.643, 608  
3313.648, 3313.6411, 3313.66, 3313.661, 3313.662, 3313.666, 609  
3313.667, 3313.668, 3313.669, 3313.6610, 3313.67, 3313.671, 610  
3313.672, 3313.673, 3313.69, 3313.71, 3313.713, 3313.716, 611  
3313.718, 3313.719, 3313.7112, 3313.721, 3313.80, 3313.801, 612  
3313.814, 3313.816, 3313.817, 3313.818, 3313.86, 3313.89, 613  
3313.96, 3319.073, 3319.077, 3319.078, 3319.21, 3319.238, 614  
3319.318, 3319.32, 3319.321, 3319.35, 3319.39, 3319.391, 615  
3319.393, 3319.41, 3319.45, 3319.46, 3320.01, 3320.02, 3320.03, 616  
3321.01, 3321.041, 3321.05, 3321.13, 3321.14, 3321.141, 3321.17, 617  
3321.18, 3321.19, 3321.191, 3323.251, 3327.10, 4111.17, 4113.52, 618  
5502.262, 5502.703, and 5705.391 and Chapters 102., 117., 1347., 619  
2744., 3307., 3309., 3365., 3742., 4112., 4123., 4141., and 620  
4167. of the Revised Code as if it were a school district. 621

**Sec. 3328.24.** A college-preparatory boarding school 622  
established under this chapter and its board of trustees shall 623

comply with sections 102.02, 3301.0710, 3301.0711, 3301.0712, 624  
3301.0714, 3301.0729, 3301.948, 3302.037, 3313.6013, 3313.6021, 625  
3313.6024, 3313.6025, 3313.6026, 3313.617, 3313.618, 3313.6114, 626  
3313.6411, 3313.668, 3313.669, 3313.6610, 3313.713, 3313.7112, 627  
3313.721, 3313.89, 3319.073, 3319.077, 3319.078, 3319.318, 628  
3319.39, 3319.391, 3319.393, 3319.46, 3320.01, 3320.02, 3320.03, 629  
3323.251, and 5502.262, and Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code as 630  
if the school were a school district and the school's board of 631  
trustees were a district board of education. 632

**Section 2.** That existing sections 3313.713, 3314.03, 633  
3326.11, and 3328.24 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 634

**Section 3.** This act shall be known as Sarah's Law. 635

**Section 4.** Section 3328.24 of the Revised Code is 636  
presented in this act as a composite of the section as amended 637  
by both H.B. 82 and H.B. 110 of the 134th General Assembly. The 638  
General Assembly, applying the principle stated in division (B) 639  
of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that amendments are to be 640  
harmonized if reasonably capable of simultaneous operation, 641  
finds that the composite is the resulting version of the section 642  
in effect prior to the effective date of the section as 643  
presented in this act. 644