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То	amend sections 4507.01, 4507.50, 4507.51, and	-
	4507.52 and to enact section 2301.551 of the	2
	Revised Code to require that community-based	
	correctional facilities and programs assist	4
	inmates in obtaining state identification cards	,
	prior to release.	(

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

Section 1. That sections 4507.01, 4507.50, 4507.51, and	7
4507.52 be amended and section 2301.551 of the Revised Code be	8
enacted to read as follows:	9
Sec. 2301.551. (A) Within a reasonable time prior to a	10
prisoner who is serving a sentence within a community-based	11
correctional facility and program or a district community-based	12
correctional facility and program successfully completing the	13
programming at that facility, the facility shall attempt to	14
verify the prisoner's age and identity in order to satisfy the	15
requirements of section 4507.51 of the Revised Code.	16
(B) The facility shall provide each prisoner who does not	17
have a current valid and unexpired state issued identification	18
card or driver's license with the application described in	19

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such deputy registrars in each county as are necessary.

The registrar also shall provide at each place where an 78 application for a driver's or commercial driver's license or 79 identification card may be made the necessary equipment to take 80 a photograph of the applicant for such license or card as 81 required under section 4506.11 or 4507.06 of the Revised Code, 82 and to conduct the vision screenings required by section 4507.12 83 of the Revised Code.

The registrar shall assign one or more deputy registrars to any driver's license examining station operated under the supervision of the director of public safety, whenever the registrar considers such assignment possible. Space shall be provided in the driver's license examining station for any such deputy registrar so assigned. The deputy registrars shall not exercise the powers conferred by such sections upon the registrar, unless they are specifically authorized to exercise such powers by such sections.

- (C) No agent for any insurance company, writing automobile 94 insurance, shall be appointed deputy registrar, and any such 95 appointment is void. No deputy registrar shall in any manner 96 solicit any form of automobile insurance, nor in any manner 97 advise, suggest, or influence any licensee or applicant for 98 license for or against any kind or type of automobile insurance, 99 insurance company, or agent, nor have the deputy registrar's 100 office directly connected with the office of any automobile 101 insurance agent, nor impart any information furnished by any 102 applicant for a license or identification card to any person, 103 except the registrar. This division shall not apply to any 104 nonprofit corporation appointed deputy registrar. 105
 - (D) The registrar shall immediately remove a deputy

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to an identification card, except that it shall be printed on	134
its face with a statement that the card is valid for a temporary	135
period. The temporary period shall be in accordance with the	136
expiration dates specified in section 4507.501 of the Revised	137
Code.	138
(c) The cardholder shall surrender the temporary	139
identification card to the registrar or any deputy registrar	140
before the cardholder's driver's or commercial driver's license	141
is restored or reissued.	142
(B)(1) Except as provided in division (D) of this section,	143
an applicant who is under seventeen years of age shall pay the	144
following fees prior to issuance of an identification card or a	145
temporary identification card:	146
(a) A fee of three dollars and fifty cents if the card	147
will expire on the applicant's birthday four years after the	148
date of issuance or a fee of six dollars if the card will expire	149
on the applicant's birthday eight years after the date of	150
issuance;	151
(b) A fee equal to the amount established under section	152
4503.038 of the Revised Code if the card will expire on the	153
applicant's birthday four years after the date of issuance or	154
twice that amount if the card will expire on the applicant's	155
birthday eight years after the date of issuance;	156
(c) A fee of one dollar and fifty cents if the card will	157
expire on the applicant's birthday four years after the date of	158
issuance or three dollars if the card will expire on the	159
applicant's birthday eight years after the date of issuance, for	160
the authentication of the documents required for processing an	161
identification card or temporary identification card. A deputy	162

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registrar that authenticates the required documents shall retain	163
the entire amount of the fee.	164
(2) The fees collected for issuing an identification card	165
under this section, except for any fees allowed to the deputy	166
registrar, shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit	167
of the public safety - highway purposes fund created in section	168
4501.06 of the Revised Code.	169
(C) A person seventeen years of age or older may apply to	170
the registrar or a deputy registrar for the issuance to that	171
person of an identification card or a temporary identification	172
card under this section without payment of any fee prescribed in	173
division (B) of this section.	174
(D) A resident who is permanently or irreversibly disabled	175
and who is under seventeen years of age may apply to the	176
registrar or a deputy registrar for the issuance of an	177
identification card under this section without payment of any	178
fee as prescribed in division (B) of this section. A resident	179
who is in the custody of the department of rehabilitation and	180
correction—or—, the department of youth services, a community—	181
based correctional facility and program, or a district	182
community-based correctional facility and program and who is	183
under seventeen years of age may apply to the registrar for the	184

As used in this section, "permanently or irreversibly disabled" means a condition of disability from which there is no present indication of recovery.

issuance of an identification card under this section without

payment of any fee as prescribed in division (B) of this

section.

An application made under division (D) of this section

has executed the instrument.

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signed by the applicant. The application also shall be signed by	221
the applicant's parent or guardian, or by the department of	222
rehabilitation and correction or , the department of youth	223
services, a community-based correctional facility and program,	224
or a district community-based correctional facility and program,	225
as applicable, if the applicant is under eighteen years of age.	226
Every application shall contain the following information:	227
(a) The applicant's name, date of birth, sex, general	228
description including the applicant's height, weight, hair	229
color, and eye color, address, country of citizenship, and	230
social security number.	231
(b) If an applicant has not already certified the	232
applicant's willingness to make an anatomical gift under section	233
2108.05 of the Revised Code, whether the applicant wishes to	234
certify willingness to make such an anatomical gift and	235
information about the requirements of sections 2108.01 to	236
2108.29 of the Revised Code that apply to persons who are less	237
than eighteen years of age. The statement regarding willingness	238
to make such a donation shall be given no consideration in the	239
decision of whether to issue an identification card.	240
(c) Whether the applicant has executed a valid durable	241
power of attorney for health care pursuant to sections 1337.11	242
to 1337.17 of the Revised Code or has executed a declaration	243
governing the use or continuation, or the withholding or	244
withdrawal, of life-sustaining treatment pursuant to sections	245
2133.01 to 2133.15 of the Revised Code and, if the applicant has	246
executed either type of instrument, whether the applicant wishes	247
the identification card issued to indicate that the applicant	248

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(d) Whether the applicant is a veteran, active duty, or 250 reservist of the armed forces of the United States and, if the 251 applicant is such, whether the applicant wishes the 252 identification card issued to indicate that the applicant is a 253 veteran, active duty, or reservist of the armed forces of the 254 United States by a military designation on the identification 255 256 card. (2) Each applicant applying in person at a deputy 257 registrar office shall be photographed at the time of making an 258 259 application. (3) The registrar or deputy registrar, in accordance with 260 section 3503.11 of the Revised Code, shall register as an 261 elector any person who applies for an identification card or 262 duplicate if the applicant is eligible and wishes to be 263 registered as an elector. The decision of an applicant whether 264 to register as an elector shall be given no consideration in the 265 decision of whether to issue the applicant an identification 266 card or duplicate. 267 (4) The application shall be accompanied by any necessary 268 documents, as required by the registrar. The registrar or the 269 deputy registrar may authenticate the submitted documents and 270 verify the information in the application. 271 (B) (1) Except as provided in division (B) (2) of this 272 section or section 4507.061 of the Revised Code, the application 273 for an identification card or duplicate shall be filed in the 274 office of the registrar or deputy registrar. Each applicant 275 shall present documentary evidence as required by the registrar 276

of the applicant's age and identity, and the applicant shall

swear that all information given is true.

All applications for an identification card or duplicate 279 under this section shall be filed in duplicate, and if submitted 280 to a deputy registrar, a copy shall be forwarded to the 281 registrar. The registrar shall prescribe rules for the manner in 282 which a deputy registrar is to file and maintain applications 283 and other records. The registrar shall maintain a suitable, 284 indexed record of all applications denied and cards issued or 285 canceled. 286

- (2) The application for an identification card filed by 287 either the department of rehabilitation and correction—or, the 288 department of youth services, a community-based correctional 289 facility and program, or a district community-based correctional 290 facility and program on behalf of an individual in prison or in 291 the department's or facility's custody shall be submitted 292 through the process established by the registrar. The registrar 293 shall establish the process for submission of such applications 294 and the process for mailing the identification card to either 295 the individual or the applicable department or facility. 296
- (C) In addition to any other information it contains, the 297 form furnished by the registrar of motor vehicles for an 298 application for an identification card or duplicate shall inform 299 applicants that the applicant must present a copy of the 300 applicant's DD-214 or an equivalent document in order to qualify 301 to have the card or duplicate indicate that the applicant is an 302 honorably discharged veteran of the armed forces of the United 303 States based on a request made pursuant to division (A)(2)(b) of 304 this section. 305
- Sec. 4507.52. (A) (1) Each identification card issued by

 the registrar of motor vehicles or a deputy registrar shall

 display a distinguishing number assigned to the cardholder, and

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shall display the following inscription: 309 "STATE OF OHIO IDENTIFICATION CARD 310 This card is not valid for the purpose of operating a 311 motor vehicle. It is provided solely for the purpose of 312 establishing the identity of the bearer described on the card." 313 (2) The identification card shall display substantially 314 the same information as contained in the application and as 315 described in division (A)(1) of section 4507.51 of the Revised 316 Code, including, if the cardholder is a noncitizen of the United 317 States, a notation designating that the cardholder is a 318 319 noncitizen. The identification card shall not display the cardholder's social security number unless the cardholder 320 specifically requests that the cardholder's social security 321 number be displayed on the card. If federal law requires the 322 cardholder's social security number to be displayed on the 323 identification card, the social security number shall be 324 displayed on the card notwithstanding this section. 325 (3) The identification card also shall display the 326 photograph of the cardholder. 327 (4) If the cardholder has executed a durable power of 328 attorney for health care or a declaration governing the use or 329 continuation, or the withholding or withdrawal, of life-330 sustaining treatment and has specified that the cardholder 331 wishes the identification card to indicate that the cardholder 332 has executed either type of instrument, the card also shall 333 display any symbol chosen by the registrar to indicate that the 334 cardholder has executed either type of instrument. 335 (5) If the cardholder has specified that the cardholder 336 wishes the identification card to indicate that the cardholder 337

is a veteran, active duty, or reservist of the armed forces of
the United States and has presented a copy of the cardholder's
DD-214 form or an equivalent document, the card also shall
display any symbol chosen by the registrar to indicate that the
cardholder is a veteran, active duty, or reservist of the armed
forces of the United States.

- (6) The card shall be designed as to prevent its reproduction or alteration without ready detection.
- (7) The identification card for persons under twenty-one years of age shall have characteristics prescribed by the registrar distinguishing it from that issued to a person who is twenty-one years of age or older, except that an identification card issued to a person who applies no more than thirty days before the applicant's twenty-first birthday shall have the characteristics of an identification card issued to a person who is twenty-one years of age or older.
- (8) Every identification card issued to a resident of this state shall display the expiration date of the card, in accordance with section 4507.501 of the Revised Code.
- (9) Every identification card issued to a temporary resident shall expire in accordance with section 4507.501 of the Revised Code and rules adopted by the registrar and is limited term. Every limited term identification card and limited term temporary identification card shall contain the words "limited term" and shall have any additional characteristics prescribed by the registrar distinguishing it from an identification card issued to a resident.
- (B)(1) If a card is lost, destroyed, or mutilated, the person to whom the card was issued may obtain a duplicate by

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doing both of the following:	367	
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(a) Furnishing suitable proof of the loss, destruction, or	368	
mutilation to the registrar or a deputy registrar;	369	
(b) Filing an application and presenting documentary	370	
evidence under section 4507.51 of the Revised Code.	371	
(2) A cardholder may apply to obtain a reprint of the	372	
cardholder's identification card through electronic means in	373	
accordance with section 4507.40 of the Revised Code.	374	
(3) A cardholder may obtain a replacement identification	375	
card that reflects any change of the cardholder's name by	376	
furnishing suitable proof of the change to the registrar or a	377	
deputy registrar.	378	
(4) Except as provided in division (B)(5) or (6) of this	379	
section, when a cardholder applies for a duplicate, reprint, or	380	
replacement identification card, the cardholder shall pay the	381	
following fees:	382	
(a) Two dollars and fifty cents;	383	
(b) A deputy registrar or service fee equal to the amount	384	
established under section 4503.038 of the Revised Code.	385	
(5) The following cardholders may apply for a duplicate,	386	
reprint, or replacement identification card without payment of	387	
any fee prescribed in division (B)(4) of this section:	388	
(a) A disabled veteran who has a service-connected	389	
disability rated at one hundred per cent by the veterans'	390	
administration;	391	
(b) A resident who is permanently or irreversibly	392	
disabled;	393	

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(c) A resident who is in the custody of the department of	394
rehabilitation and correction—or, the department of youth	395
services, a community-based correctional facility and program,	396
or a district community-based correctional facility and program.	397
(6) A cardholder who is seventeen years of age or older	398
may apply for a replacement identification card without payment	399
of any fee prescribed in division (B)(4) of this section.	400
(7) A duplicate, reprint, or replacement identification	401
card expires on the same date as the card it replaces.	402
(C) The registrar shall cancel any card upon determining	403
that the card was obtained unlawfully, issued in error, or was	404
altered.	405
(D)(1) No agent of the state or its political subdivisions	406
shall condition the granting of any benefit, service, right, or	407
privilege upon the possession by any person of an identification	408
card. Nothing in this section shall preclude any publicly	409
operated or franchised transit system from using an	410
identification card for the purpose of granting benefits or	411
services of the system.	412
(2) No person shall be required to apply for, carry, or	413
possess an identification card.	414
(E) Except in regard to an identification card issued to a	415
person who applies no more than thirty days before the	416
applicant's twenty-first birthday, neither the registrar nor any	417
deputy registrar shall issue an identification card to a person	418
under twenty-one years of age that does not have the	419
characteristics prescribed by the registrar distinguishing it	420
from the identification card issued to persons who are twenty-	421
one years of age or older.	422

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(F) The registrar shall ensure that identification cards	423	
issued in accordance with the federal "Real ID Act," 49 U.S.C.	424	
30301, et seq., comply with the regulations specified in 6	425	
C.F.R. part 37.	426	
(G) Whoever violates division (E) of this section is	427	
guilty of a minor misdemeanor.	428	
Section 2. That existing sections 4507.01, 4507.50,	429	
4507.51, and 4507.52 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.	430	