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A BILL

To amend sections 133.06, 3302.036, 3302.042, 1
3302.043, 3302.12, 3302.17, 3310.03, 3311.29, 2
and 3314.102 and to repeal sections 3302.10, 3
3302.103, 3302.11, and 3302.111 of the Revised 4
Code to dissolve existing academic distress 5
commissions, to repeal the law that creates new 6
commissions, and to declare an emergency. 7

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

Section 1. That sections 133.06, 3302.036, 3302.042, 8
3302.043, 3302.12, 3302.17, 3310.03, 3311.29, and 3314.102 of 9
the Revised Code be amended to read as follows: 10

Sec. 133.06. (A) A school district shall not incur, 11
without a vote of the electors, net indebtedness that exceeds an 12
amount equal to one-tenth of one per cent of its tax valuation, 13
except as provided in divisions (G) and (H) of this section and 14
in division (D) of section 3313.372 of the Revised Code, or as 15
prescribed in section 3318.052 or 3318.44 of the Revised Code, 16
or as provided in division (J) of this section. 17

(B) Except as provided in divisions (E), (F), and (I) of 18

this section, a school district shall not incur net indebtedness 19
that exceeds an amount equal to nine per cent of its tax 20
valuation. 21

(C) A school district shall not submit to a vote of the 22
electors the question of the issuance of securities in an amount 23
that will make the district's net indebtedness after the 24
issuance of the securities exceed an amount equal to four per 25
cent of its tax valuation, unless the director of education and 26
workforce, acting under policies adopted by the department of 27
education and workforce, and the tax commissioner, acting under 28
written policies of the commissioner, consent to the submission. 29
A request for the consents shall be made at least one hundred 30
twenty days prior to the election at which the question is to be 31
submitted. 32

The director of education and workforce shall certify to 33
the district the director's and the tax commissioner's decisions 34
within thirty days after receipt of the request for consents. 35

If the electors do not approve the issuance of securities 36
at the election for which the director of education and 37
workforce and tax commissioner consented to the submission of 38
the question, the school district may submit the same question 39
to the electors on the date that the next special election may 40
be held under section 3501.01 of the Revised Code without 41
submitting a new request for consent. If the school district 42
seeks to submit the same question at any other subsequent 43
election, the district shall first submit a new request for 44
consent in accordance with this division. 45

(D) In calculating the net indebtedness of a school 46
district, none of the following shall be considered: 47

(1) Securities issued to acquire school buses and other 48
equipment used in transporting pupils or issued pursuant to 49
division (D) of section 133.10 of the Revised Code; 50

(2) Securities issued under division (F) of this section 51
and, to the extent in excess of the limitation stated in 52
division (B) of this section, under division (E) of this 53
section; 54

(3) Indebtedness resulting from the dissolution of a joint 55
vocational school district under section 3311.217 of the Revised 56
Code, evidenced by outstanding securities of that joint 57
vocational school district; 58

(4) Loans, evidenced by any securities, received under 59
sections 3313.483, 3317.0210, and 3317.0211 of the Revised Code; 60

(5) Debt incurred under section 3313.374 of the Revised 61
Code; 62

(6) Debt incurred pursuant to division (B) (5) of section 63
3313.37 of the Revised Code to acquire computers and related 64
hardware; 65

(7) Debt incurred under section 3318.042 of the Revised 66
Code; 67

(8) Debt incurred under section 5705.2112 or 5705.2113 of 68
the Revised Code by the fiscal board of a qualifying partnership 69
of which the school district is a participating school district. 70

(E) A school district may become a special needs district 71
as to certain securities as provided in division (E) of this 72
section. 73

(1) A board of education, by resolution, may declare its 74
school district to be a special needs district by determining 75

both of the following: 76

(a) The student population is not being adequately 77
serviced by the existing permanent improvements of the district. 78

(b) The district cannot obtain sufficient funds by the 79
issuance of securities within the limitation of division (B) of 80
this section to provide additional or improved needed permanent 81
improvements in time to meet the needs. 82

(2) The board of education shall certify a copy of that 83
resolution to the director of education and workforce with a 84
statistical report showing all of the following: 85

(a) The history of and a projection of the growth of the 86
tax valuation; 87

(b) The projected needs; 88

(c) The estimated cost of permanent improvements proposed 89
to meet such projected needs. 90

(3) The director of education and workforce shall certify 91
the district as an approved special needs district if the 92
director finds both of the following: 93

(a) The district does not have available sufficient 94
additional funds from state or federal sources to meet the 95
projected needs. 96

(b) The projection of the potential average growth of tax 97
valuation during the next five years, according to the 98
information certified to the director and any other information 99
the director obtains, indicates a likelihood of potential 100
average growth of tax valuation of the district during the next 101
five years of an average of not less than one and one-half per 102
cent per year. The findings and certification of the director 103

shall be conclusive. 104

(4) An approved special needs district may incur net 105
indebtedness by the issuance of securities in accordance with 106
the provisions of this chapter in an amount that does not exceed 107
an amount equal to the greater of the following: 108

(a) Twelve per cent of the sum of its tax valuation plus 109
an amount that is the product of multiplying that tax valuation 110
by the percentage by which the tax valuation has increased over 111
the tax valuation on the first day of the sixtieth month 112
preceding the month in which its board determines to submit to 113
the electors the question of issuing the proposed securities; 114

(b) Twelve per cent of the sum of its tax valuation plus 115
an amount that is the product of multiplying that tax valuation 116
by the percentage, determined by the director of education and 117
workforce, by which that tax valuation is projected to increase 118
during the next ten years. 119

(F) A school district may issue securities for emergency 120
purposes, in a principal amount that does not exceed an amount 121
equal to three per cent of its tax valuation, as provided in 122
this division. 123

(1) A board of education, by resolution, may declare an 124
emergency if it determines both of the following: 125

(a) School buildings or other necessary school facilities 126
in the district have been wholly or partially destroyed, or 127
condemned by a constituted public authority, or that such 128
buildings or facilities are partially constructed, or so 129
constructed or planned as to require additions and improvements 130
to them before the buildings or facilities are usable for their 131
intended purpose, or that corrections to permanent improvements 132

are necessary to remove or prevent health or safety hazards. 133

(b) Existing fiscal and net indebtedness limitations make 134
adequate replacement, additions, or improvements impossible. 135

(2) Upon the declaration of an emergency, the board of 136
education may, by resolution, submit to the electors of the 137
district pursuant to section 133.18 of the Revised Code the 138
question of issuing securities for the purpose of paying the 139
cost, in excess of any insurance or condemnation proceeds 140
received by the district, of permanent improvements to respond 141
to the emergency need. 142

(3) The procedures for the election shall be as provided 143
in section 133.18 of the Revised Code, except that: 144

(a) The form of the ballot shall describe the emergency 145
existing, refer to this division as the authority under which 146
the emergency is declared, and state that the amount of the 147
proposed securities exceeds the limitations prescribed by 148
division (B) of this section; 149

(b) The resolution required by division (B) of section 150
133.18 of the Revised Code shall be certified to the county 151
auditor and the board of elections at least one hundred days 152
prior to the election; 153

(c) The county auditor shall advise and, not later than 154
ninety-five days before the election, confirm that advice by 155
certification to, the board of education of the information 156
required by division (C) of section 133.18 of the Revised Code; 157

(d) The board of education shall then certify its 158
resolution and the information required by division (D) of 159
section 133.18 of the Revised Code to the board of elections not 160
less than ninety days prior to the election. 161

(4) Notwithstanding division (B) of section 133.21 of the Revised Code, the first principal payment of securities issued under this division may be set at any date not later than sixty months after the earliest possible principal payment otherwise provided for in that division.

(G) (1) The board of education may contract with an architect, professional engineer, or other person experienced in the design and implementation of energy conservation measures for an analysis and recommendations pertaining to installations, modifications of installations, or remodeling that would significantly reduce energy consumption in buildings owned by the district. The report shall include estimates of all costs of such installations, modifications, or remodeling, including costs of design, engineering, installation, maintenance, repairs, measurement and verification of energy savings, and debt service, forgone residual value of materials or equipment replaced by the energy conservation measure, as defined by the Ohio facilities construction commission, a baseline analysis of actual energy consumption data for the preceding three years with the utility baseline based on only the actual energy consumption data for the preceding twelve months, and estimates of the amounts by which energy consumption and resultant operational and maintenance costs, as defined by the commission, would be reduced.

If the board finds after receiving the report that the amount of money the district would spend on such installations, modifications, or remodeling is not likely to exceed the amount of money it would save in energy and resultant operational and maintenance costs over the ensuing fifteen years, the board may submit to the commission a copy of its findings and a request for approval to incur indebtedness to finance the making or

modification of installations or the remodeling of buildings for 193
the purpose of significantly reducing energy consumption. 194

The facilities construction commission, in consultation 195
with the auditor of state, may deny a request under division (G) 196
(1) of this section by the board of education of any school 197
district that is in a state of fiscal watch pursuant to division 198
(A) of section 3316.03 of the Revised Code, if it determines 199
that the expenditure of funds is not in the best interest of the 200
school district. 201

No district board of education of a school district that 202
is in a state of fiscal emergency pursuant to division (B) of 203
section 3316.03 of the Revised Code shall submit a request 204
without submitting evidence that the installations, 205
modifications, or remodeling have been approved by the 206
district's financial planning and supervision commission 207
established under section 3316.05 of the Revised Code. 208

~~No board of education of a school district for which an 209
academic distress commission has been established under section 210
3302.10 of the Revised Code shall submit a request without first 211
receiving approval to incur indebtedness from the district's 212
academic distress commission established under that section, for 213
so long as such commission continues to be required for the 214
district. 215~~

(2) The board of education may contract with a person 216
experienced in the implementation of student transportation to 217
produce a report that includes an analysis of and 218
recommendations for the use of alternative fuel vehicles by 219
school districts. The report shall include cost estimates 220
detailing the return on investment over the life of the 221
alternative fuel vehicles and environmental impact of 222

alternative fuel vehicles. The report also shall include 223
estimates of all costs associated with alternative fuel 224
transportation, including facility modifications and vehicle 225
purchase costs or conversion costs. 226

If the board finds after receiving the report that the 227
amount of money the district would spend on purchasing 228
alternative fuel vehicles or vehicle conversion is not likely to 229
exceed the amount of money it would save in fuel and resultant 230
operational and maintenance costs over the ensuing five years, 231
the board may submit to the commission a copy of its findings 232
and a request for approval to incur indebtedness to finance the 233
purchase of new alternative fuel vehicles or vehicle conversions 234
for the purpose of reducing fuel costs. 235

The facilities construction commission, in consultation 236
with the auditor of state, may deny a request under division (G) 237
(2) of this section by the board of education of any school 238
district that is in a state of fiscal watch pursuant to division 239
(A) of section 3316.03 of the Revised Code, if it determines 240
that the expenditure of funds is not in the best interest of the 241
school district. 242

No district board of education of a school district that 243
is in a state of fiscal emergency pursuant to division (B) of 244
section 3316.03 of the Revised Code shall submit a request 245
without submitting evidence that the purchase or conversion of 246
alternative fuel vehicles has been approved by the district's 247
financial planning and supervision commission established under 248
section 3316.05 of the Revised Code. 249

~~No board of education of a school district for which an 250
academic distress commission has been established under section 251
3302.10 of the Revised Code shall submit a request without first 252~~

~~receiving approval to incur indebtedness from the district's~~ 253
~~academic distress commission established under that section, for~~ 254
~~so long as such commission continues to be required for the~~ 255
~~district.~~ 256

(3) The facilities construction commission shall approve 257
the board's request provided that the following conditions are 258
satisfied: 259

(a) The commission determines that the board's findings 260
are reasonable. 261

(b) The request for approval is complete. 262

(c) If the request was submitted under division (G) (1) of 263
this section, the installations, modifications, or remodeling 264
are consistent with any project to construct or acquire 265
classroom facilities, or to reconstruct or make additions to 266
existing classroom facilities under sections 3318.01 to 3318.20 267
or sections 3318.40 to 3318.45 of the Revised Code. 268

Upon receipt of the commission's approval, the district 269
may issue securities without a vote of the electors in a 270
principal amount not to exceed nine-tenths of one per cent of 271
its tax valuation for the purpose specified in division (G) (1) 272
or (2) of this section, but the total net indebtedness of the 273
district without a vote of the electors incurred under this and 274
all other sections of the Revised Code, except section 3318.052 275
of the Revised Code, shall not exceed one per cent of the 276
district's tax valuation. 277

(4) (a) So long as any securities issued under division (G) 278
(1) of this section remain outstanding, the board of education 279
shall monitor the energy consumption and resultant operational 280
and maintenance costs of buildings in which installations or 281

modifications have been made or remodeling has been done 282
pursuant to that division. Except as provided in division (G) (4) 283
(b) of this section, the board shall maintain and annually 284
update a report in a form and manner prescribed by the 285
facilities construction commission documenting the reductions in 286
energy consumption and resultant operational and maintenance 287
cost savings attributable to such installations, modifications, 288
or remodeling. The resultant operational and maintenance cost 289
savings shall be certified by the school district treasurer. The 290
report shall be submitted annually to the commission. 291

(b) If the facilities construction commission verifies 292
that the certified annual reports submitted to the commission by 293
a board of education under division (G) (4) (a) of this section 294
fulfill the guarantee required under division (B) of section 295
3313.372 of the Revised Code for three consecutive years, the 296
board of education shall no longer be subject to the annual 297
reporting requirements of division (G) (4) (a) of this section. 298

(5) So long as any securities issued under division (G) (2) 299
of this section remain outstanding, the board of education shall 300
monitor the purchase of new alternative fuel vehicles or vehicle 301
conversions pursuant to that division. The board shall maintain 302
and annually update a report in a form and manner prescribed by 303
the facilities construction commission documenting the purchase 304
of new alternative fuel vehicles or vehicle conversions, the 305
associated environmental impact, and return on investment. The 306
resultant fuel and operational and maintenance cost savings 307
shall be certified by the school district treasurer. The report 308
shall be submitted annually to the commission. 309

(H) With the consent of the director of education and 310
workforce, a school district may incur without a vote of the 311

electors net indebtedness that exceeds the amounts stated in 312
divisions (A) and (G) of this section for the purpose of paying 313
costs of permanent improvements, if and to the extent that both 314
of the following conditions are satisfied: 315

(1) The fiscal officer of the school district estimates 316
that receipts of the school district from payments made under or 317
pursuant to agreements entered into pursuant to section 725.02, 318
1728.10, 3735.671, 5709.081, 5709.082, 5709.40, 5709.41, 319
5709.45, 5709.57, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632, 5709.73, 5709.78, 320
or 5709.82 of the Revised Code, or distributions under division 321
(C) of section 5709.43 or division (B) of section 5709.47 of the 322
Revised Code, or any combination thereof, are, after accounting 323
for any appropriate coverage requirements, sufficient in time 324
and amount, and are committed by the proceedings, to pay the 325
debt charges on the securities issued to evidence that 326
indebtedness and payable from those receipts, and the taxing 327
authority of the district confirms the fiscal officer's 328
estimate, which confirmation is approved by the director of 329
education and workforce; 330

(2) The fiscal officer of the school district certifies, 331
and the taxing authority of the district confirms, that the 332
district, at the time of the certification and confirmation, 333
reasonably expects to have sufficient revenue available for the 334
purpose of operating such permanent improvements for their 335
intended purpose upon acquisition or completion thereof, and the 336
director of education and workforce approves the taxing 337
authority's confirmation. 338

The maximum maturity of securities issued under division 339
(H) of this section shall be the lesser of twenty years or the 340
maximum maturity calculated under section 133.20 of the Revised 341

Code. 342

(I) A school district may incur net indebtedness by the 343
issuance of securities in accordance with the provisions of this 344
chapter in excess of the limit specified in division (B) or (C) 345
of this section when necessary to raise the school district 346
portion of the basic project cost and any additional funds 347
necessary to participate in a project under Chapter 3318. of the 348
Revised Code, including the cost of items designated by the 349
facilities construction commission as required locally funded 350
initiatives, the cost of other locally funded initiatives in an 351
amount that does not exceed fifty per cent of the district's 352
portion of the basic project cost, and the cost for site 353
acquisition. A school district shall notify the director of 354
education and workforce whenever that district will exceed 355
either limit pursuant to this division. 356

(J) A school district whose portion of the basic project 357
cost of its classroom facilities project under sections 3318.01 358
to 3318.20 of the Revised Code is greater than or equal to one 359
hundred million dollars may incur without a vote of the electors 360
net indebtedness in an amount up to two per cent of its tax 361
valuation through the issuance of general obligation securities 362
in order to generate all or part of the amount of its portion of 363
the basic project cost if the controlling board has approved the 364
facilities construction commission's conditional approval of the 365
project under section 3318.04 of the Revised Code. The school 366
district board and the Ohio facilities construction commission 367
shall include the dedication of the proceeds of such securities 368
in the agreement entered into under section 3318.08 of the 369
Revised Code. No state moneys shall be released for a project to 370
which this section applies until the proceeds of any bonds 371
issued under this section that are dedicated for the payment of 372

the school district portion of the project are first deposited 373
into the school district's project construction fund. 374

Sec. 3302.036. (A) Notwithstanding anything in the Revised 375
Code to the contrary, the department of education and workforce 376
shall not assign an overall letter grade under division (C) (3) 377
of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code for any school district 378
or building for the 2014-2015, 2015-2016, ~~or~~ and 2016-2017 379
school years, may, at the discretion of the department, not 380
assign an individual grade to any component prescribed under 381
division (C) (3) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, and 382
shall not rank school districts, community schools established 383
under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, or STEM schools 384
established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code under 385
section 3302.21 of the Revised Code for those school years. The 386
report card ratings issued for the 2014-2015, 2015-2016, ~~or~~ and 387
2016-2017 school years shall not be considered in determining 388
whether a school district or a school is subject to sanctions or 389
penalties. However, the report card ratings of any previous or 390
subsequent years shall be considered in determining whether a 391
school district or building is subject to sanctions or 392
penalties. Accordingly, the report card ratings for the 2014- 393
2015, 2015-2016, ~~or~~ and 2016-2017 school years shall have no 394
effect in determining sanctions or penalties, but shall not 395
create a new starting point for determinations that are based on 396
ratings over multiple years. 397

(B) The provisions from which a district or school is 398
exempt under division (A) of this section shall be the 399
following: 400

(1) Any restructuring provisions established under this 401
chapter, except as required under the "No Child Left Behind Act 402

of 2001"; 403

(2) Provisions for the Columbus city school pilot project 404
under section 3302.042 of the Revised Code; 405

~~(3) Provisions for academic distress commissions under 406
former section 3302.10 of the Revised Code as it existed prior 407
to October 15, 2015. The provisions of this section do not apply 408
to academic distress commissions under the version of that 409
section as it exists on or after October 15, 2015. 410~~

~~(4)~~ Provisions prescribing new buildings where students 411
are eligible for the educational choice scholarships under 412
section 3310.03 of the Revised Code; 413

~~(5)~~ (4) Provisions defining "challenged school districts" 414
in which new start-up community schools were required to be 415
located, as prescribed in section 3314.02 of the Revised Code as 416
it existed prior to September 30, 2021; 417

~~(6)~~ (5) Provisions prescribing community school closure 418
requirements under section 3314.35 or 3314.351 of the Revised 419
Code. 420

(C) Notwithstanding anything in the Revised Code to the 421
contrary and except as provided in Section 3 of H.B. 7 of the 422
131st general assembly, no school district, community school, or 423
STEM school shall utilize at any time during a student's 424
academic career a student's score on any assessment administered 425
under division (A) of section 3301.0710 or division (B) (2) of 426
section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code in the 2014-2015, 2015- 427
2016, ~~or~~ and 2016-2017 school years as a factor in any decision 428
to promote or to deny the student promotion to a higher grade 429
level or in any decision to grant course credit. No individual 430
student score reports on such assessments administered in the 431

2014-2015, 2015-2016, or 2016-2017 school years shall be 432
released, except to a student's school district or school or to 433
the student or the student's parent or guardian. 434

Sec. 3302.042. (A) This section shall operate as a pilot 435
project that applies to any school that has been ranked 436
according to performance index score under section 3302.21 of 437
the Revised Code in the lowest five per cent of all public 438
school buildings statewide for three or more consecutive school 439
years and is operated by the Columbus city school district. The 440
pilot project shall commence once the department of education 441
and workforce establishes implementation guidelines for the 442
pilot project in consultation with the Columbus city school 443
district. 444

(B) Except as provided in division (D), (E), or (F) of 445
this section, if the parents or guardians of at least fifty per 446
cent of the students enrolled in a school to which this section 447
applies, or if the parents or guardians of at least fifty per 448
cent of the total number of students enrolled in that school and 449
the schools of lower grade levels whose students typically 450
matriculate into that school, by the thirty-first day of 451
December of any school year in which the school is subject to 452
this section, sign and file with the school district treasurer a 453
petition requesting the district board of education to implement 454
one of the following reforms in the school, and if the validity 455
and sufficiency of the petition is certified in accordance with 456
division (C) of this section, the board shall implement the 457
requested reform in the next school year: 458

(1) Reopen the school as a community school under Chapter 459
3314. of the Revised Code; 460

(2) Replace at least seventy per cent of the school's 461

personnel who are related to the school's poor academic 462
performance or, at the request of the petitioners, retain not 463
more than thirty per cent of the personnel; 464

(3) Contract with another school district or a nonprofit 465
or for-profit entity with a demonstrated record of effectiveness 466
to operate the school; 467

(4) Turn operation of the school over to the department; 468

(5) Any other major restructuring of the school that makes 469
fundamental reforms in the school's staffing or governance. 470

(C) Not later than thirty days after receipt of a petition 471
under division (B) of this section, the district treasurer shall 472
verify the validity and sufficiency of the signatures on the 473
petition and certify to the district board whether the petition 474
contains the necessary number of valid signatures to require the 475
board to implement the reform requested by the petitioners. If 476
the treasurer certifies to the district board that the petition 477
does not contain the necessary number of valid signatures, any 478
person who signed the petition may file an appeal with the 479
county auditor within ten days after the certification. Not 480
later than thirty days after the filing of an appeal, the county 481
auditor shall conduct an independent verification of the 482
validity and sufficiency of the signatures on the petition and 483
certify to the district board whether the petition contains the 484
necessary number of valid signatures to require the board to 485
implement the requested reform. If the treasurer or county 486
auditor certifies that the petition contains the necessary 487
number of valid signatures, the district board shall notify the 488
department of the certification. 489

(D) The district board shall not implement the reform 490

requested by the petitioners in any of the following 491
circumstances: 492

(1) The district board has determined that the request is 493
for reasons other than improving student academic achievement or 494
student safety. 495

(2) The department has determined that implementation of 496
the requested reform would not comply with the model of 497
differentiated accountability described in section 3302.041 of 498
the Revised Code. 499

(3) The petitioners have requested the district board to 500
implement the reform described in division (B) (4) of this 501
section and the department has not agreed to take over the 502
school's operation. 503

(4) When all of the following have occurred: 504

(a) After a public hearing on the matter, the district 505
board issued a written statement explaining the reasons that it 506
is unable to implement the requested reform and agreeing to 507
implement one of the other reforms described in division (B) of 508
this section. 509

(b) The district board submitted its written statement to 510
the department along with evidence showing how the alternative 511
reform the district board has agreed to implement will enable 512
the school to improve its academic performance. 513

(c) The department has approved implementation of the 514
alternative reform. 515

(E) If the provisions of this section conflict in any way 516
with the requirements of federal law, federal law shall prevail 517
over the provisions of this section. 518

(F) If a school is restructured under this section, 519
section ~~3302.10~~ or 3302.12 of the Revised Code, or federal law, 520
the school shall not be required to restructure again under 521
state law for three consecutive years after the implementation 522
of that prior restructuring. 523

(G) Beginning not later than six months after the first 524
petition under this section has been resolved, the department 525
shall annually evaluate the pilot program and submit a report to 526
the general assembly under section 101.68 of the Revised Code. 527
Such reports shall contain its recommendations to the general 528
assembly with respect to the continuation of the pilot program, 529
its expansion to other school districts, or the enactment of 530
further legislation establishing the program statewide under 531
permanent law. 532

Sec. 3302.043. (A) As used in this section, "eligible 533
district" means a city school district ~~to which both of the~~ 534
~~following apply:~~ 535

~~(1) The district that~~ has persistently low performance 536
ratings, as determined by the department of education and 537
workforce, under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code. 538

~~(2) The district is not subject to an academic distress~~ 539
~~commission under section 3302.10 of the Revised Code.~~ 540

(B) The department shall establish the career promise 541
academy summer demonstration pilot program. Under the pilot 542
program, which shall operate in the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 543
school years, the department shall solicit proposals from 544
eligible districts to establish and operate a career promise 545
academy during the summer to provide students entering ninth 546
grade with intensive literacy instruction, internship or 547

mentoring experiences, and instruction regarding academic 548
preparedness skills, life skills, and financial literacy. The 549
department shall approve one proposal based on the criteria 550
prescribed under division (C) of this section. The department 551
shall award a grant to the eligible district with an approved 552
proposal. 553

(C) The department shall adopt criteria under which to 554
approve a proposal for a career promise academy, which shall 555
include all of the following: 556

(1) A requirement that the career promise academy operate 557
as follows: 558

(a) For four consecutive weeks in the summer of 2021; 559

(b) For five consecutive weeks in the summer of 2022. 560

(2) A requirement that not more than seventy-five students 561
participate in the career promise academy in one summer; 562

(3) A requirement for the eligible district to submit to 563
the department, in a form and manner prescribed by the 564
department, any data that the department and district jointly 565
determine is necessary to evaluate the pilot program; 566

(4) A method to determine student eligibility to 567
participate in the career promise academy. The method shall 568
identify students entering ninth grade who are at risk of not 569
qualifying for a high school diploma based on the student's 570
scores on the English language arts and mathematics assessments 571
prescribed under division (A)(1)(f) of section 3301.0710 of the 572
Revised Code and other academic or social-emotional factors. 573

(5) A description of the instruction and internship or 574
mentoring experiences that participating students will receive; 575

(6) An agreement with the district's business advisory 576
council established under section 3313.82 of the Revised Code 577
and other organizations or businesses to identify or provide 578
internship and mentoring experiences to participating students; 579

(7) An agreement with at least one institution of higher 580
education to identify and engage with prospective teachers to 581
serve as mentors and academic coaches to participating students. 582

(D) The department shall adopt guidelines and procedures 583
to operate the pilot program established under this section. 584

Sec. 3302.12. (A) (1) Except as provided in divisions (C) 585
and (D) of this section, this section applies to a school 586
building that is ranked according to performance index score 587
under section 3302.21 of the Revised Code in the lowest five per 588
cent of public school buildings statewide for three consecutive 589
years and that meets any combination of the following for three 590
consecutive years: 591

(a) The school building has received a grade of "F" for 592
the value-added progress dimension under division (A) (1) (e), (B) 593
(1) (e), or (C) (1) (e) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code; 594

(b) The school building has received an overall grade of 595
"F" under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code; 596

(c) The school building has received a performance rating 597
of one star for progress under division (D) (3) (c) of section 598
3302.03 of the Revised Code; 599

(d) The school building has received an overall 600
performance rating of less than two stars under section 3302.03 601
of the Revised Code. 602

(2) In the case of a building to which this section 603

applies, the district board of education in control of that 604
building shall do one of the following at the conclusion of the 605
school year in which the building first becomes subject to this 606
section: 607

(a) Close the school and direct the district 608
superintendent to reassign the students enrolled in the school 609
to other school buildings that demonstrate higher academic 610
achievement; 611

(b) Contract with another school district or a nonprofit 612
or for-profit entity with a demonstrated record of effectiveness 613
to operate the school; 614

(c) Replace the principal and all teaching staff of the 615
school and, upon request from the new principal, exempt the 616
school from all requested policies and regulations of the board 617
regarding curriculum and instruction. The board also shall 618
distribute funding to the school in an amount that is at least 619
equal to the product of the per pupil amount of state and local 620
revenues received by the district multiplied by the student 621
population of the school. 622

(d) Reopen the school as a conversion community school 623
under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code. 624

(B) If an action taken by the board under division (A) (2) 625
of this section causes the district to no longer maintain all 626
grades kindergarten through twelve, as required by section 627
3311.29 of the Revised Code, the board shall enter into a 628
contract with another school district pursuant to section 629
3327.04 of the Revised Code for enrollment of students in the 630
schools of that other district to the extent necessary to comply 631
with the requirement of section 3311.29 of the Revised Code. 632

Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised Code to the 633
contrary, if the board enters into and maintains a contract 634
under section 3327.04 of the Revised Code, the district shall 635
not be considered to have failed to comply with the requirement 636
of section 3311.29 of the Revised Code. If, however, the 637
district board fails to or is unable to enter into or maintain 638
such a contract, the state board of education shall take all 639
necessary actions to dissolve the district as provided in 640
division (A) of section 3311.29 of the Revised Code. 641

(C) If a particular school is required to restructure 642
under this section and a petition with respect to that same 643
school has been filed and verified under divisions (B) and (C) 644
of section 3302.042 of the Revised Code, the provisions of that 645
section and the petition filed and verified under it shall 646
prevail over the provisions of this section and the school shall 647
be restructured under that section. However, if division (D)(1), 648
(2), or (3) of section 3302.042 of the Revised Code also applies 649
to the school, the school shall be subject to restructuring 650
under this section and not section 3302.042 of the Revised Code. 651

If the provisions of this section conflict in any way with 652
the requirements of federal law, federal law shall prevail over 653
the provisions of this section. 654

(D) If a school is restructured under this section, or 655
section 3302.042 ~~or 3302.10~~ of the Revised Code, or federal law, 656
the school shall not be required to restructure again under 657
state law for three consecutive years after the implementation 658
of that prior restructuring. 659

Sec. 3302.17. (A) Any school building operated by a city, 660
exempted village, or local school district, or a community 661
school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code is 662

eligible to initiate the community learning center process as 663
prescribed by this section. 664

(B) Beginning with the 2015-2016 school year, each 665
district board of education or community school governing 666
authority may initiate a community learning center process for 667
any school building to which this section applies. 668

First, the board or governing authority shall conduct a 669
public information hearing at each school building to which this 670
section applies to inform the community of the community 671
learning center process. The board or governing authority may do 672
all of the following with regard to the public information 673
hearing: 674

(1) Announce the meeting not less than forty-five days in 675
advance at the school and on the school's or district's web 676
sites and using tools to ensure effective communication with 677
individuals with disabilities; 678

(2) Schedule the meeting for an evening or weekend time; 679

(3) Provide interpretation services and written materials 680
in all languages spoken by five per cent or more of the students 681
enrolled in the school; 682

(4) Provide child care services for parents attending the 683
meeting; 684

(5) Provide parents, students, teachers, nonteaching 685
employees, and community members with the opportunity to speak 686
at the meeting; 687

(6) Comply with section 149.43 of the Revised Code. 688

In preparing for the public information hearing, the board 689
or governing authority shall ensure that information about the 690

hearing is broadly distributed throughout the community. 691

The board or governing authority may enter into an 692
agreement with any civic engagement organizations, community 693
organizations, or employee organizations to support the 694
implementation of the community learning center process. 695

The board or governing authority shall conduct a follow-up 696
hearing at least once annually until action is further taken 697
under the section with respect to the school building or until 698
the conditions described in division (A) of this section no 699
longer apply to the school building. 700

(C) Not sooner than forty-five days after the first public 701
information hearing, the board or governing authority shall 702
conduct an election, by paper ballot, to initiate the process to 703
become a community learning center. Only parents or guardians of 704
students enrolled in the school and students enrolled in a 705
different school operated by a joint vocational school district 706
but are otherwise entitled to attend the school, and teachers 707
and nonteaching employees who are assigned to the school may 708
vote in the election. 709

The board or governing authority shall distribute the 710
ballots by mail and shall make copies available at the school 711
and on the web site of the school. The board or governing 712
authority also may distribute the ballots by directly giving 713
ballots to teachers and nonteaching employees and sending home 714
ballots with every student enrolled in the school building. 715

(D) The board or governing authority shall initiate the 716
transition of the building to a community learning center if the 717
results of the election held under division (C) of this section 718
are as follows: 719

(1) At least fifty per cent of parents and guardians of 720
students enrolled in the eligible school building and students 721
enrolled in a different building operated by a joint vocational 722
school district but who are entitled to attend the school cast 723
ballots by a date set by the board or governing authority, and 724
of those ballots at least sixty-seven per cent are in favor of 725
initiating the process; and 726

(2) At least fifty per cent of teachers and nonteaching 727
employees who are assigned to the school cast ballots by a date 728
set by the board or governing authority, and of those ballots at 729
least sixty-seven per cent are in favor of initiating the 730
process. 731

(E) If a community learning center process is initiated 732
under this section, the board or governing authority shall 733
create a school action team under section 3302.18 of the Revised 734
Code. Within four months upon selection, the school action team 735
shall conduct and complete, in consultation with community 736
partners, a performance audit of the school and review, with 737
parental input, the needs of the school with regard to 738
restructuring under section ~~3302.10, 3302.12, or 3302.042~~ or 739
3302.12 of the Revised Code, or federal law. 740

The school action team shall provide quarterly updates of 741
its work in a public hearing that complies with the same 742
specifications prescribed in division (B) of this section. 743

(F) Upon completion of the audit and review, the school 744
action team shall present its findings at a public hearing that 745
complies with the same specifications prescribed in division (B) 746
of this section. After the school action team presents its 747
findings at the public hearing, it shall create a community 748
learning center improvement plan that designates appropriate 749

interventions, which may be based on the recommendations 750
developed by the department under division (H) (1) (b) of this 751
section. 752

If there is a federally mandated school improvement 753
planning process, the team shall coordinate its work with that 754
plan. 755

The school action team shall approve the plan by a 756
majority vote. 757

(G) Upon approval of the plan by the school action team, 758
the team shall submit the community learning center improvement 759
plan to the same individuals described in division (C) of this 760
section. Ballots shall be distributed and an election shall be 761
conducted in the same manner as indicated under that division. 762

The school action team shall submit the plan to the 763
district board of education or community school governing 764
authority, if the results of the election under division (G) of 765
this section are as follows: 766

(1) At least thirty per cent of parents and guardians of 767
students enrolled in the eligible school building and students 768
enrolled in a different building operated by a joint vocational 769
school district but who are entitled to attend the school cast 770
ballots by a date set by the board or governing authority, and 771
of those ballots at least fifty per cent are in favor of 772
initiating the process; and 773

(2) At least thirty per cent of teachers and nonteaching 774
employees who are assigned to the school cast ballots by a date 775
set by the board or governing authority, and of those ballots at 776
least fifty per cent are in favor of initiating the process. 777

The board or governing authority shall evaluate the plan 778

and determine whether to adopt it. The board or governing 779
authority shall adopt the plan in full or adopt portions of the 780
plan. If the board or governing authority does not adopt the 781
plan in full, it shall provide a written explanation of why 782
portions of the plan were rejected. 783

(H) (1) The department shall do all of the following with 784
respect to this section: 785

(a) Adopt rules regarding the elections required under 786
this section; 787

(b) Develop appropriate interventions for a community 788
learning center improvement plan that may be used by a school 789
action team under division (F) of this section; 790

(c) Publish a menu of programs and services that may be 791
offered by community learning centers. The information shall be 792
posted on the department's web site. To compile this information 793
the department shall solicit input from resource coordinators of 794
existing community learning centers. 795

(d) Provide information regarding implementation of 796
comprehensive community-based programs and supportive services 797
including the community learning center model to school 798
buildings meeting any of the following conditions: 799

(i) The building is in improvement status as defined by 800
the "No Child Left Behind Act of 2001" or under an agreement 801
between the Ohio department of education and workforce and the 802
United States secretary of education. 803

(ii) The building is a secondary school that is among the 804
lowest achieving fifteen per cent of secondary schools 805
statewide, as determined by the department. 806

(iii) The building is a secondary school with a graduation 807
rate of sixty per cent or lower for three or more consecutive 808
years. 809

(iv) The building is a school that the department 810
determines is persistently low-performing. 811

(2) The department may do the following with respect to 812
this section: 813

(a) Provide assistance, facilitation, and training to 814
school action teams in the conducting of the audit required 815
under this section; 816

(b) Provide opportunities for members of school action 817
teams from different schools to share school improvement 818
strategies with parents, teachers, and other relevant 819
stakeholders in higher performing schools; 820

(c) Provide financial support in a school action team's 821
planning process and create a grant program to assist in the 822
implementation of a qualified community learning center plan. 823

(I) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in 824
Chapter 4117. of the Revised Code, the requirements of this 825
section prevail over any conflicting provisions of a collective 826
bargaining agreement entered into on or after October 15, 2015. 827
However, the board or governing authority and the teachers' 828
labor organization may negotiate additional factors to be 829
considered in the adoption of a community learning center plan. 830

Sec. 3310.03. For the 2021-2022 school year and each 831
school year thereafter, subject to division (G) of this section, 832
a student is an "eligible student" for purposes of the 833
educational choice scholarship pilot program if the student's 834
resident district is not a school district in which the pilot 835

project scholarship program is operating under sections 3313.974 836
to 3313.979 of the Revised Code, the student satisfies one of 837
the conditions in division (A) or (B) ~~or (C)~~ of this section, 838
and the student maintains eligibility to receive a scholarship 839
under division (D) of this section. 840

However, any student who received a scholarship for the 841
2020-2021 school year under this section, as it existed prior to 842
March 2, 2021, shall continue to receive that scholarship until 843
the student completes grade twelve, as long as the student 844
maintains eligibility to receive a scholarship under division 845
(D) of this section. 846

(A) (1) A student is eligible for a scholarship if the 847
student is enrolled in a school building operated by the 848
student's resident district and to which both of the following 849
apply: 850

(a) The building was ranked in the lowest twenty per cent 851
of all buildings operated by city, local, and exempted village 852
school districts according to performance index score as 853
determined by the department of education and workforce, as 854
follows: 855

(i) For a scholarship sought for the 2021-2022 or 2022- 856
2023 school year, the building was ranked in the lowest twenty 857
per cent of buildings for each of the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 858
school years. 859

(ii) For a scholarship sought for the 2023-2024 school 860
year, the building was ranked in the lowest twenty per cent of 861
buildings for each of the 2018-2019 and 2021-2022 school years. 862

(iii) For a scholarship sought for the 2024-2025 school 863
year, the building was ranked in the lowest twenty per cent of 864

buildings for each of the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years. 865

(iv) For a scholarship sought for the 2025-2026 school 866
year or any school year thereafter, the building was ranked in 867
the lowest twenty per cent of buildings for at least two of the 868
three most recent consecutive rankings issued prior to the first 869
day of July of the school year for which a scholarship is 870
sought. 871

(b) The building is operated by a school district in 872
which, for the three consecutive school years prior to the 873
school year for which a scholarship is sought, an average of 874
twenty per cent or more of the students entitled to attend 875
school in the district, under section 3313.64 or 3313.65 of the 876
Revised Code, were qualified to be included in the formula to 877
distribute funds under Title I of the "Elementary and Secondary 878
Education Act of 1965," 20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq. 879

When ranking school buildings under division (A)(1) of 880
this section, the department shall not include buildings 881
operated by a school district in which the pilot project 882
scholarship program is operating in accordance with sections 883
3313.974 to 3313.979 of the Revised Code. 884

(2) A student is eligible for a scholarship if the student 885
will be enrolling in any of grades kindergarten through twelve 886
in this state for the first time in the school year for which a 887
scholarship is sought, will be at least five years of age, as 888
defined in section 3321.01 of the Revised Code, by the first day 889
of January of the school year for which a scholarship is sought, 890
and otherwise would be assigned under section 3319.01 of the 891
Revised Code in the school year for which a scholarship is 892
sought, to a school building described in division (A)(1) of 893
this section. 894

(3) A student is eligible for a scholarship if the student 895
is enrolled in a community school established under Chapter 896
3314. of the Revised Code but otherwise would be assigned under 897
section 3319.01 of the Revised Code to a building described in 898
division (A) (1) of this section. 899

(4) A student is eligible for a scholarship if the student 900
is enrolled in a school building operated by the student's 901
resident district or in a community school established under 902
Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code and otherwise would be 903
assigned under section 3319.01 of the Revised Code to a school 904
building described in division (A) (1) of this section in the 905
school year for which the scholarship is sought. 906

(5) A student is eligible for a scholarship if the student 907
was enrolled in a public or nonpublic school or was homeschooled 908
in the prior school year and completed any of grades eight 909
through eleven in that school year and otherwise would be 910
assigned under section 3319.01 of the Revised Code to a school 911
building described in division (A) (1) of this section in the 912
school year for which the scholarship is sought. 913

(B) A student is eligible for a scholarship if the student 914
is enrolled in a nonpublic school at the time the school is 915
granted a charter by the director of education and workforce 916
under section 3301.16 of the Revised Code and the student meets 917
the standards of division (B) of section 3310.031 of the Revised 918
Code. 919

(C) A student is eligible for a scholarship if the 920
student's resident district is was subject to former section 921
3302.10 of the Revised Code ~~and the student either:~~ 922

~~(1) Is enrolled in a school building operated by the~~ 923

~~resident district or in a community school established under~~ 924
~~Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code;~~ 925

~~(2) Will be both enrolling in any of grades kindergarten~~ 926
~~through twelve in this state for the first time and at least~~ 927
~~five years of age by the first day of January of the school year~~ 928
~~for which a scholarship is sought~~as it existed prior to the 929
effective date of this amendment, and the student remains an 930
eligible student pursuant to division (D) of this section. The 931
department shall cease awarding first-time scholarships pursuant 932
to division (C) of this section on the effective date of this 933
amendment. 934

(D) A student who receives a scholarship under the 935
educational choice scholarship pilot program remains an eligible 936
student and may continue to receive scholarships in subsequent 937
school years until the student completes grade twelve, so long 938
as all of the following apply: 939

(1) The student's resident district remains the same, or 940
the student transfers to a new resident district and otherwise 941
would be assigned in the new resident district to a school 942
building described in division (A)(1) or (C) of this section. 943

(2) The student takes each assessment prescribed for the 944
student's grade level under section 3301.0710, 3301.0712, or 945
3313.619 of the Revised Code while enrolled in a chartered 946
nonpublic school, unless one of the following applies to the 947
student: 948

(a) The student is excused from taking that assessment 949
under federal law, the student's individualized education 950
program, or division (C)(1)(c)(i) of section 3301.0711 of the 951
Revised Code. 952

(b) The student is enrolled in a chartered nonpublic 953
school that meets the conditions specified in division (K) (2) or 954
(L) (4) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code. 955

(c) The student is enrolled in any of grades three to 956
eight and takes an alternative standardized assessment under 957
division (K) (1) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code. 958

(d) The student is excused from taking the assessment 959
prescribed under division (B) (1) of section 3301.0712 of the 960
Revised Code pursuant to division (C) (1) (c) (ii) of section 961
3301.0711 of the Revised Code. 962

(3) In each school year that the student is enrolled in a 963
chartered nonpublic school, the student is absent from school 964
for not more than twenty days that the school is open for 965
instruction, not including excused absences. 966

~~(E) (1)~~ (E) The department shall cease awarding first-time 967
scholarships pursuant to divisions (A) (1) to (5) of this section 968
with respect to a school building that, in the most recent 969
ratings of school buildings under section 3302.03 of the Revised 970
Code prior to the first day of July of the school year, ceases 971
to meet the criteria in division (A) (1) of this section. 972

~~(2) The department shall cease awarding first-time 973
scholarships pursuant to division (C) of this section with 974
respect to a school district subject to section 3302.10 of the 975
Revised Code when the academic distress commission established 976
for the district ceases to exist. 977~~

~~(3)~~ However, students who have received scholarships in 978
the prior school year remain eligible students pursuant to 979
division (D) of this section. 980

(F) The department shall adopt rules defining excused 981

absences for purposes of division (D) (3) of this section. 982

(G) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this 983
section or section 3310.031 of the Revised Code, a student shall 984
not be required to be enrolled or enrolling in a school building 985
operated by the student's resident district or a community 986
school in order to be eligible for a scholarship, as follows: 987

(1) For a scholarship sought for the 2021-2022 school 988
year, a student entering any of grades kindergarten through two; 989

(2) For a scholarship sought for the 2022-2023 school 990
year, a student entering any of grades kindergarten through 991
four; 992

(3) For a scholarship sought for the 2023-2024 school 993
year, a student entering any of grades kindergarten through six; 994

(4) For a scholarship sought for the 2024-2025 school 995
year, a student entering any of grades kindergarten through 996
eight; 997

(5) For a scholarship sought for the 2025-2026 school 998
year, and each school year thereafter, a student entering any of 999
grades kindergarten through twelve. 1000

(H) Except as provided for in section 3310.13 of the 1001
Revised Code and in division (C) (2) of section 3365.07 of the 1002
Revised Code, the department shall not require the parent of a 1003
student who applies for or receives a scholarship under this 1004
section or section 3310.033, 3310.034, or 3310.035 of the 1005
Revised Code to complete any kind of income verification 1006
regarding the student's family income. 1007

Sec. 3311.29. (A) Except as provided under division (B), 1008
(C), or (D) of this section, no school district shall be created 1009

and no school district shall exist which does not maintain 1010
within such district public schools consisting of grades 1011
kindergarten through twelve and any such existing school 1012
district not maintaining such schools shall be dissolved and its 1013
territory joined with another school district or districts by 1014
order of the state board of education if no agreement is made 1015
among the surrounding districts voluntarily, which order shall 1016
provide an equitable division of the funds, property, and 1017
indebtedness of the dissolved school district among the 1018
districts receiving its territory. The state board of education 1019
may authorize exceptions to school districts where topography, 1020
sparsity of population, and other factors make compliance 1021
impracticable. 1022

The director of education and workforce is without 1023
authority to distribute funds under Chapter 3317. of the Revised 1024
Code to any school district that does not maintain schools with 1025
grades kindergarten through twelve and to which no exception has 1026
been granted by the state board of education. 1027

(B) Division (A) of this section does not apply to any 1028
joint vocational school district or any cooperative education 1029
school district established pursuant to divisions (A) to (C) of 1030
section 3311.52 of the Revised Code. 1031

(C) (1) (a) Except as provided in division (C) (3) of this 1032
section, division (A) of this section does not apply to any 1033
cooperative education school district established pursuant to 1034
section 3311.521 of the Revised Code nor to the city, exempted 1035
village, or local school districts that have territory within 1036
such a cooperative education district. 1037

(b) The cooperative district and each city, exempted 1038
village, or local district with territory within the cooperative 1039

district shall maintain the grades that the resolution adopted 1040
or amended pursuant to section 3311.521 of the Revised Code 1041
specifies. 1042

(2) Any cooperative education school district described 1043
under division (C)(1) of this section that fails to maintain the 1044
grades it is specified to operate shall be dissolved by order of 1045
the state board of education unless prior to such an order the 1046
cooperative district is dissolved pursuant to section 3311.54 of 1047
the Revised Code. Any such order shall provide for the equitable 1048
adjustment, division, and disposition of the assets, property, 1049
debts, and obligations of the district among each city, local, 1050
and exempted village school district whose territory is in the 1051
cooperative district and shall provide that the tax duplicate of 1052
each city, local, and exempted village school district whose 1053
territory is in the cooperative district shall be bound for and 1054
assume its share of the outstanding indebtedness of the 1055
cooperative district. 1056

(3) If any city, exempted village, or local school 1057
district described under division (C)(1) of this section fails 1058
to maintain the grades it is specified to operate the 1059
cooperative district within which it has territory shall be 1060
dissolved in accordance with division (C)(2) of this section and 1061
upon that dissolution any city, exempted village, or local 1062
district failing to maintain grades kindergarten through twelve 1063
shall be subject to the provisions for dissolution in division 1064
(A) of this section. 1065

(D) Division (A) of this section does not apply to any 1066
school district that ~~is or~~ has ever been subject to former 1067
section 3302.10 of the Revised Code, as it ~~exists~~ existed on and 1068
after October 15, 2015, and has had a majority of its schools 1069

reconstituted or closed under that section. 1070

Sec. 3314.102. (A) As used in this section: 1071

~~(1) "Chief executive officer" means a chief executive~~ 1072
~~officer appointed by an academic distress commission pursuant to~~ 1073
~~section 3302.10 of the Revised Code.~~ 1074

~~(2) "Municipal, "municipal school district" and "mayor"~~ 1075
have the same meanings as in section 3311.71 of the Revised 1076
Code. 1077

(B) Notwithstanding section 3314.10 and sections 4117.03 1078
to 4117.18 of the Revised Code and Section 4 of Amended 1079
Substitute Senate Bill No. 133 of the 115th general assembly, 1080
the employees of a conversion community school that is sponsored 1081
by the board of education of a municipal school district ~~or a~~ 1082
~~school district for which an academic distress commission has~~ 1083
~~been established under section 3302.10 of the Revised Code shall~~ 1084
cease to be subject to any future collective bargaining 1085
agreement, if the mayor ~~or chief executive officer~~ submits to 1086
the board of education sponsoring the school and to the state 1087
employment relations board a statement requesting that all 1088
employees of the community school be removed from a collective 1089
bargaining unit. The employees of the community school who are 1090
covered by a collective bargaining agreement in effect on the 1091
date the mayor ~~or chief executive officer~~ submits the statement 1092
shall remain subject to that collective bargaining agreement 1093
until the collective bargaining agreement expires on its terms. 1094
Upon expiration of that collective bargaining agreement, the 1095
employees of that school are not subject to Chapter 4117. of the 1096
Revised Code and may not organize or collectively bargain 1097
pursuant to that chapter. 1098

Section 2. That existing sections 133.06, 3302.036, 1099
3302.042, 3302.043, 3302.12, 3302.17, 3310.03, 3311.29, and 1100
3314.102 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 1101

Section 3. That sections 3302.10, 3302.103, 3302.11, and 1102
3302.111 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 1103

Section 4. Any academic distress commission organized for 1104
a school district under former section 3302.10 of the Revised 1105
Code as it existed prior to the effective date of this section, 1106
and any related academic improvement plan under section 3302.103 1107
of the Revised Code, is hereby dissolved. The board of education 1108
of each district in which an academic distress commission 1109
previously was established shall reassume all the powers granted 1110
to it under the Revised Code, and the employees of that district 1111
shall reassume all the rights granted to them under the Revised 1112
Code. 1113

Section 5. This act is hereby declared to be an emergency 1114
measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 1115
peace, health, and safety. The reason for such necessity is so 1116
that all academic distress commissions be dissolved immediately 1117
and new commissions cannot be formed. Therefore, this act shall 1118
go into immediate effect. 1119