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Piccolantonio, Rogers**

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To enact section 2935.40 of the Revised Code to 1  
prohibit civil immigration-related arrests in 2  
certain locations. 3

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

**Section 1.** That section 2935.40 of the Revised Code be 4  
enacted to read as follows: 5

**Sec. 2935.40.** (A) Notwithstanding any contrary provision 6  
of the Revised Code, but subject to division (B) of this 7  
section, a person is privileged from arrest pursuant to a civil 8  
or administrative warrant based on the person's citizenship or 9  
immigration status while any of the following apply: 10

(1) The person is on the premises or grounds of a public 11  
or private primary or secondary school or other educational 12  
institution. 13

(2) The person is on the premises or grounds of a church, 14  
synagogue, or other established place of religious worship or is 15  
attending a public religious ceremony. 16

(3) The person is on the premises or grounds of a health 17  
care facility, including a facility a state agency maintains or 18

operates to provide health care, or a health care practitioner's 19  
office. As used in this division, "health care facility" has the 20  
same meaning as in section 1751.01 of the Revised Code. 21

(4) The person is on the premises or grounds of a facility 22  
that provides forensic medical examinations to sexual assault 23  
survivors. 24

(5) The person is on the premises or grounds of an 25  
organization for assisting children, pregnant women, victims of 26  
crime or abuse, or individuals with mental or physical 27  
disabilities, or any other social service agency providing 28  
services to the public. 29

(6) The person is on the premises or grounds of a 30  
courthouse or other building or structure in which a courtroom 31  
is located. 32

(B) Division (A) of this section does not prohibit any 33  
arrest pursuant to a lawful judicial warrant issued in a 34  
criminal proceeding. 35