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To amend section 3301.0718 and to enact section 1
3301.0733 of the Revised Code to enact the Food 2
Literacy and Nutrition Education Act to require 3
the Department of Education and Workforce to 4
adopt food literacy standards for grades 5
kindergarten through twelve. 6

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

Section 1. That section 3301.0718 be amended and section 7
3301.0733 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 8

Sec. 3301.0718. The Except as provided in section 9
3301.0733 of the Revised Code, the department of education and 10
workforce shall not adopt or revise any standards or curriculum 11
in the area of health unless, by concurrent resolution, the 12
standards, curriculum, or revisions are approved by both houses 13
of the general assembly. Before the house of representatives or 14
senate votes on a concurrent resolution approving health 15
standards, curriculum, or revisions, its standing committee 16
having jurisdiction over education legislation shall conduct at 17
least one public hearing on the standards, curriculum, or 18
revisions. 19

Sec. 3301.0733. (A) Not later than December 31, 2026, the 20
department of education and workforce shall adopt standards for 21
food literacy education in grades kindergarten through twelve. 22
The department shall formulate the standards based on a review 23
of relevant and current national and state standards. The 24
standards shall include information that will provide students 25
with specific guidance on how to make informed healthy food 26
choices, including how to prepare meals and how food is grown. 27
The department may revise the standards consistent with this 28
section. 29

(B) Upon adoption of the food literacy standards, the 30
department shall, in a timely manner, post the standards, and 31
any revisions of the standards, to its publicly accessible web 32
site and provide the standards and any revisions to all school 33
districts, community schools established under Chapter 3314. of 34
the Revised Code, STEM schools established under Chapter 3326. 35
of the Revised Code, and college-preparatory boarding schools 36
established under Chapter 3328. of the Revised Code. Each 37
district and school shall post the provided standards and 38
revisions on its publicly accessible web site. Any district or 39
school may utilize the standards in its curriculum. A district 40
or school that does not utilize the standards in its curriculum 41
shall provide its students with a copy of, or access to, the 42
standards. 43

(C) Upon written request of a student's parent or 44
guardian, a district or school shall excuse the student from any 45
food literacy instruction aligned with the standards adopted by 46
the department. 47

Nothing in this section shall be construed to exempt a 48
student from the health education requirements or any other 49

<u>requirements for high school graduation under section 3313.603</u>	50
<u>of the Revised Code.</u>	51
Section 2. That existing section 3301.0718 of the Revised Code is hereby repealed.	52 53
Section 3. This act shall be known as the Food Literacy and Nutrition Education Act.	54 55