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A BILL

То	amend sections 145.07, 742.07, 3307.09, 3309.09,	1
	and 5505.04 of the Revised Code to require the	2
	state retirement systems to publicly broadcast	3
	board meetings.	4

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

Section 1. That sections 145.07, 742.07, 3307.09, 3309.09,	5
and 5505.04 of the Revised Code be amended to read as follows:	6
Sec. 145.07. (A) Each member of the public employees	7
retirement board, upon assuming office, shall take an oath that	8
the member will support the constitution of the United States	9
and the constitution of the state, and that the member will	10
diligently and honestly administer the affairs of the board and	11
that the member will not knowingly violate or willfully permit	12
to be violated any provision of this chapter. Such oath shall be	13
subscribed to by the member making it, and certified by the	14
officer before whom it is taken, and shall be immediately filed	15
in the office of the secretary of state.	16

(B) A majority of the members of the board constitutes a	17
quorum.—All—	18
(C) Except as otherwise provided in division (D) of this	19
section, all meetings of the board shall be open to the public	20
except executive . Each meeting shall be publicly broadcast at	21
the time it is conducted and archived on the web site of the	22
public employees retirement system for future public access and	23
use.	24
(D) Executive sessions as set forth in division (G) of	25
section 121.22 of the Revised Code, and any portions of any	26
sessions discussing medical records or the degree of disability	27
of a member excluded from public inspection by section 145.27 of	28
the Revised Code are not subject to division (C) of this	29
section.	30
Sec. 742.07. (A) Within three months after all of the	31
first appointed members of the board of trustees of the Ohio	32
police and fire pension fund have been appointed and qualified,	33
the governor shall call the first meeting of the board, and	34
thereafter meetings of the board shall be called in such manner	35
and at such times as the board prescribes, provided, that the	36
board shall meet at least four times annually. All	37
(B) Except as otherwise provided in division (C) of this	38
section, all meetings of the board shall be open to the public	39
except executive . Each meeting shall be publicly broadcast at	40
the time it is conducted and archived on the web site of the	41
Ohio police and fire pension fund for future public access and	42
use.	43
(C) Executive sessions as set forth in division (G) of	44
section 121.22 of the Revised Code, and any portions of any	45

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sessions discussing medical records or the degree of disability	46
of a member excluded from public inspection by section 742.41 of	47
the Revised Code are not subject to division (B) of this	48
section.	49
(D) At its first meeting the board shall organize by	50
electing from its membership a chairperson and a vice-	51
chairperson who shall serve for a term of one year. Annually	52
thereafter the board shall elect from its membership a	53
chairperson and a vice-chairperson for a term of one year.	54
(E) A majority of the full membership of the board shall	55
constitute a quorum.	56
Sec. 3307.09. (A) A majority of the members of the state	57
teachers retirement board constitutes a quorum for the	58
transaction of any business. All	59
(B) Except as otherwise provided in division (C) of this	60
section, all meetings of the board shall be open to the public	61
except executive . Each meeting shall be publicly broadcast at	62
the time it is conducted and archived on the web site of the	63
state teachers retirement system for future public access and	64
use.	65
(C) Executive sessions as set forth in division (G) of	66
section 121.22 of the Revised Code, and any portions of any	67
sessions discussing medical records or the degree of disability	68
of a member excluded from public inspection by section 3307.20	69
of the Revised Code are not subject to division (B) of this	70
section.	71
Sec. 3309.09. (A) A majority of the members of the school	72
employees retirement board constitutes a quorum for the	73
transaction of any business. Any action taken by the board shall	74

be approved by a majority of the members of the board. All	75
(B) Except as otherwise provided in division (C) of this	76
section, all meetings of the board shall be open to the public	77
except executive . Each meeting shall be publicly broadcast at	78
the time it is conducted and archived on the web site of the	79
school employees retirement system for future public access and	80
<u>use.</u>	81
(C) Executive sessions as set forth in division (G) of	82
section 121.22 of the Revised Code, and any portions of any	83
sessions discussing medical records or the degree of disability	84
of a member excluded from public inspection by section 3309.22	85
of the Revised Code are not subject to division (B) of this	86
section.	87
Sec. 5505.04. (A)(1) The general administration and	88
management of the state highway patrol retirement system and the	89
making effective of this chapter are hereby vested in the state	90
highway patrol retirement board. The board may sue and be sued,	91
plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with, and do	92
all things necessary to carry out this chapter.	93
The board shall consist of the following members:	94
(a) The superintendent of the state highway patrol;	95
(b) Two retirant members who reside in this state;	96
(c) Five employee-members;	97
(d) One member, known as the treasurer of state's	98
investment designee, who shall be appointed by the treasurer of	99
state for a term of four years and who shall have the following	100
qualifications:	
(i) The member is a resident of this state.	102

(ii) Within the three years immediately preceding the	103
appointment, the member has not been employed by the public	104
employees retirement system, police and fire pension fund, state	105
teachers retirement system, school employees retirement system,	106
or state highway patrol retirement system or by any person,	107
partnership, or corporation that has provided to one of those	108
retirement systems services of a financial or investment nature,	109
including the management, analysis, supervision, or investment	110
of assets.	111
(iii) The member has direct experience in the management,	112
analysis, supervision, or investment of assets.	113
(iv) The member is not currently employed by the state or	114
a political subdivision of the state.	115
(e) Two investment expert members, who shall be appointed	116
to four-year terms. One investment expert member shall be	117
appointed by the governor, and one investment expert member	118
shall be jointly appointed by the speaker of the house of	119
representatives and the president of the senate. Each investment	120
expert member shall have the following qualifications:	121
(i) Each investment expert member shall be a resident of	122
this state.	123
(ii) Within the three years immediately preceding the	124
appointment, each investment expert member shall not have been	125
employed by the public employees retirement system, police and	126
fire pension fund, state teachers retirement system, school	127
employees retirement system, or state highway patrol retirement	128
system or by any person, partnership, or corporation that has	129
provided to one of those retirement systems services of a	130
financial or investment nature, including the management,	131

analysis, supervision, or investment of assets.	132
(iii) Each investment expert member shall have direct	133
experience in the management, analysis, supervision, or	134
investment of assets.	135
(2) The board shall annually elect a chairperson and vice-	136
chairperson from among its members. The vice-chairperson shall	137
act as chairperson in the absence of the chairperson.	138
(3) A majority of the members of the board shall	139
constitute a quorum.	140
(4) The board shall meet not less than once each year,	141
upon sufficient notice to the members. All Except as provided in	142
division (A)(5) of this section, all meetings of the board shall	143
be open to the public-except executive . Each meeting shall be	144
publicly broadcast at the time it is conducted and archived on	145
the web site of the state highway patrol retirement system for	146
future public access and use.	147
(5) Executive sessions as set forth in division (G) of	148
section 121.22 of the Revised Code, and any portions of any	149
sessions discussing medical records or the degree of disability	150
of a member excluded from public inspection by this section are	151
not subject to division (A)(4) of this section.	152
$\frac{(3)}{(6)}$ Any member appointed under this section shall hold	153
office until the end of the member's term or, if later, the date	154
the member's successor takes office.	155
(B) The attorney general shall prescribe procedures for	156
the adoption of rules authorized under this chapter, consistent	157
with the provision of section 111.15 of the Revised Code under	158
which all rules shall be filed in order to be effective. Such	159
procedures shall establish methods by which notice of proposed	160

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rules are given to interested parties and rules adopted by the	161
board published and otherwise made available. When it files a	162
rule with the joint committee on agency rule review pursuant to	163
section 111.15 of the Revised Code, the board shall submit to	164
the Ohio retirement study council a copy of the full text of the	165
rule, and if applicable, a copy of the rule summary and fiscal	166
analysis required by division (B) of section 106.024 of the	167
Revised Code.	168
(C)(1) As used in this division, "personal history record"	169
means information maintained by the board on an individual who	170
is a member, former member, retirant, or beneficiary that	171
includes the address, electronic mail address, telephone number,	172
social security number, record of contributions, correspondence	173
with the system, and other information the board determines to	174
be confidential.	175
(2) The records of the board shall be open to public	176
inspection and may be made available in printed or electronic	177
format, except for the following which shall be excluded: the	178
member's, former member's, retirant's, or beneficiary's personal	179
history record and the amount of a monthly allowance or benefit	180
paid to a retirant, beneficiary, or survivor, except with the	181
written authorization of the individual concerned.	182
(D) All medical reports and recommendations are privileged	183
except as follows:	184
(1) Copies of such medical reports or recommendations	185
shall be made available to the individual's personal physician,	186
attorney, or authorized agent upon written release received from	187
such individual or such individual's agent, or when necessary	188
for the proper administration of the fund to the board-assigned	189

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physician.

(2) Documentation required by section 2929.193 of the	191
Revised Code shall be provided to a court holding a hearing	192
under that section.	193
(E) Notwithstanding the exceptions to public inspection in	194
division (C)(2) of this section, the board may furnish the	195
following information:	196
(1) If a member, former member, or retirant is subject to	197
an order issued under section 2907.15 of the Revised Code or an	198
order issued under division (A) or (B) of section 2929.192 of	199
the Revised Code or is convicted of or pleads guilty to a	200
violation of section 2921.41 of the Revised Code, on written	201
request of a prosecutor as defined in section 2935.01 of the	202
Revised Code, the board shall furnish to the prosecutor the	203
information requested from the individual's personal history	204
record.	205
(2) Pursuant to a court order issued under Chapters 3119.,	206
3121., and 3123. of the Revised Code, the board shall furnish to	207
a court or child support enforcement agency the information	208
required under those chapters.	209
(3) At the written request of any nonprofit organization	210
or association providing services to retirement system members,	211
retirants, or beneficiaries, the board shall provide to the	212
organization or association a list of the names and addresses of	213
members, former members, retirants, or beneficiaries if the	214
organization or association agrees to use such information	215
solely in accordance with its stated purpose of providing	216
services to such individuals and not for the benefit of other	217
persons, organizations, or associations. The costs of compiling,	218
copying, and mailing the list shall be paid by such entity.	219

(4) Within fourteen days after receiving from the director	220
of job and family services a list of the names and social	221
security numbers of recipients of public assistance pursuant to	222
section 5101.181 of the Revised Code, the board shall inform the	223
auditor of state of the name, current or most recent employer	224
address, and social security number of each member whose name	225
and social security number are the same as those of a person	226
whose name or social security number was submitted by the	227
director. The board and its employees, except for purposes of	228
furnishing the auditor of state with information required by	229
this section, shall preserve the confidentiality of recipients	230
of public assistance in compliance with section 5101.181 of the	231
Revised Code.	232
(5) The system shall comply with orders issued under	233
section 3105.87 of the Revised Code.	234
section 3103.07 of the Nevisca coae.	234
On the written request of an alternate payee, as defined	235
in section 3105.80 of the Revised Code, the system shall furnish	236
to the alternate payee information on the amount and status of	237
any amounts payable to the alternate payee under an order issued	238
under section 3105.171 or 3105.65 of the Revised Code.	239
(6) At the request of any person, the board shall make	240
available to the person copies of all documents, including	241
resumes, in the board's possession regarding filling a vacancy	242
of an employee member or retirant member of the board. The	243
person who made the request shall pay the cost of compiling,	244
copying, and mailing the documents. The information described in	245
this division is a public record.	246
(7) The system shall provide the notice required by	247
section 5505.263 of the Revised Code to the prosecutor assigned	248

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to the case.

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(8) The system may provide information requested by the	250
United States social security administration, United States	251
centers for medicare and medicaid, public employees retirement	252
system, Ohio public employees deferred compensation program,	253
Ohio police and fire pension fund, school employees retirement	254
system, state teachers retirement system, or Cincinnati	255
retirement system.	256
(F) A statement that contains information obtained from	257
the system's records that is certified and signed by an officer	258
of the retirement system and to which the system's official seal	259
is affixed, or copies of the system's records to which the	260
signature and seal are attached, shall be received as true	261
copies of the system's records in any court or before any	262
officer of this state.	263
(G) The board may maintain records in printed or	264
electronic format.	265
Section 2. That existing sections 145.07, 742.07, 3307.09,	266
3309.09, and 5505.04 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.	267