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A BILL

| To amend section 2903.41 of the Revised Code to | 1 |
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| include certain child abuse-related offenses in | 2 |
| the violent offender database and to name the | 3 |
| act Jacob's Law. | 4 |

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

| Section 1. That section 2903.41 of the Revised Code be | 5 |
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| amended to read as follows: | 6 |
| Sec. 2903.41. As used in sections 2903.41 to 2903.44 of | 7 |
| the Revised Code: | 8 |
| (A) "Violent offender" means any of the following: | 9 |
| (1) A person who on or after the effective date of this | 10 |
| section is convicted of or pleads guilty to any of the | 11 |
| following: | 12 |
| (a) A violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, <u>or</u> | 13 |

| 2905.01 of the Revised Code or a violation of section 2905.02 of | 14 |
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| the Revised Code that is a felony of the second degree; | 15 |
| (b) <u>A violation of section 2903.15 or 2919.25 of the</u> | 16 |
| Revised Code that was committed when the offender was eighteen | 17 |
| years of age or older and that involved a victim who was under | 18 |
| fourteen years of age at the time of the offense; | 19 |
| (c) Any attempt to commit, conspiracy to commit, or | 20 |
| complicity in committing any offense listed in division (A)(1) | 21 |
| (a) <u>or (b)</u> of this section. | 22 |
| (2) A person who on the effective date of this section has | 23 |
| been convicted of or pleaded guilty to an offense listed in | 24 |
| division (A)(1) of this section and is confined in a jail, | 25 |
| workhouse, state correctional institution, or other institution, | 26 |
| serving a prison term, term of imprisonment, or other term of | 27 |
| confinement for the offense. | 28 |
| (B) "Community control sanction," "jail," and "prison" | 29 |
| have the same meanings as in section 2929.01 of the Revised | 30 |
| Code. | 31 |
| (C) "Out-of-state violent offender" means a person who is | 32 |
| convicted of, pleads guilty to, has been convicted of, or has | 33 |
| pleaded guilty to a violation of any existing or former | 34 |
| municipal ordinance or law of another state or the United | 35 |
| States, or any existing or former law applicable in a military | 36 |
| court or in an Indian tribal court, that is or was substantially | 37 |
| equivalent to any offense listed in division (A)(1) of this | 38 |
| section. | 39 |
| (D) "Qualifying out-of-state violent offender" means an | 40 |
| out-of-state violent offender who is aware of the existence of | 41 |
| the violent offender database. | 42 |

(E) "Post-release control sanction" and "supervised release" have the same meanings as in section 2950.01 of the Revised Code.

(F) "Change of address" means a change to a violent offender's or out-of-state violent offender's residence address, employment address, or school or institution of higher education address.

(G) "Violent offender database" means the database of 50 violent offenders and out-of-state violent offenders that is 51 established and maintained by the bureau of criminal 52 identification and investigation under division (F)(2) of 53 section 2903.43 of the Revised Code, that is operated by 54 sheriffs under sections 2903.42 and 2903.43 of the Revised Code, 55 and for which sheriffs obtain information from violent offenders 56 and out-of-state violent offenders pursuant to sections 2903.42 57 and 2903.43 of the Revised Code. 58

(H) "Violent offender database duties" and "VOD duties" 59
mean the duty to enroll, duty to re-enroll, and duty to provide 60
notice of a change of address imposed on a violent offender or a 61
qualifying out-of-state violent offender under section 2903.42, 62
2903.421, 2903.43, or 2903.44 of the Revised Code. 63

(I) "Ten-year enrollment period" means, for a violent
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offender who has violent offender database duties pursuant to
section 2903.42 of the Revised Code or a qualifying out-of-state
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violent offender who has violent offender database duties
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pursuant to section 2903.421 of the Revised Code, ten years from
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the date on which the offender initially enrolls in the violent
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offender database.

(J) "Extended enrollment period" means, for a violent

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offender who has violent offender database duties pursuant to 72 section 2903.42 of the Revised Code or a qualifying out-of-state 73 violent offender who has violent offender database duties 74 pursuant to section 2903.421 of the Revised Code, the offender's 75 enrollment period as extended pursuant to division (D)(2) of 76 section 2903.43 of the Revised Code. 77 (K) "Prosecutor" means one of the following: 78 (1) As used in section 2903.42 of the Revised Code, the 79 office of the prosecuting attorney who handled a violent 80 offender's underlying case or the office of that prosecutor's 81 successor. 82 (2) As used in sections 2903.421, 2903.43, and 2903.44 of 83 the Revised Code, the office of the prosecuting attorney of the 84 county in which a violent offender resides or of the county in 85 which an out-of-state violent offender resides or occupies a 86 dwelling. 87 Section 2. That existing section 2903.41 of the Revised 88 89 Code is hereby repealed. Section 3. This act shall be known as Jacob's Law. 90 Section 4. Sections 1, 2, and 3 of this act take effect 91

six months after the effective date of this section. 92