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A BILL

То	amend sections 3301.17, 3313.6113, 3735.671,	1
	5709.82, 5709.83, and 5747.07 and to enact	2
	sections 3303.07, 3313.905, 3317.162, and	3
	5747.073 of the Revised Code with regard to	4
	career-technical education and the compensation	5
	of joint vocational school districts located in	6
	community reinvestment areas.	7

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

Section 1. That sections 3301.17, 3313.6113, 3735.671,	8
5709.82, 5709.83, and 5747.07 be amended and sections 3303.07,	9
3313.905, 3317.162, and 5747.073 of the Revised Code be enacted	10
to read as follows:	11
Sec. 3301.17. (A) The board of education of each city,	12
exempted village, local, and joint vocational school district	13
may make a driver education course available to high school	14
students enrolled in the district in accordance with Chapter	15
4508. of the Revised Code. No school district making such a	16
course available shall require any pupil <u>student</u> to enroll in	17
the course in lieu of taking a training course from a private	18

driver training school licensed under that chapter.

(B) The principal of each high school shall annually give 20 written notice to the pupils students enrolled in the high 21 school that they may elect, under a procedure that shall be 22 described in the notice, to take a training course from a 23 private driver training school or, if available, enroll in a 24 driver education course made available by the pupil's student's 25 school district of attendance. No pupil shall receive course 26 credit toward graduation for completing a driver education 27 course conducted by a school district under this section. 28 (C) Students who successfully complete a driver education 29 course offered by the student's school district of attendance 30 under this section may earn either: 31 (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in division 32 (C) (8) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code, up to one-half 33 unit towards high school elective credits that may substitute 34 for credits in the subjects listed under that division; 35 36 (2) An industry-recognized credential approved under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code. 37 (D) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in sections 38 3317.014, 3317.022, and 3317.16 of the Revised Code, a career-39 technical planning district, as defined in section 3317.023 of 40 the Revised Code, may use a portion of the career-technical 41 education funds received under section 3317.022 or 3317.16 of 42 the Revised Code to make a driver education course available to 43 high school students enrolled in the district. 44 Sec. 3303.07. (A) As used in this section: 45 (1) "Lead district" has the same meaning as in section 46

3317.023 of the Revised Code;

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(2) "Ohio technical center" has the same meaning as in	48
section 3333.94 of the Revised Code.	49
(B) The department of education shall establish the	50
student pathways for career success grant program to provide	51
grants to lead districts and Ohio technical centers for the	52
purpose of improving or expanding upon career-technical	53
education programming that meets state or regional workforce	54
needs.	55
(C) The state board of education shall adopt rules in	56
accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to administer	57
the program that address all of the following:	58
(1) Grant eligibility requirements;	59
(2) Grant application forms and procedures, including	60
reapplication procedures;	61
(3) Any other rules the state board considers necessary	62
for the operation of the program.	63
(D) When adopting rules under division (C) of this	64
section, the state board may prioritize the awarding of grants	65
for career-technical education programs that prepare students	66
for occupations included in the list of in-demand jobs created	67
under section 6301.11 of the Revised Code.	68
Sec. 3313.6113. (A) The superintendent of public	69
instruction, in collaboration with the governor's office of	70
workforce transformation and representatives of business	71
organizations, shall establish a committee to develop a list of	72
industry-recognized credentials and licenses that may be used to	73
qualify for a high school diploma under division (A)(3) of	74
section 3313.618 of the Revised Code and shall be used for state	75
report card purposes under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code.	76

The state superintendent shall appoint the members of the	77
committee not later than January 1, 2018.	78
(B) The committee shall do the following:	79
(1) Establish criteria for acceptable industry-recognized	80
credentials and licenses aligned with the in-demand jobs list	81
published by the department of job and family services;	82
(2) Review the list of industry-recognized credentials and	83
licenses that was in existence on January 1, 2018, and update	84
the list as it considers necessary;	85
(3) Review and update the list of industry-recognized	86
credentials and licenses at least biennially;	87
(4) Update the list of industry-recognized credentials to	88
include a driver's license obtained by a student through a	89
driver education course offered by a school district in	90
accordance with section 3301.17 of the Revised Code.	91
Sec. 3313.905. (A) As used in this section, "digital	92
learning" has the same meaning as in section 3301.079 of the	93
Revised Code.	94
(B) The state board of education shall permit each career-	95
technical education program approved under section 3317.161 of	96
the Revised Code to provide remote or digital learning	97
opportunities to students on a full-time or hybrid basis to the	98
extent practicable.	99
Sec. 3317.162. (A) As used in this section, "JobsOhio" has	100
the same meaning as in section 187.01 of the Revised Code.	101
(B) The governor's office of workforce transformation, in	102
collaboration with the department of education, the chancellor	103
of higher education, and JobsOhio, shall create a program that	104

establishes financial incentives for Ohio businesses to provide	105
work-based learning experiences for students enrolled in a	106
career-technical education program approved under section	107
3317.161 of the Revised Code.	108
(C) To qualify for the financial incentives of the program	109
created under this section, a business's work-based learning	110
experiences shall align with the framework developed by the	111
department under division (J)(3) of section 3313.603 of the	112
Revised Code and with the applicable minor labor laws under	113
section 4109.02 of the Revised Code.	114
Sec. 3735.671. (A) If construction or remodeling of	115
commercial or industrial property is to be exempted from	116
taxation pursuant to section 3735.67 of the Revised Code, the	117
legislative authority and the owner of the property, prior to	118
the commencement of construction or remodeling, shall enter into	119
a written agreement, binding on both parties for a period of	120
time that does not end prior to the end of the period of the	121
exemption, that includes all of the information and statements	122
prescribed by this section. Agreements may include terms not	123
prescribed by this section, but such terms shall in no way	124
derogate from the information and statements prescribed by this	125
section.	126
(1) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(2) or (3)	127

(1) Except as otherwise provided in division (x)(2) of (3)127of this section, an agreement entered into under this section128shall not be approved by the legislative authority unless the129board of education of the city, local, or exempted village130school district within the territory of which the property is or131will be located approves the agreement. For the purpose of132obtaining such approval, the legislative authority shall certify133a copy of the agreement to the board of education not later than134

forty-five days prior to approving the agreement, excluding 135 Saturday, Sunday, and a legal holiday as defined in section 1.14 136 of the Revised Code. The board of education, by resolution 137 adopted by a majority of the board, shall approve or disapprove 138 the agreement and certify a copy of the resolution to the 139 legislative authority not later than fourteen days prior to the 140 date stipulated by the legislative authority as the date upon 141 which approval of the agreement is to be formally considered by 142 the legislative authority. The board of education may include in 143 the resolution conditions under which the board would approve 144 the agreement. The legislative authority may approve an 145 agreement at any time after the board of education certifies its 146 resolution approving the agreement to the legislative authority, 147 or, if the board approves the agreement conditionally, at any 148 time after the conditions are agreed to by the board and the 149 legislative authority. 150

(2) Approval of an agreement by the board of education is 151 not required under division (A)(1) of this section if, for each 152 tax year the real property is exempted from taxation, the sum of 153 the following quantities, as estimated at or prior to the time 154 the agreement is formally approved by the legislative authority, 155 equals or exceeds fifty per cent of the amount of taxes, as 156 estimated at or prior to that time, that would have been charged 157 and payable that year upon the real property had that property 158 not been exempted from taxation: 159

(a) The amount of taxes charged and payable on any portion
of the assessed valuation of the new structure or of the
increased assessed valuation of an existing structure after
remodeling began that will not be exempted from taxation under
the agreement;

(b) The amount of taxes charged and payable on tangible
personal property located on the premises of the new structure
or of the structure to be remodeled under the agreement, whether
payable by the owner of the structure or by a related member, as
defined in section 5733.042 of the Revised Code without regard
to division (B) of that section.

(c) The amount of any cash payment by the owner of the new 171 structure or structure to be remodeled to the school district, 172 the dollar value, as mutually agreed to by the owner and the 173 board of education, of any property or services provided by the 174 owner of the property to the school district, whether by gift, 175 loan, or otherwise, and any payment by the legislative authority 176 to the school district pursuant to section 5709.82 of the 177 Revised Code. 178

The estimates of quantities used for purposes of division 179 (A) (2) of this section shall be estimated by the legislative 180 authority. The legislative authority shall certify to the board 181 of education that the estimates have been made in good faith. 182 Departures of the actual quantities from the estimates 183 subsequent to approval of the agreement by the board of 184 education do not invalidate the agreement. 185

(3) If a board of education has adopted a resolution 186 waiving its right to approve agreements and the resolution 187 remains in effect, approval of an agreement by the board is not 188 required under this division. If a board of education has 189 adopted a resolution allowing a legislative authority to deliver 190 the notice required under this division fewer than forty-five 191 business days prior to the legislative authority's execution of 192 the agreement, the legislative authority shall deliver the 193 notice to the board not later than the number of days prior to 194

such execution as prescribed by the board in its resolution. If 195 a board of education adopts a resolution waiving its right to 196 approve agreements or shortening the notification period, the 197 board shall certify a copy of the resolution to the legislative 198 authority. If the board of education rescinds such a resolution, 199 it shall certify notice of the rescission to the legislative 200 authority. 201

(4) If the owner of the property or the legislative202authority agree to make any payment to the school district as203described in division (A) (2) (c) of this section, the owner or204legislative authority shall agree to make payments to the joint205vocational school district within which the property is located206at the same rate or amount and under the same terms received by207the city, local, or exempted village school district.208

(B) Each agreement shall include the following 209information: 210

(1) The names of all parties to the agreement;

(2) A description of the remodeling or construction, 212 whether or not to be exempted from taxation, including existing 213 or new structure size and cost thereof; the value of machinery, 214 equipment, furniture, and fixtures, including an itemization of 215 the value of machinery, equipment, furniture, and fixtures used 216 at another location in this state prior to the agreement and 217 relocated or to be relocated from that location to the property, 218 and the value of machinery, equipment, furniture, and fixtures 219 at the facility prior to the execution of the agreement; the 220 value of inventory at the property, including an itemization of 221 the value of inventory held at another location in this state 222 prior to the agreement and relocated or to be relocated from 223 that location to the property, and the value of inventory held 224

at the property prior to the execution of the agreement; 225 (3) The scheduled starting and completion dates of 226 remodeling or construction of real property or of investments 227 made in machinery, equipment, furniture, fixtures, and 228 inventory; 229 (4) Estimates of the number of employee positions to be 230 created each year of the agreement and of the number of employee 231 positions retained by the owner due to the remodeling or 232 construction, itemized as to the number of full-time, part-time, 233 permanent, and temporary positions; 234 (5) Estimates of the dollar amount of payroll attributable 235 to the positions set forth in division (B)(4) of this section, 236 similarly itemized; 237 (6) The number of employee positions, if any, at the 238 property and at any other location in this state at the time the 239 agreement is executed, itemized as to the number of full-time, 240 part-time, permanent, and temporary positions. 241 (C) Each agreement shall set forth the following 242 information and incorporate the following statements: 243 (1) A description of real property to be exempted from 244 taxation under the agreement, the percentage of the assessed 245 valuation of the real property exempted from taxation, and the 246 period for which the exemption is granted, accompanied by the 247 statement: "The exemption commences the first year for which the 248 real property would first be taxable were that property not 249 exempted from taxation. No exemption shall commence after 250 (insert date) nor extend beyond _____ (insert 251 date)." 252

(2) "_____ (insert name of owner) shall pay such real 253

property taxes as are not exempted under this agreement and are 254 charged against such property and shall file all tax reports and 255 returns as required by law. If (insert name of owner) 256 fails to pay such taxes or file such returns and reports, 257 exemptions from taxation granted under this agreement are 2.58 rescinded beginning with the year for which such taxes are 259 charged or such reports or returns are required to be filed and 260 thereafter." 261

(3) "_____ (insert name of owner) hereby certifies 262 that at the time this agreement is executed, (insert 263 name of owner) does not owe any delinquent real or tangible 264 personal property taxes to any taxing authority of the State of 265 Ohio, and does not owe delinquent taxes for which 266 (insert name of owner) is liable under Chapter 5733., 5735., 267 5739., 5741., 5743., 5747., or 5753. of the Ohio Revised Code, 268 or, if such delinquent taxes are owed, (insert name 269 of owner) currently is paying the delinquent taxes pursuant to 270 an undertaking enforceable by the State of Ohio or an agent or 271 instrumentality thereof, has filed a petition in bankruptcy 272 under 11 U.S.C.A. 101, et seq., or such a petition has been 273 filed against (insert name of owner). For the 274 purposes of this certification, delinquent taxes are taxes that 275 remain unpaid on the latest day prescribed for payment without 276 penalty under the chapter of the Revised Code governing payment 277 of those taxes." 278

(4) "______ (insert name of municipal corporation or 279 county) shall perform such acts as are reasonably necessary or 280 appropriate to effect, claim, reserve, and maintain exemptions 281 from taxation granted under this agreement including, without 282 limitation, joining in the execution of all documentation and 283 providing any necessary certificates required in connection with 284

such exemptions."

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(5) "If for any reason (insert name of	286
municipal corporation or county) revokes the designation of the	287
area, entitlements granted under this agreement shall continue	288
for the number of years specified under this agreement, unless	289
(insert name of owner) materially fails to fulfill	290
its obligations under this agreement and	291
(insert name of municipal corporation or county) terminates or	292
modifies the exemptions from taxation pursuant to this	293
agreement."	294
(6) "If (insert name of owner) materially fails	295
to fulfill its obligations under this agreement, or if	296
(insert name of municipal corporation or county)	297
determines that the certification as to delinquent taxes	298
required by this agreement is fraudulent, (insert	299
name of municipal corporation or county) may terminate or modify	300
the exemptions from taxation granted under this agreement."	301
(7) " (insert name of owner) shall provide to	302
the proper tax incentive review council any information	303
reasonably required by the council to evaluate the applicant's	304
compliance with the agreement, including returns filed pursuant	305
to section 5711.02 of the Ohio Revised Code if requested by the	306
council."	307
(8) "This agreement is not transferable or assignable	308
without the express, written approval of (insert name	309
of municipal corporation or county)."	310
(9) "Exemptions from taxation granted under this agreement	311
shall be revoked if it is determined that (insert	312
name of owner), any successor to that person, or any related	313

member (as those terms are defined in division (E) of section3143735.671 of the Ohio Revised Code) has violated the prohibition315against entering into this agreement under division (E) of316section 3735.671 or section 5709.62 or 5709.63 of the Ohio317Revised Code prior to the time prescribed by that division or318either of those sections."319

(10) "_____ (insert name of owner) and _____ 320 (insert name of municipal corporation or county) acknowledge 321 that this agreement must be approved by formal action of the 322 legislative authority of _____ (insert name of municipal 323 corporation or county) as a condition for the agreement to take 324 effect. This agreement takes effect upon such approval." 325

The statement described in division (C)(6) of this section 326 may include the following statement, appended at the end of the 327 statement: ", and may require the repayment of the amount of 328 taxes that would have been payable had the property not been 329 exempted from taxation under this agreement." If the agreement 330 includes a statement requiring repayment of exempted taxes, it 331 also may authorize the legislative authority to secure repayment 332 of such taxes by a lien on the exempted property in the amount 333 required to be repaid. Such a lien shall attach, and may be 334 perfected, collected, and enforced, in the same manner as a 335 mortgage lien on real property, and shall otherwise have the 336 same force and effect as a mortgage lien on real property. 337

(D) Except as otherwise provided in this division, an 338 agreement entered into under this section shall require that the 339 owner pay an annual fee equal to the greater of one per cent of 340 the amount of taxes exempted under the agreement or five hundred 341 dollars; provided, however, that if the value of the incentives 342 exceeds two hundred fifty thousand dollars, the fee shall not 343

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exceed two thousand five hundred dollars. The fee shall be 344 payable to the legislative authority once per year for each year 345 the agreement is effective on the days and in the form specified 346 in the agreement. Fees paid shall be deposited in a special fund 347 created for such purpose by the legislative authority and shall 348 be used by the legislative authority exclusively for the purpose 349 of complying with section 3735.672 of the Revised Code and by 350 the tax incentive review council created under section 5709.85 351 of the Revised Code exclusively for the purposes of performing 352 the duties prescribed under that section. The legislative 353 authority may waive or reduce the amount of the fee, but such 354 waiver or reduction does not affect the obligations of the 355 legislative authority or the tax incentive review council to 356 comply with section 3735.672 or 5709.85 of the Revised Code. 357

(E) If any person that is party to an agreement granting 358 an exemption from taxation discontinues operations at the 359 structure to which that exemption applies prior to the 360 expiration of the term of the agreement, that person, any 361 successor to that person, and any related member shall not enter 362 into an agreement under this section or section 5709.62, 363 364 5709.63, or 5709.632 of the Revised Code, and no legislative authority shall enter into such an agreement with such a person, 365 successor, or related member, prior to the expiration of five 366 years after the discontinuation of operations. As used in this 367 division, "successor" means a person to which the assets or 368 equity of another person has been transferred, which transfer 369 resulted in the full or partial nonrecognition of gain or loss, 370 or resulted in a carryover basis, both as determined by rule 371 adopted by the tax commissioner. "Related member" has the same 372 meaning as defined in section 5733.042 of the Revised Code 373 without regard to division (B) of that section. 374

The director of development services shall review all 375 agreements submitted to the director under division (F) of this 376 section for the purpose of enforcing this division. If the 377 director determines there has been a violation of this division, 378 the director shall notify the legislative authority of such 379 violation, and the legislative authority immediately shall 380 revoke the exemption granted under the agreement. 381 (F) When an agreement is entered into under this section, 382

the legislative authority authorizing the agreement shall 383 forward a copy of the agreement to the director of development 384 services within fifteen days after the agreement is entered 385 into. 386

Sec. 5709.82.	. (A) As used in this section:	387
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(1) "New employee" means both of the following: 388

(a) Persons employed in the construction of real property 389
exempted from taxation under the chapters or sections of the 390
Revised Code enumerated in division (B) of this section; 391

(b) Persons not described by division (A)(1)(a) of this 392 section who are first employed at the site of such property and 393 who within the two previous years have not been subject, prior 394 to being employed at that site, to income taxation by the 395 municipal corporation within whose territory the site is located 396 on income derived from employment for the person's current 397 employer. "New employee" does not include any person who 398 replaces a person who is not a new employee under division (A) 399 (1) of this section. 400

(2) "Infrastructure costs" means costs incurred by a
municipal corporation in a calendar year to acquire, construct,
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reconstruct, improve, plan, or equip real or tangible personal
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property that directly benefits or will directly benefit the 404 exempted property. If the municipal corporation finances the 405 acquisition, construction, reconstruction, improvement, 406 planning, or equipping of real or tangible personal property 407 that directly benefits the exempted property by issuing debt, 408 "infrastructure costs" means the annual debt charges incurred by 409 the municipal corporation from the issuance of such debt. Real 410 or tangible personal property directly benefits exempted 411 property only if the exempted property places or will place 412 direct, additional demand on the real or tangible personal 413 property for which such costs were or will be incurred. 414 (3) "Taxing unit" has the same meaning as in division (H) 415 of section 5705.01 of the Revised Code. 416 (B) (1) Except as otherwise provided under division (C) of 417 this section, the legislative authority of any political 418 subdivision that has acted under the authority of Chapter 725. 419 or 1728., sections 3735.65 to 3735.70, or section 5709.40, 420 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632, 5709.73, 5709.78, 421 5709.84, or 5709.88 of the Revised Code to grant an exemption 422 from taxation for real or tangible personal property may 423 negotiate with the board of education of each city, local, 424 425 exempted village, or joint vocational school district or other taxing unit within the territory of which the exempted property 426 427 is located, and enter into an agreement whereby the school district or taxing unit is compensated for tax revenue foregone 428 by the school district or taxing unit as a result of the 429 exemption. Except as otherwise provided in division (B)(1) of 430 this section, if a political subdivision enters into more than 431 one agreement under this section with respect to a tax 432 exemption, the political subdivision shall provide to each 433 school district or taxing unit with which it contracts the same 434

percentage of tax revenue foregone by the school district or 435 taxing unit, which may be based on a good faith projection made 436 at the time the exemption is granted. Such percentage shall be 437 calculated on the basis of amounts paid by the political 438 subdivision and any amounts paid by an owner under division (B) 439 (2) of this section. A political subdivision may provide a 440 school district or other taxing unit with a smaller percentage 441 of foregone tax revenue than that provided to other school 442 districts or taxing units only if the school district or taxing 443 unit expressly consents in the agreement to receiving a smaller 444 percentage. If a subdivision has acted under the authority of 445 section 3735.671, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.62, 5709.63, 446 5709.632, 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the Revised Code and enters 447 into a compensation agreement with a city, local, or exempted 448 village school district, the subdivision shall provide 449 compensation to the joint vocational school district within the 450 territory of which the exempted property is located at the same 451 rate and under the same terms as received by the city, local, or 452 exempted village school district. 453

(2) An owner of property exempted from taxation under the 454 authority described in division (B)(1) of this section may, by 455 becoming a party to an agreement described in division (B)(1) of 456 this section or by entering into a separate agreement with a 457 school district or other taxing unit, agree to compensate the 458 school district or taxing unit by paying cash or by providing 459 property or services by gift, loan, or otherwise. If the owner's 460 property is exempted under the authority of section <u>3735.671</u>, 461 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632, 5709.73, 462 or 5709.78 of the Revised Code and the owner enters into a 463 compensation agreement with a city, local, or exempted village 464 school district, the owner shall provide compensation to the 465

joint vocational school district within the territory of which 466 the owner's property is located at the same rate and under the 467 same terms as received by the city, local, or exempted village 468 school district. 469

(C) This division does not apply to the following:

(1) The legislative authority of a municipal corporation
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that has acted under the authority of division (H) of section
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715.70 or division (U) of section 715.72 of the Revised Code to
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consent to the granting of an exemption from taxation for real
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or tangible personal property in a joint economic development
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district.

(2) The legislative authority of a municipal corporation 477 that has specified in an ordinance adopted under section 478 5709.40, 5709.41, or 5709.45 of the Revised Code that payments 479 in lieu of taxes provided for under section 5709.42 or 5709.46 480 of the Revised Code shall be paid to the city, local, or 481 exempted village school district in which the improvements are 482 located in the amount of taxes that would have been payable to 483 the school district if the improvements had not been exempted 484 from taxation, as directed in the ordinance. 485

If the legislative authority of any municipal corporation 486 has acted under the authority of Chapter 725. or 1728. or 487 section 3735.671, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.62, 5709.63, 488 5709.632, or 5709.88, or a housing officer under section 3735.67 489 of the Revised Code, to grant or consent to the granting of an 490 exemption from taxation for real or tangible personal property 491 on or after July 1, 1994, the municipal corporation imposes a 492 tax on incomes, and the payroll of new employees resulting from 493 the exercise of that authority equals or exceeds one million 494 dollars in any tax year for which such property is exempted, the 495

legislative authority and the board of education of each city, 496 local, or exempted village school district within the territory 497 of which the exempted property is located shall attempt to 498 negotiate an agreement providing for compensation to the school 499 district for all or a portion of the tax revenue the school 500 district would have received had the property not been exempted 501 502 from taxation. The agreement may include as a party the owner of the property exempted or to be exempted from taxation and may 503 include provisions obligating the owner to compensate the school 504 district by paying cash or providing property or services by 505 qift, loan, or otherwise. Such an obligation is enforceable by 506 the board of education of the school district pursuant to the 507 terms of the agreement. 508

If the legislative authority and board of education fail to negotiate an agreement that is mutually acceptable within six months of formal approval by the legislative authority of the instrument granting the exemption, the legislative authority shall compensate the school district in the amount and manner prescribed by division (D) of this section.

(D) Annually, the legislative authority of a municipal 515 corporation subject to this division shall pay to the city, 516 local, or exempted village school district within the territory 517 of which the exempted property is located an amount equal to 518 fifty per cent of the difference between the amount of taxes 519 levied and collected by the municipal corporation on the incomes 520 of new employees in the calendar year ending on the day the 521 payment is required to be made, and the amount of any 522 infrastructure costs incurred in that calendar year. For 523 purposes of such computation, the amount of infrastructure costs 524 shall not exceed thirty-five per cent of the amount of those 525 taxes unless the board of education of the school district, by 526

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resolution adopted by a majority of the board, approves an 527 amount in excess of that percentage. If the amount of those 528 taxes or infrastructure costs must be estimated at the time the 529 payment is made, payments in subsequent years shall be adjusted 530 to compensate for any departure of those estimates from the 531 actual amount of those taxes. 532

A municipal corporation required to make a payment under 533 this section shall make the payment from its general fund or a 534 special fund established for the purpose. The payment is payable 535 on the thirty-first day of December of the tax year for or in 536 which the exemption from taxation commences and on that day for 537 each subsequent tax year property is exempted and the 538 legislative authority and board fail to negotiate an acceptable 539 agreement under division (C) of this section. 540

Sec. 5709.83. (A) Except as otherwise provided in division 541 (B) or (C) of this section, prior to taking formal action to 542 adopt or enter into any instrument granting a tax exemption 543 under section 725.02, 1728.06, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 544 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632, 5709.73, 5709.78, 5709.84, or 545 546 5709.88 of the Revised Code or formally approving an agreement under section 3735.671 of the Revised Code, or prior to 547 forwarding an application for a tax exemption for residential 548 property under section 3735.67 of the Revised Code to the county 549 auditor, the legislative authority of the political subdivision 550 or housing officer shall notify the board of education of each 551 city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school 552 district in which the proposed tax-exempted property is located. 553 The notice shall include a copy of the instrument or 554 application. The notice shall be delivered not later than 555 fourteen days prior to the day the legislative authority takes 556 formal action to adopt or enter into the instrument, or not 557

later than fourteen days prior to the day the housing officer 558 forwards the application to the county auditor. If the board of 559 education comments on the instrument or application to the 560 legislative authority or housing officer, the legislative 561 authority or housing officer shall consider the comments. If the 562 board of education of the city, local, exempted village, or 563 564 joint vocational school district so requests, the legislative authority or the housing officer shall meet in person with a 565 representative designated by the board of education to discuss 566 the terms of the instrument or application. 567

(B) The notice otherwise required to be provided to boards 568 of education under division (A) of this section is not required 569 if the board has adopted a resolution waiving its right to 570 receive such notices, and that resolution remains in effect. If 571 a board of education adopts such a resolution, the board shall 572 cause a copy of the resolution to be certified to the 573 legislative authority. If the board of education rescinds such a 574 resolution, it shall certify notice of the rescission to the 575 legislative authority. A board of education may adopt such a 576 resolution with respect to any one or more counties, townships, 577 or municipal corporations situated in whole or in part within 578 the school district. 579

(C) If a legislative authority is required to provide 580 notice to a city, local, or exempted village school district of 581 its intent to grant such an exemption adopt or enter into any 582 instrument granting a tax exemption as required by section 583 3735.671, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632, 584 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the Revised Code, the legislative 585 authority, before adopting a resolution or ordinance or entering 586 into an agreement under that section, shall notify the board of 587 education of each joint vocational school district in which the 588

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property to be exempted is located using the same time589requirements for the notice that applies to notices to city,590local, and exempted village school districts. The content of the591notice and procedures for responding to the notice are the same592as required in division (A) of this section.593

Sec. 5747.07. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Partial weekly withholding period" means a period 595 during which an employer directly, indirectly, or constructively 596 pays compensation to, or credits compensation to the benefit of, 597 an employee, and that consists of a consecutive Saturday, 598 Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday or a consecutive Wednesday, 599 Thursday, and Friday. There are two partial weekly withholding 600 periods each week, except that a partial weekly withholding 601 period cannot extend from one calendar year into the next 602 calendar year; if the first day of January falls on a day other 603 than Saturday or Wednesday, the partial weekly withholding 604 period ends on the thirty-first day of December and there are 605 three partial weekly withholding periods during that week. 606

(2) "Undeposited taxes" means the taxes an employer is
frequired to deduct and withhold from an employee's compensation
pursuant to section 5747.06 of the Revised Code that have not
been remitted to the tax commissioner pursuant to this section
or to the treasurer of state pursuant to section 5747.072 of the
Revised Code.

(3) A "week" begins on Saturday and concludes at the end of the following Friday.

(4) "Client employer," "professional employer
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 and "professional employer organization reporting entity" have
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the same meanings as in section 4125.01 of the Revised Code. 618

(B) Except as provided in divisions (C) and (D) of this section<u>and in</u>, division (A) of section 5747.072, and section <u>5747.073</u> of the Revised Code, every employer required to deduct and withhold any amount under section 5747.06 of the Revised Code shall file a return and shall pay the amount required by law as follows:

(1) An employer who accumulates or is required to 625 accumulate undeposited taxes of one hundred thousand dollars or 626 more during a partial weekly withholding period shall make the 627 payment of the undeposited taxes by the close of the first 628 banking day after the day on which the accumulation reaches one 629 hundred thousand dollars. If required under division (I) of this 630 section, the payment shall be made by electronic funds transfer 631 under section 5747.072 of the Revised Code. 632

(2) Except as required by division (B)(1) of this section, 633 an employer whose actual or required payments under this section 634 were at least eighty-four thousand dollars during the twelve-635 month period ending on the thirtieth day of June of the 636 preceding calendar year shall make the payment of undeposited 637 taxes within three banking days after the close of a partial 638 weekly withholding period during which the employer was required 639 to deduct and withhold any amount under this chapter. If 640 required under division (I) of this section, the payment shall 641 be made by electronic funds transfer under section 5747.072 of 642 the Revised Code. 643

(3) Except as required by divisions (B) (1) and (2) of this
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section, if an employer's actual or required payments were more
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employer shall make the payment of undeposited taxes for each648month during which they were required to be withheld no later649than fifteen days following the last day of that month. The650employer shall file the return prescribed by the tax651commissioner with the payment.652

(4) Except as required by divisions (B) (1), (2), and (3)
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(C) The return and payment schedules prescribed by
divisions (B) (1) and (2) of this section do not apply to the
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arising from taxes levied pursuant to Chapter 5748. of the
Revised Code. Undeposited school district income taxes shall be
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returned and paid pursuant to divisions (B) (3) and (4) of this
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section, as applicable.

(D)(1) The requirements of division (B) of this section 667 are met if the amount paid is not less than ninety-five per cent 668 of the actual tax withheld or required to be withheld for the 669 prior quarterly, monthly, or partial weekly withholding period, 670 and the underpayment is not due to willful neglect. Any 671 underpayment of withheld tax shall be paid within thirty days of 672 the date on which the withheld tax was due without regard to 673 division (D)(1) of this section. An employer described in 674 division (B)(1) or (2) of this section shall make the payment by 675 electronic funds transfer under section 5747.072 of the Revised 676 Code. 677

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(2) If the tax commissioner believes that quarterly or 678 monthly payments would result in a delay that might jeopardize 679 the remittance of withholding payments, the commissioner may 680 order that the payments be made weekly, or more frequently if 681 necessary, and the payments shall be made no later than three 682 banking days following the close of the period for which the 683 jeopardy order is made. An order requiring weekly or more 684 frequent payments shall be delivered to the employer personally 685 or by certified mail and remains in effect until the 686 commissioner notifies the employer to the contrary. 687

688 (3) If compelling circumstances exist concerning the remittance of undeposited taxes, the commissioner may order the 689 employer to make payments under any of the payment schedules 690 under division (B) of this section. The order shall be delivered 691 to the employer personally or by certified mail and shall remain 692 in effect until the commissioner notifies the employer to the 693 contrary. For purposes of division (D)(3) of this section, 694 "compelling circumstances" exist if either or both of the 695 following are true: 696

(a) Based upon annualization of payments made or required to be made during the preceding calendar year and during the current calendar year, the employer would be required for the next calendar year to make payments under division (B)(2) of this section.

(b) Based upon annualization of payments made or requiredto be made during the current calendar year, the employer wouldbe required for the next calendar year to make payments underdivision (B)(2) of this section.

(E)(1) An employer described in division (B)(1) or (2) of 706 this section shall file, not later than the last day of the 707

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month following the end of each calendar quarter, a return 708 covering, but not limited to, both the actual amount deducted 709 and withheld and the amount required to be deducted and withheld 710 for the tax imposed under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code 711 during each partial weekly withholding period or portion of a 712 partial weekly withholding period during that quarter. The 713 employer shall file the quarterly return even if the aggregate 714 amount required to be deducted and withheld for the quarter is 715 zero dollars. At the time of filing the return, the employer 716 shall pay any amounts of undeposited taxes for the quarter, 717 whether actually deducted and withheld or required to be 718 deducted and withheld, that have not been previously paid. If 719 required under division (I) of this section, the payment shall 720 be made by electronic funds transfer. The tax commissioner shall 721 prescribe the form and other requirements of the quarterly 722 return. 723

(2) In addition to other returns required to be filed and 724 payments required to be made under this section, every employer 725 required to deduct and withhold taxes shall file, not later than 726 the thirty-first day of January of each year, an annual return 727 covering, but not limited to, both the aggregate amount deducted 728 and withheld and the aggregate amount required to be deducted 729 and withheld during the entire preceding year for the tax 730 imposed under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code and for each 731 tax imposed under Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code. At the time 732 of filing that return, the employer shall pay over any amounts 733 of undeposited taxes for the preceding year, whether actually 734 deducted and withheld or required to be deducted and withheld, 735 that have not been previously paid. The employer shall make the 736 annual report, to each employee and to the tax commissioner, of 737 the compensation paid and each tax withheld, as the commissioner 738 by rule may prescribe.

Each employer required to deduct and withhold any tax is 740 liable for the payment of that amount required to be deducted 741 and withheld, whether or not the tax has in fact been withheld, 742 unless the failure to withhold was based upon the employer's 743 good faith in reliance upon the statement of the employee as to 744 liability, and the amount shall be deemed to be a special fund 745 in trust for the general revenue fund. 746

(F) Each employer shall file with the employer's annual return the following items of information on employees for whom withholding is required under section 5747.06 of the Revised Code:

(1) The full name of each employee, the employee's 751
address, the employee's school district of residence, and in the 752
case of a nonresident employee, the employee's principal county 753
of employment; 754

(2) The social security number of each employee;

(3) The total amount of compensation paid before any deductions to each employee for the period for which the annual return is made;

759 (4) The amount of the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code and the amount of each tax imposed under 760 Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code withheld from the compensation 761 of the employee for the period for which the annual return is 762 made. The commissioner may extend upon good cause the period for 763 filing any notice or return required to be filed under this 764 section and may adopt rules relating to extensions of time. If 765 the extension results in an extension of time for the payment of 766 the amounts withheld with respect to which the return is filed, 767

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the employer shall pay, at the time the amount withheld is paid, 768 an amount of interest computed at the rate per annum prescribed 769 by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code on that amount withheld, 770 from the day that amount was originally required to be paid to 771 the day of actual payment or to the day an assessment is issued 772 under section 5747.13 of the Revised Code, whichever occurs 773 first. 774

(5) In addition to all other interest charges and 775 penalties imposed, all amounts of taxes withheld or required to 776 be withheld and remaining unpaid after the day the amounts are 777 required to be paid shall bear interest from the date prescribed 778 for payment at the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 779 of the Revised Code on the amount unpaid, in addition to the 780 amount withheld, until paid or until the day an assessment is 781 issued under section 5747.13 of the Revised Code, whichever 782 occurs first. 783

(G) An employee of a corporation, limited liability 784 company, or business trust having control or supervision of or 785 charged with the responsibility of filing the report and making 786 payment, or an officer, member, manager, or trustee of a 787 corporation, limited liability company, or business trust who is 788 responsible for the execution of the corporation's, limited 789 liability company's, or business trust's fiscal 790 responsibilities, shall be personally liable for failure to file 791 the report or pay the tax due as required by this section. The 792 dissolution, termination, or bankruptcy of a corporation, 793 limited liability company, or business trust does not discharge 794 a responsible officer's, member's, manager's, employee's, or 795 trustee's liability for a failure of the corporation, limited 796 liability company, or business trust to file returns or pay tax 797 due. 798

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(H) If an employer required to deduct and withhold income 799 tax from compensation and to pay that tax to the state under 800 sections 5747.06 and 5747.07 of the Revised Code sells the 801 employer's business or stock of merchandise or quits the 802 employer's business, the taxes required to be deducted and 803 withheld and paid to the state pursuant to those sections prior 804 805 to that time, together with any interest and penalties imposed on those taxes, become due and payable immediately, and that 806 person shall make a final return within fifteen days after the 807 date of selling or quitting business. The employer's successor 808 shall withhold a sufficient amount of the purchase money to 809 cover the amount of the taxes, interest, and penalties due and 810 unpaid, until the former owner produces a receipt from the tax 811 commissioner showing that the taxes, interest, and penalties 812 have been paid or a certificate indicating that no such taxes 813 are due. If the purchaser of the business or stock of 814 merchandise fails to withhold purchase money, the purchaser 815 shall be personally liable for the payment of the taxes, 816 interest, and penalties accrued and unpaid during the operation 817 of the business by the former owner. If the amount of taxes, 818 interest, and penalties outstanding at the time of the purchase 819 exceeds the total purchase money, the tax commissioner in the 820 commissioner's discretion may adjust the liability of the seller 821 or the responsibility of the purchaser to pay that liability to 822 maximize the collection of withholding tax revenue. 823

(I) An employer whose actual or required payments under
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this section exceeded eighty-four thousand dollars during the
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twelve-month period ending on the thirtieth day of June of the
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preceding calendar year shall make all payments required by this
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section for the year by electronic funds transfer under section
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5747.072 of the Revised Code.

(J) (1) Every professional employer organization and every
professional employer organization reporting entity shall file a
report with the tax commissioner within thirty days after
commencing business in this state that includes all of the
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following information:

(a) The name, address, number the employer receives from
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the secretary of state to do business in this state, if
applicable, and federal employer identification number of each
client employer of the professional employer organization or
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professional employer organization reporting entity;
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(b) The date that each client employer became a client of
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the professional employer organization or professional employer
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(c) The names and mailing addresses of the chief executive officer and the chief financial officer of each client employer for taxation of the client employer.

(2) Beginning with the calendar guarter ending after a 846 professional employer organization or professional employer 847 organization reporting entity files the report required under 848 division (J)(1) of this section, and every calendar quarter 849 thereafter, the professional employer organization or the 850 professional employer organization reporting entity shall file 851 an updated report with the tax commissioner. The professional 852 employer organization or professional employer organization 853 reporting entity shall file the updated report not later than 854 the last day of the month following the end of the calendar 855 quarter and shall include all of the following information in 856 857 the report:

(a) If an entity became a client employer of the

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professional employer organization or professional employer859organization reporting entity at any time during the calendar860quarter, all of the information required under division (J)(1)861of this section for each new client employer;862

(b) If an entity terminated the professional employer 863 organization agreement between the professional employer 864 organization or professional employer organization reporting 865 entity and the entity at any time during the calendar quarter, 866 the information described in division (J)(1)(a) of this section 867 for that entity, the date during the calendar quarter that the 868 entity ceased being a client of the professional employer 869 organization or professional employer organization reporting 870 entity, if applicable, or the date the entity ceased business 871 operations in this state, if applicable; 872

(c) If the name or mailing address of the chief executive
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officer or the chief financial officer of a client employer has
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changed since the professional employer organization or
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professional employer organization reporting entity previously
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submitted a report under division (J) (1) or (2) of this section,
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the updated name or mailing address, or both, of the chief
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executive officer or the chief financial officer, as applicable;
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(d) If none of the events described in divisions (J)(2)(a)
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to (c) of this section occurred during the calendar quarter, a
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statement of that fact.

Sec. 5747.073. (A) As used in this section: 883

<u>(1) "Eligible employee" means an employee who is nineteen</u>	884
years of age or younger and enrolled in a career-technical	885
education program approved under section 3317.161 of the Revised	886
Code.	887

(2) "Income tax" means the tax imposed under section	888
5747.02 of the Revised Code.	
(B) An employer required to deduct and withhold income tax	890
from an employee's compensation under section 5747.06 of the	891
Revised Code and remit such amounts under section 5747.07 of the	892
Revised Code is entitled to a credit against the amount required	893
to be remitted if the employer employs an eligible employee in	894
fulfillment of a work-based learning experience, internship, or	895
cooperative education program associated with the career-	896
technical education program in which the eligible employee is	897

technical education program in which the eligible employee is	897
enrolled. The credit equals fifteen per cent of the amount of	898
income tax deducted and withheld from that eligible employee's	899
compensation during the quarterly, monthly, or partial weekly	900
withholding period, as applicable under division (B) of section	901
5747.07 of the Revised Code, and shall be claimed on the return	902
filed for such period.	903

(C) Any amount allowed as a credit to an employer under 904 this section shall be considered to have been remitted for 905 purposes of reporting the income tax deducted and withheld from 906 the employee's compensation under section 5747.06 of the Revised 907 Code and for purposes of determining the income tax paid by the 908 909 employee.

(D) The tax commissioner may require an employer that 910 employs an eligible employee to provide any supporting 911 documentation necessary to demonstrate the employer's 912 eligibility for the credit allowed under this section. 913

Section 2. That existing sections 3301.17, 3313.6113, 914 3735.671, 5709.82, 5709.83, and 5747.07 of the Revised Code are 915 916 hereby repealed.

Section 3. (A) The Employers Providing Work-Based Learning917Pilot Program is created. The program expires two years after918the effective date of this section. For the program's duration,919both of the following apply:920

(1) The Administrator of Workers' Compensation, subject to
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the approval of the Bureau of Workers' Compensation Board of
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Directors, shall grant a discount on premium rates for an
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employer that provides work-based learning experiences for
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students enrolled in a career-technical education program
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approved under section 3317.161 of the Revised Code.

(2) In calculating the premium due under a policy insuring 927 an employer against liability for an employee's injury, 928 occupational disease, or death not covered under Chapter 4121., 929 4123., 4127., or 4131. of the Revised Code, no company that is 930 authorized to transact the business of insurance in this state 931 shall increase the premium rate solely because the employer 932 provides work-based learning experiences described in division 933 (A) (1) of this section. 934

(B) Pursuant to section 4109.06 of the Revised Code, the
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requirements of Chapter 4109. of the Revised Code do not apply
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to a student participating in a work-based learning experience
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described in division (A) (1) of this section.
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(C) Not later than the date on which the program expires,
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the Administrator shall prepare and submit to the President of
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the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives a
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report that includes all of the following:
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(1) The name of each employer that participated in and943received a discount on premium rates under the program;944

(2) The amount of the discount on premium rates that each 945

employer received under the program;	946
(3) Statistical information regarding the students who	947
participated in an employer's work-based learning experience,	948
provided that the Administrator shall not include information	949
that identifies those students.	950