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A BILL

То	enact section 3333.0418 of the Revised Code and	1
	to amend Section 209.30 of H.B. 169 of the 134th	2
	General Assembly to require the Chancellor of	3
	Higher Education to establish a program in	4
	tutoring and remedial instruction and to earmark	5
	an appropriation.	6

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

Section 1. That section 3333.0418 of the Revised Code be	/
enacted to read as follows:	8
Sec. 3333.0418. As used in this section, "public school"	9
means a school building operated by a school district or other	10
public school, as defined in section 3301.0711 of the Revised	11
Code.	12
(A) The chancellor of higher education shall establish a	13
program to provide tutoring and remedial education services in	14
reading and English language arts, mathematics, science, and	15
social studies to students at public and chartered nonpublic	16
schools that elect to participate in the program. Tutors shall	17
not be considered employees of the public or chartered nonpublic	18
school in which they provide tutoring services. Rather, the	19

tutors shall be employed and placed in schools by participating	20
educational service centers.	21
To be eligible to participate as a tutor under the	22
program, an individual shall be at least one of the following:	23
(1) A retired teacher or substitute teacher who does not	24
(1) A retired teacher or substitute teacher who does not	
hold a valid educator license, certificate, or permit issued	25
under Chapter 3319. or section 3301.071 of the Revised Code;	26
(2) A student enrolled in an educator preparation program	27
approved under section 3333.048 of the Revised Code;	28
(3) An individual, not described in division (A)(1) or (2)	29
of this section, who is determined to be eligible by a	30
participating educational service center in accordance with	31
standards established by the chancellor.	32
(B) The chancellor, with assistance from the department of	33
education and participating educational service centers, and in	34
consultation with public and chartered nonpublic schools, shall	35
administer and implement the program as follows:	36
(1) The chancellor shall establish application procedures	37
for educational service centers, public and chartered nonpublic	38
schools, and tutors who wish to participate.	39
(2) The chancellor shall establish standards for	40
determining the eligibility of tutors under division (A) (3) of	41
this section.	42
(3) The chancellor, in consultation with representatives	43
from educational service centers selected by the chancellor,	44
shall create a training course for tutors described in division	45
(A) (1) or (3) of this section who do not hold valid educator	46
licenses, certificates, or permits issued under Chapter 3319 or	47

section 3301.071 of the Revised Code. Development of the	48
training course shall be completed not later than sixty days	49
after the effective date of this section.	50
(4) The department of education shall serve as the fiscal	51
agent for the program. The department shall provide for	52
administrative and implementation costs, costs of developing the	53
training course described in division (B)(3) of this section,	54
and provide technical assistance at the request of the	55
<pre>chancellor.</pre>	56
The department shall not compensate tutors under the	57
program.	58
(5) Educational service centers selected by the chancellor	59
shall administer the training course developed under division	60
(B) (3) of this section.	61
(6) Each educational service center shall coordinate the	62
placement of tutors at the participating public and chartered	63
nonpublic schools within its service territory.	64
(7) Each participating educational service center shall	65
require an individual it employs as a tutor under this section	66
to comply with a criminal records check as prescribed by section	67
3319.391 of the Revised Code. In a manner prescribed by the	68
department of education, the individual shall submit information	69
to the department so that the department may enroll that	70
individual in the retained applicant fingerprint database	71
established under section 109.5721 of the Revised Code in the	72
same manner as any teacher licensed under sections 3319.22 to	73
3319.31 of the Revised Code.	74
(8) Participation by public and chartered nonpublic	75
schools is voluntary Each participating school shall have the	76

ultimate authority over how best to incorporate tutors into the	77
school setting, but such determinations shall be made in	78
cooperation with the educational service center. Program	79
activities may take place before, during, or after school as	80
well as during breaks from school such as weekends, holidays, or	81
summer vacation. Program activities may take place on an online	82
platform or in person, including on school premises or in	83
another public location the school's governing body and	84
educational service center determine to be appropriate.	85
A participating school shall provide necessary materials,	86
space, and equipment for tutors placed in the school. A	87
participating school may transfer funds to the educational	88
service center that employs those tutors, so that the service	89
center may provide tutors with a payment or other benefits,	90
including a student loan repayment on behalf of the tutor. The	91
chancellor shall create a list of benefits which a participant	92
may receive in lieu of a payment.	93
Participating schools shall use their own funds to pay	94
costs incurred from participating in the program.	95
(C) Subject to the approval of their institutions of	96
higher education, tutors described in division (A)(2) of this	97
section may receive course credit toward the completion of their	98
educator preparation programs for their time spent tutoring	99
under this section.	100
(D) Upon the completion of each of the 2021-2022, 2022-	101
2023, and 2023-2024 school years, the department of education	102
shall conduct a review of the program's effectiveness in	103
providing remedial education to students. Based on each of those	104
reviews, the department shall issue a report its findings. The	105
report also shall include the number of participating public and	106

chartered nonpublic schools, tutors, and students, as well	107
whether tutoring in a particular school was provided on an	108
online platform or in-person. The department shall, in	109
accordance with section 101.68 of the Revised Code, submit those	110
reports to the general assembly, as follows:	111
(1) The report for the 2021-2022 school year shall be	112
submitted not later than September 15, 2022.	113
(2) The report for the 2022-2023 school year shall be	114
submitted not later than September 15, 2023.	115
(1) The report for the 2023-2024 school year shall be	116
submitted not later than September 15, 2024.	117
(E) Nothing in this section shall be construed as	118
prohibiting a public or chartered nonpublic school from	119
contracting or partnering with another entity to provide	120
tutoring services to the school's students.	121
Section 2. That Section 209.30 of H.B. 169 of the 134th	122
General Assembly be amended to read as follows:	123
Sec. 209.30. FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS SCHOOL RELIEF	124
(A) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	125
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$6,500,000 in fiscal year 2022	126
shall be distributed to the Management Council of the Ohio	127
Education Computer Network to increase the bandwidth of the	128
middle mile connections to the state broadband backbone managed	129
by the Ohio Technology Consortium. These funds shall support	130
information technology centers established under section	131
3301.075 of the Revised Code and select urban school districts	132
that connect to the state broadband backbone directly rather	133
than through an information technology center. The Department of	134
Education shall support the set-aside in division (A) of this	135

section using the funds for emergency needs authorized under	136
Title III, Sec. 313(e) of the federal "Consolidated	137
Appropriations Act, 2021," Pub. L. No. 116-260.	138
(B) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	139
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$92,243,663 in fiscal year 2022	140
shall be used to distribute grants to city, local, and exempted	141
village school districts, community schools, and STEM schools	142
according to a distribution mechanism determined by the	143
Department of Education. The Department shall determine the	144
distribution by first determining the per-pupil funding each	145
district or school received under Title III, Sec. 313(c) of the	146
federal "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021," Pub. L. No.	147
116-260, and Title II, Sec. 2001(d) of the federal "American	148
Rescue Plan Act of 2021," Pub. L. No. 117-2. The Department	149
shall award funds to districts and schools to equalize per-pupil	150
funding up to a minimum amount.	151
The funds distributed pursuant to division (B) of this	152
section shall be used by recipients for any of the allowable	153
uses enumerated for the Elementary and Secondary School	154
Emergency Relief Fund under Title III, Sec. 313(d) of the	155
federal "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021," Pub. L. No.	156
116-260, or Title II, Sec. 2001(e)(2) of the federal "American	157
Rescue Plan Act of 2021," Pub. L. No. 117-2.	158
The Department of Education shall support the set-aside in	159
division (B) of this section using the funds for emergency needs	160
authorized under Title III, Sec. 313(e) of the federal	161
"Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021," Pub. L. No. 116-260 and	162
Title II, Sec. 2001(f)(4) of the federal "American Rescue Plan	163
Act of 2021," Pub. L. No. 117-2.	164
(C)(1) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	165

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Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$15,000,000 in fiscal year 2022	166
shall be used by the Department of Education through grants or	167
contracts to support student wellness and success initiatives,	168
including, but not limited to, mental health, prevention	169
education, suicide prevention, trauma informed practices, and	170
other initiatives supporting non-academic barriers to student	171
success. The Department of Education shall consult with and may	172
provide funds to the Department of Mental Health and Addiction	173
Services to support this work.	174
(2) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	175
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$11,000,000 in fiscal year 2022	176
shall be used to support family and community liaisons at	177
educational service centers and the Ohio Statewide Family	178
Engagement Center.	179
(3) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	180
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$5,200,000 in fiscal year 2022	181
shall be used by the Department of Education, in partnership	182
with the Department of Higher Education, to increase the number	183
of candidates admitted to educator licensure programs and	184
address shortages of educators across the state.	185
(4) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	186
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2022	187
shall be used by the Department of Education through grants or	188
contracts to support evidenced-based strategies to increase	189
attendance and decrease chronic absenteeism in partnership with	190
the Stay in the Game Network.	191
(5) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	192
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2022	193
shall be distributed to the Management Council of the Ohio	194

Education Computer Network to support school districts, schools,

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students, and families with internet connectivity, device	196
barriers, and other supports for remote, hybrid, and in-person	197
education experiences.	198
(6) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	199
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2022	200
shall be distributed to the Literacy Lab for its Leading Men	201
Fellowship to support a mentoring program and provide increased	202
support for literacy programming in high needs preschool	203
programs.	204
(7) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	205
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$2,691,079 in fiscal year 2022	206
shall be used by the Department of Education through grants or	207
contracts to support activities related to college and career	208
readiness, graduation attainment, graduation pathways, student	209
access to graduation pathways, and Ohio high school redesign.	210
(8) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	211
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2022	212
shall be used by the Department of Education to pilot pre-	213
kindergarten to postsecondary regional partnerships connecting	214
education and the workforce. The Department shall distribute	215
grants to support regional collaboration pilot programs among	216
early learning, primary and secondary school, postsecondary	217
institution, and workforce partners that align educational	218
resources with regional in-demand jobs and workforce skills. A	219
portion of this set-aside shall be used to support career	220
development opportunities.	221
(9) The Department of Education shall support the set-	222
asides in division (C) of this section using the funds for	223
emergency needs authorized under Title II, Sec. 2001(f)(4) of	224
the federal "American Rescue Plan Act of 2021," Pub. L. No. 117-	225

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(D)(1) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	227
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$70,000,000 in fiscal year 2022	228
shall be used by the Department of Education through grants or	229
contracts to support learning loss and academic recovery	230
efforts. These funds shall be used to support initiatives	231
allowed under Title II, Sec. 2001(f)(1) of the federal "American	232
Rescue Plan Act of 2021," Pub. L. No. 117-2, in at least the	233
following areas: literacy, dyslexia, STEM, mathematics,	234
personalized learning, professional learning, digital resources,	235
remote learning supports, English learners, and high-quality	236
instructional materials.	237
(2) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	238
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$30,000,000 in fiscal year 2022	239
shall be used by the Department of Education through grants or	240
contracts to pilot the use of instructional materials and	241
programs focused on addressing learning loss with school	242
districts and schools across the state. In awarding grants or	243
contracts, the Department shall ensure programs cover different	244
academic subjects and grade bands.	245
(3) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	246
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$17,900,000 in fiscal year 2022	247
shall be distributed to the Boys and Girls Clubs Ohio Alliance.	248
These funds shall be used to support the establishment and	249
expansion of Boys and Girls Clubs in Ohio cities not already	250
served by Boys and Girls Clubs to support before- and after-	251
school programming. These funds shall also be used to support	252
academic programs to address learning loss.	253
(4) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	254
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$11,000,000 in fiscal year 2022	255

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shall be used by the Department of Education through grants or	256
contracts to support school improvement in the lowest performing	257
school districts and schools.	258
(5) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, up to	259
\$8,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 shall be used by the Department	260
of Education, in partnership with the Department of	261
Developmental Disabilities, to support the LearningAid Ohio	262
initiative to provide tutoring and supports for students with	263
disabilities.	264
(6) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	265
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$7,500,000 in fiscal year 2022	266
shall be used by the Department of Education through grants or	267
contracts for learning recovery data supports. A portion of the	268
funds shall be used by the Department to support pandemic-	269
related assessment tools that provide quick results for school	270
districts and schools and related pandemic data supports. The	271
funds shall be used to collect and analyze data to inform	272
intervention and instruction.	273
(7) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	274
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$4,000,000 in fiscal year 2022	275
shall be distributed to the Center of Science and Industry	276
(COSI) to support the Ohio Distance Learning Initiative.	277
(8) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	278
Coronavirus School Relief, up to \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2022	279
shall be used by the Department of Education for the following	280
purposes:	281
(a) In consultation with the Department of Higher	282
Education, for purposes of division (B)(4) of section 3333.0418	283
of the Revised Code;	284

(b) To pay the costs of the criminal records checks and	285
retained applicant fingerprint database enrollment required by	286
division (B)(7) of section 3333.0418 of the Revised Code.	287
(9) The Department of Education shall support the set-	288
asides in division (D) of this section using the state activity	289
funds authorized under Title II, Sec. 2001(f)(1) of the federal	290
"American Rescue Plan Act of 2021," Pub. L. No. 117-2.	291
$\frac{(9)}{(10)}$ Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640,	292
Federal Coronavirus School Relief, an amount shall be available	293
in fiscal year 2022 to disburse any remaining state activity	294
funds required under Title II, Sec. 2001(f)(1) of the federal	295
"American Rescue Plan Act of 2021," Pub. L. No. 117-2. Any such	296
remaining funds shall be used by the Department of Education to	297
support learning recovery initiatives at educational service	298
centers. Educational service centers shall use these funds to	299
support regional and statewide initiatives identified following	300
the review of extended learning plans submitted by client school	301
districts. The Department may require a portion of the funds to	302
be used to support statewide initiatives related to learning	303
loss.	304
(E) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	305
Coronavirus School Relief, \$44,752,435 in fiscal year 2022 shall	306
be used by the Department of Education to administer a grant	307
program to support summer enrichment activities in a manner	308
determined by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. Priority	309
shall be given to non-profit organizations with partnerships	310
with school districts and schools. The Department of Education	311
shall support the set-aside in division (E) of this section	312
using the state activity funds authorized under Title II, Sec.	313
2001(f)(2) of the federal "American Rescue Plan Act of 2021,"	314

Pub. L. No. 117-2.	315
(F) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200640, Federal	316
Coronavirus School Relief, \$44,752,435 in fiscal year 2022 shall	317
be used by the Department of Education to administer a grant	318
program to support comprehensive afterschool programs in a	319
manner determined by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.	320
Priority shall be given to non-profit organizations with	321
partnerships with school districts and schools. The Department	322
of Education shall support the setaside in division (F) of this	323
section using the state activity funds authorized under Title	324
II, Sec. 2001(f)(3) of the federal "American Rescue Plan Act of	325
2021," Pub. L. No. 117-2.	326
Section 3. That existing Section 209.30 of H.B. 169 of the	327
134th General Assembly is hereby repealed.	328