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### A BILL

То	amend sections 3313.66, 3313.661, and 3319.324	1
	of the Revised Code with respect to the	2
	expulsion of a student from a public school for	3
	actions that endanger the health and safety of	4
	other students or school employees	5

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

Section 1. That sections 3313.66, 3313.661, and 3319.324	6
of the Revised Code be amended to read as follows:	7
Sec. 3313.66. (A) (1) Except as provided under division (B)	8
(2) of this section, and subject to section 3313.668 of the	9
Revised Code, the superintendent of schools of a city, exempted	10
village, or local school district, or the principal of a public	11
school may suspend a pupil from school for not more than ten	12
school days. The board of education of a city, exempted village,	13
or local school district may adopt a policy granting assistant	14
principals and other administrators the authority to suspend a	15
pupil from school for a period of time as specified in the	16
policy of the board of education, not to exceed ten school days.	17
If at the time an out-of-school suspension is imposed there are	18



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fewer than ten school days remaining in the school year in which	19
the incident that gives rise to the suspension takes place, the	20
superintendent shall not apply any remaining part of the period	21
of the suspension to the following school year. The	22
superintendent may instead require the pupil to participate in a	23
community service program or another alternative consequence for	24
a number of hours equal to the remaining part of the period of	25
the suspension. The pupil shall be required to begin the pupil's	26
community service or alternative consequence during the first	27
full week day of summer break. Each school district, in its	28
discretion, may develop an appropriate list of alternative	29
consequences. In the event that a pupil fails to complete	30
community service or the assigned alternative consequence, the	31
school district may determine the next course of action, which	32
shall not include requiring the pupil to serve the remaining	33
time of the out-of-school suspension at the beginning of the	34
following school year.	35

No pupil shall be issued an out-of-school suspension unless prior to the suspension the superintendent or principal does both of the following:

- (a) Gives the pupil written notice of the intention to suspend the pupil and the reasons for the intended suspension and, if the proposed suspension is based on a violation listed in division (A) of section 3313.662 of the Revised Code and if the pupil is sixteen years of age or older, includes in the notice a statement that the superintendent may seek to permanently exclude the pupil if the pupil is convicted of or adjudicated a delinquent child for that violation;
- (b) Provides the pupil an opportunity to appear at an 47 informal hearing before the principal, assistant principal, 48

superintendent, or superintendent's designee and challenge the	49
reason for the intended suspension or otherwise to explain the	50
pupil's actions.	51
(2) If a pupil is issued an in-school suspension, the	52
superintendent or principal shall ensure the pupil is serving	53
the suspension in a supervised learning environment.	54
(3) Each school district board shall adopt a policy	55
establishing parameters for completing and grading assignments	56
missed because of a pupil's suspension.	57
(a) The policy shall provide the pupil an opportunity to	58
do both of the following:	59
(i) Complete any classroom assignments missed because of	60
the suspension;	61
(ii) Receive at least partial credit for a completed	62
assignment.	63
(b) The policy may permit grade reductions on account of	64
the pupil's suspension.	65
(c) The policy shall prohibit the receipt of a failing	66
grade on a completed assignment solely on account of the pupil's	67
suspension.	68
(B)(1) Except as provided under division (B)(2), (3), or-	69
(4), (5), or (6) of this section, and subject to section	70
3313.668 of the Revised Code, the superintendent of schools of a	71
city, exempted village, or local school district may expel a	72
pupil from school for a period not to exceed the greater of	73
eighty school days or the number of school days remaining in the	74
semester or term in which the incident that gives rise to the	75
expulsion takes place, unless the expulsion is extended pursuant	76

to division (F) of this section. If at the time an expulsion is	77
imposed there are fewer than eighty school days remaining in the	78
school year in which the incident that gives rise to the	79
expulsion takes place, the superintendent may apply any	80
remaining part or all of the period of the expulsion to the	81
following school year.	82
(2)(a) Unless a pupil is permanently excluded pursuant to	83
section 3313.662 of the Revised Code, the superintendent of	84
schools of a city, exempted village, or local school district	85
shall expel a pupil from school for a period of one year for	86
bringing a firearm to a school operated by the board of	87
education of the district or onto any other property owned or	88
controlled by the board, except that the superintendent may	89
reduce this requirement on a case-by-case basis in accordance	90
with the policy adopted by the board under section 3313.661 of	91
the Revised Code. <u>If a pupil expelled under this division is</u>	92
enrolled in a district that has established a policy under	93
division (B)(6) of this section, then the pupil's reinstatement	94
<pre>may be subject to the district's policy.</pre>	95
(b) The superintendent of schools of a city, exempted	96
village, or local school district may expel a pupil from school	97
for a period of one year for bringing a firearm to an	98
interscholastic competition, an extracurricular event, or any	99
other school program or activity that is not located in a school	100
or on property that is owned or controlled by the district. The	101
superintendent may reduce this disciplinary action on a case-by-	102
case basis in accordance with the policy adopted by the board	103
under section 3313.661 of the Revised Code.	104
(c) Any expulsion pursuant to division (B)(2) of this	105
section shall extend, as necessary, into the school year	106

following the school year in which the incident that gives rise 107 to the expulsion takes place. As used in this division, 108 "firearm" has the same meaning as provided pursuant to the "Gun-109 Free Schools Act," 115 Stat. 1762, 20 U.S.C. 7151.

- (3) The board of education of a city, exempted village, or 111 local school district may adopt a resolution authorizing the 112 superintendent of schools to expel a pupil from school for a 113 period not to exceed one year for bringing a knife capable of 114 causing serious bodily injury to a school operated by the board, 115 onto any other property owned or controlled by the board, or to 116 an interscholastic competition, an extracurricular event, or any 117 other program or activity sponsored by the school district or in 118 which the district is a participant, or for possessing a firearm 119 or knife capable of serious bodily injury, at a school, on any 120 other property owned or controlled by the board, or at an 121 interscholastic competition, an extracurricular event, or any 122 other school program or activity, which firearm or knife was 123 initially brought onto school board property by another person. 124 The resolution may authorize the superintendent to extend such 125 an expulsion, as necessary, into the school year following the 126 school year in which the incident that gives rise to the 127 expulsion takes place. 128
- (4) The board of education of a city, exempted village, or 129 local school district may adopt a resolution establishing a 130 policy under section 3313.661 of the Revised Code that 131 authorizes the superintendent of schools to expel a pupil from 132 school for a period not to exceed one year for committing an act 133 that is a criminal offense when committed by an adult and that 134 results in serious physical harm to persons as defined in 135 division (A)(5) of section 2901.01 of the Revised Code or 136 serious physical harm to property as defined in division (A)(6) 137

of section 2901.01 of the Revised Code while the pupil is at	138
school, on any other property owned or controlled by the board,	139
or at an interscholastic competition, an extracurricular event,	140
or any other school program or activity. Any expulsion under	141
this division shall extend, as necessary, into the school year	142
following the school year in which the incident that gives rise	143
to the expulsion takes place.	144

- (5) The board of education of any city, exempted village, 145 or local school district may adopt a resolution establishing a 146 policy under section 3313.661 of the Revised Code that 147 authorizes the superintendent of schools to expel a pupil from 148 school for a period not to exceed one year for making a bomb 149 threat to a school building or to any premises at which a school 150 activity is occurring at the time of the threat. Any expulsion 151 under this division shall extend, as necessary, into the school 152 year following the school year in which the incident that gives 153 rise to the expulsion takes place. 154
- (6) The board of education of any city, exempted village, 155 or local school district may adopt a resolution establishing a 156 policy under section 3313.661 of the Revised Code that 157 authorizes the superintendent of schools to expel a pupil from 158 school for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty school days 159 for actions that the superintendent determines pose imminent and 160 severe endangerment to the health and safety of other pupils or 161 school employees, even though the pupil's actions may not 162 qualify for permanent exclusion under section 3313.662 of the 163 Revised Code. Upon the expulsion of a pupil pursuant to this 164 division, the superintendent shall develop conditions for that 165 pupil to satisfy prior to the pupil's reinstatement. The 166 superintendent shall provide a copy of these conditions in 167 writing to the district board, the pupil, and the pupil's 168

parent, guardian, or custodian at the beginning of the expulsion	169
period.	170
One of the conditions developed by the superintendent	171
shall be an assessment to determine whether the pupil poses a	172
danger to the pupil's self or to other pupils or school	173
employees. The assessment shall be completed by a psychiatrist	174
as defined in section 5122.01 of the Revised Code, licensed	175
psychologist, or licensed school psychologist employed or	176
contracted by the district. The psychiatrist, psychologist, or	177
school psychologist shall be agreed upon by both the district	178
board and the pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian. If the	179
psychiatrist, psychologist, or school psychologist is not	180
employed or contracted by the district, the cost of the	181
assessment shall be referred for payment to the pupil's health	182
insurance. Any costs not covered by the pupil's health insurance	183
shall be paid by the district. The district shall pay in full	184
for an assessment completed by a psychiatrist, psychologist, or	185
school psychologist that is employed or contracted by the	186
district. The assessment shall include a determination from the	187
psychiatrist, psychologist, or school psychologist as to whether	188
the pupil poses a danger to the pupil's self or to other pupils	189
or school employees and may include recommendations for	190
<pre>contingent conditions on the pupil's reinstatement.</pre>	191
(a) At the end of the expulsion period, the superintendent	192
shall assess the pupil and determine whether the pupil has shown	193
sufficient rehabilitation to be reinstated. For an expulsion	194
period of one hundred eighty days or an extended expulsion	195
period of ninety days, the superintendent shall make this	196
determination in consultation with a multidisciplinary team	197
selected by the superintendent. The superintendent shall take	198
into consideration both the assessment by the psychiatrist,	199

psychologist, or school psychologist and whether or not the	200
pupil has met the conditions developed by the superintendent at	201
the beginning of the expulsion period.	202
In making any determination under division (B)(6) of this	203
section, the superintendent shall comply with the procedures	204
prescribed by divisions (B)(7) and (D) of this section.	205
(i) Upon the assessment of a pupil as required by division	206
(B)(6)(a) of this section, if the superintendent determines that	207
the pupil has shown sufficient rehabilitation, the	208
superintendent may reinstate that pupil.	209
(ii) Upon the assessment of a pupil as required by	210
division (B)(6)(a) of this section, if the superintendent	211
determines that the pupil has not shown sufficient	212
rehabilitation, the superintendent may extend the expulsion for	213
an additional period not to exceed ninety school days.	214
(b) If the superintendent extends the expulsion period	215
under division (B)(6)(a)(ii) of this section, the superintendent	216
shall develop conditions for that pupil to satisfy prior to that	217
pupil's reinstatement, which may be the same as those developed	218
for the original expulsion period. The superintendent shall	219
provide a copy of these conditions in writing to the district	220
board, the pupil, and the pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian	221
at the beginning of the extended expulsion period. At the end of	222
the extended expulsion period, the superintendent shall reassess	223
the pupil in the manner prescribed by division (B)(6)(a) of this	224
section and may reinstate the pupil or may extend the expulsion	225
for another term, not to exceed ninety school days, in the same	226
manner as provided in divisions (B)(6)(a)(i) and (ii) of this	227
section. There is no limit on the number of times the	228
superintendent may extend an expulsion under division (B)(6)(a)	229

(ii) of this section.	230
(c) Prior to the end of the original expulsion period or	231
of an extended expulsion period, if the pupil has met all of the	232
conditions developed by the superintendent at the beginning of	233
the expulsion period, the superintendent may reduce the	234
expulsion on a case-by-case basis. In making the determination,	235
the superintendent shall comply with the district's policy	236
regarding the reduction of an expulsion period, adopted pursuant	237
to section 3313.661 of the Revised Code.	238
(d) Prior to the end of the original expulsion period or	239
of an extended expulsion period, the pupil or the pupil's	240
parent, guardian, or custodian may request the superintendent to	241
complete an early assessment of the pupil. If requested, the	242
superintendent shall assess the pupil and make a determination	243
in the manner prescribed by division (B)(6)(a) of this section.	244
In making the determination, the superintendent shall comply	245
with the district's policy regarding the reduction of an	246
expulsion period, adopted pursuant to section 3313.661 of the	247
Revised Code. A pupil or pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian	248
may request one early assessment for the original expulsion	249
period and for each extended expulsion period under this	250
division.	251
(e) A superintendent may develop contingent conditions for	252
a pupil's reinstatement under divisions (B)(6)(a)(i), (B)(6)(c),	253
and (B)(6)(d) of this section. The conditions may include the	254
conditions developed for the original expulsion period and	255
recommendations made by a psychiatrist, psychologist, or school	256
psychologist in an assessment conducted under division (B)(6) of	257
this section. The superintendent shall establish a duration	258
under which a student must meet the contingent conditions that	259

may extend to a pupil's graduation date. The superintendent	260
shall provide a copy of these conditions in writing to the	261
district board, the pupil, and the pupil's parent, guardian, or	262
custodian when the superintendent makes a reinstatement	263
determination. If a pupil fails to meet the contingent	264
conditions set under this division, the superintendent may	265
revoke the pupil's reinstatement and establish an extended	266
expulsion period under the same process as in division (B)(6)(b)	267
of this section.	268
(f) Not later than fifteen days after the beginning of the	269
original expulsion period or of any extended expulsion period	270
under division (B)(6) of this section, the superintendent, in	271
consultation with the pupil, the pupil's parent, guardian, or	272
custodian, and the pupil's IEP team, as defined in section	273
3323.01 of the Revised Code, if the pupil has one, shall develop	274
a plan for the continued education of the pupil, which may	275
include education by the district in an alternative setting	276
under division (I) of this section, including instruction at	277
home, enrollment in another district or other type of public or	278
nonpublic school, or any other form of instruction that complies	279
with Chapter 3321. of the Revised Code.	280
(g) The pupil or the pupil's parent, guardian, or	281
custodian may appeal any determination made by the	282
superintendent pursuant to division (B)(6) of this section in	283
the manner prescribed by division (E) of this section.	284
(h) A board shall provide the department of education and	285
workforce records of each expulsion made under division (B) (6)	286
of this section and any changes to a pupil's expulsion status.	287
Such records shall not include a student's name and shall be	288
provided to the department in accordance with sections 3301.0714	289

and 3319.321 of the Revised Code. A district or school to which	290
a pupil with an expulsion record under division (B)(6) of this	291
section transfers may request such records from the district in	292
which the pupil was enrolled prior to the transfer or from the	293
department. The district or department shall provide the	294
requested records to the requesting district or school as	295
authorized under section 3319.321 of the Revised Code.	296
(7) No pupil shall be expelled under division (B) (1), (2),	297
(3), (4), $\frac{\text{or}}{\text{or}}$ (5), $\frac{\text{or}}{\text{or}}$ (6) of this section unless, prior to the	298
pupil's expulsion, the superintendent does both of the	299
following:	300
(a) Gives the pupil and the pupil's parent, guardian, or	301
custodian written notice of the intention to expel the pupil;	302
(b) Provides the pupil and the pupil's parent, guardian,	303
custodian, or representative an opportunity to appear in person	304
before the superintendent or the superintendent's designee to	305
challenge the reasons for the intended expulsion or otherwise to	306
explain the pupil's actions.	307
The notice required in this division shall include the	308
reasons for the intended expulsion, notification of the	309
opportunity of the pupil and the pupil's parent, guardian,	310
custodian, or representative to appear before the superintendent	311
or the superintendent's designee to challenge the reasons for	312
the intended expulsion or otherwise to explain the pupil's	313
action, and notification of the time and place to appear. The	314
time to appear shall not be earlier than three nor later than	315
five school days after the notice is given, unless the	316
superintendent grants an extension of time at the request of the	317
pupil or the pupil's parent, guardian, custodian, or	318
representative. If an extension is granted after giving the	319

original notice, the superintendent shall notify the pupil and	320
the pupil's parent, guardian, custodian, or representative of	321
the new time and place to appear. If the proposed expulsion is	322
based on a violation listed in division (A) of section 3313.662	323
of the Revised Code and if the pupil is sixteen years of age or	324
older, the notice shall include a statement that the	325
superintendent may seek to permanently exclude the pupil if the	326
oupil is convicted of or adjudicated a delinquent child for that	327
violation.	328

 $\frac{(7)}{(8)}$  A superintendent of schools of a city, exempted 329 village, or local school district shall initiate expulsion 330 proceedings pursuant to this section with respect to any pupil 331 who has committed an act warranting expulsion under the 332 district's policy regarding expulsion even if the pupil has 333 withdrawn from school for any reason after the incident that 334 gives rise to the hearing but prior to the hearing or decision 335 to impose the expulsion. If, following the hearing, the pupil 336 would have been expelled for a period of time had the pupil 337 still been enrolled in the school, the expulsion shall be 338 imposed for the same length of time as on a pupil who has not 339 withdrawn from the school. 340

341 (C)(1) Subject to division(C)(2) of this section, if a pupil's presence poses a continuing danger to persons or 342 property or an ongoing threat of disrupting the academic process 343 taking place either within a classroom or elsewhere on the 344 school premises, the superintendent or a principal or assistant 345 principal may remove a pupil from curricular activities or from 346 the school premises, and a teacher may remove a pupil from 347 curricular activities under the teacher's supervision, without 348 the notice and hearing requirements of division (A) or (B) of 349 this section. As soon as practicable after making such a 350 removal, the teacher shall submit in writing to the principal 351 the reasons for such removal. 352

- (2) A pupil in any of grades pre-kindergarten through three may be removed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section only for the remainder of the school day and shall be permitted to return to curricular and extracurricular activities on the school day following the day in which the student was removed.
- (a) A school district or school that returns a student in any of grades pre-kindergarten through three to curricular and extracurricular activities on the next school day shall not be required to follow division (C)(3) of this section with regard to that student.
- (b) A school district shall not initiate a suspension or expulsion proceeding against a student in any of grades pre-kindergarten through three who was removed from a curricular or extracurricular activity under division (C) of this section unless the student has committed an act described in division (B) (1) (a) or (b) of section 3313.668 of the Revised Code.
- (3) If a pupil is removed under division (C)(1) or (2) of this section from a curricular activity or from the school premises, written notice of the hearing and of the reason for the removal shall be given to the pupil as soon as practicable prior to the hearing, which shall be held on the next school day after the initial removal is ordered. The hearing shall be held in accordance with division (A) of this section unless it is probable that the pupil may be subject to expulsion, in which case a hearing in accordance with division (B) of this section shall be held, except that the hearing shall be held on the next school day after the date of the initial removal. The individual who ordered, caused, or requested the removal to be made shall

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be present at the hearing.

(4) If the superintendent or the principal reinstates a 382 pupil in a curricular activity under the teacher's supervision 383 prior to the hearing following a removal under this division, 384 the teacher, upon request, shall be given in writing the reasons 385 for such reinstatement. 386

(D) The superintendent or principal, within one school day 387 after the time of a pupil's expulsion or suspension, shall 388 notify in writing the parent, guardian, or custodian of the 389 pupil of the expulsion or suspension. In the case of an 390 expulsion, the superintendent or principal, within one school 391 day after the time of a pupil's expulsion, also shall notify in 392 writing the treasurer of the board of education. Each notice 393 shall include the reasons for the expulsion or suspension, 394 notification of the right of the pupil or the pupil's parent, 395 396 guardian, or custodian to appeal the expulsion or suspension to the board of education or to its designee, to be represented in 397 all appeal proceedings, to be granted a hearing before the board 398 or its designee in order to be heard against the suspension or 399 400 expulsion, and to request that the hearing be held in executive 401 session, notification that the expulsion may be subject to extension pursuant to division (F) of this section if the pupil 402 is sixteen years of age or older, and notification that the 403 superintendent may seek the pupil's permanent exclusion if the 404 suspension or expulsion was based on a violation listed in 405 division (A) of section 3313.662 of the Revised Code that was 406 committed when the child was sixteen years of age or older and 407 if the pupil is convicted of or adjudicated a delinquent child 408 for that violation. 409

In accordance with the policy adopted by the board of

education under section 3313.661 of the Revised Code, the notice 411 provided under this division shall specify the manner and date 412 by which the pupil or the pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian 413 shall notify the board of the pupil's, parent's, guardian's, or 414 custodian's intent to appeal the expulsion or suspension to the 415 board or its designee.

Any superintendent expelling a pupil under this section 417 for more than twenty school days or for any period of time if 418 the expulsion will extend into the following semester or school 419 year shall, in the notice required under this division, provide 420 the pupil and the pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian with 421 information about services or programs offered by public and 422 423 private agencies that work toward improving those aspects of the pupil's attitudes and behavior that contributed to the incident 424 that gave rise to the pupil's expulsion. The information shall 425 include the names, addresses, and phone numbers of the 426 appropriate public and private agencies. 427

(E) A pupil or the pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian 428 may appeal the pupil's expulsion by a superintendent or 429 suspension by a superintendent, principal, assistant principal, 430 or other administrator to the board of education or to its 431 designee. If the pupil or the pupil's parent, quardian, or 432 custodian intends to appeal the expulsion or suspension to the 433 board or its designee, the pupil or the pupil's parent, 434 quardian, or custodian shall notify the board in the manner and 435 by the date specified in the notice provided under division (D) 436 of this section. The pupil or the pupil's parent, quardian, or 437 custodian may be represented in all appeal proceedings and shall 438 be granted a hearing before the board or its designee in order 439 to be heard against the suspension or expulsion. At the request 440 of the pupil or of the pupil's parent, guardian, custodian, or 441

attorney, the board or its designee may hold the hearing in	442
executive session but shall act upon the suspension or expulsion	443
only at a public meeting. The board, by a majority vote of its	444
full membership or by the action of its designee, may affirm the	445
order of suspension or expulsion, reinstate the pupil, or	446
otherwise reverse, vacate, or modify the order of suspension or	447
expulsion.	448
The board or its designee shall make a verbatim record of	449
hearings held under this division. The decisions of the board or	450
its designee may be appealed under Chapter 2506. of the Revised	451
Code.	452
This section shall not be construed to require notice and	453
hearing in accordance with division (A), (B), or (C) of this	454
section in the case of normal disciplinary procedures in which a	455
pupil is removed from a curricular activity for a period of less	456
than one school day and is not subject to suspension or	457
expulsion.	458
(F)(1) If a pupil is expelled pursuant to division (B) of	459
this section for committing any violation listed in division (A)	460
of section 3313.662 of the Revised Code and the pupil was	461
sixteen years of age or older at the time of committing the	462
violation, if a complaint, indictment, or information is filed	463
alleging that the pupil is a delinquent child based upon the	464
commission of the violation or the pupil is prosecuted as an	465
adult for the commission of the violation, and if the resultant	466
juvenile court or criminal proceeding is pending at the time	467
that the expulsion terminates, the superintendent of schools	468
that expelled the pupil may file a motion with the court in	469
which the proceeding is pending requesting an order extending	470
the expulsion for the lesser of an additional eighty days or the	471

number of school days remaining in the school year. Upon the	472
filing of the motion, the court immediately shall schedule a	473
hearing and give written notice of the time, date, and location	474
of the hearing to the superintendent and to the pupil and the	475
pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian. At the hearing, the	476
court shall determine whether there is reasonable cause to	477
believe that the pupil committed the alleged violation that is	478
the basis of the expulsion and, upon determining that reasonable	479
cause to believe the pupil committed the violation does exist,	480
shall grant the requested extension.	481

(2) If a pupil has been convicted of or adjudicated a 482 delinquent child for a violation listed in division (A) of 483 section 3313.662 of the Revised Code for an act that was 484 committed when the child was sixteen years of age or older, if 485 the pupil has been expelled pursuant to division (B) of this 486 section for that violation, and if the board of education of the 487 school district of the school from which the pupil was expelled 488 has adopted a resolution seeking the pupil's permanent 489 exclusion, the superintendent may file a motion with the court 490 that convicted the pupil or adjudicated the pupil a delinquent 491 child requesting an order to extend the expulsion until an 492 adjudication order or other determination regarding permanent 493 exclusion is issued by the director of education and workforce 494 pursuant to section 3301.121 and division (D) of section 495 3313.662 of the Revised Code. Upon the filing of the motion, the 496 court immediately shall schedule a hearing and give written 497 notice of the time, date, and location of the hearing to the 498 superintendent of the school district, the pupil, and the 499 pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian. At the hearing, the 500 court shall determine whether there is reasonable cause to 501 believe the pupil's continued attendance in the public school 502

system may endanger the health and safety of other pupils or	503
school employees and, upon making that determination, shall	504
grant the requested extension.	505
(G) The failure of the superintendent or the board of	506
education to provide the information regarding the possibility	507
of permanent exclusion in the notice required by divisions (A),	508
(B), and (D) of this section is not jurisdictional, and the	509
failure shall not affect the validity of any suspension or	510
expulsion procedure that is conducted in accordance with this	511
section or the validity of a permanent exclusion procedure that	512
is conducted in accordance with sections 3301.121 and 3313.662	513
of the Revised Code.	514
(H) With regard to suspensions and expulsions pursuant to	515
divisions (A) and (B) of this section by the board of education	516
of any city, exempted village, or local school district, this	517
section shall apply to any student, whether or not the student	518
is enrolled in the district, attending or otherwise	519
participating in any curricular program provided in a school	520
operated by the board or provided on any other property owned or	521
controlled by the board.	522
(I) Whenever a student is expelled under this section, the	523
expulsion shall result in removal of the student from the	524
student's regular school setting. However, during the period of	525
the expulsion, the board of education of the school district	526
that expelled the student or any board of education admitting	527
the student during that expulsion period may provide educational	528
services to the student in an alternative setting.	529
(J)(1) Notwithstanding sections 3109.51 to 3109.80,	530
3313.64, and 3313.65 of the Revised Code, any school district,	531
after offering an opportunity for a hearing, may temporarily	532

deny admittance to any pupil if one of the following applies:	533
(a) The pupil has been suspended from the schools of	534
another district under division (A) of this section and the	535
period of suspension, as established under that division, has	536
not expired;	537
(b) The pupil has been expelled from the schools of	538
another district under division (B) of this section and the	539
period of the expulsion, as established under that division or	540
as extended under division (F) of this section, has not expired.	541
If a pupil is temporarily denied admission under this	542
division, the pupil shall be admitted to school in accordance	543
with sections 3109.51 to 3109.80, 3313.64, or 3313.65 of the	544
Revised Code no later than upon expiration of the suspension or	545
expulsion period, as applicable.	546
(2) Notwithstanding sections 3109.51 to 3109.80, 3313.64,	547
and 3313.65 of the Revised Code, any school district, after	548
offering an opportunity for a hearing, may temporarily deny	549
admittance to any pupil if the pupil has been expelled or	550
otherwise removed for disciplinary purposes from a public school	551
in another state and the period of expulsion or removal has not	552
expired. If a pupil is temporarily denied admission under this	553
division, the pupil shall be admitted to school in accordance	554
with sections 3109.51 to 3109.80, 3313.64, or 3313.65 of the	555
Revised Code no later than the earlier of the following:	556
(a) Upon expiration of the expulsion or removal period	557
<pre>imposed by the out-of-state school;</pre>	558
(b) Upon expiration of a period established by the	559
district, beginning with the date of expulsion or removal from	560
the out-of-state school, that is no greater than the period of	561

expulsion that the pupil would have received under the policy	562
adopted by the district under section 3313.661 of the Revised	563
Code had the offense that gave rise to the expulsion or removal	564
by the out-of-state school been committed while the pupil was	565
enrolled in the district.	566
(K) As used in this section:	567
(1) "Permanently exclude" and "permanent exclusion" have	568
the same meanings as in section 3313.662 of the Revised Code.	569
(2) "In-school suspension" means the pupil will serve all	570
of the suspension in a supervised learning environment within a	571
school setting.	572
(3) "School day" has the same meaning as in section	573
3313.481 of the Revised Code.	574
(4) "Imminent and severe endangerment" means any of the	575
following actions taken by a pupil:	576
(a) Bringing a firearm to a school operated by the board	577
or any other property owned or controlled by the board, as	578
described in division (B)(2)(a) of this section;	579
(b) Bringing a firearm to an interscholastic competition,	580
extracurricular event, or any other program or activity	581
sponsored by the school district or in which the district is a	582
<pre>participant;</pre>	583
(c) Bringing a knife capable of causing serious bodily	584
injury to a school operated by the board, any other property	585
owned or controlled by the board, or to an interscholastic	586
competition, extracurricular event, or any other program or	587
activity sponsored by the school district or in which the	588
district is a participant;	589

(d) Committing an act that is a criminal offense when	590
committed by an adult and that results in serious physical harm	591
to persons as defined in division (A)(5) of section 2901.01 of	592
the Revised Code or serious physical harm to property as defined	593
in division (A)(6) of section 2901.01 of the Revised Code while	594
the pupil is at a school operated by the board, any other	595
property owned or controlled by the board, or an interscholastic	596
competition, extracurricular event, or any other program or	597
activity sponsored by the school district or in which the	598
district is a participant;	599
(e) Making a bomb threat to a school building or to any	600
premises at which a school activity is occurring at the time of	601
the threat;	602
(f) Making an articulated or verbalized threat, including	603
a hit list, threatening manifesto, or social media post, that	604
would lead a reasonable person to conclude that the pupil poses	605
a serious threat.	606
(5) "Sufficient rehabilitation" means that a pupil has met	607
all conditions for reinstatement set by the pupil's	608
superintendent under division (B)(6) of this section and has	609
been determined by the superintendent to no longer pose a danger	610
to the pupil's self or to other pupils or school employees.	611
Sec. 3313.661. (A) Subject to the limitations set forth in	612
section 3313.668 of the Revised Code, the board of education of	613
each city, exempted village, and local school district shall	614
adopt a policy regarding suspension, expulsion, removal, and	615
permanent exclusion that specifies the types of misconduct for	616
which a pupil may be suspended, expelled, or removed. The types	617
of misconduct may include misconduct by a pupil that occurs off	618
of property owned or controlled by the district but that is	619

connected to activities or incidents that have occurred on	620
property owned or controlled by that district and misconduct by	621
a pupil that, regardless of where it occurs, is directed at a	622
district official or employee, or the property of such official	623
or employee. The policy shall specify the reasons for which the	624
superintendent of the district may reduce the expulsion	625
requirement in division (B)(2) of section 3313.66 of the Revised	626
Code. If a board of education adopts a resolution pursuant to	627
division (B)(3) of section 3313.66 of the Revised Code, the	628
policy shall define the term "knife capable of causing serious	629
bodily injury" or "firearm," as applicable, for purposes of	630
expulsion under that resolution and shall specify any reasons	631
for which the superintendent of the district may reduce any	632
required expulsion period on a case-by-case basis. If a board of	633
education adopts a resolution pursuant to division (B)(4) $-$ or $_{m{L}}$	634
(5), or (6) of section 3313.66 of the Revised Code, the policy	635
shall specify any reasons for which the superintendent of the	636
district may reduce any <del>required</del> -expulsion period on a case-by-	637
case basis. The policy also shall set forth the acts listed in	638
section 3313.662 of the Revised Code for which a pupil may be	639
permanently excluded.	640

The policy adopted under this division shall specify the 641 date and manner by which a pupil or a pupil's parent, quardian, 642 or custodian may notify the board of the pupil's, parent's, 643 guardian's, or custodian's intent to appeal an expulsion or 644 suspension to the board or its designee pursuant to division (E) 645 of section 3313.66 of the Revised Code. In the case of any 646 expulsion, the policy shall not specify a date that is less than 647 fourteen days after the date of the notice provided to the pupil 648 or the pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian under division (D) 649 of that section. 650

A copy of the policy shall be posted in a central location 651 in the school and made available to pupils upon request. No 652 pupil shall be suspended, expelled, or removed except in 653 accordance with the policy adopted by the board of education of 654 the school district in which the pupil attends school, and no 655 pupil shall be permanently excluded except in accordance with 656 sections 3301.121 and 3313.662 of the Revised Code. 657

- (B) A board of education may establish a program and adopt guidelines under which a superintendent may require a pupil to perform community service in conjunction with a suspension or expulsion imposed under section 3313.66 of the Revised Code or in place of a suspension or expulsion imposed under section 3313.66 of the Revised Code except for an expulsion imposed pursuant to division (B)(2) of that section. If a board adopts guidelines under this division, they shall permit, except with regard to an expulsion pursuant to division (B)(2) of section 3313.66 of the Revised Code, a superintendent to impose a community service requirement beyond the end of the school year in lieu of applying an expulsion into the following school year. Any guidelines adopted shall be included in the policy adopted under this section.
- (C) The written policy of each board of education that is adopted pursuant to section 3313.20 of the Revised Code shall be posted in a central location in each school that is subject to the policy and shall be made available to pupils upon request.
- (D) Except as described in division (B) of section 676
  3313.668 of the Revised Code, any policy, program, or guideline 677
  adopted by a board of education under this section with regard 678
  to suspensions or expulsions pursuant to division (A) or (B) of 679
  section 3313.66 of the Revised Code shall apply to any student, 680

whether or not the student is enrolled in the district,	681
attending or otherwise participating in any curricular program	682
provided in a school operated by the board or provided on any	683
other property owned or controlled by the board.	684
(E) If a board of education adopts a resolution pursuant	685
to division (B)(6) of section 3313.66 of the Revised Code, the	686
board shall do both of the following:	687
(1) Establish guidelines for appropriate conditions that	688
the superintendent may develop pursuant to division (B)(6) of	689
<pre>section 3313.66 of the Revised Code;</pre>	690
(2) Develop a list of alternative educational options for	691
pupils who are expelled under division (B)(6) of section 3313.66	692
of the Revised Code.	693
(F) As used in this section, "permanently exclude" and	694
"permanent exclusion" have the same meanings as in section	695
3313.662 of the Revised Code.	696
Sec. 3319.324. (A) As used in this section, "school	697
records" includes any academic records, student assessment data,	698
or other information for which there is a legitimate educational	699
interest.	700
(B) Except as provided for in division (C) of this	701
section, when any school district or chartered nonpublic school	702
receives a request from another district or school to which a	703
student has transferred for that student's school records, the	704
district or school receiving the request shall respond, within	705
five school days after receiving the request, by transmitting to	706
the requesting district or school either the student's school	707
records as authorized under section 3319.321 of the Revised Code	708
or, if the district or school has no record of the student's	709

attendance, a statement of that fact.	710
(C) A Except as provided for in division (E) of this	711
<pre>section, a district or school may withhold a student's school</pre>	712
records if there is two thousand five hundred dollars or more of	713
outstanding debt attributed to the student. The district or	714
school shall transmit the student's school records in the manner	715
specified under division (A) of this section once the debt is	716
paid.	717
(D) The provisions of this section are in addition to, and	718
do not affect the obligations of a school district or school to	719
comply with, the requirements of division (D) of section	720
3313.642 and section 3313.672 of the Revised Code.	721
(E) A district or school shall not withhold records	722
related to a student's expulsion under division (B)(6) of	723
section 3313.66 of the Revised Code due to outstanding debt	724
attributed to the student.	725
Section 2. That existing sections 3313.66, 3313.661, and	726
3319.324 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.	727