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# A BILL

То	enact sections 122.178, 122.179, 122.1710, and	1
	122.1711 of the Revised Code and to amend	2
	Sections 259.10, 259.20, and 259.30 of H.B. 166	3
	of the 133rd General Assembly to create the	4
	TechCred Program and the Individual	5
	Microcredential Assistance Program and to	6
	develop a grant program to support industry	7
	sector partnerships.	8

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

Section 1. That sections 122.178, 122.179, 122.1710, and	9
122.1711 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:	10
Sec. 122.178. (A) As used in this section,	11

occupational skill set that the prospective or incumbent

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(b) The cost of the training;	67
(c) A prospective or incumbent employee's estimated wage	68
after completing the training and earning the microcredential;	69
(d) Whether approving an application will promote regional	70
diversity in apportioning reimbursements uniformly across the	71
state;	72
(e) Any other factors the director considers relevant in	73
determining whether to approve an application.	74
(2) The chancellor of higher education shall establish a	75
list of approved microcredentials. The director shall not	76
approve an application submitted under division (C) of this	77
section unless the microcredentials identified in the	78
application are included in the chancellor's list. Not later	79
than ninety days after the effective date of this section, the	80
director shall create a list of training providers that offer a	81
microcredential included in the chancellor's list. Thereafter,	82
the director shall annually update the list of training	83
providers.	84
(3) If the director approves an employer's application for	85
participation in the program, the approval is valid as long as	86
the employer maintains accurate application information under	87
division (C)(1) of this section with the director. The employer	88
shall submit the updated information to the director at the	89
beginning of the third fiscal year the employer participates in	90
the program and every other subsequent fiscal year thereafter.	91
(4) The director shall not approve an application for	92
participation in the program if the employer has violated	93
Chapter 4111. of the Revised Code within the four fiscal years	94
immediately preceding the date of application.	95

(E) (1) Each participating employer seeking reimbursement	96
for training costs for a prospective or incumbent employee shall	97
submit an application to the director that includes all of the	98
following information for each prospective or incumbent	99
<pre>employee:</pre>	100
(a) The prospective or incumbent employee's name and	101
position, if applicable, at the time of submitting the	102
application;	103
(b) The actual amount the employer paid to the training	104
<pre>provider for the training;</pre>	105
(c) Evidence that the prospective or incumbent employee	106
<pre>earned a microcredential;</pre>	107
(d) Evidence that the prospective or incumbent employee is	108
a resident of this state.	109
(2) The amount of the reimbursement shall be not more than	110
two thousand dollars for each microcredential a prospective or	111
incumbent employee receives.	112
(F) No participating employer shall require a prospective	113
or incumbent employee who receives a microcredential because the	114
employer participated in and received a reimbursement through	115
the employer's participation in the TechCred program to accept_	116
or continue employment with the employer.	117
(G) For the purposes of determining regional diversity	118
under this section, the following constitute the regions of the	119
<pre>state:</pre>	120
(1) The counties of Allen, Crawford, Defiance, Fulton,	121
Hancock, Hardin, Henry, Lucas, Ottawa, Paulding, Putnam,	122
Sandusky, Seneca, Van Wert, Williams, Wood, and Wyandot are one	123

region;	124
(2) The counties of Ashland, Ashtabula, Columbiana,	125
Cuyahoga, Erie, Geauga, Huron, Lake, Lorain, Mahoning, Medina,	126
Portage, Richland, Stark, Summit, Trumbull, Tuscarawas, and	127
Wayne are one region;	128
(3) The counties of Auglaize, Champaign, Clark, Clinton,	129
Darke, Fayette, Greene, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Preble, and	130
Shelby are one region;	131
(4) The counties of Delaware, Fairfield, Franklin, Knox,	132
Licking, Logan, Madison, Marion, Morrow, Pickaway, and Union are	133
<pre>one region;</pre>	134
(5) The counties of Adams, Athens, Gallia, Highland,	135
Hocking, Jackson, Lawrence, Meigs, Pike, Ross, Scioto, and	136
Vinton are one region;	137
(6) The counties of Belmont, Carroll, Coshocton, Guernsey,	138
<pre>Harrison, Holmes, Jefferson, Monroe, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble,</pre>	139
Perry, and Washington are one region;	140
(7) The counties of Brown, Butler, Clermont, Hamilton, and	141
Warren are one region.	142
(H)(1) The director shall do both of the following	143
regarding the operation of the program:	144
(a) Create an application to participate in the program	145
and an application for reimbursement;	146
(b) Create an internet web site with the applications for	147
and information regarding the program created in this section.	148
(2) The governor's office of workforce transformation	149
shall include on the office's internet web site either of the	150

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"State board" and "local board" have the same meanings as_	179
in section 6301.01 of the Revised Code.	180
"State institution of higher education" has the same	181
meaning as in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code.	182
(B) A collaboration of multiple employers of an industry	183
cluster may organize and lead an industry sector partnership by	184
convening or acting in partnership with representatives of	185
businesses, employers, or other institutions of an industry	186
cluster, including small- and medium-sized employers where	187
practicable, and a collaboration of multiple industry sector	188
partnerships may convene or act in partnership together as a	189
sector partnership network. An industry sector partnership may	190
include representatives of one or more of the following:	191
(1) A school district;	192
(2) A state institution of higher education;	193
(3) An Ohio technical center;	194
(4) An independent college or university;	195
(5) The state or a local government;	196
(6) A state or local economic or workforce development	197
agency;	198
(7) A state board or local board;	199
(8) The department of job and family services;	200
(9) A business, trade, or industry association;	201
(10) A charitable organization;	202
(11) An economic development organization;	203
(12) A nonprofit or community-based organization or	204

<pre>intermediary;</pre>	205
(13) The Ohio state university extension division	206
established under section 3335.16 of the Revised Code or the	207
<pre>central state university extension program;</pre>	208
(14) Any other organization that the industry sector	209
partnership considers necessary to further the shared goal of	210
meeting the industry cluster's human resources needs.	211
(C) The director of development services, in consultation	212
with the governor's office of workforce transformation, shall	213
develop a grant program to support industry sector partnerships	214
and sector partnership networks. An industry sector partnership	215
or sector partnership network may use a grant awarded under this	216
section to do any of the following:	217
(1) Hire employees to coordinate industry sector	218
partnership or sector partnership network activities;	219
(2) Develop curricula or other educational resources to	220
support the industry sector partnership or sector partnership	221
<pre>network;</pre>	222
(3) Market the industry sector partnership or sector	223
partnership network and opportunities the industry sector	224
partnership or sector partnership network creates for workforce	225
development activities;	226
(4) Any other activity the director has approved in rules	227
adopted under division (E) of this section.	228
(D) The director shall do both of the following:	229
(1) Establish a system for evaluating and scoring grant	230
applications, which prioritizes collaborative community-based	231
solutions, including sector partnership networks;	232

(2) Award a grant to an industry sector partnership or a	233
sector partnership network that submits a complete application	234
for funding describing the activities in division (C) of this	235
section the partnership or network will use the funds to support	236
and meets the scoring criteria established under division (D)(1)	237
of this section.	238
(E) The director may adopt rules in accordance with	239
Chapter 119. of the Revised Code as the director considers	240
necessary to administer the grant program.	241
Sec. 122.1710. (A) As used in this section:	242
(1) "Low-income individual" has the same meaning as "low-	243
income person" in section 122.66 of the Revised Code.	244
(2) "Microcredential" has the same meaning as in section	245
122.178 of the Revised Code.	246
(3) "OhioMeansJobs web site" has the same meaning as in	247
section 6301.01 of the Revised Code.	248
(4) "Partially unemployed" and "totally unemployed" have	249
the same meanings as in section 4141.01 of the Revised Code.	250
(5) "Training provider" means all of the following:	251
(a) A state institution of higher education as defined in	252
section 3345.011 of the Revised Code;	253
(b) An Ohio technical center as defined in section 3333.94	254
of the Revised Code;	255
(c) A private business or institution that offers training	256
to allow an individual to earn one or more microcredentials.	257
(B) There is hereby created the individual microcredential	258
assistance program to reimburse training providers for training	259

costs for individuals to earn a microcredential. The development	260
services agency, in consultation with the governor's office of	261
workforce transformation, shall administer the program.	262
(C) A training provider seeking to participate in the	263
program shall submit an application to the director of	264
development services. The training provider shall include in the	265
application all of the following information:	266
(1) The number of microcredentials the training provider	267
will seek a reimbursement for and the names of the	268
microcredentials;	269
(2) The cost of the training for each microcredential;	270
(3) The total amount of the reimbursement the training	271
<pre>provider will seek;</pre>	272
(4) The training provider's plan to provide opportunities	273
for individuals who are low income, partially unemployed, or	274
totally unemployed to participate in a training program and	275
receive a microcredential;	276
(5) Any other information the director requires.	277
(D) (1) The director shall consider the following factors	278
in determining whether to approve an application submitted under	279
division (C) of this section:	280
(a) The duration of the training program;	281
(b) The cost of the training;	282
(c) Whether approving an application will promote regional	283
diversity in apportioning reimbursements uniformly across the	284
state;	285
(d) The training provider's commitment to providing	286

opportunities for individuals who are low income, partially	287
unemployed, or totally unemployed to participate in a training	288
program and receive a microcredential.	289
(2) In determining regional diversity under division (D)	290
(1) (c) of this section, the director shall use the regions	291
established under division (G) of section 122.178 of the Revised	292
Code.	293
(3) The director shall not approve an application	294
submitted under this section if either of the following apply:	295
(a) The microcredentials identified in the application are	296
not included in the list the chancellor of higher education	297
establishes under section 122.178 of the Revised Code.	298
(b) The training provider has violated Chapter 4111. of	299
the Revised Code within the four fiscal years immediately	300
preceding the date of application.	301
(4) The director shall notify a training provider in	302
writing of the director's decision to approve or deny the	303
training provider's application to participate in the program.	304
(E) A participating training provider shall not charge an	305
individual participating in a training program to earn a	306
microcredential for which the training provider is seeking a	307
reimbursement for either of the following:	308
(1) Any costs associated with the individual's	309
participation in the training program;	310
(2) Any costs to the training provider resulting from an	311
individual not completing the training program.	312
(F)(1) Each participating training provider seeking	313
reimbursement for training costs for one or more	317

microcredentials earned by one or more individuals in a training	315
program shall submit an application to the director after the	316
individual or individuals have earned a microcredential. The	317
training provider shall include in the reimbursement application	318
all of the following information:	319
(a) The actual cost for the training provider to provide	320
each individual with the training;	321
(b) Evidence that each individual earned a	322
microcredential;	323
(c) Any demographic information of each individual that	324
the individual provides to the training provider, including race	325
and gender.	326
(2) The amount of the reimbursement shall be not more than	327
three thousand dollars for each microcredential an individual	328
receives. A participating training provider may not receive a	329
reimbursement for any additional individual who earns a	330
microcredential beyond the number of microcredentials included	331
in the application under division (C) of this section. A	332
participating training provider may receive a total	333
reimbursement of two hundred fifty thousand dollars in a fiscal	334
<pre>year.</pre>	335
(3) A training provider may request that an individual	336
participating in the training provider's program provide	337
demographic information to the training provider, including race	338
and gender. An individual is not required to provide that	339
information.	340
(G) The director shall do both of the following regarding	341
the operation of the program:	342
(1) Create an application to participate in the program	343

and an application for reimbursement;	344
(2) Create and distribute a survey to each individual who	345
successfully earned a microcredential because of a reimbursement	346
to a training provider under this section inquiring as to the	347
individual's occupation and wages at the time of completing the	348
survey.	349
(H) The director shall include on the internet web site	350
maintained by the development services agency, and the	351
governor's office of workforce transformation shall include on	352
the office's internet web site and the OhioMeansJobs web site,	353
all of the content created under division (G) of this section.	354
(I) The director may adopt rules in accordance with	355
Chapter 119. of the Revised Code as the director considers	356
necessary to implement this section, including establishing	357
priority guidelines for approving applications under division	358
(D) of this section.	359
(J) Any personal information of an individual the director	360
receives in connection with the individual microcredential	361
assistance program created under this section is not a public	362
record for purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code.	363
However, the director may use the information as necessary to	364
complete the reports required under section 122.1711 of the	365
Revised Code.	366
Sec. 122.1711. (A) Beginning on the first day of August	367
immediately following the effective date of this section, and	368
every August first thereafter, the director of development	369
services shall submit to the general assembly a written report_	370
that compiles and includes information required in this section	371
regarding the programs created under sections 122.178, 122.179,	372

and 122.1710 of the Revised Code.	373
(1) For the TechCred program created under section 122.178	374
of the Revised Code, the director shall include in the report	375
required under division (A) of this section all of the following	376
<pre>information:</pre>	377
(a) The average per cent rate change of wages during the	378
previous year, if any, for prospective or incumbent employees	379
who earned a microcredential categorized by microcredentials	380
<pre>earned in each region and statewide;</pre>	381
(b) The average per cent rate change of wages during the	382
previous years, if any, for prospective or incumbent employees	383
who earned a microcredential categorized by the region in which	384
<pre>employees reside and statewide;</pre>	385
(c) The average annual wages paid to positions for which	386
holding a microcredential or having the occupational skills	387
acquired through obtaining a microcredential is required,	388
categorized by each region and statewide;	389
(d) The rate of change during the previous year of	390
unemployment categorized by each region and statewide;	391
(e) A list of the microcredentials established by the	392
chancellor of higher education under section 122.178 of the	393
Revised Code categorized by each region and statewide;	394
(f) A demographic analysis of employees who earned a	395
microcredential under the TechCred program based on the race and	396
<pre>gender of each employee;</pre>	397
(g) A demographic analysis of employers who received a	398
reimbursement through the TechCred program based on the race and	399
gender of each employer;	400

(h) Any other information the director wishes to include.	401
(2) For the individual microcredential assistance program	402
created under section 122.1710 of the Revised Code, the director	403
shall include in the report required under division (A) of this	404
section all of the following information:	405
(a) The information required under divisions (A)(1)(a) to	406
(c) of this section, except that the information shall represent	407
the individuals who successfully earned a microcredential_	408
because of a reimbursement to a training provider under the	409
<pre>individual microcredential assistance program;</pre>	410
(b) A demographic analysis of individuals who earned a	411
microcredential under the individual microcredential assistance	412
program based on the race and gender of each individual;	413
(c) An analysis of the results of the surveys the director	414
distributed under division (G) of section 122.1710 of the	415
Revised Code categorized by each region and statewide;	416
(d) The rate of completion for each approved	417
microcredential categorized by region and statewide;	418
(e) Any other information the director wishes to include.	419
(3) For the grant program to support industry sector	420
partnerships and sector partnership networks created under	421
section 122.179 of the Revised Code, the director shall include	422
in the report required under division (A) of this section all of	423
the following information:	424
(a) A list, categorized by region and statewide, of each	425
industry sector partnership and sector partnership network to	426
which a grant was awarded under section 122.179 of the Revised	427
Code;	428

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(b) A list detailing the member composition of each	429
industry sector partnership and sector partnership network to	430
which a grant was awarded under section 122.179 of the Revised	431
Code, including each employer and representative of an industry	432
<pre>cluster;</pre>	433
(c) Information regarding the activities described in	434
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division (C) of section 122.179 of the Revised Code for which	
industry sector partnerships and sector partnership networks	436
used grants awarded under that section.	437
(B) In reporting on regional information under this	438
section, the director shall use the regions established under	439
section 122.178 of the Revised Code.	440
	4.4.1
(C) The director shall include in the report under	441
division (A) of this section any information the director	442
receives under division (C)(2)(b), (c), or (d) of section	443
122.178 of the Revised Code or division (F)(1)(c) of section	444
122.1710 of the Revised Code.	445
(D) The director shall market the programs created under	446
sections 122.178, 122.179, and 122.1710 of the Revised Code.	447
Section 2. That Sections 259.10, 259.20, and 259.30 of	448
H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly be amended to read as	449
follows:	450
Sec. 259.10.	451
Sec. 259.10.	431
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В	B General Revenue Fund							
С	GRF	195402	Coal Research and Development Program	\$	227,368	\$	227,368	
D	GRF	195405	Minority Business Development	\$	1,696,358	\$	1,696,358	
E	GRF	195415	Business Development Services	\$	2,102,021	\$	2,149,281	
F	GRF	195426	Redevelopment Assistance	\$	1,067,000	\$	1,067,000	
G	GRF	195453	Technology Programs and Grants	\$	2,040,056	\$	2,096,400	
Н	GRF	195454	Small Business and Export Assistance	\$	3,057,174	\$	3,057,174	
I	GRF	195455	Appalachia Assistance	\$	14,991,465	\$	15,000,000	
J	GRF	195497	CDBG Operating Match	\$	1,092,138	\$	1,125,000	
K	GRF	195499	BSD Federal Programs Match	\$	13,148,022	\$	12,976,894	
L	GRF	195501	iBELIEVE	\$	200,000	\$	200,000	
М	GRF	195503	Local Development Projects	\$	2,373,000	\$	825,000	

N	GRF	195520	Ohio Main Street Program	\$ 500,000	\$ 0
0	GRF	195537	Ohio-Israel Agricultural Initiative	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000
Р	GRF	195553	Industry—Sector PartnershipsPartner ship Networks	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000
Q	GRF	195556	TechCred Program	\$ 9,400,000	\$ 7,950,000
R	GRF	195901	Coal Research and Development General Obligation Bond Debt Service	\$ 8,123,100	\$ 7,682,600
S	GRF	195905	Third Frontier Research and Development General Obligation Bond Debt Service	\$ 84,181,400	\$ 87,403,000
Т	GRF	195912	Job Ready Site Development General Obligation Bond Debt Service	\$ 15,516,000	\$ 9,879,900
U	TOTAL	GRF Gen	eral Revenue Fund	\$ 162,465,102	\$ 156,085,975
V	Dedic	ated Pur	pose Fund Group		

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W	4500	195624	Minority Business Bonding Program Administration	\$ 74,905	\$ 74,905
Χ	4510	195649	Business Assistance Programs	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 4,000,000
Y	4F20	195639	State Special Projects	\$ 102,104	\$ 102,104
Z	4F20	195699	Utility Community Assistance	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
AA	4W10	195646	Minority Business Enterprise Loan	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 4,000,000
AB	5HRO	195606	TechCred Program	\$ 5,600,000	\$ 7,050,000
AC	5HRO	195622	Defense Development Assistance	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000
AD	5JR0	195635	Tax Incentives Operating	\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000
AE	5KPO	195645	Historic Rehabilitation Operating	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000
AF	5M40	195659	Low Income Energy Assistance (USF)	\$ 349,944,742	\$ 350,000,000
AG	5M50	195660	Advanced Energy Loan Programs	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 10,000,000

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АН	5MH0	195644	SiteOhio Administration	\$	2,500	\$ 2,500
AI	5MJ0	195683	TourismOhio Administration	\$	10,000,000	\$ 10,000,000
AJ	5ULO	195627	Brownfields Revolving Loan Program	\$	2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000
AK	5UY0	195496	Sports Events Grants	\$	5,000,000	\$ 0
AL	5W60	195691	International Trade Cooperative Projects	\$	18,000	\$ 18,000
AM	6170	195654	Volume Cap Administration	\$	32,562	\$ 32,562
AN	6460	195638	Low- and Moderate- Income Housing Programs	\$	55,250,000	\$ 55,250,000
AO	М087	195435	Biomedical Research and Technology Transfer	\$	500,000	\$ 500,000
	TOTAL Group		dicated Purpose Fund	\$	450,324,813	\$ 446,830,071
AQ	Inter	nal Serv	vice Activity Fund Gr	ou	р	
AR	1350	195684	Development	\$	11,686,861	\$ 12,000,000

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	Services Operations		
AS 6850 195636	Development Services Reimbursable Expenditures	\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000
AT TOTAL ISA Int		\$ 11,811,861	\$ 12,125,000
AU Facilities Es	stablishment Fund Gro	oup	
AV 4Z60 195647	Rural Industrial Park Loan	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 0
AW 5S90 195628	Capital Access Loan Program	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000
AX 7009 195664	Innovation Ohio	\$ 5,200,000	\$ 4,800,000
AY 7010 195665	Research and Development	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000
AZ 7037 195615	Facilities Establishment	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 25,000,000
BA TOTAL FCE Fac		\$ 62,700,000	\$ 37,300,000
BB Bond Research	n and Development Fur	nd Group	
BC 7011 195686	Third Frontier Tax Exempt - Operating	\$ 750,000	\$ 750,000

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BD	7011	195687	Third Frontier Research and Development Projects	\$ 21,000,000	\$ 21,000,000
BE	7014	195620	Third Frontier  Taxable - Operating	\$ 1,710,000	\$ 1,710,000
BF	7014	195692	Research and Development Taxable Bond Projects	\$ 90,850,250	\$ 90,850,250
BG			nd Research and	\$ 114,310,250	\$ 114,310,250
ВН	Feder	al Fund	Group		
BI	3080	195603	Housing Assistance Programs	\$ 12,000,000	\$ 12,000,000
ВЈ	3080	195609	Small Business Administration Grants	\$ 5,271,381	\$ 5,271,381
BK	3080	195618	Energy Grants	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 4,000,000
BL	3080	195670	Home Weatherization Program	\$ 20,000,000	\$ 20,000,000
BM	3080	195671	Brownfield Redevelopment	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000
BN	3080	195672	Manufacturing Extension	\$ 6,300,000	\$ 6,300,000

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			Partnership		
во	3080	195675	Procurement Technical Assistance	\$ 750,000	\$ 750,000
BP	3080	195696	State Trade and Export Promotion	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000
BQ	3350	195610	Energy Programs	\$ 345,382	\$ 350,000
BR	3AEO	195643	Workforce Development Initiatives	\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000
BS	3FJ0	195626	Small Business Capital Access and Collateral Enhancement Program	\$ 7,996,645	\$ 8,000,000
ВТ	3FJ0	195661	Technology Targeted Investment Program	\$ 2,260,953	\$ 2,260,953
BU	3K80	195613	Community Development Block Grant	\$ 60,000,000	\$ 60,000,000
BV	3K90	195611	Home Energy Assistance Block Grant	\$ 164,914,571	\$ 165,000,000
BW	3K90	195614	HEAP Weatherization	\$ 34,989,189	\$ 35,000,000
вх	3L00	195612	Community Services	\$ 28,000,000	\$ 28,000,000

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## Block Grant

BY 3V10 195601 HOME Program	\$ 34,979,280	\$ 35,000,000	
BZ TOTAL FED Federal Fund Group	\$ 385,607,401	\$ 385,732,334	
CA TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS	\$ 1,187,219,427	\$ 1,152,383,630	
Sec. 259.20. COAL RESEARCH A	ND DEVELOPMENT PROG	RAM	453
The foregoing appropriation	item 195402, Coal R	esearch and	454
Development Program, shall be used	for the operating	expenses of	455
the Community Services Division in	support of the Ohi	o Coal	456
Development Office.			457
MINORITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMEN	Т		458
The foregoing appropriation	item 195405, Minori	ty Business	459
Development, shall be used to supp	ort the activities	of the	460
Minority Business Development Divi	sion, including pro	viding	461
grants to local nonprofit organiza	tions to support ec	onomic	462
development activities that promot	e minority business		463
development, in conjunction with 1	ocal organizations	funded	464
through appropriation item 195454,	Small Business and	Export	465
Assistance.			466
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SERVICE	S		467
The foregoing appropriation	item 195415, Busine	SS	468
Development Services, shall be use	d for the operating	expenses	469
of the Office of Strategic Busines	s Investments and t	he regional	470
economic development offices.			471
REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE			472
The foregoing appropriation	item 195426, Redeve	lopment	473

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Assistance, shall be used to fund the costs of administering the	474
energy, redevelopment, and other revitalization programs that	475
may be implemented by the Development Services Agency, and may	476
be used to match federal grant funding.	477
TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS AND GRANTS	478
Of the foregoing appropriation item 195453, Technology	479
Programs and Grants, \$1,843,656 in fiscal year 2020 and	480
\$1,900,000 in fiscal year 2021 shall be used for operating	481
expenses incurred in administering the Ohio Third Frontier	482
Programs and other technology focused programs that may be	483
implemented by the Development Services Agency.	484
Of the foregoing appropriation item 195453, Technology	485
Programs and Grants, \$196,400 in each fiscal year shall be	486
allocated to the Edison Welding Institute, Inc., to support the	487
Aerospace Maintenance Repair and Overhaul - Center of Excellence	488
Project.	489
SMALL BUSINESS AND EXPORT ASSISTANCE	490
The foregoing appropriation item 195454, Small Business	491
and Export Assistance, may be used to provide a range of	492
business assistance, including grants to local organizations to	493
support economic development activities that promote small	494
business development, entrepreneurship, and exports of Ohio's	495
goods and services, in conjunction with local organizations	496
funded through appropriation item 195405, Minority Business	497
Development. The foregoing appropriation item shall also be used	498
as matching funds for grants from the United States Small	499
Business Administration and other federal agencies, pursuant to	500
Pub. L. No. 96-302 as amended by Pub. L. No. 98-395, and	501

regulations and policy guidelines for the programs pursuant

thereto. 503

### APPALACHIA ASSISTANCE 504

The foregoing GRF appropriation item 195455, Appalachia 505 Assistance, may be used for the administrative costs of planning 506 and liaison activities for the Governor's Office of Appalachia, 507 to provide financial assistance to projects in Ohio's 508 Appalachian counties, to support four local development 509 510 districts, and to pay dues for the Appalachian Regional Commission. These funds may be used to match federal funds from 511 the Appalachian Regional Commission. Programs funded through the 512 foregoing appropriation item 195455, Appalachia Assistance, 513 shall be identified and recommended by the local development 514 districts and approved by the Governor's Office of Appalachia. 515 The Development Services Agency shall conduct compliance and 516 regulatory review of the programs recommended by the local 517 development districts. Moneys allocated under the foregoing 518 appropriation item 195455, Appalachia Assistance, may be used to 519 fund projects including, but not limited to, those designated by 520 the local development districts as community investment and 521 522 rapid response projects.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 195455, Appalachia 523 Assistance, in each fiscal year, \$170,000 shall be allocated to 524 the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission, \$170,000 shall 525 be allocated to the Ohio Mid-Eastern Government Association, 526 \$170,000 shall be allocated to the Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley 527 Regional Development District, and \$70,000 shall be allocated to 528 the Eastgate Regional Council of Governments. Local development 529 districts receiving funding under this section shall use the 530 funds for the implementation and administration of programs and 5.31 duties under section 107.21 of the Revised Code. 532

Services Division.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 195455, Appalachia	533
Assistance, up to \$4,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be	534
allocated to the GRIT Project for operational costs and to	535
provide virtual job training, virtual job centers, and related	536
training and services consistent with the mission of the GRIT	537
Project for high school students and adults residing in Adams,	538
Brown, Highland, Pike, or Scioto counties.	539
Of the foregoing appropriation item 195455, Appalachia	540
Assistance, \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be allocated to	541
the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio.	542
CDBG OPERATING MATCH	543
The foregoing appropriation item 195497, CDBG Operating	544
Match, shall be used as matching funds for grants from the	545
United States Department of Housing and Urban Development	546
pursuant to the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974	547
and regulations and policy guidelines for the programs pursuant	548
thereto.	549
BSD FEDERAL PROGRAMS MATCH	550
The foregoing appropriation item 195499, BSD Federal	551
Programs Match, shall be used as matching funds for grants from	552
the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards	553
and Technology (NIST) Manufacturing Extension Partnership	554
Program and Defense Logistics Agency Procurement Technical	555
Assistance Program, and other federal agencies, pursuant to Pub.	556
L. No. 96-302 as amended by Pub. L. No. 98-395, and regulations	557
and policy guidelines for the programs pursuant thereto. The	558
foregoing appropriation item 195499, BSD Federal Programs Match,	559
shall also be used for operating expenses of the Business	560

iBELIEVE	562
The foregoing appropriation item 195501, iBELIEVE, shall	563
be allocated to the iBELIEVE Foundation to provide opportunities	564
for Appalachian youth to develop twenty-first century skills,	565
including leadership, communication, and problem-solving for	566
college access and retention.	567
LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS	568
Of the foregoing appropriation item 195503, Local	569
Development Projects, \$1,000,000 shall be used in fiscal year	570
2020 to provide matching funding for the National Center for	571
Defense Manufacturing and Machining in partnership with either	572
the U.S. Department of Defense or the U.S. Department of Energy	573
to further economic opportunity at America Makes, the National	574
Additive Manufacturing Innovation Institute.	575
Of the foregoing appropriation item 195503, \$300,000 in	576
each fiscal year shall be allocated to the Eastern Ohio Military	577
Affairs Commission to support the Camp James A. Garfield Joint	578
Military Training Center and the Youngstown Air Reserve Station.	579
Of the foregoing appropriation item 195503, Local	580
Development Projects, \$250,000 in each fiscal year shall be	581
allocated to Cleveland Neighborhood Progress to support the	582
Cleveland Chain Reaction Project.	583
Of the foregoing appropriation item 195503, Local	584
Development Projects, \$150,000 in each fiscal year shall be	585
allocated to the Stark County Minority Business Association to	586
work in partnership with the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce	587
to support a demonstration pilot project.	588
Of the foregoing appropriation item 195503, Local	589
Development Projects, \$125,000 in each fiscal year shall be	590

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OHIO-ISRAEL AGRICULTURAL INITIATIVE	619
The foregoing appropriation item 195537, Ohio-Israel	620
Agricultural Initiative, shall be used for the Ohio-Israel	621
Agricultural Initiative. The appropriation shall not be used for	622
travel and entertainment expenses incurred under the initiative.	623
SECTOR PARTNERSHIP NETWORKS	624
The foregoing appropriation item 195553, Sector	625
Partnership Networks, shall be used for the grant program	626
described in section 122.179 of the Revised Code.	627
On July 1, 2020, or as soon as possible thereafter, the	628
Director of Development Services shall certify to the Director	629
of Budget and Management the unexpended, unencumbered balance of	630
the fiscal year 2020 appropriation to the foregoing	631
appropriation item. The certified amount is hereby	632
reappropriated to the foregoing appropriation item in fiscal	633
<u>year 2021.</u>	634
TECHCRED PROGRAM	635
The foregoing appropriation item 195556, TechCred Program,	636
shall be used for the TechCred Program.	637
(A) The foregoing GRF appropriation item 195556, TechCred	638
Program, shall be used in conjunction with Fund 5HR0	639
appropriation item 195606, TechCred Program, such that the	640
combined appropriations for the appropriation items in the	641
biennium ending June 30, 2021, are to be used as described in	642
divisions (B) to (E) of this section.	643
(B) A total of \$12,300,000 in each fiscal year shall be	644
used for the TechCred Program as described in section 122.178 of	645
the Revised Code, provided that:	646

(1) Not more than \$4,100,000 in each fiscal year may be	647
awarded to businesses with 50 or fewer employees;	648
(2) Not more than \$4,100,000 in each fiscal year may be	649
awarded to businesses with between 51 and 200 employees; and	650
(3) Not more than \$4,100,000 in each fiscal year may be	651
awarded to businesses with 201 or more employees.	652
(C) In each year of the biennium ending June 30, 2021, if	653
\$4,100,000 in scheduled reimbursements have been approved using	654
funding allocated under one or two of the funding tiers in	655
divisions (B) (1), (2), or (3) of this section and less than	656
\$4,100,000 in scheduled reimbursements have been approved under	657
one or two of the other funding tiers, the Director of	658
Development Services may request Controlling Board approval to	659
reallocate unused portions to other funding tiers.	660
(D) A total of \$2,500,000 in each fiscal year shall be	661
used for the Individual Microcredential Assistance Program as	662
described in section 122.1710 of the Revised Code.	663
(E) A total of \$200,000 in each fiscal year shall be used	664
for marketing the workforce development programs offered by the	665
Development Services Agency as described in section 122.1711 of	666
the Revised Code.	667
(F) On July 1, 2020, or as soon as possible thereafter,	668
the Director of Development Services shall certify to the	669
Director of Budget and Management the unexpended, unencumbered	670
balance of the fiscal year 2020 appropriations to the foregoing	671
appropriation items 195556 and 195606. The certified amounts are	672
hereby reappropriated in fiscal year 2021, provided that the	673
reappropriated amounts are allocated for the purposes set forth	674
in divisions (A), (B)(1), (2), (3), (C), (D), and (E) of this	675

section.	676
Sec. 259.30. MINORITY BUSINESS BONDING FUND	677
Notwithstanding Chapters 122., 169., and 175. of the	678
Revised Code, the Director of Development Services may, upon the	679
recommendation of the Minority Development Financing Advisory	680
Board, pledge up to \$10,000,000 in the FY 2020-FY 2021 biennium	681
of unclaimed funds administered by the Director of Commerce and	682
allocated to the Minority Business Bonding Program under section	683
169.05 of the Revised Code.	684
If needed for the payment of losses arising from the	685
Minority Business Bonding Program, the Director of Budget and	686
Management may, at the request of the Director of Development	687
Services, request that the Director of Commerce transfer	688
unclaimed funds that have been reported by holders of unclaimed	689
funds under section 169.05 of the Revised Code to the Minority	690
Bonding Fund (Fund 4490). The transfer of unclaimed funds shall	691
only occur after proceeds of the initial transfer of \$2,700,000	692
by the Controlling Board to the Minority Business Bonding	693
Program have been used for that purpose. If expenditures are	694
required for payment of losses arising from the Minority	695
Business Bonding Program, such expenditures shall be made from	696
appropriation item 195658, Minority Business Bonding Contingency	697
in the Minority Business Bonding Fund, and such amounts are	698
hereby appropriated.	699
BUSINESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS	700
The foregoing appropriation item 195649, Business	701
Assistance Programs, shall be used for administrative expenses	702
associated with the operation of loan incentives within the	703
Office of Strategic Business Investments.	704

### STATE SPECIAL PROJECTS 705 The State Special Projects Fund (Fund 4F20), may be used 706 for the deposit of private-sector funds from utility companies 707 and for the deposit of other miscellaneous state funds. State 708 moneys so deposited may also be used to match federal funding 709 and to support programs of the Community Service Division. 710 MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE LOAN 711 The foregoing appropriation item 195646, Minority Business 712 Enterprise Loan, shall be used for awards under the Minority 713 Business Enterprise Loan Program and to cover operating expenses 714 715 of the Minority Business Development Division. All repayments from the Minority Development Financing Advisory Board Loan 716 Program shall be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit 717 of the Minority Business Enterprise Loan Fund (Fund 4W10). 718 TECHCRED PROGRAM 719 The foregoing appropriation item 195606, TechCred Program, 720 shall be used in conjunction with GRF appropriation item 195556, 721 TechCred Program, to support the TechCred Program as described 722 in Section 259.20 of this act. 723 On July 1, 2019, or as soon as possible thereafter, the 724 Director of Budget and Management shall transfer \$5,600,000 cash 725 from the OhioMeansJobs Workforce Development Revolving Loan Fund 726 (Fund 5NHO) to the Ohio Incumbent Workforce Job Training Fund 727 (Fund 5HR0). 728 On July 1, 2020, or as soon as possible thereafter, the 729 Director of Budget and Management shall transfer \$7,050,000 cash 730 from the OhioMeansJobs Workforce Development Revolving Loan Fund 731 (Fund 5NHO) to the Ohio Incumbent Workforce Job Training Fund 732 (Fund 5HR0). 733

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### DEFENSE DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE 734 The foregoing appropriation item 195622, Defense 735 Development Assistance, shall be allocated to Development 736 Projects, Inc., for economic development programs and the 737 creation of new jobs to leverage and support mission gains at 738 Department of Defense and related facilities in Ohio by working 739 with future base realignment and closure activities and ongoing 740 Department of Defense efficiency and partnership initiatives, 741 assisting efforts to secure Department of Defense support 742 743 contracts for Ohio companies, assessing and supporting regional job training and workforce development needs generated by the 744 Department of Defense and the Ohio aerospace industry, promoting 745 technology transfer to Ohio businesses, and for expanding job 746 training and economic development programs in human performance 747 and cyber security related initiatives. 748 ADVANCED ENERGY LOAN PROGRAMS 749 The foregoing appropriation item 195660, Advanced Energy 750 Loan Programs, shall be used to provide financial assistance to 751 customers for eligible advanced energy projects for residential, 752 753 commercial, and industrial business, local government, educational institution, nonprofit, and agriculture customers. 754 The appropriation item may be used to match federal grant 755 funding and to pay for the program's administrative costs as 756 provided in sections 4928.61 to 4928.63 of the Revised Code and 757 rules adopted by the Director of Development Services. 758 SPORTS EVENT GRANTS 759 The foregoing appropriation item 195496, Sports Event 760

Grants, shall be used for grants as described in sections 122.12

and 122.121 of the Revised Code.

repealed.

SPORTS EVENT GRANTS REAPPROPRIATION	
On July 1, 2019, or as soon as possible thereafter, the	764
Director of Development Services shall certify to the Director	765
of Budget and Management the amount of the unexpended,	766
unencumbered balance of appropriation item 195496, Sports Event	767
Grants, to be reappropriated in fiscal year 2020. The amount	768
certified is hereby reappropriated to the appropriation item in	769
fiscal year 2020 for the same purpose.	770
VOLUME CAP ADMINISTRATION	771
The foregoing appropriation item 195654, Volume Cap	772
Administration, shall be used for expenses related to the	773
administration of the Volume Cap Program. Revenues received by	774
the Volume Cap Administration Fund (Fund 6170) shall consist of	775
application fees, forfeited deposits, and interest earned from	776
the custodial account held by the Treasurer of State.	777
Section 3. That existing Sections 259.10, 259.20, and	778
259.30 of H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly are hereby	779