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A BILL

То	amend sections 319.16, 2307.382, 2921.41,	1
	2953.32, 2953.321, 2953.36, 2953.51, 2953.54,	2
	and 5747.12 and to enact section 117.116 of the	3
	Revised Code and to amend Section 22 of H.B. 197	4
	of the 133rd General Assembly to expand the	5
	penalties for theft in office based on the	6
	amount stolen, to include as restitution audit	7
	costs of the entity that suffered the loss, to	8
	modify various aspects of the laws regarding	9
	criminal and delinquency record sealing and	10
	expungement, to expand the list of debts toward	11
	satisfaction of which the Tax Commissioner may	12
	apply a tax refund due to a taxpayer, to expand	13
	the basis of a court's exercise of personal	14
	jurisdiction, to specify a separate standard for	15
	the issuing of warrants upon presentation of a	16
	court order, and to declare an emergency.	17

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

Section 1. That sections 319.16, 2307.382, 2921.41,	18
2953.32, 2953.321, 2953.36, 2953.51, 2953.54, and 5747.12 be	19
amended and section 117.116 of the Revised Code be enacted to	20
read as follows:	21
Sec. 117.116. The auditor of state, upon receiving	22
notification that a county auditor has filed a warrant under	23
protest as specified in section 319.16 of the Revised Code, may	24
review that warrant as part of the auditor of state's next	25
regularly scheduled audit of the public office that presented	26
documents under that section that led to issuance of the warrant	27
under protest.	28
Sec. 319.16. (A) The county auditor shall issue warrants,	29
including electronic warrants authorizing direct deposit for	30
payment of county obligations in accordance with division (F) of	31
section 9.37 of the Revised Code, on the county treasurer for	32
all moneys payable from the county treasury, upon presentation	33
of <u>either of the following:</u>	34
(1) Any proper order or voucher and evidentiary matter—for—	35
the moneys, and;	36
(2) Any proper court order for expenses of any court	37
funded through the county treasury and, upon request of the	38
county auditor, legible copies of any court-approved invoice,	39
bill, receipt, check, or contract related to the order, redacted	40
as required by law, to the extent those documents exist.	41
(B) When a court order described in division (A)(2) of	42
this section is presented the auditor shall have no liability	43

for that expenditure and the court issuing the order shall_	44
assume the financial liability, if any, for that expenditure.	45
The county auditor shall keep a record of all such warrants	46
showing the number, date of issue, amount for which drawn, in	47
whose favor, for what purpose, and on what fund. The	48
(C) The auditor shall not issue a warrant for the payment	49
of any claim against the county, unless it is allowed by the	50
board of county commissioners, except where the amount due is	51
fixed by law or is allowed by an officer or tribunal, including	52
a county board of mental health or county board of developmental	53
disabilities, so authorized by law. If	54
(D) If the auditor questions the validity of an	55
expenditure under division (A)(2) of this section that is within	56
available appropriations—and for which a proper order or voucher—	57
and evidentiary matter is presented, the auditor shall notify	58
the court that presented the documents, shall issue the warrant	59
under protest, and shall notify the auditor of state of the	60
protest. When a warrant is issued under division (D) of this	61
section, the auditor has no liability for that expenditure. If	62
the auditor refuses to issue the warrant, a writ of mandamus may	63
be sought. The court shall issue a writ of mandamus for issuance	64
of the warrant if the court determines that the claim is valid.	65
(E) If the auditor questions the validity of an	66
expenditure presented under division (A)(1) of this section that	67
is within available appropriations, the auditor shall notify the	68
board, officer, or tribunal who presented the <pre>voucher</pre> documents.	69
If the board, officer, or tribunal determines that the	70
expenditure is valid and the auditor continues to refuse <u>refuses</u>	71
to issue the appropriate warrant on the county treasury, a writ	72
of mandamus may be sought. The court shall issue a writ of	73

(7) Causing tortious injury to any person by a criminal	102
act, any element of which takes place in this state, which—he—	103
the person commits or in the commission of which—he the person_	104
is guilty of complicity.	105
(8) Having an interest in, using, or possessing real	106
property in this state;	107
(9) Contracting to insure any person, property, or risk	108
located within this state at the time of contracting.	109
(B) For purposes of this section, a person who enters into	110
an agreement, as a principal, with a sales representative for	111
the solicitation of orders in this state is transacting business	112
in this state. As used in this division, "principal" and "sales	113
representative" have the same meanings as in section 1335.11 of	114
the Revised Code.	115
(C) When In addition to a court's exercise of personal	116
jurisdiction under division (A) of this section, a court may	117
<u>exercise personal jurisdiction</u> over a person is based solely	118
upon this section, only a cause of action arising from acts	119
enumerated in this section may be asserted against him on any	120
basis consistent with the Ohio Constitution and the United	121
States Constitution.	122
Sec. 2921.41. (A) No public official or party official	123
shall commit any theft offense, as defined in division (K) of	124
section 2913.01 of the Revised Code, when either of the	125
following applies:	126
(1) The offender uses the offender's office in aid of	127
committing the offense or permits or assents to its use in aid	128
of committing the offense;	129
(2) The property or service involved is owned by this	130

state, any other state, the United States, a county, a municipal	131
corporation, a township, or any political subdivision,	132
department, or agency of any of them, is owned by a political	133
party, or is part of a political campaign fund.	134
(B) Whoever violates this section is guilty of theft in	135
office. Except as otherwise provided in this division, theft in	136
office is a felony of the fifth degree. If the value of property	137
or services stolen is one thousand dollars or more and is less	138
than seven thousand five hundred dollars, theft in office is a	139
felony of the fourth degree. If the value of property or	140
services stolen is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more	141
and is less than one hundred fifty thousand dollars, theft in	142
office is a felony of the third degree. If the value of property	143
or services stolen is one hundred fifty thousand dollars or more	144
and is less than seven hundred fifty thousand dollars, theft in	145
office is a felony of the second degree. If the value of	146
property or services stolen is seven hundred fifty thousand	147
dollars or more, theft in office is a felony of the first	148
<pre>degree.</pre>	149
(C)(1) A public official or party official who pleads	150
guilty to theft in office and whose plea is accepted by the	151
court or a public official or party official against whom a	152
verdict or finding of guilt for committing theft in office is	153
returned is forever disqualified from holding any public office,	154
employment, or position of trust in this state.	155
(2)(a)(i) A court that imposes sentence for a violation of	156
this section based on conduct described in division (A)(2) of	157
this section shall require the public official or party official	158
who is convicted of or pleads guilty to the offense to make	159

restitution for all of the property or the service that is the

subject of the offense, in addition to the term of imprisonment	161
and any fine imposed. The total amount of restitution imposed	162
under this division shall include costs of auditing the public	163
entities specified in division (A)(2) of this section that own	164
the property or service involved in the conduct described in	165
that division that is a violation of this section, but, except	166
as otherwise provided in a negotiated plea agreement, shall not	167
exceed the amount of the restitution imposed for all of the	168
property or the service that is the subject of the offense.	169
(ii) A court that imposes sentence for a violation of this	170
section based on conduct described in division (A)(1) of this	171
section and that determines at trial that this state or a	172
political subdivision of this state if the offender is a public	173
official, or a political party in the United States or this	174
state if the offender is a party official, suffered actual loss	175
as a result of the offense shall require the offender to make	176
restitution to the state, political subdivision, or political	177
party for all of the actual loss experienced, in addition to the	178
term of imprisonment and any fine imposed. The total amount of	179
restitution imposed under this division shall include costs of	180
auditing the state, political subdivision, or political party	181
that suffered the actual loss based on conduct described in that	182
division that is a violation of this section, but, except as	183
otherwise provided in a negotiated plea agreement, shall not	184
exceed the amount of the restitution imposed for all of the	185
actual loss suffered.	186
(b)(i) In any case in which a sentencing court is required	187
to order restitution under division (C)(2)(a) of this section	188
and in which the offender, at the time of the commission of the	189
offense or at any other time, was a member of the public	190

employees retirement system, the Ohio police and fire pension

fund, the state teachers retirement system, the school employees	192
retirement system, or the state highway patrol retirement	193
system; was an electing employee, as defined in section 3305.01	194
of the Revised Code, participating in an alternative retirement	195
plan provided pursuant to Chapter 3305. of the Revised Code; was	196
a participating employee or continuing member, as defined in	197
section 148.01 of the Revised Code, in a deferred compensation	198
program offered by the Ohio public employees deferred	199
compensation board; was an officer or employee of a municipal	200
corporation who was a participant in a deferred compensation	201
program offered by that municipal corporation; was an officer or	202
employee of a government unit, as defined in section 148.06 of	203
the Revised Code, who was a participant in a deferred	204
compensation program offered by that government unit, or was a	205
participating employee, continuing member, or participant in any	206
deferred compensation program described in this division and a	207
member of a retirement system specified in this division or a	208
retirement system of a municipal corporation, the entity to	209
which restitution is to be made may file a motion with the	210
sentencing court specifying any retirement system, any provider	211
as defined in section 3305.01 of the Revised Code, and any	212
deferred compensation program of which the offender was a	213
member, electing employee, participating employee, continuing	214
member, or participant and requesting the court to issue an	215
order requiring the specified retirement system, the specified	216
provider under the alternative retirement plan, or the specified	217
deferred compensation program, or, if more than one is specified	218
in the motion, the applicable combination of these, to withhold	219
the amount required as restitution from any payment that is to	220
be made under a pension, annuity, or allowance, under an option	221
in the alternative retirement plan, under a participant account,	222
as defined in section 148.01 of the Revised Code, or under any	223

other type of benefit, other than a survivorship benefit, that	224
has been or is in the future granted to the offender, from any	225
payment of accumulated employee contributions standing to the	226
offender's credit with that retirement system, that provider of	227
the option under the alternative retirement plan, or that	228
deferred compensation program, or, if more than one is specified	229
in the motion, the applicable combination of these, and from any	230
payment of any other amounts to be paid to the offender upon the	231
offender's withdrawal of the offender's contributions pursuant	232
to Chapter 145., 148., 742., 3307., 3309., or 5505. of the	233
Revised Code. A motion described in this division may be filed	234
at any time subsequent to the conviction of the offender or	235
entry of a guilty plea. Upon the filing of the motion, the clerk	236
of the court in which the motion is filed shall notify the	237
offender, the specified retirement system, the specified	238
provider under the alternative retirement plan, or the specified	239
deferred compensation program, or, if more than one is specified	240
in the motion, the applicable combination of these, in writing,	241
of all of the following: that the motion was filed; that the	242
offender will be granted a hearing on the issuance of the	243
requested order if the offender files a written request for a	244
hearing with the clerk prior to the expiration of thirty days	245
after the offender receives the notice; that, if a hearing is	246
requested, the court will schedule a hearing as soon as possible	247
and notify the offender, any specified retirement system, any	248
specified provider under an alternative retirement plan, and any	249
specified deferred compensation program of the date, time, and	250
place of the hearing; that, if a hearing is conducted, it will	251
be limited only to a consideration of whether the offender can	252
show good cause why the requested order should not be issued;	253
that, if a hearing is conducted, the court will not issue the	254
requested order if the court determines, based on evidence	255

presented at the hearing by the offender, that there is good 256 cause for the requested order not to be issued; that the court 257 will issue the requested order if a hearing is not requested or 258 if a hearing is conducted but the court does not determine, 259 based on evidence presented at the hearing by the offender, that 260 there is good cause for the requested order not to be issued; 261 262 and that, if the requested order is issued, any retirement system, any provider under an alternative retirement plan, and 263 any deferred compensation program specified in the motion will 264 be required to withhold the amount required as restitution from 265 payments to the offender. 266

(ii) In any case in which a sentencing court is required 267 to order restitution under division (C)(2)(a) of this section 268 and in which a motion requesting the issuance of a withholding 269 order as described in division (C)(2)(b)(i) of this section is 270 filed, the offender may receive a hearing on the motion by 271 delivering a written request for a hearing to the court prior to 272 the expiration of thirty days after the offender's receipt of 273 the notice provided pursuant to division (C)(2)(b)(i) of this 274 section. If a request for a hearing is made by the offender 275 within the prescribed time, the court shall schedule a hearing 276 as soon as possible after the request is made and shall notify 277 the offender, the specified retirement system, the specified 278 provider under the alternative retirement plan, or the specified 279 deferred compensation program, or, if more than one is specified 280 in the motion, the applicable combination of these, of the date, 281 time, and place of the hearing. A hearing scheduled under this 282 division shall be limited to a consideration of whether there is 283 good cause, based on evidence presented by the offender, for the 284 requested order not to be issued. If the court determines, based 285 on evidence presented by the offender, that there is good cause 286

for the order not to be issued, the court shall deny the motion	287
and shall not issue the requested order. If the offender does	288
not request a hearing within the prescribed time or if the court	289
conducts a hearing but does not determine, based on evidence	290
presented by the offender, that there is good cause for the	291
order not to be issued, the court shall order the specified	292
retirement system, the specified provider under the alternative	293
retirement plan, or the specified deferred compensation program,	294
or, if more than one is specified in the motion, the applicable	295
combination of these, to withhold the amount required as	296
restitution under division (C)(2)(a) of this section from any	297
payments to be made under a pension, annuity, or allowance,	298
under a participant account, as defined in section 148.01 of the	299
Revised Code, under an option in the alternative retirement	300
plan, or under any other type of benefit, other than a	301
survivorship benefit, that has been or is in the future granted	302
to the offender, from any payment of accumulated employee	303
contributions standing to the offender's credit with that	304
retirement system, that provider under the alternative	305
retirement plan, or that deferred compensation program, or, if	306
more than one is specified in the motion, the applicable	307
combination of these, and from any payment of any other amounts	308
to be paid to the offender upon the offender's withdrawal of the	309
offender's contributions pursuant to Chapter 145., 148., 742.,	310
3307., 3309., or 5505. of the Revised Code, and to continue the	311
withholding for that purpose, in accordance with the order, out	312
of each payment to be made on or after the date of issuance of	313
the order, until further order of the court. Upon receipt of an	314
order issued under this division, the public employees	315
retirement system, the Ohio police and fire pension fund, the	316
state teachers retirement system, the school employees	317
retirement system, the state highway patrol retirement system, a	318

municipal corporation retirement system, the provider under the	319
alternative retirement plan, and the deferred compensation	320
program offered by the Ohio public employees deferred	321
compensation board, a municipal corporation, or a government	322
unit, as defined in section 148.06 of the Revised Code,	323
whichever are applicable, shall withhold the amount required as	324
restitution, in accordance with the order, from any such	325
payments and immediately shall forward the amount withheld to	326
the clerk of the court in which the order was issued for payment	327
to the entity to which restitution is to be made.	328
(iii) Service of a notice required by division (C)(2)(b)	329
(i) or (ii) of this section shall be effected in the same manner	330
as provided in the Rules of Civil Procedure for the service of	331
process.	332
(c) Consistent with the ruling of the supreme court of the	333
United States in Kelly v. Robinson, 479 U.S. 36 (1986),	334
restitution imposed under division (C)(2)(a) of this section is	335
not dischargeable under Chapter 7 of the United States	336
Bankruptcy Code pursuant to 11 U.S.C. 523, as amended.	337
(D) Upon the filing of charges against a person under this	338
section, the prosecutor, as defined in section 2935.01 of the	339
Revised Code, who is assigned the case shall send written notice	340
that charges have been filed against that person to the public	341
employees retirement system, the Ohio police and fire pension	342
fund, the state teachers retirement system, the school employees	343
retirement system, the state highway patrol retirement system,	344
the provider under an alternative retirement plan, any municipal	345
corporation retirement system in this state, and the deferred	346
compensation program offered by the Ohio public employees	347

deferred compensation board, a municipal corporation, or a

government unit, as defined in section 148.06 of the Revised	349
Code. The written notice shall specifically identify the person	350
charged.	351
Sec. 2953.32. (A) (1) Except as provided in section 2953.61	352
of the Revised Code or as otherwise provided in division (A)(1)	353
(d) of this section, an eligible offender may apply to the	354
sentencing court if convicted in this state, or to a court of	355
common pleas if convicted in another state or in a federal	356
court, for the sealing of the record of the case that pertains	357
to the conviction. Application may be made at one of the	358
following times:	359
(a) At the expiration of three years after the offender's	360
final discharge if convicted of one felony, so long as none of	361
the offenses is a violation of section 2921.43 of the Revised	362
Code;	363
(b) When division (A)(1)(a) of section 2953.31 of the	364
Revised Code applies to the offender, at the expiration of four	365
years after the offender's final discharge if convicted of two	366
felonies, or at the expiration of five years after final	367
discharge if convicted of three, four, or five felonies, so long	368
as none of the offenses is a violation of section 2921.43 of the	369
<pre>Revised Code;</pre>	370
(c) At the expiration of one year after the offender's	371
final discharge if convicted of a misdemeanor, so long as none	372
of the offenses is a violation of section 2921.43 of the Revised	373
Code;	374
(d) At the expiration of seven years after the offender's	375
final discharge if the record includes a conviction of	376
soliciting improper compensation in violation of section 2921 43	377

of the Revised Code.

(2) Any person who has been arrested for any misdemeanor 379 offense and who has effected a bail forfeiture for the offense 380 charged may apply to the court in which the misdemeanor criminal 381 case was pending when bail was forfeited for the sealing of the 382 record of the case that pertains to the charge. Except as 383 provided in section 2953.61 of the Revised Code, the application 384 may be filed at any time after the expiration of one year from 385 the date on which the bail forfeiture was entered upon the 386 387 minutes of the court or the journal, whichever entry occurs first. 388

(B) Upon the filing of an application under this section, 389 the court shall set a date for a hearing and shall notify the 390 prosecutor for the case of the hearing on the application. The 391 prosecutor may object to the granting of the application by 392 filing an objection with the court prior to the date set for the 393 hearing. The prosecutor shall specify in the objection the 394 reasons for believing a denial of the application is justified. 395 The court shall direct its regular probation officer, a state 396 probation officer, or the department of probation of the county 397 in which the applicant resides to make inquiries and written 398 reports as the court requires concerning the applicant. The 399 probation officer or county department of probation that the 400 court directs to make inquiries concerning the applicant shall 401 determine whether or not the applicant was fingerprinted at the 402 time of arrest or under section 109.60 of the Revised Code. If 403 the applicant was so fingerprinted, the probation officer or 404 county department of probation shall include with the written 405 report a record of the applicant's fingerprints. If the 406 applicant was convicted of or pleaded quilty to a violation of 407 division (A)(2) or (B) of section 2919.21 of the Revised Code, 408

court;

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the probation officer or county department of probation that the	409
court directed to make inquiries concerning the applicant shall	410
contact the child support enforcement agency enforcing the	411
applicant's obligations under the child support order to inquire	412
about the offender's compliance with the child support order.	413
(C)(1) The court shall do each of the following:	414
(a) Determine whether the applicant is an eligible	415
offender or whether the forfeiture of bail was agreed to by the	416
applicant and the prosecutor in the case. If the applicant	417
applies as an eligible offender pursuant to division (A)(1) of	418
this section and has two or three convictions that result from	419
the same indictment, information, or complaint, from the same	420
plea of guilty, or from the same official proceeding, and result	421
from related criminal acts that were committed within a three-	422
month period but do not result from the same act or from	423
offenses committed at the same time, in making its determination	424
under this division, the court initially shall determine whether	425
it is not in the public interest for the two or three	426
convictions to be counted as one conviction. If the court	427
determines that it is not in the public interest for the two or	428
three convictions to be counted as one conviction, the court	429
shall determine that the applicant is not an eligible offender;	430
if the court does not make that determination, the court shall	431
determine that the offender is an eligible offender.	432
(b) Determine whether criminal proceedings are pending	433
against the applicant;	434
(c) If the applicant is an eligible offender who applies	435
pursuant to division (A)(1) of this section, determine whether	436
the applicant has been rehabilitated to the satisfaction of the	437

- (d) If the prosecutor has filed an objection in accordance 439 with division (B) of this section, consider the reasons against 440 granting the application specified by the prosecutor in the 441 objection; 442
- (e) Weigh the interests of the applicant in having the 443 records pertaining to the applicant's conviction or bail 444 forfeiture sealed against the legitimate needs, if any, of the 445 government to maintain those records. 446
- (2) If the court determines, after complying with division 447 (C)(1) of this section, that the applicant is an eligible 448 offender or the subject of a bail forfeiture, that no criminal 449 proceeding is pending against the applicant, that the interests 450 of the applicant in having the records pertaining to the 451 applicant's conviction or bail forfeiture sealed are not 452 outweighed by any legitimate governmental needs to maintain 453 those records, and that the rehabilitation of an applicant who 454 is an eligible offender applying pursuant to division (A)(1) of 455 this section has been attained to the satisfaction of the court, 456 the court, except as provided in division (C)(4), (G), (H), or 457 (I) of this section, shall order all official records of the 458 case that pertain to the conviction or bail forfeiture sealed 459 and, except as provided in division (F) of this section, all 460 index references to the case that pertain to the conviction or 461 bail forfeiture deleted and, in the case of bail forfeitures, 462 shall dismiss the charges in the case. The proceedings in the 463 case that pertain to the conviction or bail forfeiture shall be 464 considered not to have occurred and the conviction or bail 465 forfeiture of the person who is the subject of the proceedings 466 shall be sealed, except that upon conviction of a subsequent 467 offense, the sealed record of prior conviction or bail 468 forfeiture may be considered by the court in determining the 469

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sentence or other appropriate disposition, including the relief provided for in sections 2953.31 to 2953.33 of the Revised Code.

- (3) An applicant may request the sealing of the records of 472 more than one case in a single application under this section. 473 Upon the filing of an application under this section, the 474 applicant, unless indigent, shall pay a fee of fifty dollars, 475 regardless of the number of records the application requests to 476 have sealed. The court shall pay thirty dollars of the fee into 477 the state treasury. It shall pay twenty dollars of the fee into 478 the county general revenue fund if the sealed conviction or bail 479 forfeiture was pursuant to a state statute, or into the general 480 revenue fund of the municipal corporation involved if the sealed 481 conviction or bail forfeiture was pursuant to a municipal 482 ordinance. 483
- (4) If the court orders the official records pertaining to the case sealed, the court shall do one of the following:
- (a) If the applicant was fingerprinted at the time of

 arrest or under section 109.60 of the Revised Code and the

 record of the applicant's fingerprints was provided to the court

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 under division (B) of this section, forward a copy of the

 sealing order and the record of the applicant's fingerprints to

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 the bureau of criminal identification and investigation.
- (b) If the applicant was not fingerprinted at the time of arrest or under section 109.60 of the Revised Code, or the record of the applicant's fingerprints was not provided to the court under division (B) of this section, but fingerprinting was required for the offense, order the applicant to appear before a sheriff to have the applicant's fingerprints taken according to the fingerprint system of identification on the forms furnished by the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification

and investigation. The sheriff shall forward the applicant's	500
fingerprints to the court. The court shall forward the	501
applicant's fingerprints and a copy of the sealing order to the	502
bureau of criminal identification and investigation.	503
Failure of the court to order fingerprints at the time of	504
sealing does not constitute a reversible error.	505
(D) Inspection of the sealed records included in the order	506
may be made only by the following persons or for the following	507
purposes:	508
(1) By a law enforcement officer or prosecutor, or the	509
assistants of either, to determine whether the nature and	510
character of the offense with which a person is to be charged	511
would be affected by virtue of the person's previously having	512
been convicted of a crime;	513
(2) By the parole or probation officer of the person who	514
is the subject of the records, for the exclusive use of the	515
officer in supervising the person while on parole or under a	516
community control sanction or a post-release control sanction,	517
and in making inquiries and written reports as requested by the	518
court or adult parole authority;	519
(3) Upon application by the person who is the subject of	520
the records, by the persons named in the application;	521
(4) By a law enforcement officer who was involved in the	522
case, for use in the officer's defense of a civil action arising	523
out of the officer's involvement in that case;	524
(5) By a prosecuting attorney or the prosecuting	525
attorney's assistants, to determine a defendant's eligibility to	526
enter a pre-trial diversion program established pursuant to	527
section 2935.36 of the Revised Code;	528

(6) By any law enforcement agency or any authorized	529
employee of a law enforcement agency or by the department of	530
rehabilitation and correction or department of youth services as	531
part of a background investigation of a person who applies for	532
employment with the agency or with the department;	533
(7) By any law enforcement agency or any authorized	534
employee of a law enforcement agency, for the purposes set forth	535
in, and in the manner provided in, section 2953.321 of the	536
Revised Code;	537
(8) By the bureau of criminal identification and	538
investigation or any authorized employee of the bureau for the	539
purpose of providing information to a board or person pursuant	540
to division (F) or (G) of section 109.57 of the Revised Code;	541
(9) By the bureau of criminal identification and	542
investigation or any authorized employee of the bureau for the	543
purpose of performing a criminal history records check on a	544
person to whom a certificate as prescribed in section 109.77 of	545
the Revised Code is to be awarded;	546
(10) By the bureau of criminal identification and	547
investigation or any authorized employee of the bureau for the	548
purpose of conducting a criminal records check of an individual	549
pursuant to division (B) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code	550
that was requested pursuant to any of the sections identified in	551
division (B)(1) of that section;	552
(11) By the bureau of criminal identification and	553
investigation, an authorized employee of the bureau, a sheriff,	554
or an authorized employee of a sheriff in connection with a	555
criminal records check described in section 311.41 of the	556
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(12) By the attorney general or an authorized employee of	558
the attorney general or a court for purposes of determining a	559
person's classification pursuant to Chapter 2950. of the Revised	560
Code;	561

(13) By a court, the registrar of motor vehicles, a prosecuting attorney or the prosecuting attorney's assistants, or a law enforcement officer for the purpose of assessing points against a person under section 4510.036 of the Revised Code or for taking action with regard to points assessed.

When the nature and character of the offense with which a person is to be charged would be affected by the information, it may be used for the purpose of charging the person with an offense.

- (E) In any criminal proceeding, proof of any otherwise 571 admissible prior conviction may be introduced and proved, 572 notwithstanding the fact that for any such prior conviction an 573 order of sealing previously was issued pursuant to sections 574 2953.31 to 2953.36 of the Revised Code. 575
- (F) The person or governmental agency, office, or department that maintains sealed records pertaining to convictions or bail forfeitures that have been sealed pursuant to this section may maintain a manual or computerized index to the sealed records. The index shall contain only the name of, and alphanumeric identifiers that relate to, the persons who are the subject of the sealed records, the word "sealed," and the name of the person, agency, office, or department that has custody of the sealed records, and shall not contain the name of the crime committed. The index shall be made available by the person who has custody of the sealed records only for the purposes set forth in divisions (C), (D), and (E) of this

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- (G) Notwithstanding any provision of this section or 589 section 2953.33 of the Revised Code that requires otherwise, a 590 board of education of a city, local, exempted village, or joint 591 vocational school district that maintains records of an 592 individual who has been permanently excluded under sections 593 3301.121 and 3313.662 of the Revised Code is permitted to 594 maintain records regarding a conviction that was used as the 595 basis for the individual's permanent exclusion, regardless of a 596 court order to seal the record. An order issued under this 597 section to seal the record of a conviction does not revoke the 598 adjudication order of the superintendent of public instruction 599 to permanently exclude the individual who is the subject of the 600 sealing order. An order issued under this section to seal the 601 record of a conviction of an individual may be presented to a 602 district superintendent as evidence to support the contention 603 that the superintendent should recommend that the permanent 604 exclusion of the individual who is the subject of the sealing 605 order be revoked. Except as otherwise authorized by this 606 division and sections 3301.121 and 3313.662 of the Revised Code, 607 any school employee in possession of or having access to the 608 sealed conviction records of an individual that were the basis 609 of a permanent exclusion of the individual is subject to section 610 2953.35 of the Revised Code. 611
- (H) Notwithstanding any provision of this section or

 section 2953.33 of the Revised Code that requires otherwise, if

 the auditor of state or a prosecutor maintains records, reports,

 or audits of an individual who has been forever disqualified

 from holding public office, employment, or position of trust in

 this state under sections 2921.41 and 2921.43 of the Revised

 Code, or has otherwise been convicted of an offense based upon

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the records, reports, or audits of the auditor of state, the	619
auditor of state or prosecutor is permitted to maintain those	620
records to the extent they were used as the basis for the	621
individual's disqualification or conviction, and shall not be	622
compelled by court order to seal those records.	623
(I) For purposes of sections 2953.31 to 2953.36 of the	624
Revised Code, DNA records collected in the DNA database and	625
fingerprints filed for record by the superintendent of the	626
bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall not be	627
sealed unless the superintendent receives a certified copy of a	628
final court order establishing that the offender's conviction	629
has been overturned. For purposes of this section, a court order	630
is not "final" if time remains for an appeal or application for	631
discretionary review with respect to the order.	632
(I) (J) The sealing of a record under this section does	633
not affect the assessment of points under section 4510.036 of	634
the Revised Code and does not erase points assessed against a	635
person as a result of the sealed record.	636
Sec. 2953.321. (A) As used in this section, "investigatory	637
work product" means any records or reports of a law enforcement	638
officer or agency that are excepted from the definition of	639
"official records" contained in section 2953.51 of the Revised	640
Code and that pertain to a conviction or bail forfeiture the	641
records of which have been ordered sealed pursuant to division	642
(C)(2) of section 2953.32 of the Revised Code or that pertain to	643
a conviction or delinquent child adjudication the records of	644
which have been ordered expunged pursuant to division (E) of	645
section 2151.358, division (D)(2) of section 2953.37, or	646
division (G) of section 2953.38 of the Revised Code.	647

(B) Upon the issuance of an order by a court pursuant to

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division (C)(2) of section 2953.32 of the Revised Code directing	649
that all official records of a case pertaining to a conviction	650
or bail forfeiture be sealed or an order by a court pursuant to	651
division (E) of section 2151.358, division (D)(2) of section	652
2953.37, or division (G) of section 2953.38 of the Revised Code	653
directing that all official records of a case pertaining to a	654
conviction or delinquent child adjudication be expunged:	655

- (1) Every law enforcement officer who possesses investigatory work product immediately shall deliver that work product to the law enforcement officer's employing law enforcement agency.
- (2) Except as provided in division (B)(3) or (4) of this 660 section, every law enforcement agency that possesses 661 investigatory work product shall close that work product to all 662 persons who are not directly employed by the law enforcement 663 agency and shall treat that work product, in relation to all 664 persons other than those who are directly employed by the law 665 enforcement agency, as if it did not exist and never had 666 existed. 667
- (3) A law enforcement agency that possesses investigatory 668 work product may permit another law enforcement agency to use 669 that work product in the investigation of another offense if the 670 facts incident to the offense being investigated by the other 671 law enforcement agency and the facts incident to an offense that 672 is the subject of the case are reasonably similar. The agency 673 that permits the use of investigatory work product may provide 674 the other agency with the name of the person who is the subject 675 of the case if it believes that the name of the person is 676 necessary to the conduct of the investigation by the other 677 678 agency.

(4) The auditor of state may provide to or discuss with	679
other parties investigatory work product maintained pursuant to	680
Chapter 117. of the Revised Code by the auditor of state.	681
(C)(1) Except as provided in division (B)(3) or (4) of	682
this section, no law enforcement officer or other person	683
employed by a law enforcement agency shall knowingly release,	684
disseminate, or otherwise make the investigatory work product or	685
any information contained in that work product available to, or	686
discuss any information contained in it with, any person not	687
employed by the employing law enforcement agency.	688
(2) No law enforcement agency, or person employed by a law	689
enforcement agency, that receives investigatory work product	690
pursuant to division (B)(3) or (4) of this section shall use	691
that work product for any purpose other than the investigation	692
of the offense for which it was obtained from the other law	693
enforcement agency, or disclose the name of the person who is	694
the subject of the work product except when necessary for the	695
conduct of the investigation of the offense, or the prosecution	696
of the person for committing the offense, for which it was	697
obtained from the other law enforcement agency.	698
(3) It is not a violation of division (C)(1) or (2) of	699
this section for the bureau of criminal identification and	700
investigation or any authorized employee of the bureau	701
participating in the investigation of criminal activity to	702
release, disseminate, or otherwise make available to, or discuss	703
with, a person directly employed by a law enforcement agency DNA	704
records collected in the DNA database or fingerprints filed for	705
record by the superintendent of the bureau of criminal	706
identification and investigation.	707

(D) Whoever violates division (C)(1) or (2) of this

section is guilty of divulging confidential investigatory work	709
product, a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.	710
Sec. 2953.36. (A) Except as otherwise provided in division	711
(B) of this section, sections 2953.31 to 2953.35 of the Revised	712
Code do not apply to any of the following:	713
(1) Convictions when the offender is subject to a	714
mandatory prison term;	715
(2) Convictions under section 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04,	716
2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.321, 2907.322, or 2907.323, former	717
section 2907.12, or Chapter 4506., 4507., 4510., 4511., or 4549.	718
of the Revised Code, or a conviction for a violation of a	719
municipal ordinance that is substantially similar to any section	720
contained in any of those chapters, except as otherwise provided	721
in section 2953.61 of the Revised Code;	722
(3) Convictions of an offense of violence when the offense	723
is a misdemeanor of the first degree or a felony and when the	724
offense is not a violation of section 2917.03 of the Revised	725
Code and is not a violation of section 2903.13, 2917.01, or	726
2917.31 of the Revised Code that is a misdemeanor of the first	727
degree;	728
(4) Convictions on or after October 10, 2007, under	729
section 2907.07 of the Revised Code or a conviction on or after	730
October 10, 2007, for a violation of a municipal ordinance that	731
is substantially similar to that section;	732
(5) Convictions on or after October 10, 2007, under	733
section 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.21, 2907.22, 2907.23, 2907.31,	734
2907.311, 2907.32, or 2907.33 of the Revised Code when the	735
victim of the offense was under eighteen years of age;	736
(6) Convictions of an offense in circumstances in which	737

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pursuant to section 2939.23 of the Revised Code, that the grand 766 jury has returned a no bill. 767

- (D) "Official records" means all records that are 768 possessed by any public office or agency that relate to a 769 criminal case, including, but not limited to: the notation to 770 the case in the criminal docket; all subpoenas issued in the 771 case; all papers and documents filed by the defendant or the 772 prosecutor in the case; all records of all testimony and 773 evidence presented in all proceedings in the case; all court 774 775 files, papers, documents, folders, entries, affidavits, or writs that pertain to the case; all computer, microfilm, microfiche, 776 or microdot records, indices, or references to the case; all 777 index references to the case; all fingerprints and photographs; 778 all DNA specimens, DNA records, and DNA profiles; all records 779 and investigative reports pertaining to the case that are 780 possessed by any law enforcement officer or agency, except that 781 any records or reports that are the specific investigatory work 782 product of a law enforcement officer or agency are not and shall 783 not be considered to be official records when they are in the 784 possession of that officer or agency; and all investigative 785 records and reports other than those possessed by a law 786 enforcement officer or agency pertaining to the case. "Official 787 records" does not include any of the following: 788
- (1) Records or reports maintained pursuant to section 2151.421 of the Revised Code by a public children services agency or the department of job and family services;
- (2) Any report of an investigation maintained by the 792 inspector general pursuant to section 121.42 of the Revised 793 Code, to the extent that the report contains information that 794 pertains to an individual who was convicted of or pleaded guilty 795

to an offense discovered in or related to the investigation and	796
whose conviction or guilty plea was not overturned on appeal $\underline{:}$	797
(3) Records, reports, or audits maintained by the auditor	798
of state pursuant to Chapter 117. of the Revised Code.	799
(E) "DNA database," "DNA record," "DNA specimen," and "law	800
enforcement agency" have the same meanings as in section 109.573	801
of the Revised Code.	802
(F) "Fingerprints filed for record" has the same meaning	803
as in section 2953.31 of the Revised Code.	804
Sec. 2953.54. (A) Except as otherwise provided in Chapter	805
2950. of the Revised Code, upon the issuance of an order by a	806
court under division (B) of section 2953.52 of the Revised Code	807
directing that all official records pertaining to a case be	808
sealed and that the proceedings in the case be deemed not to	809
have occurred:	810
(1) Every law enforcement officer possessing records or	811
reports pertaining to the case that are the officer's specific	812
investigatory work product and that are excepted from the	813
definition of "official records" contained in section 2953.51 of	814
the Revised Code shall immediately deliver the records and	815
reports to the officer's employing law enforcement agency.	816
Except as provided in division (A)(3) or (4) of this section, no	817
such officer shall knowingly release, disseminate, or otherwise	818
make the records and reports or any information contained in	819
them available to, or discuss any information contained in them	820
with, any person not employed by the officer's employing law	821
enforcement agency.	822
(2) Every law enforcement agency that possesses records or	823
reports pertaining to the case that are its specific	824

investigatory work product and that are excepted from the	825
definition of "official records" contained in section 2953.51 of	826
the Revised Code, or that are the specific investigatory work	827
product of a law enforcement officer it employs and that were	828
delivered to it under division (A)(1) of this section shall,	829
except as provided in division (A)(3) or (4) of this section,	830
close the records and reports to all persons who are not	831
directly employed by the law enforcement agency and shall,	832
except as provided in division (A)(3) or (4) of this section,	833
treat the records and reports, in relation to all persons other	834
than those who are directly employed by the law enforcement	835
agency, as if they did not exist and had never existed. Except	836
as provided in division (A)(3) or (4) of this section, no person	837
who is employed by the law enforcement agency shall knowingly	838
release, disseminate, or otherwise make the records and reports	839
in the possession of the employing law enforcement agency or any	840
information contained in them available to, or discuss any	841
information contained in them with, any person not employed by	842
the employing law enforcement agency.	843

(3) A law enforcement agency that possesses records or 844 reports pertaining to the case that are its specific 845 investigatory work product and that are excepted from the 846 definition of "official records" contained in division (D) of 847 section 2953.51 of the Revised Code, or that are the specific 848 investigatory work product of a law enforcement officer it 849 employs and that were delivered to it under division (A)(1) of 850 this section may permit another law enforcement agency to use 851 the records or reports in the investigation of another offense, 852 if the facts incident to the offense being investigated by the 853 other law enforcement agency and the facts incident to an 854 offense that is the subject of the case are reasonably similar. 855

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The agency that provides the records and reports may provide the	856
other agency with the name of the person who is the subject of	857
the case, if it believes that the name of the person is	858
necessary to the conduct of the investigation by the other	859
agency.	860

No law enforcement agency, or person employed by a law 861 enforcement agency, that receives from another law enforcement 862 agency records or reports pertaining to a case the records of 863 which have been ordered sealed pursuant to division (B) of 864 section 2953.52 of the Revised Code shall use the records and 865 reports for any purpose other than the investigation of the 866 offense for which they were obtained from the other law 867 enforcement agency, or disclose the name of the person who is 868 the subject of the records or reports except when necessary for 869 the conduct of the investigation of the offense, or the 870 prosecution of the person for committing the offense, for which 871 they were obtained from the other law enforcement agency. 872

- (4) The auditor of state may provide to or discuss with 873 other parties records, reports, or audits maintained by the 874 auditor of state pursuant to Chapter 117. of the Revised Code 875 pertaining to the case that are the auditor of state's specific 876 investigatory work product and that are excepted from the 877 definition of "official records" contained in division (D) of 878 section 2953.51 of the Revised Code, or that are the specific 879 investigatory work product of a law enforcement officer the 880 auditor of state employs and that were delivered to the auditor 881 of state under division (A)(1) of this section. 882
- (B) Whoever violates division (A)(1), (2), or (3) of this section is guilty of divulging confidential information, a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.

(C) It is not a violation of this section for the bureau	886
of criminal identification and investigation or any authorized	887
employee of the bureau participating in the investigation of	888
criminal activity to release, disseminate, or otherwise make	889
available to, or discuss with, a person directly employed by a	890
law enforcement agency DNA records collected in the DNA database	891
or fingerprints filed for record by the superintendent of the	892
bureau of criminal identification and investigation.	893
Sec. 5747.12. (A) If a person entitled to a refund under	894
section 5747.11 or 5747.13 of the Revised Code is indebted $to-$	895
this state for any of the following, the amount refundable may	896
be applied in satisfaction of the debt:	897
(1) To this state for any tax, workers' compensation	898
premium due under section 4123.35 of the Revised Code, or	899
unemployment compensation contribution due under section 4141.25	900
of the Revised Code7;	901
(2) To the state or a political subdivision for a	902
certified claim under section 131.02 or 131.021 of the Revised	903
Code $_{\mathcal{T}}$ or <u>a finding for recovery included in a certified report</u>	904
that has been filed with the attorney general pursuant to	905
sections 117.28 and 117.30 of the Revised Code;	906
(3) For a fee that is paid to the state or to the clerk of	907
courts pursuant to section 4505.06 of the Revised Code, or;	908
(4) For any charge, penalty, collection cost, or interest	909
arising from such a tax, workers' compensation premium,	910
unemployment compensation contribution, certified claim, or fee,	911
the amount refundable may be applied in satisfaction of the	912
debta debt listed in divisions (A)(1) to (3) of this section. If	913
(B) If the amount refundable is less than the amount of	914

the debt_owed under division (A) of this section, it may be	915
applied in partial satisfaction of the debt. If the amount	916
refundable is greater than the amount of the that debt, the	917
amount remaining after satisfaction of the debt shall be	918
refunded. If the person has more than one <u>such</u> debt <u>listed in</u>	919
division (A) of this section, any debt subject to section	920
5739.33 or division (G) of section 5747.07 of the Revised Code	921
or arising under section 5747.063 or 5747.064 of the Revised	922
Code shall be satisfied first. Except	923
(C) Except as provided in section 131.021 of the Revised	924
Code, this section applies only to debts that have become final.	925
(D) The tax commissioner may charge each respective agency	926
of the state for the commissioner's cost in applying refunds to	927
debts due to the state and may charge the attorney general for	928
the commissioner's cost in applying refunds to certified claims.	929
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(E) The commissioner may promulgate rules to implement	931
this section. The rules may address, among other things,	932
situations such as those where persons may jointly be entitled	933
to a refund but do not jointly owe a debt or certified claim.	934
(F) The commissioner may, with the consent of the	935
taxpayer, provide for the crediting, against tax imposed under	936
this chapter or Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code and due for	937
any taxable year, of the amount of any refund due the taxpayer	938
under this chapter or Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code, as	939
appropriate, for a preceding taxable year.	940
Section 2. That existing sections 319.16, 2307.382,	941
2921.41, 2953.32, 2953.321, 2953.36, 2953.51, 2953.54, and	942
5747.12 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.	943

Section 3. Section 2953.36 of the Revised Code is	944
presented in this act as a composite of the section as amended	945
by H.B. 53, H.B. 56, and H.B. 164, all of the 131st General	946
Assembly. The General Assembly, applying the principle stated in	947
division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that amendments	948
are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of simultaneous	949
operation, finds that the composite is the resulting version of	950
the section in effect prior to the effective date of the section	951
as presented in this act.	952
Section 4. That Section 22 of H.B. 197 of the 133rd	953
General Assembly be amended to read as follows:	954
Sec. 22. (A) The following that are set to expire between	955
March 9, 2020, and July 30, 2020, shall be tolled:	956
(1) A statute of limitation, as follows:	957
(a) For any criminal offense, notwithstanding any other	958
provision of law to the contrary, the applicable period of	959
limitation set forth in section 2901.13 of the Revised Code for	960
the criminal offense;	961
(b) When a civil cause of action accrues against a person,	962
notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the	963
period of limitation for commencement of the action as provided	964
under any section in Chapter 2305. of the Revised Code, or under	965
any other provision of the Revised Code that applies to the	966
cause of action;	967
(c) For any administrative action or proceeding, the	968
period of limitation for the action or proceeding as provided	969
under the Revised Code or the Administrative Code, if	970
applicable.	971

(2) The time within which a bill of indictment or an

accusation must be returned or the time within which a matter	973
must be brought before a grand jury;	974
(3) The time within which an accused person must be	975
brought to trial or, in the case of a felony, to a preliminary	976
hearing and trial;	977
(4) Time deadlines and other schedule requirements	978
regarding a juvenile, including detaining a juvenile;	979
(5) The time within which a commitment hearing must be	980
held;	981
(6) The time by which a warrant must be issued;	982
(7) The time within which discovery or any aspect of	983
discovery must be completed;	984
(8) The time within which a party must be served;	985
(9) The time within which an appearance regarding a	986
dissolution of marriage must occur pursuant to section 3105.64	987
of the Revised Code;	988
(10) Any other criminal, civil, or administrative time	989
limitation under the Revised Code.	990
(B) This section applies retroactively to the date of the	991
emergency declared by Executive Order 2020-01D, issued on March	992
9, 2020.	993
(C) Division (A) of this section expires on the date the	994
period of emergency ends or July 30, 2020, whichever is sooner.	995
(D) The time period from March 9, 2020, to July 30, 2020,	996
shall not be computed as part of the periods of limitation and	997
time limitations described in division (A) of this section.	998
Section 5 That existing Section 22 of H B 197 of the	990

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133rd General Assembly is hereby repealed.	1000
Section 6. Sections 1, 2, and 3 of this act take effect	1001
ninety days after the effective date of this section.	1002
Section 7. This act is hereby declared to be an emergency	1003
measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public	1004
peace, health, and safety. The reason for such necessity is to	1005
respond to the declared pandemic and global health emergency	1006
related to COVID-19. Therefore, this act shall go into immediate	1007
effect.	1008