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

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read as follows: 214

Sec. 9.27. (A) As used in this section, "state" and "state 215
agency" mean the state of Ohio, including the general assembly.
the supreme court, the offices of all elected state officers, and all departments, boards, offices, commissions, agencies, institutions, and other instrumentalities of the state of Ohio.

(B) Except as otherwise required or permitted by state or federal law, a contract entered into by the state for the procurement of goods or services shall not include any of the following:

(1) A provision that requires the state to indemnify or hold harmless another person.

(2) A provision by which the state agrees to binding arbitration or any other binding extra-judicial dispute resolution process.

(3) A provision that names a venue for any action or dispute against the state other than a court of proper jurisdiction in Franklin county, Ohio.

(4) A provision that requires the state to agree to limit the liability for any direct loss to the state for bodily injury, death, or damage to property of the state caused by the negligence, intentional or willful misconduct, fraudulent act, recklessness, or other tortious conduct of a person or a person's employees or agents, or a provision that would otherwise impose an indemnification obligation on the state.

(5) A provision that requires the state to be bound by a term or condition that is unknown to the state at the time of signing a contract, that is not specifically negotiated with the state, that may be unilaterally changed by the other party, or that is electronically accepted by a state employee.

(6) A provision that provides for a person other than the attorney general to serve as legal counsel for the state or for any state agency, unless allowed for under the process set forth
in section 109.07 of the Revised Code.

(7) A provision that is inconsistent with the state's obligations under section 149.43 of the Revised Code.

(8) A provision for automatic renewal such that state funds are or would be obligated in subsequent fiscal years.

(9) A provision that limits the state's ability to recover the cost of cover for a replacement contractor.

(C) If a contract contains a term or condition described in division (B) of this section, the term or condition is void ab initio, and the contract containing that term or condition otherwise shall be enforceable as if it did not contain such term or condition.

(D) A contract that contains a term or condition described in division (B) of this section shall be governed by and construed in accordance with Ohio law notwithstanding any term or condition to the contrary in the contract.

(E) This section does not apply to a contract in effect before the effective date of this section or to the renewal or extension of a contract in effect before the effective date of this section.

Sec. 9.821. (A) The department of administrative services shall direct and manage for state agencies all risk management and insurance programs authorized under section 9.822 of the Revised Code.

(B) The office of risk management is hereby established within the department of administrative services. The director of administrative services, or a deputy director appointed by the director, shall control and supervise the office.

(C) The office may take any of the following actions that it determines to be in the best interests of the state:
(1) Provide all insurance coverages for the state, including, but not limited to, automobile vehicle liability, casualty, property, public liability, and fidelity bonding. The cost of insurance coverage shall be paid from appropriations made to the state agencies that the office has designated to receive the coverage.

(2) Provide coverage of legal expenses that are necessary and related to the legal defense of claims against the state;

(3) Purchase insurance policies consistent with sections 125.01 to 125.111 of the Revised Code, develop and administer self-insurance programs, or do both;

(4) Consolidate and combine state insurance coverages;

(5) Provide technical services in risk management and insurance to state agencies;

(6) Adopt and publish, in accordance with section 111.15 of the Revised Code, necessary rules and procedures governing the administration of the state's insurance and risk management activities.

(D) No state agency, except a state agency exempted under section 125.02 or 125.04 of the Revised Code from the department's purchasing authority, shall purchase any insurance described in this section except as authorized by the department, when the office of risk management determines that the purchase is in the best interest of the state pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and in accordance with terms, conditions, and procurement methods established by the department.

(E) With respect to any civil action, demand, or claim against the state that could be filed in the court of claims, nothing in sections 9.82 to 9.823 of the Revised Code shall be interpreted to permit the settlement or compromise of those civil actions, demands, or claims, except in the manner provided in
Chapter 2743. of the Revised Code.

(F) The department of administrative services and the office of risk management, while acting pursuant to the responsibilities prescribed in sections 9.82 to 9.83 of the Revised Code, are performing a public duty, as defined in section 2743.01 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 9.822. (A) The department of administrative services through the office of risk management shall establish an insurance plan or plans that may provide for self-insurance or the purchase of insurance, or both, for either any of the following purposes:

(1) Insuring state real and personal property against losses occasioned by fire, windstorm, or other accidents and perils;

(2) Insuring the state and its officers and employees against liability resulting from any civil action, demand, or claim against the state or its officers and employees arising out of any act or omission of an officer or employee in the performance of official duties, except acts and omissions for which indemnification is prohibited under section 9.87 of the Revised Code;

(3) Insuring and maintaining a judicial liability program.

(B) The department of administrative services through the office of risk management shall establish one or more insurance plans that provide for the purchase of insurance and administer a crime and bond program for the purpose of insuring the state through the fidelity bonding of state officers, employees, and agents who are required by law to provide a fidelity bond. Nothing in this section shall be construed to allow the department of administrative services through the office of risk management to administer the state's fidelity bonding program through a program of self-insurance, and third parties against loss due to the
dishonest acts of state officers, employees, and agents. In
addition, public official bonds shall be purchased for all
officials and employees who are required by law to provide a bond.
Such bonds may be in the form of a blanket bond, or scheduled
position bond, provided the penal sums meet the statutory
requirement.

Sec. 9.83. (A) The state and any political subdivision may
procure a policy or policies of insurance insuring its officers
and employees against liability for injury, death, or loss to
person or property that arises out of the operation of an
automobile, truck, motor vehicle with auxiliary equipment,
self-propelling equipment or trailer, aircraft, or watercraft by
the officers or employees while engaged occurs in the course of
their employment or official responsibilities for the state or the
political subdivision. The state is authorized to expend funds to
pay judgments that are rendered in any court against its officers
or employees and that result from such operation, and is
authorized to expend funds to compromise claims for liability
against its officers or employees that result from such operation.
No insurer shall deny coverage under such a policy, and the state
shall not refuse to pay judgments or compromise claims, on the
ground that an automobile, truck, motor vehicle with auxiliary
equipment, self-propelling equipment or trailer, aircraft, or
watercraft was not being used in the course of an officer's or
employee's employment or official responsibilities for the state
or a political subdivision unless the officer or employee who was
operating an automobile, truck, motor vehicle with auxiliary
equipment, or self-propelling equipment or trailer is convicted of
a violation of section 124.71 of the Revised Code as a result of
the same events.

(B) Funds shall be reserved as necessary, in the exercise of
sound and prudent actuarial judgment, to cover potential expense,
fees, damage, loss, or other liability. The office of risk management may recommend or, if the state requests of the office of risk management, shall recommend a specific amount for any period of time that, in the opinion of the office of risk management, represents such a judgment.

(C) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require the department of administrative services to purchase liability insurance for all state vehicles liabilities in a single policy of insurance or to cover all state vehicles liabilities under a single plan of self-insurance.

(D) Insurance procured by the state pursuant to this section shall be procured as provided in division (G) of section 125.02 of the Revised Code.

(E) For purposes of liability insurance procured under this section to cover the operation of a motor vehicle by a prisoner for whom the insurance is procured, "employee" includes a prisoner in the custody of the department of rehabilitation and correction who is enrolled in a work program that is established by the department pursuant to section 5145.16 of the Revised Code and in which the prisoner is required to operate a motor vehicle, as defined in section 4509.01 of the Revised Code, and who is engaged in the operation of a motor vehicle in the course of the work program.

(F) All contributions collected by the director of administrative services under division (H) of this section shall be deposited into the risk management reserve fund created in section 9.823 of the Revised Code to the credit of the vehicle liability program.

(G) Reserves shall be maintained in the risk management reserve fund to the credit of the vehicle liability program in any amount that is necessary and adequate, in the exercise of sound judgment.
and prudent actuarial judgment, to cover potential liability claims, expenses, fees, or damages. Money in the fund may be applied to the payment of liability claims that are filed against the state in the court of claims and determined in the manner provided in Chapter 2743. of the Revised Code. The director of administrative services may procure the services of a qualified actuarial firm for the purpose of recommending the specific amount of money that is required to maintain adequate reserves for a specified period of time.

(H) The director of administrative services shall collect from each state agency or any participating state body its contribution to the vehicle liability program for the purpose of purchasing insurance or administering self-insurance programs for coverage authorized under this section. The amount of the contribution shall be determined by the director, with the approval of the director of budget and management. It shall be based upon actuarial assumptions and the relative risk and loss experience of each state agency or participating state body. The amount of the contribution also shall include a reasonable sum to cover administrative costs of the department of administrative services. The amounts collected pursuant to this division shall be deposited in the risk management reserve fund to the credit of the vehicle liability program.

Sec. 102.02. (A)(1) Except as otherwise provided in division (H) of this section, all of the following shall file with the appropriate ethics commission the disclosure statement described in this division on a form prescribed by the appropriate commission: every person who is elected to or is a candidate for a state, county, or city office and every person who is appointed to fill a vacancy for an unexpired term in such an elective office; all members of the state board of education; the director, assistant directors, deputy directors, division chiefs, or persons
of equivalent rank of any administrative department of the state; the president or other chief administrative officer of every state institution of higher education as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code; the executive director and the members of the capitol square review and advisory board appointed or employed pursuant to section 105.41 of the Revised Code; all members of the Ohio casino control commission, the executive director of the commission, all professional employees of the commission, and all technical employees of the commission who perform an internal audit function; the individuals set forth in division (B)(2) of section 187.03 of the Revised Code; the chief executive officer and the members of the board of each state retirement system; each employee of a state retirement board who is a state retirement system investment officer licensed pursuant to section 1707.163 of the Revised Code; the members of the Ohio retirement study council appointed pursuant to division (C) of section 171.01 of the Revised Code; employees of the Ohio retirement study council, other than employees who perform purely administrative or clerical functions; the administrator of workers' compensation and each member of the bureau of workers' compensation board of directors; the bureau of workers' compensation director of investments; the chief investment officer of the bureau of workers' compensation; all members of the board of commissioners on grievances and discipline of the supreme court and the ethics commission created under section 102.05 of the Revised Code; every business manager, treasurer, or superintendent of a city, local, exempted village, joint vocational, or cooperative education school district or an educational service center; every person who is elected to or is a candidate for the office of member of a board of education of a city, local, exempted village, joint vocational, or cooperative education school district or of a governing board of an educational service center that has a total student count of twelve thousand or more as most recently determined by the
department of education pursuant to section 3317.03 of the Revised Code; every person who is appointed to the board of education of a municipal school district pursuant to division (B) or (F) of section 3311.71 of the Revised Code; all members of the board of directors of a sanitary district that is established under Chapter 6115. of the Revised Code and organized wholly for the purpose of providing a water supply for domestic, municipal, and public use, and that includes two municipal corporations in two counties; every public official or employee who is paid a salary or wage in accordance with schedule C of section 124.15 or schedule E-2 of section 124.152 of the Revised Code; members of the board of trustees and the executive director of the southern Ohio agricultural and community development foundation; all members appointed to the Ohio livestock care standards board under section 904.02 of the Revised Code; all entrepreneurs in residence assigned by the LeanOhio office in the department of administrative services under section 125.65 of the Revised Code and every other public official or employee who is designated by the appropriate ethics commission pursuant to division (B) of this section.

(2) The disclosure statement shall include all of the following:

(a) The name of the person filing the statement and each member of the person's immediate family and all names under which the person or members of the person's immediate family do business;

(b)(i) Subject to divisions (A)(2)(b)(ii) and (iii) of this section and except as otherwise provided in section 102.022 of the Revised Code, identification of every source of income, other than income from a legislative agent identified in division (A)(2)(b)(ii) of this section, received during the preceding calendar year, in the person's own name or by any other person for
the person's use or benefit, by the person filing the statement, and a brief description of the nature of the services for which the income was received. If the person filing the statement is a member of the general assembly, the statement shall identify the amount of every source of income received in accordance with the following ranges of amounts: zero or more, but less than one thousand dollars; one thousand dollars or more, but less than ten thousand dollars; ten thousand dollars or more, but less than twenty-five thousand dollars; twenty-five thousand dollars or more, but less than fifty thousand dollars; fifty thousand dollars or more, but less than one hundred thousand dollars; and one hundred thousand dollars or more. Division (A)(2)(b)(i) of this section shall not be construed to require a person filing the statement who derives income from a business or profession to disclose the individual items of income that constitute the gross income of that business or profession, except for those individual items of income that are attributable to the person's or, if the income is shared with the person, the partner's, solicitation of services or goods or performance, arrangement, or facilitation of services or provision of goods on behalf of the business or profession of clients, including corporate clients, who are legislative agents. A person who files the statement under this section shall disclose the identity of and the amount of income received from a person who the public official or employee knows or has reason to know is doing or seeking to do business of any kind with the public official's or employee's agency.

(ii) If the person filing the statement is a member of the general assembly, the statement shall identify every source of income and the amount of that income that was received from a legislative agent during the preceding calendar year, in the person's own name or by any other person for the person's use or benefit, by the person filing the statement, and a brief description of the nature of the services for which the income was
received. Division (A)(2)(b)(ii) of this section requires the disclosure of clients of attorneys or persons licensed under section 4732.12 of the Revised Code, or patients of persons licensed under section 4731.14 of the Revised Code, if those clients or patients are legislative agents. Division (A)(2)(b)(ii) of this section requires a person filing the statement who derives income from a business or profession to disclose those individual items of income that constitute the gross income of that business or profession that are received from legislative agents.

(iii) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(2)(b)(iii) of this section, division (A)(2)(b)(i) of this section applies to attorneys, physicians, and other persons who engage in the practice of a profession and who, pursuant to a section of the Revised Code, the common law of this state, a code of ethics applicable to the profession, or otherwise, generally are required not to reveal, disclose, or use confidences of clients, patients, or other recipients of professional services except under specified circumstances or generally are required to maintain those types of confidences as privileged communications except under specified circumstances. Division (A)(2)(b)(i) of this section does not require an attorney, physician, or other professional subject to a confidentiality requirement as described in division (A)(2)(b)(iii) of this section to disclose the name, other identity, or address of a client, patient, or other recipient of professional services if the disclosure would threaten the client, patient, or other recipient of professional services, would reveal details of the subject matter for which legal, medical, or professional advice or other services were sought, or would reveal an otherwise privileged communication involving the client, patient, or other recipient of professional services. Division (A)(2)(b)(i) of this section does not require an attorney, physician, or other professional subject to a confidentiality requirement as described in division...
(A)(2)(b)(iii) of this section to disclose in the brief description of the nature of services required by division 
(A)(2)(b)(i) of this section any information pertaining to specific professional services rendered for a client, patient, or other recipient of professional services that would reveal details of the subject matter for which legal, medical, or professional advice was sought or would reveal an otherwise privileged communication involving the client, patient, or other recipient of professional services.

(c) The name of every corporation on file with the secretary of state that is incorporated in this state or holds a certificate of compliance authorizing it to do business in this state, trust, business trust, partnership, or association that transacts business in this state in which the person filing the statement or any other person for the person's use and benefit had during the preceding calendar year an investment of over one thousand dollars at fair market value as of the thirty-first day of December of the preceding calendar year, or the date of disposition, whichever is earlier, or in which the person holds any office or has a fiduciary relationship, and a description of the nature of the investment, office, or relationship. Division (A)(2)(c) of this section does not require disclosure of the name of any bank, savings and loan association, credit union, or building and loan association with which the person filing the statement has a deposit or a withdrawable share account.

(d) All fee simple and leasehold interests to which the person filing the statement holds legal title to or a beneficial interest in real property located within the state, excluding the person's residence and property used primarily for personal recreation;

(e) The names of all persons residing or transacting business in the state to whom the person filing the statement owes, in the
person's own name or in the name of any other person, more than 596
one thousand dollars. Division (A)(2)(e) of this section shall not 597
be construed to require the disclosure of debts owed by the person 598
resulting from the ordinary conduct of a business or profession or 599
debts on the person's residence or real property used primarily 600
for personal recreation, except that the superintendent of 601
financial institutions and any deputy superintendent of banks 602
shall disclose the names of all state-chartered banks and all bank 603
subsidiary corporations subject to regulation under section 604
1109.44 of the Revised Code to whom the superintendent or deputy 605
superintendent owes any money.

(f) The names of all persons residing or transacting business 607
in the state, other than a depository excluded under division 608
(A)(2)(c) of this section, who owe more than one thousand dollars 609
to the person filing the statement, either in the person's own 610
name or to any person for the person's use or benefit. Division 611
(A)(2)(f) of this section shall not be construed to require the 612
disclosure of clients of attorneys or persons licensed under 613
section 4732.12 of the Revised Code, or patients of persons 614
licensed under section 4731.14 of the Revised Code, nor the 615
disclosure of debts owed to the person resulting from the ordinary 616
conduct of a business or profession.

(g) Except as otherwise provided in section 102.022 of the 618
Revised Code, the source of each gift of over seventy-five 619
dollars, or of each gift of over twenty-five dollars received by a 620
member of the general assembly from a legislative agent, received 621
by the person in the person's own name or by any other person for 622
the person's use or benefit during the preceding calendar year, 623
except gifts received by will or by virtue of section 2105.06 of 624
the Revised Code, or received from spouses, parents, grandparents, 625
children, grandchildren, siblings, nephews, nieces, uncles, aunts, 626
brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law,
fathers-in-law, mothers-in-law, or any person to whom the person filing the statement stands in loco parentis, or received by way of distribution from any inter vivos or testamentary trust established by a spouse or by an ancestor;

(h) Except as otherwise provided in section 102.022 of the Revised Code, identification of the source and amount of every payment of expenses incurred for travel to destinations inside or outside this state that is received by the person in the person's own name or by any other person for the person's use or benefit and that is incurred in connection with the person's official duties, except for expenses for travel to meetings or conventions of a national or state organization to which any state agency, including, but not limited to, any legislative agency or state institution of higher education as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code, pays membership dues, or any political subdivision or any office or agency of a political subdivision pays membership dues;

(i) Except as otherwise provided in section 102.022 of the Revised Code, identification of the source of payment of expenses for meals and other food and beverages, other than for meals and other food and beverages provided at a meeting at which the person participated in a panel, seminar, or speaking engagement or at a meeting or convention of a national or state organization to which any state agency, including, but not limited to, any legislative agency or state institution of higher education as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code, pays membership dues, or any political subdivision or any office or agency of a political subdivision pays membership dues, that are incurred in connection with the person's official duties and that exceed one hundred dollars aggregated per calendar year;

(j) If the disclosure statement is filed by a public official or employee described in division (B)(2) of section 101.73 of the
Revised Code or division (B)(2) of section 121.63 of the Revised Code who receives a statement from a legislative agent, executive agency lobbyist, or employer that contains the information described in division (F)(2) of section 101.73 of the Revised Code or division (G)(2) of section 121.63 of the Revised Code, all of the nondisputed information contained in the statement delivered to that public official or employee by the legislative agent, executive agency lobbyist, or employer under division (F)(2) of section 101.73 or (G)(2) of section 121.63 of the Revised Code.

(3) A person may file a statement required by this section in person, by mail, or by electronic means.

(4) A person who is required to file a statement under this section shall file that statement according to the following deadlines, as applicable:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in divisions (A)(4)(b), (c), and (d) of this section, the person shall file the statement not later than the fifteenth day of May of each year.

(b) A person who is a candidate for elective office shall file the statement no later than the thirtieth day before the primary, special, or general election at which the candidacy is to be voted on, whichever election occurs soonest, except that a person who is a write-in candidate shall file the statement no later than the twentieth day before the earliest election at which the person's candidacy is to be voted on.

(c) A person who is appointed to fill a vacancy for an unexpired term in an elective office shall file the statement within fifteen days after the person qualifies for office.

(d) A person who is appointed or employed after the fifteenth day of May, other than a person described in division (A)(4)(c) of this section, shall file an annual statement within ninety days after appointment or employment.
(5) No person shall be required to file with the appropriate ethics commission more than one statement or pay more than one filing fee for any one calendar year.

(6) The appropriate ethics commission, for good cause, may extend for a reasonable time the deadline for filing a statement under this section.

(7) A statement filed under this section is subject to public inspection at locations designated by the appropriate ethics commission except as otherwise provided in this section.

(B) The Ohio ethics commission, the joint legislative ethics committee, and the board of commissioners on grievances and discipline of the supreme court, using the rule-making procedures of Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, may require any class of public officials or employees under its jurisdiction and not specifically excluded by this section whose positions involve a substantial and material exercise of administrative discretion in the formulation of public policy, expenditure of public funds, enforcement of laws and rules of the state or a county or city, or the execution of other public trusts, to file an annual statement under division (A) of this section. The appropriate ethics commission shall send the public officials or employees written notice of the requirement not less than thirty days before the applicable filing deadline unless the public official or employee is appointed after that date, in which case the notice shall be sent within thirty days after appointment, and the filing shall be made not later than ninety days after appointment.

Disclosure statements filed under this division with the Ohio ethics commission by members of boards, commissions, or bureaus of the state for which no compensation is received other than reasonable and necessary expenses shall be kept confidential. Disclosure statements filed with the Ohio ethics commission under division (A) of this section by business managers, treasurers, and
superintendents of city, local, exempted village, joint vocational, or cooperative education school districts or educational service centers shall be kept confidential, except that any person conducting an audit of any such school district or educational service center pursuant to Chapter 117. of the Revised Code may examine the disclosure statement of any business manager, treasurer, or superintendent of that school district or educational service center. Disclosure statements filed with the Ohio ethics commission under division (A) of this section by the individuals set forth in division (B)(2) of section 187.03 of the Revised Code shall be kept confidential. The Ohio ethics commission shall examine each disclosure statement required to be kept confidential to determine whether a potential conflict of interest exists for the person who filed the disclosure statement. A potential conflict of interest exists if the private interests of the person, as indicated by the person's disclosure statement, might interfere with the public interests the person is required to serve in the exercise of the person's authority and duties in the person's office or position of employment. If the commission determines that a potential conflict of interest exists, it shall notify the person who filed the disclosure statement and shall make the portions of the disclosure statement that indicate a potential conflict of interest subject to public inspection in the same manner as is provided for other disclosure statements. Any portion of the disclosure statement that the commission determines does not indicate a potential conflict of interest shall be kept confidential by the commission and shall not be made subject to public inspection, except as is necessary for the enforcement of Chapters 102. and 2921. of the Revised Code and except as otherwise provided in this division.

(C) No person shall knowingly fail to file, on or before the applicable filing deadline established under this section, a statement that is required by this section.
(D) No person shall knowingly file a false statement that is required to be filed under this section.

(E)(1) Except as provided in divisions (E)(2) and (3) of this section, the statement required by division (A) or (B) of this section shall be accompanied by a filing fee of sixty dollars.

(2) The statement required by division (A) of this section shall be accompanied by the following filing fee to be paid by the person who is elected or appointed to, or is a candidate for, any of the following offices:

For state office, except member of the state board of education $95
For office of member of general assembly $40
For county office $60
For city office $35
For office of member of the state board of education $35
For office of member of a city, local, exempted village, or cooperative education board of education or educational service center governing board $30
For position of business manager, treasurer, or superintendent of a city, local, exempted village, joint vocational, or cooperative education school district or educational service center $30

(3) No judge of a court of record or candidate for judge of a court of record, and no referee or magistrate serving a court of record, shall be required to pay the fee required under division (E)(1) or (2) or (F) of this section.

(4) For any public official who is appointed to a nonelective
office of the state and for any employee who holds a nonelective position in a public agency of the state, the state agency that is the primary employer of the state official or employee shall pay the fee required under division (E)(1) or (F) of this section.

(F) If a statement required to be filed under this section is not filed by the date on which it is required to be filed, the appropriate ethics commission shall assess the person required to file the statement a late filing fee of ten dollars for each day the statement is not filed, except that the total amount of the late filing fee shall not exceed two hundred fifty dollars.

(G)(1) The appropriate ethics commission other than the Ohio ethics commission and the joint legislative ethics committee shall deposit all fees it receives under divisions (E) and (F) of this section into the general revenue fund of the state.

(2) The Ohio ethics commission shall deposit all receipts, including, but not limited to, fees it receives under divisions (E) and (F) of this section, investigative or other fees, costs, or other funds it receives as a result of court orders, and all moneys it receives from settlements under division (G) of section 102.06 of the Revised Code, into the Ohio ethics commission fund, which is hereby created in the state treasury. All moneys credited to the fund shall be used solely for expenses related to the operation and statutory functions of the commission.

(3) The joint legislative ethics committee shall deposit all receipts it receives from the payment of financial disclosure statement filing fees under divisions (E) and (F) of this section into the joint legislative ethics committee investigative and financial disclosure fund.

(H) Division (A) of this section does not apply to a person elected or appointed to the office of precinct, ward, or district committee member under Chapter 3517. of the Revised Code; a
presidential elector; a delegate to a national convention; village 819
or township officials and employees; any physician or psychiatrist 820
who is paid a salary or wage in accordance with schedule C of 821
section 124.15 or schedule E-2 of section 124.152 of the Revised 822
Code and whose primary duties do not require the exercise of 823
administrative discretion; or any member of a board, commission, 824
or bureau of any county or city who receives less than one 825
doctor per year for serving in that position. 826

Sec. 109.572. (A)(1) Upon receipt of a request pursuant to 827
section 121.08, 3301.32, 3301.541, or 3319.39 of the Revised Code, 828
a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this 829
section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the 830
manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the 831
superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and 832
investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner 833
described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any 834
information exists that indicates that the person who is the 835
subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded 836
guilty to any of the following: 837
(a) A violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 838
2903.04, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.34, 839
2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.05, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05, 840
2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.21, 2907.22, 2907.23, 841
2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2911.01, 842
2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2919.12, 2919.22, 2919.24, 2919.25, 843
2923.12, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.04, 2925.05, 844
2925.06, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code, felonious sexual 845
penetration in violation of former section 2907.12 of the Revised 846
Code, a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it 847
existed prior to July 1, 1996, a violation of section 2919.23 of 848
the Revised Code that would have been a violation of section 849
2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996,
had the violation been committed prior to that date, or a violation of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code that is not a minor drug possession offense;

(b) A violation of an existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any of the offenses listed in division (A)(1)(a) of this section;

(c) If the request is made pursuant to section 3319.39 of the Revised Code for an applicant who is a teacher, any offense specified in section 3319.31 of the Revised Code.

(2) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 3712.09 or 3721.121 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check with respect to any person who has applied for employment in a position for which a criminal records check is required by those sections. The superintendent shall conduct the criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any of the following:

(a) A violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.34, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.11, 2905.12, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.12, 2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2911.13, 2913.02, 2913.03, 2913.04, 2913.11, 2913.21, 2913.31, 2913.40, 2913.43, 2913.47, 2913.51, 2919.25, 2921.36, 2923.12, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.11, 2925.13, 2925.22, 2925.23, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code;
(b) An existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any of the offenses listed in division (A)(2)(a) of this section.

(3) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 173.27, 173.38, 173.381, 3701.881, 5119.34, 5164.34, 5164.341, 5164.342, 5123.081, or 5123.169 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check of the person for whom the request is made. The superintendent shall conduct the criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of, has pleaded guilty to, or (except in the case of a request pursuant to section 5164.34, 5164.341, or 5164.342 of the Revised Code) has been found eligible for intervention in lieu of conviction for any of the following, regardless of the date of the conviction, the date of entry of the guilty plea, or (except in the case of a request pursuant to section 5164.34, 5164.341, or 5164.342 of the Revised Code) the date the person was found eligible for intervention in lieu of conviction:

(a) A violation of section 959.13, 959.131, 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.041, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.15, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.211, 2903.22, 2903.34, 2903.341, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.05, 2905.11, 2905.12, 2905.32, 2905.33, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.21, 2907.22, 2907.23, 2907.24, 2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2907.33, 2909.02, 2909.03, 2909.04, 2909.22, 2909.23, 2909.24, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2911.13, 2913.02, 2913.03, 2913.04, 2913.05, 2913.11, 2913.21,
2913.31, 2913.32, 2913.40, 2913.41, 2913.42, 2913.43, 2913.44, 2913.441, 2913.45, 2913.46, 2913.47, 2913.48, 2913.49, 2913.51, 2917.01, 2917.02, 2917.03, 2917.31, 2919.12, 2919.121, 2919.123, 2919.22, 2919.23, 2919.24, 2919.25, 2921.03, 2921.11, 2921.12, 2921.13, 2921.21, 2921.24, 2921.32, 2921.321, 2921.34, 2921.35, 2921.36, 2921.51, 2923.12, 2923.122, 2923.123, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2923.162, 2923.21, 2923.32, 2923.42, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.04, 2925.041, 2925.05, 2925.06, 2925.09, 2925.11, 2925.13, 2925.14, 2925.141, 2925.22, 2925.23, 2925.24, 2925.36, 2925.55, 2925.56, 2927.12, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code;

(b) Felonious sexual penetration in violation of former section 2907.12 of the Revised Code;

(c) A violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996;

(d) A violation of section 2923.01, 2923.02, or 2923.03 of the Revised Code when the underlying offense that is the object of the conspiracy, attempt, or complicity is one of the offenses listed in divisions (A)(3)(a) to (c) of this section;

(e) A violation of an existing or former municipal ordinance or law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any of the offenses listed in divisions (A)(3)(a) to (d) of this section.

(4) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 2151.86 or 2151.904 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been
convicted of or pleaded guilty to any of the following:

(a) A violation of section 959.13, 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.041, 2903.06, 2903.08, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.15, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.211, 2903.22, 2903.34, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.05, 2905.11, 2905.32, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.19, 2907.21, 2907.22, 2907.23, 2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2909.02, 2909.03, 2909.22, 2909.23, 2909.24, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2913.49, 2917.01, 2917.02, 2919.12, 2919.22, 2919.24, 2919.25, 2923.12, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2923.17, 2923.21, 2923.42, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.04, 2925.041, 2925.05, 2925.06, 2925.13, 2925.22, 2925.23, 2925.24, 2925.31, 2925.32, 2925.36, 2925.37, 2927.12, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code, a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, a violation of section 2919.23 of the Revised Code that would have been a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, had the violation been committed prior to that date, a violation of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code that is not a minor drug possession offense, two or more OVI or OVUAC violations committed within the three years immediately preceding the submission of the application or petition that is the basis of the request, or felonious sexual penetration in violation of former section 2907.12 of the Revised Code;

(b) A violation of an existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any of the offenses listed in division (A)(4)(a) of this section.

(5) Upon receipt of a request pursuant to section 5104.013 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section.
section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any of the following:

(a) A violation of section 2151.421, 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.22, 2903.34, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.05, 2905.11, 2905.32, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.19, 2907.21, 2907.22, 2907.23, 2907.24, 2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2909.02, 2909.03, 2909.04, 2909.05, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2913.02, 2913.03, 2913.04, 2913.041, 2913.05, 2913.06, 2913.11, 2913.21, 2913.31, 2913.32, 2913.33, 2913.34, 2913.40, 2913.41, 2913.42, 2913.43, 2913.44, 2913.441, 2913.45, 2913.46, 2913.47, 2913.48, 2913.49, 2917.01, 2917.02, 2917.03, 2917.31, 2919.12, 2919.22, 2919.224, 2919.225, 2919.24, 2919.25, 2921.03, 2921.11, 2921.13, 2921.14, 2921.34, 2921.35, 2923.01, 2923.12, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.04, 2925.05, 2925.06, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code, felonious sexual penetration in violation of former section 2907.12 of the Revised Code, a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, a violation of section 2919.23 of the Revised Code that would have been a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, had the violation been committed prior to that date, a violation of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code that is not a minor drug possession offense, a violation of section 2923.02 or 2923.03 of the Revised Code that relates to a crime specified in this division, or a second violation of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code within five years of the date of application for licensure or certification.
(b) A violation of an existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any of the offenses or violations described in division (A)(5)(a) of this section.

(6) Upon receipt of a request pursuant to section 5153.111 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any of the following:

(a) A violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.34, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.05, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.21, 2907.22, 2907.23, 2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2909.02, 2909.03, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2919.12, 2919.22, 2919.24, 2919.25, 2923.12, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.04, 2925.05, 2925.06, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code, felonious sexual penetration in violation of former section 2907.12 of the Revised Code, a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, a violation of section 2919.23 of the Revised Code that would have been a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, had the violation been committed prior to that date, or a violation of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code that is not a minor drug possession offense;

(b) A violation of an existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially
equivalent to any of the offenses listed in division (A)(6)(a) of this section.

(7) On receipt of a request for a criminal records check from an individual pursuant to section 4749.03 or 4749.06 of the Revised Code, accompanied by a completed copy of the form prescribed in division (C)(1) of this section and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in a manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists indicating that the person who is the subject of the request has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a felony in this state or in any other state. If the individual indicates that a firearm will be carried in the course of business, the superintendent shall require information from the federal bureau of investigation as described in division (B)(2) of this section. Subject to division (F) of this section, the superintendent shall report the findings of the criminal records check and any information the federal bureau of investigation provides to the director of public safety.

(8) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 1321.37, 1321.53, or 4763.05 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check with respect to any person who has applied for a license, permit, or certification from the department of commerce or a division in the department. The superintendent shall conduct the criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the
request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any of the following: a violation of section 2913.02, 2913.11, 2913.31, 2913.51, or 2925.03 of the Revised Code; any other criminal offense involving theft, receiving stolen property, embezzlement, forgery, fraud, passing bad checks, money laundering, or drug trafficking, or any criminal offense involving money or securities, as set forth in Chapters 2909., 2911., 2913., 2915., 2921., 2923., and 2925. of the Revised Code; or any existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to those offenses.

(9) On receipt of a request for a criminal records check from the treasurer of state under section 113.041 of the Revised Code or from an individual under section 928.03, 4701.08, 4715.101, 4717.061, 4725.121, 4725.501, 4729.071, 4729.53, 4729.90, 4729.92, 4730.101, 4730.14, 4730.28, 4731.081, 4731.15, 4731.171, 4731.222, 4731.281, 4731.531, 4732.091, 4734.202, 4740.061, 4741.10, 4747.051, 4751.20, 4751.201, 4751.202, 4751.21, 4753.061, 4755.70, 4757.101, 4759.061, 4760.032, 4760.06, 4761.051, 4762.031, 4762.06, 4774.031, 4774.06, 4776.021, 4778.04, 4778.07, 4779.091, or 4783.04 of the Revised Code, accompanied by a completed form prescribed under division (C)(1) of this section and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any criminal offense in this state or any other state. Subject to division (F) of this section, the superintendent shall send the results of a check requested under section 113.041 of the Revised Code to the treasurer of state and shall send the results of a check requested under any of the other listed sections to the licensing board.
specified by the individual in the request.

(10) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 124.74, 718.131, 1121.23, 1315.141, 1733.47, or 1761.26 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any criminal offense under any existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States.

(11) On receipt of a request for a criminal records check from an appointing or licensing authority under section 3772.07 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed under division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner prescribed in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty or no contest to any offense under any existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is a disqualifying offense as defined in section 3772.07 of the Revised Code or substantially equivalent to such an offense.

(12) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 2151.33 or 2151.412 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of
this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal
identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records
check with respect to any person for whom a criminal records check
is required under that section. The superintendent shall conduct
the criminal records check in the manner described in division (B)
of this section to determine whether any information exists that
indicates that the person who is the subject of the request
previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any of the
following:

(a) A violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03,
2903.04, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.34,
2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.11, 2905.12, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.05,
2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.12, 2907.25, 2907.31,
2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11,
2911.12, 2911.13, 2913.02, 2913.03, 2913.04, 2913.11, 2913.21,
2913.31, 2913.40, 2913.43, 2913.47, 2913.51, 2919.25, 2921.36,
2923.12, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.11, 2925.13,
2925.22, 2925.23, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code;

(b) An existing or former law of this state, any other state,
or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any of
the offenses listed in division (A)(12)(a) of this section.

(13) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 3796.12 of
the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division
(C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions
obtained in a manner described in division (C)(2) of this section,
the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and
investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner
described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any
information exists that indicates that the person who is the
subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded
guilty to the following:

(a) A disqualifying offense as specified in rules adopted
under division (B)(2)(b) of section 3796.03 of the Revised Code if the person who is the subject of the request is an administrator or other person responsible for the daily operation of, or an owner or prospective owner, officer or prospective officer, or board member or prospective board member of, an entity seeking a license from the department of commerce under Chapter 3796. of the Revised Code;

(b) A disqualifying offense as specified in rules adopted under division (B)(2)(b) of section 3796.04 of the Revised Code if the person who is the subject of the request is an administrator or other person responsible for the daily operation of, or an owner or prospective owner, officer or prospective officer, or board member or prospective board member of, an entity seeking a license from the state board of pharmacy under Chapter 3796. of the Revised Code.

(14) On receipt of a request required by section 3796.13 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in a manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to the following:

(a) A disqualifying offense as specified in rules adopted under division (B)(8)(a) of section 3796.03 of the Revised Code if the person who is the subject of the request is seeking employment with an entity licensed by the department of commerce under Chapter 3796. of the Revised Code;

(b) A disqualifying offense as specified in rules adopted under division (B)(14)(a) of section 3796.04 of the Revised Code
if the person who is the subject of the request is seeking employment with an entity licensed by the state board of pharmacy under Chapter 3796. of the Revised Code.

(15) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 4768.06 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed under division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists indicating that the person who is the subject of the request has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a felony in this state or in any other state.

(16) On receipt of a request pursuant to division (B) of section 4764.07 or division (A) of section 4735.143 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed under division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists indicating that the person who is the subject of the request has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any crime of moral turpitude, a felony, or an equivalent offense in any other state or the United States.

(17) On receipt of a request for a criminal records check under section 147.022 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed under division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner prescribed in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of
this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty or no contest to any disqualifying offense, as defined in section 147.011 of the Revised Code, or to any offense under any existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to such a disqualifying offense.

(B) Subject to division (F) of this section, the superintendent shall conduct any criminal records check to be conducted under this section as follows:

(1) The superintendent shall review or cause to be reviewed any relevant information gathered and compiled by the bureau under division (A) of section 109.57 of the Revised Code that relates to the person who is the subject of the criminal records check, including, if the criminal records check was requested under section 113.041, 121.08, 124.74, 173.27, 173.38, 173.381, 718.131, 928.03, 1121.23, 1315.141, 1321.37, 1321.53, 1733.47, 1761.26, 2151.86, 3301.32, 3301.541, 3319.39, 3701.881, 3712.09, 3721.121, 3772.07, 3796.12, 3796.13, 4729.071, 4729.53, 4729.90, 4729.92, 4749.03, 4749.06, 4763.05, 4764.07, 4768.06, 5104.013, 5164.34, 5164.341, 5164.342, 5123.081, 5123.169, or 5153.111 of the Revised Code, any relevant information contained in records that have been sealed under section 2953.32 of the Revised Code;

(2) If the request received by the superintendent asks for information from the federal bureau of investigation, the superintendent shall request from the federal bureau of investigation any information it has with respect to the person who is the subject of the criminal records check, including fingerprint-based checks of national crime information databases as described in 42 U.S.C. 671 if the request is made pursuant to section 2151.86 or 5104.013 of the Revised Code or if any other Revised Code section requires fingerprint-based checks of that
nature, and shall review or cause to be reviewed any information the superintendent receives from that bureau. If a request under section 3319.39 of the Revised Code asks only for information from the federal bureau of investigation, the superintendent shall not conduct the review prescribed by division (B)(1) of this section.

(3) The superintendent or the superintendent's designee may request criminal history records from other states or the federal government pursuant to the national crime prevention and privacy compact set forth in section 109.571 of the Revised Code.

(4) The superintendent shall include in the results of the criminal records check a list or description of the offenses listed or described in division (A)(1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (12), (13), (14), (15), (16), or (17) of this section, whichever division requires the superintendent to conduct the criminal records check. The superintendent shall exclude from the results any information the dissemination of which is prohibited by federal law.

(5) The superintendent shall send the results of the criminal records check to the person to whom it is to be sent not later than the following number of days after the date the superintendent receives the request for the criminal records check, the completed form prescribed under division (C)(1) of this section, and the set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section:

(a) If the superintendent is required by division (A) of this section (other than division (A)(3) of this section) to conduct the criminal records check, thirty;

(b) If the superintendent is required by division (A)(3) of this section to conduct the criminal records check, sixty.

(C)(1) The superintendent shall prescribe a form to obtain the information necessary to conduct a criminal records check from
any person for whom a criminal records check is to be conducted under this section. The form that the superintendent prescribes pursuant to this division may be in a tangible format, in an electronic format, or in both tangible and electronic formats.

(2) The superintendent shall prescribe standard impression sheets to obtain the fingerprint impressions of any person for whom a criminal records check is to be conducted under this section. Any person for whom a records check is to be conducted under this section shall obtain the fingerprint impressions at a county sheriff's office, municipal police department, or any other entity with the ability to make fingerprint impressions on the standard impression sheets prescribed by the superintendent. The office, department, or entity may charge the person a reasonable fee for making the impressions. The standard impression sheets the superintendent prescribes pursuant to this division may be in a tangible format, in an electronic format, or in both tangible and electronic formats.

(3) Subject to division (D) of this section, the superintendent shall prescribe and charge a reasonable fee for providing a criminal records check under this section. The person requesting the criminal records check shall pay the fee prescribed pursuant to this division. In the case of a request under section 1121.23, 1155.03, 1163.05, 1315.141, 1733.47, 1761.26, 2151.33, 2151.412, or 5164.34 of the Revised Code, the fee shall be paid in the manner specified in that section.

(4) The superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation may prescribe methods of forwarding fingerprint impressions and information necessary to conduct a criminal records check, which methods shall include, but not be limited to, an electronic method.

(D) The results of a criminal records check conducted under this section, other than a criminal records check specified in
division (A)(7) of this section, are valid for the person who is
the subject of the criminal records check for a period of one year
from the date upon which the superintendent completes the criminal
records check. If during that period the superintendent receives
another request for a criminal records check to be conducted under
this section for that person, the superintendent shall provide the
results from the previous criminal records check of the person at
a lower fee than the fee prescribed for the initial criminal
records check.

(E) When the superintendent receives a request for
information from a registered private provider, the superintendent
shall proceed as if the request was received from a school
district board of education under section 3319.39 of the Revised
Code. The superintendent shall apply division (A)(1)(c) of this
section to any such request for an applicant who is a teacher.

(F)(1) Subject to division (F)(2) of this section, all
information regarding the results of a criminal records check
conducted under this section that the superintendent reports or
sends under division (A)(7) or (9) of this section to the director
of public safety, the treasurer of state, or the person, board, or
entity that made the request for the criminal records check shall
relate to the conviction of the subject person, or the subject
person's plea of guilty to, a criminal offense.

(2) Division (F)(1) of this section does not limit, restrict,
or preclude the superintendent's release of information that
relates to the arrest of a person who is eighteen years of age or
older, to an adjudication of a child as a delinquent child, or to
a criminal conviction of a person under eighteen years of age in
circumstances in which a release of that nature is authorized
under division (E)(2), (3), or (4) of section 109.57 of the
Revised Code pursuant to a rule adopted under division (E)(1) of
that section.
(G) As used in this section:

(1) "Criminal records check" means any criminal records check conducted by the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation in accordance with division (B) of this section.

(2) "Minor drug possession offense" has the same meaning as in section 2925.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) "OVI or OVUAC violation" means a violation of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code or a violation of an existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to section 4511.19 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Registered private provider" means a nonpublic school or entity registered with the superintendent of public instruction under section 3310.41 of the Revised Code to participate in the autism scholarship program or section 3310.58 of the Revised Code to participate in the Jon Peterson special needs scholarship program.

Sec. 109.79. (A) The Ohio peace officer training commission shall establish and conduct a training school for law enforcement officers of any political subdivision of the state or of the state public defender's office. The school shall be known as the Ohio peace officer training academy. No bailiff or deputy bailiff of a court of record of this state and no criminal investigator employed by the state public defender shall be permitted to attend the academy for training unless the employing court of the bailiff or deputy bailiff or the state public defender, whichever is applicable, has authorized the bailiff, deputy bailiff, or investigator to attend the academy.
training program, which shall include courses in both the civil
and criminal functions of law enforcement officers, a course in
crisis intervention with six or more hours of training, training
in the handling of missing children and child abuse and neglect
cases, and training on companion animal encounters and companion
animal behavior, and shall establish rules governing
qualifications for admission to the academy. The commission may
require competitive examinations to determine fitness of
prospective trainees, so long as the examinations or other
criteria for admission to the academy are consistent with the
provisions of Chapter 124. of the Revised Code.

The Ohio peace officer training commission shall determine
tuition costs sufficient in the aggregate to pay the costs of
operating the academy. Tuition paid by a political subdivision of
the state or by the state public defender's office shall be
deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the peace
officer training academy fee fund, which is hereby established.
The attorney general shall use money in the fund to pay costs
associated with operation of the academy. The costs of acquiring
and equipping the academy shall be paid from appropriations made
by the general assembly to the Ohio peace officer training
commission for that purpose, from gifts or grants received for
that purpose, or from fees for goods related to the academy.

The Ohio peace officer training commission shall create a
gaming-related curriculum for gaming agents. The Ohio peace
training commission shall use money distributed to the
Ohio peace officer training academy from the Ohio law enforcement
training fund to first support the academy's training programs for
gaming agents and gaming-related curriculum. The Ohio peace
officer training commission may utilize existing training programs
in other states that specialize in training gaming agents.

The law enforcement officers, during the period of their
training, shall receive compensation as determined by the political subdivision that sponsors them or, if the officer is a criminal investigator employed by the state public defender, as determined by the state public defender. The political subdivision may pay the tuition costs of the law enforcement officers they sponsor and the state public defender may pay the tuition costs of criminal investigators of that office who attend the academy.

If trainee vacancies exist, the academy may train and issue certificates of satisfactory completion to peace officers who are employed by a campus police department pursuant to section 1713.50 of the Revised Code, by a qualified nonprofit corporation police department pursuant to section 1702.80 of the Revised Code, or by a railroad company, who are amusement park police officers appointed and commissioned by a judge of the appropriate municipal court or county court pursuant to section 4973.17 of the Revised Code, or who are bank, savings and loan association, savings bank, credit union, or association of banks, savings and loan associations, savings banks, or credit unions, or hospital police officers appointed and commissioned by the secretary of state pursuant to sections 4973.17 to 4973.22 of the Revised Code, provided that no such officer shall be trained at the academy unless the officer meets the qualifications established for admission to the academy and the qualified nonprofit corporation police department; bank, savings and loan association, savings bank, credit union, or association of banks, savings and loan associations, savings banks, or credit unions; railroad company; hospital; or amusement park or the private college or university that established the campus police department prepays the entire cost of the training. A qualified nonprofit corporation police department; bank, savings and loan association, savings bank, credit union, or association of banks, savings and loan associations, savings banks, or credit unions; railroad company; hospital; or amusement park or a private college or university
that has established a campus police department is not entitled to
reimbursement from the state for any amount paid for the cost of
training the bank, savings and loan association, savings bank,
credit union, or association of banks, savings and loan
associations, savings banks, or credit unions peace officers; the
railroad company's peace officers; or the peace officers of the
qualified nonprofit corporation police department, campus police
department, hospital, or amusement park.

The academy shall permit investigators employed by the state
medical board to take selected courses that the board determines
are consistent with its responsibilities for initial and
continuing training of investigators as required under sections
4730.26 and 4731.05 of the Revised Code. The board shall pay the
entire cost of training that investigators receive at the academy.

The academy shall permit tactical medical professionals to
attend training courses at the academy that are designed to
qualify the professionals to carry firearms while on duty under
section 109.771 of the Revised Code and that provide training
comparable to training mandated under the rules required by
division (A) of section 109.748 of the Revised Code. The executive
director of the Ohio peace officer training commission may certify
tactical medical professionals who satisfactorily complete the
training courses. The law enforcement agency served by a tactical
medical professional who attends the academy may pay the tuition
costs of the professional.

(B) As used in this section:

(1) "Law enforcement officers" include any undercover drug
agent, any bailiff or deputy bailiff of a court of record, and any
criminal investigator who is employed by the state public
defender.

(2) "Undercover drug agent" means any person who:
(a) Is employed by a county, township, or municipal corporation for the purposes set forth in division (B)(2)(b) of this section but who is not an employee of a county sheriff's department, of a township constable, or of the police department of a municipal corporation or township;

(b) In the course of the person's employment by a county, township, or municipal corporation, investigates and gathers information pertaining to persons who are suspected of violating Chapter 2925. or 3719. of the Revised Code, and generally does not wear a uniform in the performance of the person's duties.

(3) "Crisis intervention training" has the same meaning as in section 109.71 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Missing children" has the same meaning as in section 2901.30 of the Revised Code.

(5) "Companion animal" has the same meaning as in section 959.131 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 111.16. Except as provided in section 1701.041 of the Revised Code, the secretary of state shall charge and collect, for the benefit of the state, the following fees:

(A) For filing and recording articles of incorporation of a domestic corporation, including designation of agent:

(1) Wherein the corporation shall not be authorized to issue any shares of capital stock, ninety-nine dollars;

(2) Wherein the corporation shall be authorized to issue shares of capital stock, with or without par value:

(a) Ten cents for each share authorized up to and including one thousand shares;

(b) Five cents for each share authorized in excess of one thousand shares up to and including ten thousand shares;
(c) Two cents for each share authorized in excess of ten thousand shares up to and including fifty thousand shares;

(d) One cent for each share authorized in excess of fifty thousand shares up to and including one hundred thousand shares;

(e) One-half cent for each share authorized in excess of one hundred thousand shares up to and including five hundred thousand shares;

(f) One-quarter cent for each share authorized in excess of five hundred thousand shares; provided no fee shall be less than ninety-nine dollars or greater than one hundred thousand dollars.

(B) For filing and recording a certificate of amendment to or amended articles of incorporation of a domestic corporation, or for filing and recording a certificate of reorganization, a certificate of dissolution, or an amendment to a foreign license application:

(1) If the domestic corporation is not authorized to issue any shares of capital stock, fifty dollars;

(2) If the domestic corporation is authorized to issue shares of capital stock, fifty dollars, and in case of any increase in the number of shares authorized to be issued, a further sum computed in accordance with the schedule set forth in division (A)(2) of this section less a credit computed in the same manner for the number of shares previously authorized to be issued by the corporation; provided no fee under division (B)(2) of this section shall be greater than one hundred thousand dollars;

(3) If the foreign corporation is not authorized to issue any shares of capital stock, fifty dollars;

(4) If the foreign corporation is authorized to issue shares of capital stock, fifty dollars.

(C) For filing and recording articles of incorporation of a
savings and loan association, ninety-nine dollars; and for filing and recording a certificate of amendment to or amended articles of incorporation of a savings and loan association, fifty dollars;

(D) For filing and recording a certificate of conversion, including a designation of agent, a certificate of merger, or a certificate of consolidation, ninety-nine dollars and, in the case of any new corporation resulting from a consolidation or any surviving corporation that has an increased number of shares authorized to be issued resulting from a merger, an additional sum computed in accordance with the schedule set forth in division (A)(2) of this section less a credit computed in the same manner for the number of shares previously authorized to be issued or represented in this state by each of the corporations for which a consolidation or merger is effected by the certificate;

(E) For filing and recording articles of incorporation of a credit union or the American credit union guaranty association, ninety-nine dollars, and for filing and recording a certificate of increase in capital stock or any other amendment of the articles of incorporation of a credit union or the association, fifty dollars;

(F) For filing and recording articles of organization of a limited liability company, for filing and recording an application to become a registered foreign limited liability company, for filing and recording a registration application to become a domestic limited liability partnership, or for filing and recording an application to become a registered foreign limited liability partnership, ninety-nine dollars;

(G) For filing and recording a certificate of limited partnership or an application for registration as a foreign limited partnership, or for filing an initial statement of partnership authority pursuant to section 1776.33 of the Revised Code, ninety-nine dollars;
(H) For filing a copy of papers evidencing the incorporation of a municipal corporation or of annexation of territory by a municipal corporation, five dollars, to be paid by the municipal corporation, the petitioners therefor, or their agent;

(I) For filing and recording any of the following:

1. A license to transact business in this state by a foreign corporation for profit pursuant to section 1703.04 of the Revised Code or a foreign nonprofit corporation pursuant to section 1703.27 of the Revised Code, ninety-nine dollars;

2. A biennial report or biennial statement pursuant to section 1775.63, 1776.83, or 1785.06 of the Revised Code, twenty-five dollars;

3. Except as otherwise provided in this section or any other section of the Revised Code, any other certificate or paper that is required to be filed and recorded or is permitted to be filed and recorded by any provision of the Revised Code with the secretary of state, twenty-five dollars.

(J) For filing any certificate or paper not required to be recorded, five dollars;

(K)(1) For making copies of any certificate or other paper filed in the office of the secretary of state, a fee not to exceed one dollar per page, except as otherwise provided in the Revised Code, and for creating and affixing the seal of the office of the secretary of state to any good standing or other certificate, five dollars. For copies of certificates or papers required by state officers for official purpose, no charge shall be made.

(2) For creating and affixing the seal of the office of the secretary of state to the certificates described in division (E) of section 1701.81, division (E) of section 1701.811, division (E) of section 1705.38, division (E) of section 1705.381, division (D) of section 1702.43, division (E) of section 1775.47, division (E)
of section 1775.55, division (E) of section 1776.70, division (E) of section 1776.74, division (E) of section 1782.433, or division (E) of section 1782.4310 of the Revised Code, twenty-five dollars.

(L) For a minister's license to solemnize marriages, ten dollars;

(M) For examining documents to be filed at a later date for the purpose of advising as to the acceptability of the proposed filing, fifty dollars;

(N) Fifty dollars for filing and recording any of the following:

(1) A certificate of dissolution and accompanying documents, or a certificate of cancellation, under section 1701.86, 1702.47, 1705.43, 1776.65, or 1782.10 of the Revised Code;

(2) A notice of dissolution of a foreign licensed corporation or a certificate of surrender of license by a foreign licensed corporation under section 1703.17 of the Revised Code;

(3) The withdrawal of registration of a foreign or domestic limited liability partnership under section 1775.61, 1775.64, 1776.81, or 1776.86 of the Revised Code, or the certificate of cancellation of registration of a foreign limited liability company under section 1705.57 of the Revised Code;

(4) The filing of a statement of denial under section 1776.34 of the Revised Code, a statement of dissociation under section 1776.57 of the Revised Code, a statement of disclaimer of general partner status under Chapter 1782. of the Revised Code, or a cancellation of disclaimer of general partner status under Chapter 1782. of the Revised Code.

(O) For filing a statement of continued existence by a nonprofit corporation, twenty-five dollars;

(P) For filing a restatement under section 1705.08 or 1782.09
of the Revised Code, an amendment to a certificate of cancellation under section 1782.10 of the Revised Code, an amendment under section 1705.08 or 1782.09 of the Revised Code, or a correction under section 1705.55, 1775.61, 1775.64, 1776.12, or 1782.52 of the Revised Code, fifty dollars;

(Q) For filing for reinstatement of an entity cancelled by operation of law, by the secretary of state, by order of the department of taxation, or by order of a court, twenty-five dollars;

(R) For filing and recording any of the following:

(1) A change of agent, resignation of agent, or change of agent's address under section 1701.07, 1702.06, 1703.041, 1703.27, 1705.06, 1705.55, 1746.04, 1747.03, 1776.07, or 1782.04 of the Revised Code, twenty-five dollars;

(2) A multiple change of agent name or address, standardization of agent address, or resignation of agent under section 1701.07, 1702.06, 1703.041, 1703.27, 1705.06, 1705.55, 1746.04, 1747.03, 1776.07, or 1782.04 of the Revised Code, one hundred twenty-five dollars, plus three dollars per entity record being changed, by the multiple agent update.

(S) For filing and recording any of the following:

(1) An application for the exclusive right to use a name or an application to reserve a name for future use under section 1701.05, 1702.05, 1703.31, 1705.05, or 1746.06 of the Revised Code, thirty-nine dollars;

(2) A trade name or fictitious name registration or report, thirty-nine dollars;

(3) An application to renew any item covered by division (S)(1) or (2) of this section that is permitted to be renewed, twenty-five dollars;
(4) An assignment of rights for use of a name covered by division (S)(1), (2), or (3) of this section, the cancellation of a name registration or name reservation that is so covered, or notice of a change of address of the registrant of a name that is so covered, twenty-five dollars.

(T) For filing and recording a report to operate a business trust or a real estate investment trust, either foreign or domestic, ninety-nine dollars; and for filing and recording an amendment to a report or associated trust instrument, or a surrender of authority, to operate a business trust or real estate investment trust, fifty dollars;

(U)(1) For filing and recording the registration of a trademark, service mark, or mark of ownership, one hundred twenty-five dollars;

(2) For filing and recording the change of address of a registrant, the assignment of rights to a registration, a renewal of a registration, or the cancellation of a registration associated with a trademark, service mark, or mark of ownership, twenty-five dollars.

(V) For filing a service of process with the secretary of state, five dollars per address to be served, except as otherwise provided in any section of the Revised Code;

(W) For making, recording, and forwarding a commission under section 107.06 of the Revised Code, the applicable fee specified in that section.

Fees specified in this section may be paid by cash, check, or money order, by credit card in accordance with section 113.40 of the Revised Code, or by an alternative payment program in accordance with division (B) of section 111.18 of the Revised Code. Any credit card number or the expiration date of any credit card is not subject to disclosure under Chapter 149. of the
Sec. 111.28. (A) There is hereby created in the state treasury the help America vote act (HAVA) fund. All moneys received by the secretary of state from the United States election assistance commission for purposes established under the "Help America Vote Act of 2002," Pub. L. No. 107-252, as amended, shall be credited to the fund. The secretary of state shall use the moneys credited to the fund for activities conducted pursuant to the "Help America Vote Act of 2002," Pub. L. No. 107-252, 116 Stat. 1666 that act. All investment earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund.

(B) There is hereby created in the state treasury the miscellaneous federal grants fund. All moneys the secretary of state receives as grants from federal sources that are not otherwise designated shall be credited to the fund. The secretary of state shall use the moneys credited to the fund for the purposes and activities required by the applicable federal grant agreements. All investment earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund.

Sec. 111.48. There is in the state treasury the address confidentiality program fund. The fund shall consist of money paid into the fund pursuant to division (B)(10) (B)(11) of section 2929.18 and division (D) of section 2929.28 of the Revised Code and any money appropriated to the fund by the general assembly or donated to the fund. The secretary of state shall use the money in the fund for the purpose of administering the address confidentiality program described in sections 111.41 to 111.47 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 119.12. (A)(1) Except as provided in division (A)(2) or
of this section, any party adversely affected by any order of an agency issued pursuant to an adjudication denying an applicant admission to an examination, or denying the issuance or renewal of a license or registration of a licensee, or revoking or suspending a license, or allowing the payment of a forfeiture under section 4301.252 of the Revised Code may appeal from the order of the agency to the court of common pleas of the county in which the place of business of the licensee is located or the county in which the licensee is a resident.

(2) An appeal from an order described in division (A)(1) of this section issued by any of the following agencies shall be made to the court of common pleas of Franklin county:

(a) The liquor control commission;

(b) The Ohio casino control commission;

(c) The state medical board;

(d) The state chiropractic board;

(e) The board of nursing;

(f) The bureau of workers' compensation regarding participation in the health partnership program created in sections 4121.44 and 4121.441 of the Revised Code;

(g) The occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board.

(3) If any party appealing from an order described in division (A)(1) of this section is not a resident of and has no place of business in this state, the party may appeal to the court of common pleas of Franklin county.

(B) Any party adversely affected by any order of an agency issued pursuant to any other adjudication may appeal to the court of common pleas of Franklin county, except that appeals from orders of the fire marshal issued under Chapter 3737. of the
Revised Code may be to the court of common pleas of the county in which the building of the aggrieved person is located and except that appeals under division (B) of section 124.34 of the Revised Code from a decision of the state personnel board of review or a municipal or civil service township civil service commission shall be taken to the court of common pleas of the county in which the appointing authority is located or, in the case of an appeal by the department of rehabilitation and correction, to the court of common pleas of Franklin county.

(C) This section does not apply to appeals from the department of taxation.

(D) Any party desiring to appeal shall file a notice of appeal with the agency setting forth the order appealed from and stating that the agency's order is not supported by reliable, probative, and substantial evidence and is not in accordance with law. The notice of appeal may, but need not, set forth the specific grounds of the party's appeal beyond the statement that the agency's order is not supported by reliable, probative, and substantial evidence and is not in accordance with law. The notice of appeal shall also be filed by the appellant with the court. In filing a notice of appeal with the agency or court, the notice that is filed may be either the original notice or a copy of the original notice. Unless otherwise provided by law relating to a particular agency, notices of appeal shall be filed within fifteen days after the mailing of the notice of the agency's order as provided in this section. For purposes of this paragraph, an order includes a determination appealed pursuant to division (C) of section 119.092 of the Revised Code. The amendments made to this paragraph by Sub. H.B. 215 of the 128th general assembly are procedural, and this paragraph as amended by those amendments shall be applied retrospectively to all appeals pursuant to this paragraph filed before September 13, 2010, but not earlier than
May 7, 2009, which was the date the supreme court of Ohio released its opinion and judgment in Medcorp, Inc. v. Ohio Dep't. of Job and Family Servs. (2009), 121 Ohio St.3d 622.

(E) The filing of a notice of appeal shall not automatically operate as a suspension of the order of an agency. If it appears to the court that an unusual hardship to the appellant will result from the execution of the agency's order pending determination of the appeal, the court may grant a suspension and fix its terms. If an appeal is taken from the judgment of the court and the court has previously granted a suspension of the agency's order as provided in this section, the suspension of the agency's order shall not be vacated and shall be given full force and effect until the matter is finally adjudicated. No renewal of a license or permit shall be denied by reason of the suspended order during the period of the appeal from the decision of the court of common pleas. In the case of an appeal from the Ohio casino control commission, the state medical board, or the state chiropractic board, the court may grant a suspension and fix its terms if it appears to the court that an unusual hardship to the appellant will result from the execution of the agency's order pending determination of the appeal and the health, safety, and welfare of the public will not be threatened by suspension of the order. This provision shall not be construed to limit the factors the court may consider in determining whether to suspend an order of any other agency pending determination of an appeal.

(F) The final order of adjudication may apply to any renewal of a license or permit which has been granted during the period of the appeal.

(G) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, any order issued by a court of common pleas or a court of appeals suspending the effect of an order of the liquor control commission issued pursuant to Chapter 4301. or 4303. of the Revised Code that
suspends, revokes, or cancels a permit issued under Chapter 4303.
of the Revised Code or that allows the payment of a forfeiture
under section 4301.252 of the Revised Code shall terminate not
more than six months after the date of the filing of the record of
the liquor control commission with the clerk of the court of
common pleas and shall not be extended. The court of common pleas,
or the court of appeals on appeal, shall render a judgment in that
matter within six months after the date of the filing of the
record of the liquor control commission with the clerk of the
court of common pleas. A court of appeals shall not issue an order
suspending the effect of an order of the liquor control commission
that extends beyond six months after the date on which the record
of the liquor control commission is filed with a court of common
pleas.

(H) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, any
order issued by a court of common pleas or a court of appeals
suspending the effect of an order of the Ohio casino control
commission issued under Chapter 3772. of the Revised Code that
limits, conditions, restricts, suspends, revokes, denies, not
renews, fines, or otherwise penalizes an applicant, licensee, or
person excluded or ejected from a casino facility in accordance
with section 3772.031 of the Revised Code shall terminate not more
than six months after the date of the filing of the record of the
Ohio casino control commission with the clerk of the court of
common pleas and shall not be extended. The court of common pleas,
or the court of appeals on appeal, shall render a judgment in that
matter within six months after the date of the filing of the
record of the Ohio casino control commission with the clerk of the
court of common pleas. A court of appeals shall not issue an order
suspending the effect of an order of the Ohio casino control
commission that extends beyond six months after the date on which
the record of the Ohio casino control commission is filed with the
clerk of a court of common pleas.
(I) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, any order issued by a court of common pleas suspending the effect of an order of the state medical board or state chiropractic board that limits, revokes, suspends, places on probation, or refuses to register or reinstate a certificate issued by the board or reprimands the holder of the certificate shall terminate not more than fifteen months after the date of the filing of a notice of appeal in the court of common pleas, or upon the rendering of a final decision or order in the appeal by the court of common pleas, whichever occurs first.

(J) Within thirty days after receipt of a notice of appeal from an order in any case in which a hearing is required by sections 119.01 to 119.13 of the Revised Code, the agency shall prepare and certify to the court a complete record of the proceedings in the case. Failure of the agency to comply within the time allowed, upon motion, shall cause the court to enter a finding in favor of the party adversely affected. Additional time, however, may be granted by the court, not to exceed thirty days, when it is shown that the agency has made substantial effort to comply. The record shall be prepared and transcribed, and the expense of it shall be taxed as a part of the costs on the appeal. The appellant shall provide security for costs satisfactory to the court of common pleas. Upon demand by any interested party, the agency shall furnish at the cost of the party requesting it a copy of the stenographic report of testimony offered and evidence submitted at any hearing and a copy of the complete record.

(K) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, any party desiring to appeal an order or decision of the state personnel board of review shall, at the time of filing a notice of appeal with the board, provide a security deposit in an amount and manner prescribed in rules that the board shall adopt in accordance with this chapter. In addition, the board is not
required to prepare or transcribe the record of any of its proceedings unless the appellant has provided the deposit described above. The failure of the board to prepare or transcribe a record for an appellant who has not provided a security deposit shall not cause a court to enter a finding adverse to the board.

(K) (L) Unless otherwise provided by law, in the hearing of the appeal, the court is confined to the record as certified to it by the agency. Unless otherwise provided by law, the court may grant a request for the admission of additional evidence when satisfied that the additional evidence is newly discovered and could not with reasonable diligence have been ascertained prior to the hearing before the agency.

(M) The court shall conduct a hearing on the appeal and shall give preference to all proceedings under sections 119.01 to 119.13 of the Revised Code, over all other civil cases, irrespective of the position of the proceedings on the calendar of the court. An appeal from an order of the state medical board issued pursuant to division (G) of either section 4730.25 or 4731.22 of the Revised Code, the state chiropractic board issued pursuant to section 4734.37 of the Revised Code, the liquor control commission issued pursuant to Chapter 4301. or 4303. of the Revised Code, or the Ohio casino control commission issued pursuant to Chapter 3772. of the Revised Code shall be set down for hearing at the earliest possible time and takes precedence over all other actions. The hearing in the court of common pleas shall proceed as in the trial of a civil action, and the court shall determine the rights of the parties in accordance with the laws applicable to a civil action. At the hearing, counsel may be heard on oral argument, briefs may be submitted, and evidence may be introduced if the court has granted a request for the presentation of additional evidence.

(N) The court may affirm the order of the agency
complained of in the appeal if it finds, upon consideration of the entire record and any additional evidence the court has admitted, that the order is supported by reliable, probative, and substantial evidence and is in accordance with law. In the absence of this finding, it may reverse, vacate, or modify the order or make such other ruling as is supported by reliable, probative, and substantial evidence and is in accordance with law. The court shall award compensation for fees in accordance with section 2335.39 of the Revised Code to a prevailing party, other than an agency, in an appeal filed pursuant to this section.

The judgment of the court shall be final and conclusive unless reversed, vacated, or modified on appeal. These appeals may be taken either by the party or the agency, shall proceed as in the case of appeals in civil actions, and shall be pursuant to the Rules of Appellate Procedure and, to the extent not in conflict with those rules, Chapter 2505. of the Revised Code. An appeal by the agency shall be taken on questions of law relating to the constitutionality, construction, or interpretation of statutes and rules of the agency, and, in the appeal, the court may also review and determine the correctness of the judgment of the court of common pleas that the order of the agency is not supported by any reliable, probative, and substantial evidence in the entire record.

The court shall certify its judgment to the agency or take any other action necessary to give its judgment effect.

Sec. 121.02. The following administrative departments and their respective directors are hereby created:

(A) The office of budget and management, which shall be administered by the director of budget and management;

(B) The department of commerce, which shall be administered by the director of commerce;
(C) The department of administrative services, which shall be administered by the director of administrative services; 1953

(D) The department of transportation, which shall be administered by the director of transportation; 1955

(E) The department of agriculture, which shall be administered by the director of agriculture; 1957

(F) The department of natural resources, which shall be administered by the director of natural resources; 1959

(G) The department of health, which shall be administered by the director of health; 1961

(H) The department of job and family services, which shall be administered by the director of job and family services; 1963

(I) Until July 1, 1997, the department of liquor control, which shall be administered by the director of liquor control; 1965

(J) The department of public safety, which shall be administered by the director of public safety; 1967

(K) The department of mental health and addiction services, which shall be administered by the director of mental health and addiction services; 1969

(L) The department of developmental disabilities, which shall be administered by the director of developmental disabilities; 1971

(M) The department of insurance, which shall be administered by the superintendent of insurance as director thereof; 1973

(N) The department of development services agency, which shall be administered by the director of development services; 1975

(O) The department of youth services, which shall be administered by the director of youth services; 1977

(P) The department of rehabilitation and correction, which shall be administered by the director of rehabilitation and 1979
correction;

(Q) The environmental protection agency, which shall be administered by the director of environmental protection;

(R) The department of aging, which shall be administered by the director of aging;

(S) The department of veterans services, which shall be administered by the director of veterans services;

(T) The department of medicaid, which shall be administered by the medicaid director.

The director of each department shall exercise the powers and perform the duties vested by law in such department.

Sec. 121.03. The following administrative department heads shall be appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, and shall hold their offices during the term of the appointing governor, and are subject to removal at the pleasure of the governor.

(A) The director of budget and management;

(B) The director of commerce;

(C) The director of transportation;

(D) The director of agriculture;

(E) The director of job and family services;

(F) Until July 1, 1997, the director of liquor control;

(G) The director of public safety;

(H) The superintendent of insurance;

(I) The director of development services;

(J) The tax commissioner;

(K) The director of administrative services;
(L) The director of natural resources; 2009

(M) The director of mental health and addiction services; 2010

(N) The director of developmental disabilities; 2011

(O) The director of health; 2012

(P) The director of youth services; 2013

(Q) The director of rehabilitation and correction; 2014

(R) The director of environmental protection; 2015

(S) The director of aging; 2016

(T) The administrator of workers' compensation who meets the qualifications required under division (A) of section 4121.121 of the Revised Code; 2017

(U) The director of veterans services who meets the qualifications required under section 5902.01 of the Revised Code; 2018

(V) The chancellor of higher education; 2019

(W) The medicaid director. 2020

Sec. 121.07. (A) Except as otherwise provided in this division, the officers mentioned in sections 121.04 and 121.05 of the Revised Code and the offices and divisions they administer shall be under the direction, supervision, and control of the directors of their respective departments, and shall perform such duties as the directors prescribe. In performing or exercising any of the examination or regulatory functions, powers, or duties vested by Title XI, Chapters 1733. and 1761., and sections 1315.01 to 1315.18 of the Revised Code in the superintendent of financial institutions, the superintendent of financial institutions and the division of financial institutions are independent of and are not subject to the control of the department or the director of commerce. In the absence of the superintendent of financial institutions, the director of commerce shall, for a limited period
of time, perform or exercise any of those functions, powers, or
duties or authorize the deputy superintendent for banks to perform
or exercise any of the functions, powers, or duties vested
by Title XI and sections 1315.01 to 1315.18 of the Revised Code in
the superintendent and the deputy superintendent for credit unions
to perform or exercise any of the functions, powers, or duties
vested by Chapters 1733. and 1761. of the Revised Code in the
superintendent.

(B) With the approval of the governor, the director of each
department shall establish divisions within the department, and
distribute the work of the department among such divisions. Each
officer created by section 121.04 of the Revised Code shall be the
head of such a division, except for the equal opportunity
employment coordinator, who shall report to a position determined
by the director of administrative services.

With the approval of the governor, the director of each
department may consolidate any two or more of the offices created
in the department by section 121.04 of the Revised Code, or reduce
the number of or create new divisions therein.

The director of each department may prescribe rules for the
government of the department, the conduct of its employees, the
performance of its business, and the custody, use, and
preservation of the records, papers, books, documents, and
property pertaining thereto.

Sec. 121.08. (A) There is hereby created in the department of
commerce the position of deputy director of administration. This
officer shall be appointed by the director of commerce, serve
under the director's direction, supervision, and control, perform
the duties the director prescribes, and hold office during the
director's pleasure. The director of commerce may designate an
assistant director of commerce to serve as the deputy director of
administration. The deputy director of administration shall perform the duties prescribed by the director of commerce in supervising the activities of the division of administration of the department of commerce.

(B) Except as provided in section 121.07 of the Revised Code, the department of commerce shall have all powers and perform all duties vested in the deputy director of administration, the state fire marshal, the superintendent of financial institutions, the superintendent of real estate and professional licensing, the superintendent of liquor control, the superintendent of industrial compliance, the superintendent of unclaimed funds, and the commissioner of securities, and shall have all powers and perform all duties vested by law in all officers, deputies, and employees of those offices. Except as provided in section 121.07 of the Revised Code, wherever powers are conferred or duties imposed upon any of those officers, the powers and duties shall be construed as vested in the department of commerce.

(C)(1) There is hereby created in the department of commerce a division of financial institutions, which shall have all powers and perform all duties vested by law in the superintendent of financial institutions. Wherever powers are conferred or duties imposed upon the superintendent of financial institutions, those powers and duties shall be construed as vested in the division of financial institutions. The division of financial institutions shall be administered by the superintendent of financial institutions.

(2) All provisions of law governing the superintendent of financial institutions shall apply to and govern the superintendent of financial institutions provided for in this section; all authority vested by law in the superintendent of financial institutions with respect to the management of the
division of financial institutions shall be construed as vested in the superintendent of financial institutions created by this section with respect to the division of financial institutions provided for in this section; and all rights, privileges, and emoluments conferred by law upon the superintendent of financial institutions shall be construed as conferred upon the superintendent of financial institutions as head of the division of financial institutions. The director of commerce shall not transfer from the division of financial institutions any of the functions specified in division (C)(2) of this section.

(D) There is hereby created in the department of commerce a division of liquor control, which shall have all powers and perform all duties vested by law in the superintendent of liquor control. Wherever powers are conferred or duties are imposed upon the superintendent of liquor control, those powers and duties shall be construed as vested in the division of liquor control. The division of liquor control shall be administered by the superintendent of liquor control.

(E) The director of commerce shall not be interested, directly or indirectly, in any firm or corporation which is a dealer in securities as defined in sections 1707.01 and 1707.14 of the Revised Code, or in any firm or corporation licensed under sections 1321.01 to 1321.19 of the Revised Code.

(F) The director of commerce shall not have any official connection with a savings and loan association, a savings bank, a bank, a bank holding company, a savings and loan association holding company, a consumer finance company, or a credit union that is under the supervision of the division of financial institutions, or a subsidiary of any of the preceding entities, or be interested in the business thereof.

(G) There is hereby created in the state treasury the division of administration fund. The fund shall receive
assessments on the operating funds of the department of commerce
in accordance with procedures prescribed by the director of
commerce and approved by the director of budget and management.
All operating expenses of the division of administration shall be
paid from the division of administration fund.

(H) There is hereby created in the department of commerce a
division of real estate and professional licensing, which shall be
under the control and supervision of the director of commerce. The
division of real estate and professional licensing shall be
administered by the superintendent of real estate and professional
licensing. The superintendent of real estate and professional
licensing shall exercise the powers and perform the functions and
duties delegated to the superintendent under Chapters 4735.,
4763., 4764., 4767., and 4768. of the Revised Code.

(I) There is hereby created in the department of commerce a
division of industrial compliance, which shall have all powers and
perform all duties vested by law in the superintendent of
industrial compliance. Wherever powers are conferred or duties
imposed upon the superintendent of industrial compliance, those
powers and duties shall be construed as vested in the division of
industrial compliance. The division of industrial compliance shall
be under the control and supervision of the director of commerce
and be administered by the superintendent of industrial
compliance.

(J) There is hereby created in the department of commerce a
division of unclaimed funds, which shall have all powers and
perform all duties delegated to or vested by law in the
superintendent of unclaimed funds. Wherever powers are conferred
or duties imposed upon the superintendent of unclaimed funds,
those powers and duties shall be construed as vested in the
division of unclaimed funds. The division of unclaimed funds shall
be under the control and supervision of the director of commerce
and shall be administered by the superintendent of unclaimed funds. The superintendent of unclaimed funds shall exercise the powers and perform the functions and duties delegated to the superintendent by the director of commerce under section 121.07 and Chapter 169. of the Revised Code, and as may otherwise be provided by law.

(K) The department of commerce or a division of the department created by the Revised Code that is acting with authorization on the department's behalf may request from the bureau of criminal identification and investigation pursuant to section 109.572 of the Revised Code, or coordinate with appropriate federal, state, and local government agencies to accomplish, criminal records checks for the persons whose identities are required to be disclosed by an applicant for the issuance or transfer of a permit, license, certificate of registration, or certification issued or transferred by the department or division. At or before the time of making a request for a criminal records check, the department or division may require any person whose identity is required to be disclosed by an applicant for the issuance or transfer of such a license, permit, certificate of registration, or certification to submit to the department or division valid fingerprint impressions in a format and by any media or means acceptable to the bureau of criminal identification and investigation and, when applicable, the federal bureau of investigation. The department or division may cause the bureau of criminal identification and investigation to conduct a criminal records check through the federal bureau of investigation only if the person for whom the criminal records check would be conducted resides or works outside of this state or has resided or worked outside of this state during the preceding five years, or if a criminal records check conducted by the bureau of criminal identification and investigation within this state indicates that the person may have a criminal record outside of
this state.

In the case of a criminal records check under section 109.572 of the Revised Code, the department or division shall forward to the bureau of criminal identification and investigation the requisite form, fingerprint impressions, and fee described in division (C) of that section. When requested by the department or division in accordance with this section, the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall request from the federal bureau of investigation any information it has with respect to the person who is the subject of the requested criminal records check and shall forward the requisite fingerprint impressions and information to the federal bureau of investigation for that criminal records check. After conducting a criminal records check or receiving the results of a criminal records check from the federal bureau of investigation, the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall provide the results to the department or division.

The department or division may require any person about whom a criminal records check is requested to pay to the department or division the amount necessary to cover the fee charged to the department or division by the bureau of criminal identification and investigation under division (C)(3) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code, including, when applicable, any fee for a criminal records check conducted by the federal bureau of investigation.

(L) The director of commerce, or the director's designee, may adopt rules to enhance compliance with statutes pertaining to, and rules adopted by, divisions under the direction, supervision, and control of the department or director by offering incentive-based programs that ensure safety and soundness while promoting growth and prosperity in the state.

Sec. 121.084. (A) All moneys collected under sections
3783.05, 3791.07, 4104.07, 4104.18, 4104.44, 4105.17, 4105.20, 4169.03, and 5104.051 of the Revised Code, and any other moneys collected by the division of industrial compliance shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the industrial compliance operating fund, which is hereby created. The department of commerce shall use the moneys in the fund for paying the operating expenses of the division and the administrative assessment described in division (B) of this section.

(B) The director of commerce, with the approval of the director of budget and management, shall prescribe procedures for assessing the industrial compliance operating fund a proportionate share of the administrative costs of the department of commerce. The assessment shall be made in accordance with those procedures and be paid from the industrial compliance operating fund to the division of administration fund created in section 121.08 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 121.22. (A) This section shall be liberally construed to require public officials to take official action and to conduct all deliberations upon official business only in open meetings unless the subject matter is specifically excepted by law.

(B) As used in this section:

(1) "Public body" means any of the following:

(a) Any board, commission, committee, council, or similar decision-making body of a state agency, institution, or authority, and any legislative authority or board, commission, committee, council, agency, authority, or similar decision-making body of any county, township, municipal corporation, school district, or other political subdivision or local public institution;

(b) Any committee or subcommittee of a body described in division (B)(1)(a) of this section;
(c) A court of jurisdiction of a sanitary district organized wholly for the purpose of providing a water supply for domestic, municipal, and public use when meeting for the purpose of the appointment, removal, or reappointment of a member of the board of directors of such a district pursuant to section 6115.10 of the Revised Code, if applicable, or for any other matter related to such a district other than litigation involving the district. As used in division (B)(1)(c) of this section, "court of jurisdiction" has the same meaning as "court" in section 6115.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Meeting" means any prearranged discussion of the public business of the public body by a majority of its members.

(3) "Regulated individual" means either of the following:

(a) A student in a state or local public educational institution;

(b) A person who is, voluntarily or involuntarily, an inmate, patient, or resident of a state or local institution because of criminal behavior, mental illness, an intellectual disability, disease, disability, age, or other condition requiring custodial care.

(4) "Public office" has the same meaning as in section 149.011 of the Revised Code.

(C) All meetings of any public body are declared to be public meetings open to the public at all times. A member of a public body shall be present in person at a meeting open to the public to be considered present or to vote at the meeting and for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present at the meeting.

The minutes of a regular or special meeting of any public body shall be promptly prepared, filed, and maintained and shall be open to public inspection. The minutes need only reflect the general subject matter of discussions in executive sessions.
authorized under division (G) or (J) of this section.

(D) This section does not apply to any of the following:

(1) A grand jury;

(2) An audit conference conducted by the auditor of state or independent certified public accountants with officials of the public office that is the subject of the audit;

(3) The adult parole authority when its hearings are conducted at a correctional institution for the sole purpose of interviewing inmates to determine parole or pardon and the department of rehabilitation and correction when its hearings are conducted at a correctional institution for the sole purpose of making determinations under section 2967.271 of the Revised Code regarding the release or maintained incarceration of an offender to whom that section applies;

(4) The organized crime investigations commission established under section 177.01 of the Revised Code;

(5) Meetings of a child fatality review board established under section 307.621 of the Revised Code, meetings related to a review conducted pursuant to guidelines established by the director of health under section 3701.70 of the Revised Code, and meetings conducted pursuant to sections 5153.171 to 5153.173 of the Revised Code;

(6) The state medical board when determining whether to suspend a license or certificate without a prior hearing pursuant to division (G) of either section 4730.25 or 4731.22 of the Revised Code;

(7) The board of nursing when determining whether to suspend a license or certificate without a prior hearing pursuant to division (B) of section 4723.281 of the Revised Code;

(8) The state board of pharmacy when determining whether to
do either of the following:

(a) Suspend a license, certification, or registration without a prior hearing, including during meetings conducted by telephone conference, pursuant to Chapters 3719., 3796., 4729., and 4752. of the Revised Code and rules adopted thereunder; or

(b) Restrict a person from obtaining further information from the drug database established in section 4729.75 of the Revised Code without a prior hearing pursuant to division (C) of section 4729.86 of the Revised Code.

(9) The state chiropractic board when determining whether to suspend a license without a hearing pursuant to section 4734.37 of the Revised Code;

(10) The executive committee of the emergency response commission when determining whether to issue an enforcement order or request that a civil action, civil penalty action, or criminal action be brought to enforce Chapter 3750. of the Revised Code;

(11) The board of directors of the nonprofit corporation formed under section 187.01 of the Revised Code or any committee thereof, and the board of directors of any subsidiary of that corporation or a committee thereof;

(12) An audit conference conducted by the audit staff of the department of job and family services with officials of the public office that is the subject of that audit under section 5101.37 of the Revised Code;

(13) The occupational therapy section of the occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board when determining whether to suspend a license or limited permit without a hearing pursuant to division (D) of section 4755.11 of the Revised Code;

(14) The physical therapy section of the occupational
therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board when determining whether to suspend a license without a hearing pursuant to division (E) of section 4755.47 of the Revised Code;

(15) The athletic trainers section of the occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board when determining whether to suspend a license without a hearing pursuant to division (D) of section 4755.64 of the Revised Code;

(16) Meetings of the pregnancy-associated mortality review board established under section 3738.01 of the Revised Code;

(17) Meetings of a fetal-infant mortality review board established under section 3707.71 of the Revised Code.

(E) The controlling board, the tax credit authority, or the minority development financing advisory board, when meeting to consider granting assistance pursuant to Chapter 122. or 166. of the Revised Code, in order to protect the interest of the applicant or the possible investment of public funds, by unanimous vote of all board or authority members present, may close the meeting during consideration of the following information confidentially received by the authority or board from the applicant:

(1) Marketing plans;

(2) Specific business strategy;

(3) Production techniques and trade secrets;

(4) Financial projections;

(5) Personal financial statements of the applicant or members of the applicant's immediate family, including, but not limited to, tax records or other similar information not open to public inspection.

The vote by the authority or board to accept or reject the application, as well as all proceedings of the authority or board
not subject to this division, shall be open to the public and
governed by this section.

(F) Every public body, by rule, shall establish a reasonable
method whereby any person may determine the time and place of all
regularly scheduled meetings and the time, place, and purpose of
all special meetings. A public body shall not hold a special
meeting unless it gives at least twenty-four hours' advance notice
to the news media that have requested notification, except in the
event of an emergency requiring immediate official action. In the
event of an emergency, the member or members calling the meeting
shall notify the news media that have requested notification
immediately of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting.

The rule shall provide that any person, upon request and
payment of a reasonable fee, may obtain reasonable advance
notification of all meetings at which any specific type of public
business is to be discussed. Provisions for advance notification
may include, but are not limited to, mailing the agenda of
meetings to all subscribers on a mailing list or mailing notices
in self-addressed, stamped envelopes provided by the person.

(G) Except as provided in divisions (G)(8) and (J) of this
section, the members of a public body may hold an executive
session only after a majority of a quorum of the public body
determines, by a roll call vote, to hold an executive session and
only at a regular or special meeting for the sole purpose of the
consideration of any of the following matters:

(1) To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal,
discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public
employee or official, or the investigation of charges or
complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or
regulated individual, unless the public employee, official,
licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing.
Except as otherwise provided by law, no public body shall hold an
executive session for the discipline of an elected official for conduct related to the performance of the elected official's official duties or for the elected official's removal from office. If a public body holds an executive session pursuant to division (G)(1) of this section, the motion and vote to hold that executive session shall state which one or more of the approved purposes listed in division (G)(1) of this section are the purposes for which the executive session is to be held, but need not include the name of any person to be considered at the meeting.

(2) To consider the purchase of property for public purposes, the sale of property at competitive bidding, or the sale or other disposition of unneeded, obsolete, or unfit-for-use property in accordance with section 505.10 of the Revised Code, if premature disclosure of information would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantage to a person whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest. No member of a public body shall use division (G)(2) of this section as a subterfuge for providing covert information to prospective buyers or sellers. A purchase or sale of public property is void if the seller or buyer of the public property has received covert information from a member of a public body that has not been disclosed to the general public in sufficient time for other prospective buyers and sellers to prepare and submit offers.

If the minutes of the public body show that all meetings and deliberations of the public body have been conducted in compliance with this section, any instrument executed by the public body purporting to convey, lease, or otherwise dispose of any right, title, or interest in any public property shall be conclusively presumed to have been executed in compliance with this section insofar as title or other interest of any bona fide purchasers, lessees, or transferees of the property is concerned.

(3) Conferences with an attorney for the public body
concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action;

(4) Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment;

(5) Matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes;

(6) Details relative to the security arrangements and emergency response protocols for a public body or a public office, if disclosure of the matters discussed could reasonably be expected to jeopardize the security of the public body or public office;

(7) In the case of a county hospital operated pursuant to Chapter 339. of the Revised Code, a joint township hospital operated pursuant to Chapter 513. of the Revised Code, or a municipal hospital operated pursuant to Chapter 749. of the Revised Code, to consider trade secrets, as defined in section 1333.61 of the Revised Code;

(8) To consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or to negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance, provided that both of the following conditions apply:

(a) The information is directly related to a request for economic development assistance that is to be provided or administered under any provision of Chapter 715., 725., 1724., or 1728. or sections 701.07, 3735.67 to 3735.70, 5709.40 to 5709.43, 5709.61 to 5709.69, 5709.73 to 5709.75, or 5709.77 to 5709.81 of the Revised Code, or that involves public infrastructure.
improvements or the extension of utility services that are directly related to an economic development project.

(b) A unanimous quorum of the public body determines, by a roll call vote, that the executive session is necessary to protect the interests of the applicant or the possible investment or expenditure of public funds to be made in connection with the economic development project.

If a public body holds an executive session to consider any of the matters listed in divisions (G)(2) to (8) of this section, the motion and vote to hold that executive session shall state which one or more of the approved matters listed in those divisions are to be considered at the executive session.

A public body specified in division (B)(1)(c) of this section shall not hold an executive session when meeting for the purposes specified in that division.

(H) A resolution, rule, or formal action of any kind is invalid unless adopted in an open meeting of the public body. A resolution, rule, or formal action adopted in an open meeting that results from deliberations in a meeting not open to the public is invalid unless the deliberations were for a purpose specifically authorized in division (G) or (J) of this section and conducted at an executive session held in compliance with this section. A resolution, rule, or formal action adopted in an open meeting is invalid if the public body that adopted the resolution, rule, or formal action violated division (F) of this section.

(I)(1) Any person may bring an action to enforce this section. An action under division (I)(1) of this section shall be brought within two years after the date of the alleged violation or threatened violation. Upon proof of a violation or threatened violation of this section in an action brought by any person, the court of common pleas shall issue an injunction to compel the
members of the public body to comply with its provisions.

(2)(a) If the court of common pleas issues an injunction pursuant to division (I)(1) of this section, the court shall order the public body that it enjoins to pay a civil forfeiture of five hundred dollars to the party that sought the injunction and shall award to that party all court costs and, subject to reduction as described in division (I)(2) of this section, reasonable attorney's fees. The court, in its discretion, may reduce an award of attorney's fees to the party that sought the injunction or not award attorney's fees to that party if the court determines both of the following:

(i) That, based on the ordinary application of statutory law and case law as it existed at the time of violation or threatened violation that was the basis of the injunction, a well-informed public body reasonably would believe that the public body was not violating or threatening to violate this section;

(ii) That a well-informed public body reasonably would believe that the conduct or threatened conduct that was the basis of the injunction would serve the public policy that underlies the authority that is asserted as permitting that conduct or threatened conduct.

(b) If the court of common pleas does not issue an injunction pursuant to division (I)(1) of this section and the court determines at that time that the bringing of the action was frivolous conduct, as defined in division (A) of section 2323.51 of the Revised Code, the court shall award to the public body all court costs and reasonable attorney's fees, as determined by the court.

(3) Irreparable harm and prejudice to the party that sought the injunction shall be conclusively and irrebuttably presumed upon proof of a violation or threatened violation of this section.
(4) A member of a public body who knowingly violates an injunction issued pursuant to division (I)(1) of this section may be removed from office by an action brought in the court of common pleas for that purpose by the prosecuting attorney or the attorney general.

(J)(1) Pursuant to division (C) of section 5901.09 of the Revised Code, a veterans service commission shall hold an executive session for one or more of the following purposes unless an applicant requests a public hearing:

(a) Interviewing an applicant for financial assistance under sections 5901.01 to 5901.15 of the Revised Code;

(b) Discussing applications, statements, and other documents described in division (B) of section 5901.09 of the Revised Code;

(c) Reviewing matters relating to an applicant's request for financial assistance under sections 5901.01 to 5901.15 of the Revised Code.

(2) A veterans service commission shall not exclude an applicant for, recipient of, or former recipient of financial assistance under sections 5901.01 to 5901.15 of the Revised Code, and shall not exclude representatives selected by the applicant, recipient, or former recipient, from a meeting that the commission conducts as an executive session that pertains to the applicant's, recipient's, or former recipient's application for financial assistance.

(3) A veterans service commission shall vote on the grant or denial of financial assistance under sections 5901.01 to 5901.15 of the Revised Code only in an open meeting of the commission. The minutes of the meeting shall indicate the name, address, and occupation of the applicant, whether the assistance was granted or denied, the amount of the assistance if assistance is granted, and the votes for and against the granting of assistance.
Sec. 122.01. (A) As used in the Revised Code, the "department of development services agency" means the department of development services agency and the "director of development services" means the director of development services. Whenever the department development services agency or director of development services is referred to or designated in any statute, rule, contract, grant, or other document, the reference or designation shall be deemed to refer to the department of development services agency or director of development services, as the case may be.

(B) As used in this chapter:

(1) "Community problems" includes, but is not limited to, taxation, fiscal administration, governmental structure and organization, intergovernmental cooperation, education and training, employment needs, community planning and development, air and water pollution, public safety and the administration of justice, housing, mass transportation, community facilities and services, health, welfare, recreation, open space, and the development of human resources.

(2) "Professional personnel" means either of the following:

(a) Personnel who have earned a bachelor's degree from a college or university;

(b) Personnel who serve as or have the working title of director, assistant director, deputy director, assistant deputy director, manager, office chief, assistant office chief, or program director.

(3) "Technical personnel" means any of the following:

(a) Personnel who provide technical assistance according to their job description or in accordance with the Revised Code;

(b) Personnel employed in the director of development services' development's office or the legal office, communications...
office, finance office, legislative affairs office, or human
resources office of the department of development services agency;

(c) Personnel employed in the technology division of the
department.

Sec. 122.011. (A) The department of development services
department shall develop and promote plans and programs designed to
assure that state resources are efficiently used, economic growth
is properly balanced, community growth is developed in an orderly
manner, and local governments are coordinated with each other and
the state, and for such purposes may do all of the following:

(1) Serve as a clearinghouse for information, data, and other
materials that may be helpful or necessary to persons or local
governments, as provided in section 122.073 of the Revised Code;

(2) Prepare and activate plans for the retention,
development, expansion, and use of the resources and commerce of
the state, as provided in section 122.04 of the Revised Code;

(3) Assist and cooperate with federal, state, and local
governments and agencies of federal, state, and local governments
in the coordination of programs to carry out the functions and
duties of the department;

(4) Encourage and foster research and development activities,
conduct studies related to the solution of community problems, and
develop recommendations for administrative or legislative actions,
as provided in section 122.03 of the Revised Code;

(5) Serve as the economic and community development planning
agency, which shall prepare and recommend plans and programs for
the orderly growth and development of this state and which shall
provide planning assistance, as provided in section 122.06 of the
Revised Code;

(6) Cooperate with and provide technical assistance to state
departments, political subdivisions, regional and local planning commissions, tourist associations, councils of government, community development groups, community action agencies, and other appropriate organizations for carrying out the functions and duties of the department of development services agency or for the solution of community problems;

(7) Coordinate the activities of state agencies that have an impact on carrying out the functions and duties of the department of development services agency;

(8) Encourage and assist the efforts of and cooperate with local governments to develop mutual and cooperative solutions to their common problems that relate to carrying out the purposes of this section;

(9) Study existing structure, operations, and financing of regional or local government and those state activities that involve significant relations with regional or local governmental units, recommend to the governor and to the general assembly such changes in these provisions and activities as will improve the operations of regional or local government, and conduct other studies of legal provisions that affect problems related to carrying out the purposes of this section;

(10) Create and operate a division of community development to develop and administer programs and activities that are authorized by federal statute or the Revised Code;

(11) Until October 15, 2007, establish fees and charges, in consultation with the director of agriculture, for purchasing loans from financial institutions and providing loan guarantees under the family farm loan program created under sections 901.80 to 901.83 of the Revised Code;

(12) Provide loan servicing for the loans purchased and loan guarantees provided under section 901.80 of the Revised Code as
that section existed prior to October 15, 2007;

   (13) Until October 15, 2007, and upon approval by the
   controlling board under division (A)(3) of section 901.82 of the
   Revised Code of the release of money to be used for purchasing a
   loan or providing a loan guarantee, request the release of that
   money in accordance with division (B) of section 166.03 of the
   Revised Code for use for the purposes of the fund created by
   section 166.031 of the Revised Code.

   (14) Allocate that portion of the national recovery zone
   economic development bond limitation and that portion of the
   national recovery zone facility bond limitation that has been
   allocated to the state under section 1400U-1 of the Internal
   Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. 1400U-1. If any county or municipal
   corporation waives any portion of an allocation it receives under
   division (A)(14) of this section, the agency department may
   reallocate that amount. Any allocation or reallocation shall be
   made in accordance with this section and section 1400U-1 of the
   Internal Revenue Code.

   (B) The director of development services may request the
   attorney general to, and the attorney general, in accordance with
   section 109.02 of the Revised Code, shall bring a civil action in
   any court of competent jurisdiction. The director may be sued in
   the director's official capacity, in connection with this chapter,
   in accordance with Chapter 2743. of the Revised Code.

   (C) The director shall execute a contract pursuant to section
   187.04 of the Revised Code with the nonprofit corporation formed
   under section 187.01 of the Revised Code, and may execute any
   additional contracts with the corporation providing for the
corporation to assist the director or agency department in
carrying out any duties of the director or agency department under
this chapter, under any other provision of the Revised Code
dealing with economic development, or under a contract with the
Sec. 122.041. The director of development shall do all of the following with regard to the encouraging diversity, growth, and equity program created under section 122.922 of the Revised Code:

(A) Conduct outreach, marketing, and recruitment of EDGE business enterprises, as defined in that section;

(B) Provide assistance to the department of administrative services, as needed, to certify new EDGE business enterprises and to train appropriate state agency staff;

(C) Provide business development services to EDGE business enterprises in the developmental and transitional stages of the program, including financial and bonding assistance and management and technical assistance;

(D) Develop a mentor program to bring businesses into a working relationship with EDGE business enterprises in a way that commercially benefits both entities and serves the purpose of the EDGE program;

(E) Not later than December 31, 2003, prepare and submit to the governor a detailed report outlining and evaluating the progress made in implementing the encouraging diversity, growth, and equity program;

(F) Establish processes by which an EDGE business enterprise may apply for contract assistance, financial and bonding assistance, management and technical assistance, and mentoring opportunities.

Sec. 122.17. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Payroll" means the total taxable income paid by the employer during the employer's taxable year, or during the
calendar year that includes the employer's tax period, to each employee or each home-based employee employed in the project to the extent such payroll is not used to determine the credit under section 122.171 of the Revised Code. "Payroll" excludes amounts paid before the day the taxpayer becomes eligible for the credit and retirement or other benefits paid or contributed by the employer to or on behalf of employees.

(2) "Baseline payroll" means Ohio employee payroll, except that the applicable measurement period is the twelve months immediately preceding the date the tax credit authority approves the taxpayer's application or the date the tax credit authority receives the recommendation described in division (C)(2)(a) of this section, whichever occurs first, multiplied by the sum of one plus an annual pay increase factor to be determined by the tax credit authority.

(3) "Ohio employee payroll" means the amount of compensation used to determine the withholding obligations in division (A) of section 5747.06 of the Revised Code and paid by the employer during the employer's taxable year, or during the calendar year that includes the employer's tax period, to the following:

(a) An employee employed in the project who is a resident of this state including a qualifying work-from-home employee not designated as a home-based employee by an applicant under division (C)(1) of this section;

(b) An employee employed at the project location who is not a resident and whose compensation is not exempt from the tax imposed under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code pursuant to a reciprocity agreement with another state under division (A)(3) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code;

(c) A home-based employee employed in the project.

"Ohio employee payroll" excludes any such compensation to the
extent it is used to determine the credit under section 122.171 of the Revised Code, and excludes amounts paid before the day the taxpayer becomes eligible for the credit under this section.

(4) "Excess payroll" means Ohio employee payroll minus baseline payroll.

(5) "Home-based employee" means an employee whose services are performed primarily from the employee's residence in this state exclusively for the benefit of the project and whose rate of pay is at least one hundred thirty-one per cent of the federal minimum wage under 29 U.S.C. 206.

(6) "Full-time equivalent employees" means the quotient obtained by dividing the total number of hours for which employees were compensated for employment in the project by two thousand eighty. "Full-time equivalent employees" excludes hours that are counted for a credit under section 122.171 of the Revised Code.

(7) "Metric evaluation date" means the date by which the taxpayer must meet all of the commitments included in the agreement.

(8) "Qualifying work-from-home employee" means an employee who is a resident of this state and whose services are supervised from the employer's project location and performed primarily from a residence of the employee located in this state.

(9) "Resident" or "resident of this state" means an individual who is a resident as defined in section 5747.01 of the Revised Code.

(10) "Reporting period" means a period corresponding to the annual report required under division (D)(6) of this section.

(B) The tax credit authority may make grants under this section to foster job creation in this state. Such a grant shall take the form of a refundable credit allowed against the tax
imposed by section 5725.18, 5726.02, 5729.03, 5733.06, 5736.02, or 5747.02 or levied under Chapter 5751. of the Revised Code. The credit shall be claimed for the taxable years or tax periods specified in the taxpayer's agreement with the tax credit authority under division (D) of this section. With respect to taxes imposed under section 5726.02, 5733.06, or 5747.02 or Chapter 5751. of the Revised Code, the credit shall be claimed in the order required under section 5726.98, 5733.98, 5747.98, or 5751.98 of the Revised Code. The amount of the credit available for a taxable year or for a calendar year that includes a tax period equals the excess payroll for that year multiplied by the percentage specified in the agreement with the tax credit authority.

(C)(1) A taxpayer or potential taxpayer who proposes a project to create new jobs in this state may apply to the tax credit authority to enter into an agreement for a tax credit under this section.

An application shall not propose to include both home-based employees and employees who are not home-based employees in the computation of Ohio employee payroll for the purposes of the same tax credit agreement, except that a qualifying work-from-home employee shall not be considered to be a home-based employee unless so designated by the applicant. If a taxpayer or potential taxpayer employs both home-based employees and employees who are not home-based employees in a project, the taxpayer shall submit separate applications for separate tax credit agreements for the project, one of which shall include home-based employees in the computation of Ohio employee payroll and one of which shall include all other employees in the computation of Ohio employee payroll.

The director of development services shall prescribe the form of the application. After receipt of an application, the authority
may enter into an agreement with the taxpayer for a credit under this section if it determines all of the following:

   (a) The taxpayer's project will increase payroll;

   (b) The taxpayer's project is economically sound and will benefit the people of this state by increasing opportunities for employment and strengthening the economy of this state;

   (c) Receiving the tax credit is a major factor in the taxpayer's decision to go forward with the project.

   (2)(a) A taxpayer that chooses to begin the project prior to receiving the determination of the authority may, upon submitting the taxpayer's application to the authority, request that the chief investment officer of the nonprofit corporation formed under section 187.01 of the Revised Code and the director review the taxpayer's application and recommend to the authority that the taxpayer's application be considered. As soon as possible after receiving such a request, the chief investment officer and the director shall review the taxpayer's application and, if they determine that the application warrants consideration by the authority, make that recommendation to the authority not later than six months after the application is received by the authority.

   (b) The authority shall consider any taxpayer's application for which it receives a recommendation under division (C)(2)(a) of this section. If the authority determines that the taxpayer does not meet all of the criteria set forth in division (C)(1) of this section, the authority and the department of development services agency shall proceed in accordance with rules adopted by the director pursuant to division (I) of this section.

   (D) An agreement under this section shall include all of the following:

   (1) A detailed description of the project that is the subject
of the agreement;

(2) (a) The term of the tax credit, which, except as provided in division (D)(2)(b) of this section, shall not exceed fifteen years, and the first taxable year, or first calendar year that includes a tax period, for which the credit may be claimed;

(b) If the tax credit is computed on the basis of home-based employees, the term of the credit shall expire on or before the last day of the taxable or calendar year ending before the beginning of the seventh year after September 6, 2012, the effective date of H.B. 327 of the 129th general assembly.

(3) A requirement that the taxpayer shall maintain operations at the project location for at least the greater of seven years or the term of the credit plus three years;

(4) The percentage, as determined by the tax credit authority, of excess payroll that will be allowed as the amount of the credit for each taxable year or for each calendar year that includes a tax period;

(5) The pay increase factor to be applied to the taxpayer's baseline payroll;

(6) A requirement that the taxpayer annually shall report to the director of development services full-time equivalent employees, payroll, Ohio employee payroll, investment, the provision of health care benefits and tuition reimbursement if required in the agreement, and other information the director needs to perform the director's duties under this section;

(7) A requirement that the director of development services annually review the information reported under division (D)(6) of this section and verify compliance with the agreement; if the taxpayer is in compliance, a requirement that the director issue a certificate to the taxpayer stating that the information has been verified and identifying the amount of the credit that may be
claimed for the taxable or calendar year;

(8) A provision providing that the taxpayer may not relocate a substantial number of employment positions from elsewhere in this state to the project location unless the director of development services determines that the legislative authority of the county, township, or municipal corporation from which the employment positions would be relocated has been notified by the taxpayer of the relocation.

For purposes of this section, the movement of an employment position from one political subdivision to another political subdivision shall be considered a relocation of an employment position unless the employment position in the first political subdivision is replaced. The movement of a qualifying work-from-home employee to a different residence located in this state or to the project location shall not be considered a relocation of an employment position.

(9) If the tax credit is computed on the basis of home-based employees, that the tax credit may not be claimed by the taxpayer until the taxable year or tax period in which the taxpayer employs at least two hundred employees more than the number of employees the taxpayer employed on June 30, 2011.

(E) If a taxpayer fails to meet or comply with any condition or requirement set forth in a tax credit agreement, the tax credit authority may amend the agreement to reduce the percentage or term of the tax credit. The reduction of the percentage or term may take effect in the current taxable or calendar year.

(F) Projects that consist solely of point-of-final-purchase retail facilities are not eligible for a tax credit under this section. If a project consists of both point-of-final-purchase retail facilities and nonretail facilities, only the portion of the project consisting of the nonretail facilities is eligible for
a tax credit and only the excess payroll from the nonretail facilities shall be considered when computing the amount of the tax credit. If a warehouse facility is part of a point-of-final-purchase retail facility and supplies only that facility, the warehouse facility is not eligible for a tax credit. Catalog distribution centers are not considered point-of-final-purchase retail facilities for the purposes of this division, and are eligible for tax credits under this section.

(G) Financial statements and other information submitted to the department of development services agency or the tax credit authority by an applicant or recipient of a tax credit under this section, and any information taken for any purpose from such statements or information, are not public records subject to section 149.43 of the Revised Code. However, the chairperson of the authority may make use of the statements and other information for purposes of issuing public reports or in connection with court proceedings concerning tax credit agreements under this section. Upon the request of the tax commissioner or, if the applicant or recipient is an insurance company, upon the request of the superintendent of insurance, the chairperson of the authority shall provide to the commissioner or superintendent any statement or information submitted by an applicant or recipient of a tax credit in connection with the credit. The commissioner or superintendent shall preserve the confidentiality of the statement or information.

(H) A taxpayer claiming a credit under this section shall submit to the tax commissioner or, if the taxpayer is an insurance company, to the superintendent of insurance, a copy of the director of development services' development's certificate of verification under division (D)(7) of this section with the taxpayer's tax report or return for the taxable year or for the calendar year that includes the tax period. Failure to submit a
copy of the certificate with the report or return does not invalidate a claim for a credit if the taxpayer submits a copy of the certificate to the commissioner or superintendent within the time prescribed by section 5703.0510 of the Revised Code or within thirty days after the commissioner or superintendent requests it.

(I) The director of development services, after consultation with the tax commissioner and the superintendent of insurance and in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall adopt rules necessary to implement this section, including rules that establish a procedure to be followed by the tax credit authority and the department of development services agency in the event the authority considers a taxpayer's application for which it receives a recommendation under division (C)(2)(a) of this section but does not approve it. The rules may provide for recipients of tax credits under this section to be charged fees to cover administrative costs of the tax credit program. For the purposes of these rules, a qualifying work-from-home employee shall be considered to be an employee employed at the applicant's project location. The fees collected shall be credited to the tax incentives operating fund created in section 122.174 of the Revised Code. The rules shall establish alternative eligibility requirements for taxpayers that do not meet the generally applicable employment and payroll thresholds prescribed by rules of the director, but are otherwise eligible for the credit under this section. These alternative eligibility requirements may include reduced employment and payroll thresholds and other distinct criteria. The tax credit authority shall not award more than twenty-five million dollars in tax credits under the alternative eligibility requirements in any fiscal biennium.

At the time the director gives public notice under division (A) of section 119.03 of the Revised Code of the adoption of the
rules, the director shall submit copies of the proposed rules to the chairpersons of the standing committees on economic development in the senate and the house of representatives.

(J) For the purposes of this section, a taxpayer may include a partnership, a corporation that has made an election under subchapter S of chapter one of subtitle A of the Internal Revenue Code, or any other business entity through which income flows as a distributive share to its owners. A partnership, S-corporation, or other such business entity may elect to pass the credit received under this section through to the persons to whom the income or profit of the partnership, S-corporation, or other entity is distributed. The election shall be made on the annual report required under division (D)(6) of this section. The election applies to and is irrevocable for the credit for which the report is submitted. If the election is made, the credit shall be apportioned among those persons in the same proportions as those in which the income or profit is distributed.

(K)(1) If the director of development services determines that a taxpayer who has received a credit under this section is not complying with the requirements of the agreement, the director shall notify the tax credit authority of the noncompliance. After receiving such a notice, and after giving the taxpayer an opportunity to explain the noncompliance, the tax credit authority may require the taxpayer to refund to this state a portion of the credit in accordance with the following:

(a) If the taxpayer fails to comply with the requirement under division (D)(3) of this section, an amount determined in accordance with the following:

(i) If the taxpayer maintained operations at the project location for a period less than or equal to the term of the credit, an amount not exceeding one hundred per cent of the sum of any credits allowed and received under this section;
(ii) If the taxpayer maintained operations at the project location for a period longer than the term of the credit, but less than the greater of seven years or the term of the credit plus three years, an amount not exceeding seventy-five per cent of the sum of any credits allowed and received under this section.

(b) If, on the metric evaluation date, the taxpayer fails to substantially meet the job creation, payroll, or investment requirements included in the agreement, an amount determined at the discretion of the authority;

(c) If the taxpayer fails to substantially maintain the number of new full-time equivalent employees or amount of payroll required under the agreement at any time during the term of the agreement after the metric evaluation date, an amount determined at the discretion of the authority.

(2) If a taxpayer files for bankruptcy and fails as described in division (K)(1)(a), (b), or (c) of this section, the director may immediately commence an action to recoup an amount not exceeding one hundred per cent of the sum of any credits received by the taxpayer under this section.

(3) In determining the portion of the tax credit to be refunded to this state, the tax credit authority shall consider the effect of market conditions on the taxpayer's project and whether the taxpayer continues to maintain other operations in this state. After making the determination, the authority shall certify the amount to be refunded to the tax commissioner or superintendent of insurance, as appropriate. If the amount is certified to the commissioner, the commissioner shall make an assessment for that amount against the taxpayer under Chapter 5726., 5733., 5736., 5747., or 5751. of the Revised Code. If the amount is certified to the superintendent, the superintendent shall make an assessment for that amount against the taxpayer under Chapter 5725. or 5729. of the Revised Code. The time
limitations on assessments under those chapters do not apply to an assessment under this division, but the commissioner or superintendent, as appropriate, shall make the assessment within one year after the date the authority certifies to the commissioner or superintendent the amount to be refunded.

(L) On or before the first day of August each year, the director of development services shall submit a report to the governor, the president of the senate, and the speaker of the house of representatives on the tax credit program under this section. The report shall include information on the number of agreements that were entered into under this section during the preceding calendar year, a description of the project that is the subject of each such agreement, and an update on the status of projects under agreements entered into before the preceding calendar year.

(M) There is hereby created the tax credit authority, which consists of the director of development services and four other members appointed as follows: the governor, the president of the senate, and the speaker of the house of representatives each shall appoint one member who shall be a specialist in economic development; the governor also shall appoint a member who is a specialist in taxation. Terms of office shall be for four years. Each member shall serve on the authority until the end of the term for which the member was appointed. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner provided for original appointments. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which the member's predecessor was appointed shall hold office for the remainder of that term. Members may be reappointed to the authority. Members of the authority shall receive their necessary and actual expenses while engaged in the business of the authority. The director of development services shall serve as chairperson of the authority, and the members
annually shall elect a vice-chairperson from among themselves.

Three members of the authority constitute a quorum to transact and vote on the business of the authority. The majority vote of the membership of the authority is necessary to approve any such business, including the election of the vice-chairperson.

The director of development services may appoint a professional employee of the department of development services agency to serve as the director's substitute at a meeting of the authority. The director shall make the appointment in writing. In the absence of the director from a meeting of the authority, the appointed substitute shall serve as chairperson. In the absence of both the director and the director's substitute from a meeting, the vice-chairperson shall serve as chairperson.

(N) For purposes of the credits granted by this section against the taxes imposed under sections 5725.18 and 5729.03 of the Revised Code, "taxable year" means the period covered by the taxpayer's annual statement to the superintendent of insurance.

(O) On or before the first day of March of each of the five calendar years beginning with 2014, each taxpayer subject to an agreement with the tax credit authority under this section on the basis of home-based employees shall report the number of home-based employees and other employees employed by the taxpayer in this state to the department of development services agency.

(P) On or before the first day of January of 2019, the director of development services shall submit a report to the governor, the president of the senate, and the speaker of the house of representatives on the effect of agreements entered into under this section in which the taxpayer included home-based employees in the computation of income tax revenue, as that term was defined in this section prior to the amendment of this section by H.B. 64 of the 131st general assembly. The report shall include information on the number of such agreements that were entered
into in the preceding six years, a description of the projects
that were the subjects of such agreements, and an analysis of
nationwide home-based employment trends, including the number of
home-based jobs created from July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2017,
and a description of any home-based employment tax incentives
provided by other states during that time.

(Q) The director of development services may require any
agreement entered into under this section for a tax credit
computed on the basis of home-based employees to contain a
provision that the taxpayer makes available health care benefits
and tuition reimbursement to all employees.

(R) Original agreements approved by the tax credit authority
under this section in 2014 or 2015 before September 29, 2015, may
be revised at the request of the taxpayer to conform with the
amendments to this section and sections 5733.0610, 5736.50,
5747.058, and 5751.50 of the Revised Code by H.B. 64 of the 131st
general assembly, upon mutual agreement of the taxpayer and the
department of development services agency, and approval by the tax
credit authority.

(S)(1) As used in division (S) of this section:

(a) "Eligible agreement" means an agreement approved by the
tax credit authority under this section on or before December 31,
2013.

(b) "Reporting period" means a period corresponding to the
annual report required under division (D)(6) of this section.

(c) "Income tax revenue" has the same meaning as under this
section as it existed before September 29, 2015, the effective
date of the amendment of this section by H.B. 64 of the 131st
general assembly.

(2) In calendar year 2016 and thereafter, the tax credit
authority shall annually determine a withholding adjustment factor
to be used in the computation of income tax revenue for eligible agreements. The withholding adjustment factor shall be a numerical percentage that equals the percentage that employer income tax withholding rates have been increased or decreased as a result of changes in the income tax rates prescribed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code by amendment of that section taking effect on or after June 29, 2013.

(3) Except as provided in division (S)(4) of this section, for reporting periods ending in 2015 and thereafter for taxpayers subject to eligible agreements, the tax credit authority shall adjust the income tax revenue reported on the taxpayer's annual report by multiplying the withholding adjustment factor by the taxpayer's income tax revenue and doing one of the following:

(a) If the income tax rates prescribed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code have decreased by amendment of that section taking effect on or after June 29, 2013, add the product to the taxpayer's income tax revenue.

(b) If the income tax rates prescribed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code have increased by amendment of that section taking effect on or after June 29, 2013, subtract the product from the taxpayer's income tax revenue.

(4) Division (S)(3) of this section shall not apply unless all of the following apply for the reporting period with respect to the eligible agreement:

(a) The taxpayer has achieved one hundred per cent of the new employment commitment identified in the agreement.

(b) If applicable, the taxpayer has achieved one hundred per cent of the new payroll commitment identified in the agreement.

(c) If applicable, the taxpayer has achieved one hundred per cent of the investment commitment identified in the agreement.
(5) Failure by a taxpayer to have achieved any of the applicable commitments described in divisions (S)(4)(a) to (c) of this section in a reporting period does not disqualify the taxpayer for the adjustment under division (S) of this section for an ensuing reporting period.

(T) For reporting periods ending in calendar year 2020 or thereafter, any taxpayer may include qualifying work-from-home employees in its report required under division (D)(6) of this section, and the compensation of such employees shall qualify as Ohio employee payroll under division (A)(3)(a) of this section, even if the taxpayer's application to the tax credit authority to enter into an agreement for a tax credit under this section was approved before September 29, 2017, the effective date of the amendment of this section by H.B. 49 of the 132nd general assembly.

Sec. 122.178. (A) As used in this section, "microcredential" means an industry-recognized credential or certificate that an applicant may complete in not more than one year and that is approved by the chancellor of higher education.

(B) There is hereby created the TechCred program to reimburse employers from appropriations made for that purpose for training costs for prospective and incumbent employees to earn a microcredential. The department of development services agency, in consultation with the governor's office of workforce transformation and the department of higher education, shall develop the program.

(C)(1) An employer seeking to participate in the program shall submit an application to the director of development services during an application period established by the director. The employer shall include in the application all of the following information:
(a) Proof that the employer is registered to do business in this state;

(b) Proof that the employer is current on all tax obligations to the state;

(c) Proof that the employer is in compliance with all environmental regulations applicable to the employer;

(d) The name of the training provider from which a prospective or incumbent employee will receive the training and earn the microcredential;

(e) The cost of the training;

(f) The positions for which earning the microcredential will make a prospective or incumbent employee qualified or the occupational skill set that the prospective or incumbent employee will acquire on completing the training;

(g) The address of the facility or location at which the prospective or incumbent employee is expected to be employed after completing the training;

(h) Any other information the director requires.

(2) In addition to the information required under division (C)(1) of this section, an employer seeking to participate in the program also may submit any of the following information the employer wishes to provide to the director:

(a) The estimated wage after completing the training and earning the microcredential;

(b) The employer's certification as a minority business enterprise under section 122.151 of the Revised Code or certification as an EDGE business enterprise under section 122.152 of the Revised Code if applicable;

(c) The demographic information of the employer, including race and gender;
(d) Any demographic information of a prospective or incumbent employee that the employee provides to the employer, including race and gender;

(e) Any other information the employer wishes to provide to the director.

(D)(1) The director shall consider all applications submitted during an application period after the application period ends. The director shall consider the following factors in determining whether to approve an application:

(a) The duration of the training program;

(b) The cost of the training;

(c) A prospective or incumbent employee's estimated wage after completing the training and earning the microcredential;

(d) Whether approving an application will promote regional diversity in apportioning reimbursements uniformly across the state;

(e) Any other factors the director considers relevant in determining whether to approve an application.

(2) The chancellor of higher education shall establish a list of approved microcredentials. The director shall not approve an application submitted under division (C) of this section unless the microcredentials identified in the application are included in the chancellor's list. Not later than ninety days after the effective date of this section April 14, 2020, the director shall create a list of training providers that offer a microcredential included in the chancellor's list. Thereafter, the director shall annually update the list of training providers.

(3) If the director approves an employer's application for participation in the program, the approval is valid as long as the employer maintains accurate application information under division
(C)(1) of this section with the director. The employer shall submit the updated information to the director at the beginning of the third fiscal year the employer participates in the program and every other subsequent fiscal year thereafter.

(4) The director shall not approve an application for participation in the program if the employer has violated Chapter 4111. of the Revised Code within the four fiscal years immediately preceding the date of application.

(E)(1) Each participating employer seeking reimbursement for training costs for a prospective or incumbent employee shall submit an application to the director that includes all of the following information for each prospective or incumbent employee:

(a) The prospective or incumbent employee's name and position, if applicable, at the time of submitting the application;

(b) The actual amount the employer paid to the training provider for the training;

(c) Evidence that the prospective or incumbent employee earned a microcredential;

(d) Evidence that the prospective or incumbent employee is a resident of this state.

(2) The amount of the reimbursement shall be not more than two thousand dollars for each microcredential a prospective or incumbent employee receives.

(F) No participating employer shall require a prospective or incumbent employee who receives a microcredential because the employer participated in and received a reimbursement through the employer's participation in the TechCred program to accept or continue employment with the employer.

(G) For the purposes of determining regional diversity under
this section, the following constitute the regions of the state:

(1) The counties of Allen, Crawford, Defiance, Fulton, Hancock, Hardin, Henry, Lucas, Ottawa, Paulding, Putnam, Sandusky, Seneca, Van Wert, Williams, Wood, and Wyandot are one region;

(2) The counties of Ashland, Ashtabula, Columbiana, Cuyahoga, Erie, Geauga, Huron, Lake, Lorain, Mahoning, Medina, Portage, Richland, Stark, Summit, Trumbull, Tuscarawas, and Wayne are one region;

(3) The counties of Auglaize, Champaign, Clark, Clinton, Darke, Fayette, Greene, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Preble, and Shelby are one region;

(4) The counties of Delaware, Fairfield, Franklin, Knox, Licking, Logan, Madison, Marion, Morrow, Pickaway, and Union are one region;

(5) The counties of Adams, Athens, Gallia, Highland, Hocking, Jackson, Lawrence, Meigs, Pike, Ross, Scioto, and Vinton are one region;

(6) The counties of Belmont, Carroll, Coshocton, Guernsey, Harrison, Holmes, Jefferson, Monroe, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, Perry, and Washington are one region;

(7) The counties of Brown, Butler, Clermont, Hamilton, and Warren are one region.

(H) (1) The director shall do both of the following regarding the operation of the program:

(a) Create an application to participate in the program and an application for reimbursement;

(b) Create an internet web site with the applications for and information regarding the program created in this section.

(2) The governor's office of workforce transformation shall include on the office's internet web site either of the following:
(a) The applications for and information regarding the program created in this section;

(b) An internet link to the internet web site created under division (H)(1)(b) of this section.

(I) The director may adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code regarding the operation of the program as the director considers necessary to administer the program, including establishing priority guidelines for approving applications under division (D) of this section.

Sec. 122.42. (A) The director of development services shall do all of the following:

(1) Receive applications for assistance under sections 122.39 and 122.41 to 122.62 of the Revised Code;

(2) Make a final determination whether to approve the application for assistance;

(3) Transmit determinations to approve assistance to the controlling board together with any information the controlling board requires for the board's review and decision as to whether to approve the assistance;

(4) Issue revenue bonds of the state through the treasurer of state, as necessary, payable solely from revenues and other sources as provided in sections 122.39 and 122.41 to 122.62 of the Revised Code.

(B) The director may do all of the following:

(1) Fix the rate of interest and charges to be made upon or with respect to moneys loaned by the director and the terms upon which mortgages and lease rentals may be guaranteed and the rates of charges to be made for the loans and guarantees and to make provisions for the operation of the funds established by the director in accordance with this section and sections 122.54,
122.55, 122.56, and 122.57 of the Revised Code;

(2) Loan moneys from the fund established in accordance with section 122.54 of the Revised Code pursuant to and in compliance with sections 122.39 and 122.41 to 122.62 of the Revised Code;

(3) Acquire in the name of the director any property of any kind or character in accordance with sections 122.39 and 122.41 to 122.62 of the Revised Code, by purchase, purchase at foreclosure, or exchange on such terms and in such manner as the director considers proper;

(4) Make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of the director's duties and the exercise of the director's powers under sections 122.39 and 122.41 to 122.62 of the Revised Code;

(5) Maintain, protect, repair, improve, and insure any property which the director has acquired and dispose of the same by sale, exchange, or lease for the consideration and on the terms and in the manner as the director considers proper, but is not authorized to operate any such property as a business except as the lessor of the property;

(6)(a) When the cost of any contract for the maintenance, protection, repair, or improvement of any property held by the director other than compensation for personal services involves an expenditure of more than one thousand dollars, the director shall make a written contract with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in accordance with section 9.312 of the Revised Code after advertisement for not less than two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where such contract, or some substantial part of it, is to be performed, and in such other publications as the director determines, which notice shall state the general character of the work and the general character of the materials to be furnished, the place
where plans and specifications may be examined, and the time and
place of receiving bids.

(b) Each bid for a contract for the construction, demolition,
alteration, repair, or reconstruction of an improvement shall
contain the full name of every person interested in it and meet
the requirements of section 153.54 of the Revised Code.

(c) Each bid for a contract, except as provided in division
(B)(6)(b) of this section, shall contain the full name of every
person interested in it and shall be accompanied by bond or
certified check on a solvent bank, in such amount as the director
considers sufficient, that if the bid is accepted a contract will
be entered into and the performance of the proposal secured.

(d) The director may reject any and all bids.

(e) A bond with good and sufficient surety, approved by the
director, shall be required of every contractor awarded a contract
except as provided in division (B)(6)(b) of this section, in an
amount equal to at least fifty per cent of the contract price,
conditioned upon faithful performance of the contract.

(7) Employ financial consultants, appraisers, consulting
engineers, superintendents, managers, construction and accounting
experts, attorneys, and other employees and agents as are
necessary in the director's judgment and fix their compensation;

(8) Assist qualified persons in the coordination and
formation of a small business development company, having a
statewide area of operation, conditional upon the company's
agreeing to seek to obtain certification from the federal small
business administration as a certified statewide development
company and participation in the guaranteed loan program
administered by the small business administration pursuant to the
initial period of formation of the statewide small business
development company, the director shall provide technical and financial expertise, legal and managerial assistance, and other services as are necessary and proper to enable the company to obtain and maintain federal certification and participation in the federal guaranteed loan program. The director may charge a fee, in such amount and on such terms and conditions as the director determines necessary and proper, for assistance and services provided pursuant to division (B)(8) of this section.

Persons chosen by the director to receive assistance in the formation of a statewide small business development company pursuant to division (B)(8) of this section shall make a special effort to use their participation in the federal guaranteed loan program to assist small businesses which are minority business enterprises as defined in division (E) of section 122.71 of the Revised Code. The director, with the assistance of the minority business development division of the department of development, shall provide technical and financial expertise, legal and managerial assistance, and other services in such a manner to enable the development company to provide assistance to small businesses which are minority business enterprises, and shall make available to the development company information pertaining to assistance available to minority business enterprises under programs established pursuant to sections 122.71 to 122.83, 122.87 to 122.89, 123.151, 122.921, and 125.081 of the Revised Code.

(9) Receive and accept grants, gifts, and contributions of money, property, labor, and other things of value to be held, used, and applied only for the purpose for which such grants, gifts, and contributions are made, from individuals, private and public corporations, from the United States or any agency of the United States, from the state or any agency of the state, and from any political subdivision of the state, and may agree to repay any
contribution of money or to return any property contributed or the
value of the property at such times, in such amounts, and on such
terms and conditions, excluding the payment of interest, as the
director determines at the time such contribution is made, and may
evidence such obligations by notes, bonds, or other written
instruments;

(10) Establish with the treasurer of state the funds provided
in sections 122.54, 122.55, 122.56, and 122.57 of the Revised
Code, in addition to such funds as the director determines are
necessary or proper;

(11) Do all acts and things necessary or proper to carry out
the powers expressly granted and the duties imposed in sections
122.39 and 122.41 to 122.62 and Chapter 163. of the Revised Code.

(C) All expenses and obligations incurred by the director in
 carrying out the director's powers and in exercising the
director's duties under sections 122.39 and 122.41 to 122.62 of
the Revised Code, shall be payable solely from the proceeds of
revenue bonds issued pursuant to those sections, from revenues or
other receipts or income of the director, from grants, gifts, and
contributions, or funds established in accordance with those
sections. Those sections do not authorize the director to incur
indebtedness or to impose liability on the state or any political
subdivision of the state.

(D) Financial statements and financial data submitted to the
director by any corporation, partnership, or person in connection
with a loan application, or any information taken from such
statements or data for any purpose, shall not be open to public
inspection.

Sec. 122.60. As used in sections 122.60 to 122.605 of the
Revised Code:
(A) "Capital access loan" means a loan made by a participating financial institution to an eligible business that may be secured by a deposit of money from the fund into the participating financial institution's program reserve account.

(B) "Department of development" means the development services agency.

(C) "Eligible business" means a for-profit business entity, or a nonprofit entity, that had total annual sales in its most recently completed fiscal year of less than ten million dollars and that has a principal place of for-profit business or nonprofit entity activity within the state, the operation of which, alone or in conjunction with other facilities, will create new jobs or preserve existing jobs and employment opportunities and will improve the economic welfare of the people of the state. As used in this division, "new jobs" does not include existing jobs transferred from another facility within the state, and "existing jobs" means only existing jobs at facilities within the same municipal corporation or township in which the project, activity, or enterprise that is the subject of a capital access loan is located.

(D) "Financial institution" means any bank, trust company, savings bank, or savings and loan association that is chartered by and has a significant presence in the state, or any national bank, federal savings and loan association, or federal savings bank that has a significant presence in the state.

(E) "Fund" means the capital access loan program fund.

(F) "Minority business supplier development council" has the same meaning as in section 122.71 of the Revised Code.

(G) "Participating financial institution" means a financial institution that has a valid, current participation agreement with the department of development services agency.
"Participation agreement" means the agreement between a financial institution and the agency department under which a financial institution may participate in the program.

"Passive real estate ownership" means the ownership of real estate for the sole purpose of deriving income from it by speculation, trade, or rental.

"Program" means the capital access loan program created under section 122.602 of the Revised Code.

"Program reserve account" means a dedicated account at each participating financial institution that is the property of the state and may be used by the participating financial institution only for the purpose of recovering a claim under section 122.604 of the Revised Code arising from a default on a loan made by the participating financial institution under the program.

Sec. 122.601. There is hereby created in the state treasury the capital access loan program fund. The fund shall consist of money deposited into it from the minority business enterprise loan fund pursuant to section 122.80 of the Revised Code and the facilities establishment fund pursuant to section 166.03 of the Revised Code and all money deposited into it pursuant to section 122.602 of the Revised Code. The total amount of money deposited into the fund from the minority business enterprise loan fund or the facilities establishment fund shall not exceed three million dollars during any particular fiscal year of the department of development services agency.

The agency department shall disburse money from the fund only to pay the operating costs of the program, including the administrative costs incurred by the agency department in connection with the program, and only in keeping with the purposes specified in sections 122.60 to 122.605 of the Revised Code.
Sec. 122.603. (A)(1) Upon approval by the director of development services and after entering into a participation agreement with the department of development services agency, a participating financial institution making a capital access loan shall establish a program reserve account. The account shall be an interest-bearing account and shall contain only moneys deposited into it under the program and the interest payable on the moneys in the account.

(2) All interest payable on the moneys in the program reserve account shall be added to the moneys and held as an additional loss reserve. The director may require that a portion or all of the accrued interest so held in the account be released to the agency department. If the director causes a release of accrued interest, the director shall deposit the released amount into the capital access loan program fund created in section 122.601 of the Revised Code. The director shall not require the release of that accrued interest more than twice in a fiscal year.

(B) When a participating financial institution makes a capital access loan, it shall require the eligible business to pay to the participating financial institution a fee in an amount that is not less than one and one-half per cent, and not more than three per cent, of the principal amount of the loan. The participating financial institution shall deposit the fee into its program reserve account, and it also shall deposit into the account an amount of its own funds equal to the amount of the fee. The participating financial institution may recover from the eligible business all or part of the amount that the participating financial institution is required to deposit into the account under this division in any manner agreed to by the participating financial institution and the eligible business.

(C) For each capital access loan made by a participating
financial institution, the participating financial institution shall certify to the director, within a period specified by the director, that the participating financial institution has made the loan. The certification shall include the amount of the loan, the amount of the fee received from the eligible business, the amount of its own funds that the participating financial institution deposited into its program reserve account to reflect that fee, and any other information specified by the director. The certification also shall indicate if the eligible business receiving the capital access loan is a minority business enterprise as defined in section 122.71 of the Revised Code or certified by the minority business supplier development council.

(D)(1)(a) Upon receipt of each of the first three certifications from a participating financial institution made under division (C) of this section and subject to section 122.602 of the Revised Code, the director shall disburse to the participating financial institution from the capital access loan program fund an amount not to exceed fifty per cent of the principal amount of the particular capital access loan for deposit into the participating financial institution's program reserve account. Thereafter, upon receipt of a certification from that participating financial institution made under division (C) of this section and subject to section 122.602 of the Revised Code, the director shall disburse to the participating financial institution from the capital access loan program fund an amount equal to ten per cent of the principal amount of the particular capital access loan for deposit into the participating financial institution's program reserve account.

(b) Notwithstanding division (D)(1)(a) of this section, and subject to section 122.602 of the Revised Code, upon receipt of any certification from a participating financial institution made under division (C) of this section with respect to a capital
access loan made to an eligible business that is a minority
business enterprise, the director shall disburse to the
participating financial institution from the capital access loan
program fund an amount not to exceed eighty per cent of the
principal amount of the particular capital access loan for deposit
into the participating financial institution's program reserve
account.

(2) The disbursement of moneys from the fund to a
participating financial institution does not require approval from
the controlling board.

(E) If the amount in a program reserve account exceeds an
amount equal to thirty-three per cent of a participating financial
institution's outstanding capital access loans, the agency
department may cause the withdrawal of the excess amount and the
deposit of the withdrawn amount into the capital access loan
program fund.

(F)(1) The agency department may cause the withdrawal of the
total amount in a participating financial institution's program
reserve account if any of the following applies:

(a) The financial institution is no longer eligible to
participate in the program.

(b) The participation agreement expires without renewal by
the agency department or the financial institution.

(c) The financial institution has no outstanding capital
access loans.

(d) The financial institution has not made a capital access
loan within the preceding twenty-four months.

(2) If the agency department causes a withdrawal under
division (F)(1) of this section, the agency department shall
deposit the withdrawn amount into the capital access loan program.
Sec. 122.65. As used in sections 122.65 to 122.659 of the Revised Code:

(A) "Applicable cleanup standards" means either of the following:

(1) For property to which Chapter 3734. of the Revised Code and rules adopted under it apply, the requirements for closure or corrective action established in rules adopted under section 3734.12 of the Revised Code;

(2) For property to which Chapter 3746. of the Revised Code and rules adopted under it apply, the cleanup standards that are established in rules adopted under section 3746.04 of the Revised Code.

(B) "Applicant" means a county, township, municipal corporation, port authority, or conservancy district or a park district, other similar park authority, nonprofit organization, or organization for profit that has entered into an agreement with a county, township, municipal corporation, port authority, or conservancy district to work in conjunction with that county, township, municipal corporation, port authority, or conservancy district for the purposes of sections 122.65 to 122.658 of the Revised Code.

(C) "Assessment" means a phase I and phase II property assessment conducted in accordance with section 3746.04 of the Revised Code and rules adopted under that section.

(D) "Brownfield" means an abandoned, idled, or under-used industrial, commercial, or institutional property where expansion or redevelopment is complicated by known or potential releases of hazardous substances or petroleum.

(E) "Certified professional," "hazardous substance,"
"petroleum," and "release" have the same meanings as in section 3746.01 of the Revised Code.

(F) "Cleanup or remediation" means any action to contain, remove, or dispose of hazardous substances or petroleum at a brownfield. "Cleanup or remediation" includes the acquisition of a brownfield, demolition performed at a brownfield, and the installation or upgrade of the minimum amount of infrastructure that is necessary to make a brownfield operational for economic development activity.

(G) "Distressed area" means either a municipal corporation with a population of at least fifty thousand or a county that meets any two of the following criteria:

(1) Its average rate of unemployment, during the most recent five-year period for which data are available, is equal to at least one hundred twenty-five per cent of the average rate of unemployment for the United States for the same period.

(2) It has a per capita income equal to or below eighty per cent of the median county per capita income of the United States as determined by the most recently available figures from the United States census bureau.

(3)(a) In the case of a municipal corporation, at least twenty per cent of the residents have a total income for the most recent census year that is below the official poverty line.

(b) In the case of a county, in intercensal years, the county has a ratio of transfer payment income to total county income equal to or greater than twenty-five per cent.

"Distressed area" includes a municipal corporation the majority of the population of which is situated in a county that is a distressed area.

(H) "Eligible area" means a distressed area, an inner city
area, a labor surplus area, or a situational distress area.

(I) "Inner city area" means an area in a municipal corporation that has a population of at least one hundred thousand, is not a labor surplus area, and is a targeted investment area established by the municipal corporation that is comprised of block tracts identified in the most recently available figures from the United States census bureau in which at least twenty per cent of the population in the area is at or below the official poverty line or of contiguous block tracts meeting those criteria.

(J) "Institutional property" means property currently or formerly owned or controlled by the state that is or was used for a public or charitable purpose. However, "institutional property" does not mean property that is or was used for educational purposes.

(K) "Integrating committee" means a district public works integrating committee established under section 164.04 of the Revised Code.

(L) "Labor surplus area" means an area designated as a labor surplus area by the United States department of labor.

(M) "Loan" includes credit enhancement.

(N) "No further action letter" means a letter that is prepared by a certified professional when, on the basis of the best knowledge, information, and belief of the certified professional, the certified professional concludes that the cleanup or remediation of a brownfield meets the applicable cleanup standards and that contains all of the information specified in rules adopted under division (B)(7)(B)(6) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code.

(O) "Nonprofit organization" means a corporation, association, group, institution, society, or other organization.

(P) "Property" means any parcel of real property, or portion of such a parcel, and any improvements to it.

(Q) "Public health project" means the cleanup or remediation of a release or threatened release of hazardous substances or petroleum at a property where little or no economic redevelopment potential exists.

(R) "Official poverty line" has the same meaning as in section 3923.51 of the Revised Code.

(S) "Situational distress area" means a county or a municipal corporation that has experienced or is experiencing a closing or downsizing of a major employer that will adversely affect the county or municipal corporation's economy and that has applied to the director of development to be designated as a situational distress area for not more than thirty months by demonstrating all of the following:

1. The number of jobs lost by the closing or downsizing;
2. The impact that the job loss has on the county or municipal corporation's unemployment rate as measured by the director of job and family services;
3. The annual payroll associated with the job loss;
4. The amount of state and local taxes associated with the job loss;
5. The impact that the closing or downsizing has on suppliers located in the county or municipal corporation.

Sec. 122.72. (A) There is hereby created the minority development financing advisory board to assist in carrying out the
programs created pursuant to sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.89 of the Revised Code.

(B) The board shall consist of ten members. The director of development or the director's designee shall be a voting member on the board. Seven members shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate and selected because of their knowledge of and experience in industrial, business, and commercial financing, suretyship, construction, and their understanding of the problems of minority business enterprises; one member also shall be a member of the senate and appointed by the president of the senate, and one member also shall be a member of the house of representatives and appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. With respect to the board, all of the following apply:

(1) Not more than four of the members of the board appointed by the governor shall be of the same political party.

(2) Each member shall hold office from the date of the member's appointment until the end of the term for which the member was appointed.

(3) The terms of office for the seven members appointed by the governor shall be for seven years, commencing on the first day of October and ending on the thirtieth day of September of the seventh year, except that of the original seven members, three shall be appointed for three years and two shall be appointed for five years.

(4) Any member of the board is eligible for reappointment.

(5) Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which the member's predecessor was appointed shall hold office for the remainder of the predecessor's term.

(6) Any member shall continue in office subsequent to the
expiration date of the member's term until the member's successor takes office, or until a period of sixty days has elapsed, whichever occurs first.

(7) Before entering upon official duties as a member of the board, each member shall take an oath as provided by Section 7 of Article XV, Ohio Constitution.

(8) The governor may, at any time, remove any member appointed by the governor pursuant to section 3.04 of the Revised Code.

(9) Notwithstanding section 101.26 of the Revised Code, members shall receive their necessary and actual expenses while engaged in the business of the board and shall be paid at the per diem rate of step 1 of pay range 31 of section 124.15 of the Revised Code.

(10) Six members of the board constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of six members is necessary for any action taken by the board.

(11) In the event of the absence of a member appointed by the president of the senate or by the speaker of the house of representatives, either of the following persons may serve in the member's absence:

(a) The president of the senate or the speaker of the house of representatives, whoever appointed the absent member;

(b) A member of the senate or of the house of representatives of the same political party as the absent member, as designated by the president of the senate or the speaker of the house of representatives, whoever appointed the absent member.

(12) The board shall annually elect one of its members as chairperson and another as vice-chairperson.

Sec. 122.73. (A) The minority development financing advisory
board and the director of development are invested with the powers and duties provided in sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.89 of the Revised Code, in order to promote the welfare of the people of the state by encouraging the establishment and expansion of minority business enterprises; to stabilize the economy; to provide employment; to assist in the development within the state of industrial, commercial, distribution, and research activities required for the people of the state, and for their gainful employment; or otherwise to create or preserve jobs and employment opportunities, or improve the economic welfare of the people of the state. It is hereby determined that the accomplishment of those purposes is essential so that the people of the state may maintain their present high standards of living in comparison with the people of other states and so that opportunities for employment and for favorable markets for the products of the state's natural resources, agriculture, and manufacturing shall be improved. It further is determined that it is necessary for the state to establish the programs authorized under sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.89 of the Revised Code to establish the minority development financing advisory board, and to invest it and the director of development with the powers and duties provided in those sections 122.71 to 122.89 of the Revised Code.

(B) The minority development financing advisory board shall do all of the following:

(1) Make recommendations to the director as to applications for assistance pursuant to sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.89 of the Revised Code. The board may revise its recommendations to reflect any changes in the proposed assistance made by the director.

(2) Advise the director in the administration of sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.89 of the Revised Code.

(3) Adopt bylaws to govern the conduct of the business of the
Sec. 122.74. (A)(1) The director of development shall do all of the following:

(a) Receive applications for assistance under sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.89 of the Revised Code and applications from surety companies for bond guarantees under section 122.90 of the Revised Code, and, after processing but subject to division (A)(2) of this section, forward them to the minority development financing advisory board together with necessary supporting information;

(b) Receive the recommendations of the board and make a final determination whether to approve the application for assistance;

(c) Receive recommendations from a regional economic development entity for loans made under section 122.76 of the Revised Code and make a final determination, notwithstanding divisions (A)(1) and (2) of this section, whether to approve the proposed loan;

(d) Transmit the director's determinations to approve assistance to the controlling board unless such assistance falls under section 122.90 of the Revised Code and has been previously approved by the controlling board, together with any information the controlling board requires for its review and decision as to whether to approve the assistance.

(2) The director is not required to submit any determination, data, terms, or any other application materials or information to the minority development financing advisory board when provision of the assistance has been recommended to the director by a regional economic development entity or when an application for a surety company for bond guarantees under section 122.90 of the Revised Code has been previously approved by the controlling
board.

(B) The director may do all of the following:

(1) Fix the rate of interest and charges to be made upon or with respect to moneys loaned or guaranteed by the director and the terms upon which mortgages and lease rentals may be guaranteed and the rates of charges to be made for them and make provisions for the operation of the funds established by the director in accordance with this section and sections 122.80, 122.88, and 122.90 of the Revised Code;

(2) Loan and guarantee moneys from the fund established in accordance with section 122.80 of the Revised Code pursuant to and in compliance with sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.90 of the Revised Code.

(3) Acquire in the name of the director any property of any kind or character in accordance with sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.90 of the Revised Code, by purchase, purchase at foreclosure, or exchange on such terms and in such manner as the director considers proper;

(4) Make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of the director's duties and the exercise of the director's powers under sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.90 of the Revised Code;

(5) Maintain, protect, repair, improve, and insure any property that the director has acquired and dispose of it by sale, exchange, or lease for the consideration and on the terms and in the manner as the director considers proper, but the director shall not operate any such property as a business except as the lessor of it;

(6) (a) When the cost of any contract for the maintenance, protection, repair, or improvement of any property held by the director, other than compensation for personal services, involves...
an expenditure of more than fifty thousand dollars, the director shall make a written contract with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in accordance with section 9.312 of the Revised Code after advertisement for not less than two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where such contract, or some substantial part of it, is to be performed, and in such other publications as the director determines, which notice shall state the general character of the work and the general character of the materials to be furnished, the place where plans and specifications therefor may be examined, and the time and place of receiving bids.

(b) Each bid for a contract for the construction, demolition, alteration, repair, or reconstruction of an improvement shall contain the full name of every person interested in it and meet the requirements of section 153.54 of the Revised Code.

(c) Each bid for a contract, except as provided in division (B)(6)(b) of this section, shall contain the full name of every person interested in it and shall be accompanied by bond or certified check on a solvent bank, in such amount as the director considers sufficient, that if the bid is accepted a contract will be entered into and the performance of the proposal secured.

(d) The director may reject any and all bids.

(e) A bond with good and sufficient surety, approved by the director, shall be required of every contractor awarded a contract except as provided in division (B)(6)(b) of this section, in an amount equal to at least fifty per cent of the contract price, conditioned upon faithful performance of the contract.

(7) Employ or contract with financial consultants, appraisers, consulting engineers, superintendents, managers, construction and accounting experts, attorneys, and other employees and agents as are necessary in the director's judgment
and fix their compensation;

(8) Receive and accept grants, gifts, and contributions of money, property, labor, and other things of value to be held, used, and applied only for the purpose for which the grants, gifts, and contributions are made, from individuals, private and public corporations, from the United States or any agency thereof, from the state or any agency thereof, and from any political subdivision of the state, and may agree to repay any contribution of money or to return any property contributed or the value thereof at such times, in amounts, and on terms and conditions, excluding the payment of interest, as the director determines at the time the contribution is made, and may evidence the obligations by notes, bonds, or other written instruments;

(9) Establish with the treasurer of state the funds provided in sections 122.80 and 122.88 of the Revised Code in addition to such funds as the director determines are necessary or proper;

(10) Adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code necessary to implement sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.90 of the Revised Code.

(11) Do all acts and things necessary or proper to carry out the powers expressly granted and the duties imposed in sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.90 of the Revised Code.

(C)(1) All expenses and obligations incurred by the director in carrying out the director's powers and in exercising the director's duties under sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.90 of the Revised Code shall be payable solely from revenues or other receipts or income of the director, from grants, gifts, and contributions, or funds established in accordance with such sections. Such sections do not authorize the director to incur indebtedness or to impose liability on the state or any political subdivision of the state.
(2) Financial statements and other data submitted to the director by any corporation, partnership, or person in connection with financial assistance provided under sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.90 of the Revised Code, or any information taken from such statements or data for any purpose, shall not be open to public inspection.

Sec. 122.751. The minority development financing advisory board or a regional economic development entity shall only consider an application for a loan from any applicant after a determination that the applicant is a community development corporation, or after a certification by the equal employment opportunity coordinator director of the department of administrative services development under division (B)(1) of section 122.151 122.921 of the Revised Code that the applicant is a minority business enterprise, or after a certification by the minority business supplier development council that the applicant is a minority business, and that the applicant satisfies all criteria regarding eligibility for assistance pursuant to section 122.76 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 122.76. (A) The director of development services, with controlling board approval, may lend funds to minority business enterprises and to community improvement corporations, Ohio development corporations, minority contractors business assistance organizations, and minority business supplier development councils for the purpose of loaning funds to minority business enterprises, for the purpose of procuring or improving real or personal property, or both, for the establishment, location, or expansion of industrial, distribution, commercial, or research facilities in the state, and for the purpose of contract financing, and to community development corporations that predominantly benefit minority business enterprises or are located in a census tract
that has a population that is sixty per cent or more minority, if the director determines, in the director's sole discretion, that all of the following apply:

1. The project is economically sound and will benefit the people of the state by increasing opportunities for employment, by strengthening the economy of the state, or expanding minority business enterprises.

2. The proposed minority business enterprise borrower is unable to finance the proposed project through ordinary financial channels at comparable terms.

3. The value of the project is or, upon completion, will be at least equal to the total amount of the money expended in the procurement or improvement of the project.

4. The amount to be loaned by the director will not exceed seventy-five per cent of the total amount expended in the procurement or improvement of the project.

5. The amount to be loaned by the director will be adequately secured by a first or second mortgage upon the project or by mortgages, leases, liens, assignments, or pledges on or of other property or contracts as the director requires, and such mortgage will not be subordinate to any other liens or mortgages except the liens securing loans or investments made by financial institutions referred to in division (A)(3) of this section, and the liens securing loans previously made by any financial institution in connection with the procurement or expansion of all or part of a project.

(B) Any proposed minority business enterprise borrower submitting an application for assistance under this section shall not have defaulted on a previous loan from the director, and no full or limited partner, major shareholder, or holder of an equity interest of the proposed minority business enterprise borrower
shall have defaulted on a loan from the director.

(C) The proposed minority business enterprise borrower shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the director that it is able to successfully compete in the private sector if it obtains the necessary financial, technical, or managerial support and that support is available through the director, the minority business development office division of the department of development services agency, or other identified and acceptable sources. In determining whether a minority business enterprise borrower will be able to successfully compete, the director may give consideration to such factors as the successful completion of or participation in courses of study, recognized by the board of regents as providing financial, technical, or managerial skills related to the operation of the business, by the economically disadvantaged individual, owner, or partner, and the prior success of the individual, owner, or partner in personal, career, or business activities, as well as to other factors identified by the director.

(D) The director shall not lend funds for the purpose of procuring or improving motor vehicles or accounts receivable.

Sec. 122.77. (A) The director of development with controlling board approval may make loan guarantees to small businesses and corporations for the purpose of guaranteeing loans made to small businesses by financial institutions for the purpose of procuring or improving real or personal property, or both, for the establishment, location, or expansion of industrial, distribution, commercial, or research facilities in the state, if the director determines, in the director's sole discretion, that all of the following apply:

(1) The project is economically sound and will benefit the people of the state by increasing opportunities for employment, by
strengthening the economy of the state, or expanding minority business enterprises.

(2) The proposed small business borrower is unable to finance the proposed project through ordinary financial channels at comparable terms.

(3) The value of the project is, or upon completion of it will be, at least equal to the total amount of the money expended in the procurement or improvement of the project and of which amount one or more financial institutions or other governmental entities have loaned not less than thirty per cent.

(4) The amount to be guaranteed by the director will not exceed eighty per cent of the total amount expended in the procurement or improvement of the project.

(5) The amount to be guaranteed by the director will be adequately secured by a first or second mortgage upon the project, or by mortgages, leases, liens, assignments, or pledges on or of other property or contracts as the director shall require and that such mortgage will not be subordinate to any other liens or mortgages except the liens securing loans or investments made by financial institutions referred to in division (A)(3) of this section, and the liens securing loans previously made by any financial institution in connection with the procurement or expansion of all or part of a project.

(B) The proposed small business borrower shall not have defaulted on a previous loan or guarantee from the director, and no full or limited partner, or major shareholder, or holder of any equity interest of the proposed minority business enterprise borrower shall have defaulted on a loan or guarantee from the director.

(C) The proposed small business borrower shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the director that it is able to successfully
compete in the private sector if it obtains the necessary financial, technical, or managerial support and that support is available through the director, the minority business development office division of the department of development, or other identified and acceptable sources. In determining whether a small business borrower will be able to successfully compete, the director may give consideration to such factors as the successful completion of or participation in courses of study, recognized by the board of regents as providing financial, technical, or managerial skills related to the operation of the business, by the economically disadvantaged individual, owner, or partner, and the prior success of the individual, owner, or partner in personal, career, or business activities, as well as to other factors identified by the director.

(D) The director shall not guarantee funds for the purpose of procuring or improving motor vehicles or accounts receivable.

Sec. 122.78. Fees, charges, rates of interest, times of payment of interest and principal, and other terms, conditions, and provisions of the loans and guarantees made by the director of development pursuant to sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.90 of the Revised Code shall be such as the director determines to be appropriate and in furtherance of the purpose for which the loans and guarantees are made, but the mortgage lien securing any money loaned or guaranteed by the director may be subordinate to the mortgage lien securing any money loaned or invested by a financial institution, but shall be superior to that securing any money loaned or expended by any other corporation or person. The funds used in making these loans or guarantees shall be disbursed upon order of the director.

Sec. 122.79. The exercise of the powers granted by sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87 to 122.90 of the Revised Code, will be...
in all respects for the benefit of the people of the state, for
the increase of their commerce and prosperity, for the increase
and expansion of minority business enterprises, and for the
improvement of conditions of employment, and will constitute the
performance of essential governmental functions; therefore, the
director of development shall not be required to pay any taxes
upon any property or assets held by the director, or upon any
property acquired or used by the director under sections 122.71 to
122.83 and 122.87 to 122.90 of the Revised Code, or upon the
income from it, provided that this exemption shall not apply to
any property held by the director while it is in the possession of
a private person, partnership, or corporation and used for private
purposes for profit, in which case such tax liability shall accrue
to the private person, partnership, or corporation.

Sec. 122.82. All moneys, funds, properties, and assets
acquired by the director of development shall be held by the
director in trust to carry out the director's powers and duties,
shall be used as provided in sections 122.71 to 122.83 and 122.87
to 122.90 of the Revised Code, and shall at no time be part of
other public funds.

Sec. 122.86. (A) As used in this section and section 5747.81
of the Revised Code:

(1) "Small business enterprise" means a corporation,
pass-through entity, or other person satisfying all of the
following:

(a) At the time of a qualifying investment, the enterprise
meets all of the following requirements:

(i) Has no outstanding tax or other liabilities owed to the
state;

(ii) Is in good standing with the secretary of state, if the
enterprise is required to be registered with the secretary;

(iii) Is current with any court-ordered payments;

(iv) Is not engaged in any illegal activity.

(b) At the time of a qualifying investment, the enterprise's assets according to generally accepted accounting principles do not exceed fifty million dollars, or its annual sales do not exceed ten million dollars. When making this determination, the assets and annual sales of all of the enterprise's related or affiliated entities shall be included in the calculation.

(c) At the time of a qualifying investment and for the two-year period immediately preceding the qualifying investment, the enterprise employs at least fifty full-time equivalent employees in this state for whom the enterprise is required to withhold income tax under section 5747.06 of the Revised Code, or more than one-half the enterprise's total number of full-time equivalent employees employed anywhere in the United States are employed in this state and are subject to that withholding requirement.

(d) The enterprise, within six months after an eligible investor's qualifying investment is made, incurs cost for one or more of the following:

(i) Tangible personal property, other than motor vehicles operated on public roads and highways, used in business and physically located in this state from the time of its acquisition by the enterprise until the end of the investor's holding period, including the installation of such tangible personal property;

(ii) Motor vehicles operated on public roads and highways if, from the time of acquisition by the enterprise until the end of the investor's holding period, the motor vehicles are purchased in this state, registered in this state under Chapter 4503. of the Revised Code, are used primarily for business purposes, and are
necessary for the operation of the enterprise's business;

(iii) Real property located in this state that is used in the business from the time of its acquisition by the enterprise until the end of the holding period;

(iv) Leasehold improvements and construction costs for property located in this state that is used in the business from the time its improvement or construction was completed until the end of the holding period;

(v) Compensation for new employees of the enterprise hired after the date the qualifying investment is made for whom the enterprise is required to withhold income tax under section 5747.06 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Qualifying investment" means an investment of money made on or after July 1, 2019, to acquire capital stock or other equity interest in a small business enterprise. "Qualifying investment" does not include either of the following:

(a) Any investment of money an eligible investor derives, directly or indirectly, from a grant or loan from the federal government or the state or a political subdivision, including the third frontier program under Chapter 184. of the Revised Code;

(b) Any investment of money which is the basis of a tax credit granted under any other section of the Revised Code.

(3) "Eligible investor" means an individual, estate, or trust subject to the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code, or a pass-through entity in which such an individual, estate, or trust holds a direct or indirect ownership or other equity interest. To qualify as an eligible investor, the individual, estate, trust, or pass-through entity shall not owe any outstanding tax or other liability to the state at the time of a qualifying investment.
(4) "Holding period" means the two-year period beginning on the day a qualifying investment is made.

(5) "Pass-through entity" has the same meaning as in section 5733.04 of the Revised Code.

(B) An eligible investor that makes a qualifying investment in a small business enterprise on or after July 1, 2019, may apply to the director of development services to obtain an allocation for a small business investment certificate from the director. Alternatively, a small business enterprise may apply on behalf of eligible investors to obtain the allocation for those investors.

The application must be submitted to the director within sixty days after the date of the qualifying investment, but within the same biennium as the qualifying investment. The director, in consultation with the tax commissioner, shall prescribe the form or manner in which an applicant shall apply for the certificate, devise the form of the certificate, and prescribe any records or other information an applicant shall furnish with the application to evidence the qualifying investment. The applicant shall pay an application fee equal to the greater of one-tenth of one per cent of the amount of the intended investment or one hundred dollars.

The director of development services may reserve small business investment allocations to qualifying applicants in the order in which the director receives applications. An application is completed when the director has validated that an eligible investor has made a qualified investment and receives all required documentation needed to demonstrate the small business enterprise satisfies the requirements of division (A)(1) of this section. To qualify for an allocation, an eligible investor must satisfy both of the following, subject to the limitation on the amount of qualifying investments for which allocations may be issued under division (C) of this section:

(1) The eligible investor makes a qualifying investment on or
after July 1, 2019.

(2) The eligible investor pledges not to sell or otherwise dispose of the qualifying investment before the conclusion of the applicable holding period.

(C)(1) The amount of any eligible investor's qualifying investments for which small business investment allocations may be issued for a fiscal biennium shall not exceed ten million dollars.

(2) The director of development services shall not issue a small business investment allocation to an eligible investor representing an amount of qualifying investment in excess of the amount of the investment indicated on the investor's application.

(3) For any fiscal biennium beginning before July 1, 2019, the director of development services shall not issue small business investment allocations in a total amount that would cause the tax credits claimed in that biennium to exceed one hundred million dollars. For any fiscal biennium beginning on or after July 1, 2019 2021, the director of development shall not issue small business investment allocations in a total amount that would cause the tax credits claimed in that biennium to exceed fifty twenty-five million dollars.

(4) The director of development services may issue a small business investment allocation only if both of the following apply at the time of issuance:

(a) The small business enterprise meets all the requirements listed in divisions (A)(1)(a)(i) to (iv) of this section;

(b) The eligible investor does not owe any outstanding tax or other liability to the state.

(5) The director shall not issue a small business investment allocation on the basis of any investment for which an Ohio opportunity zone investment certificate has been issued under
section 122.84 of the Revised Code.

(D) Before the end of the applicable holding period of a qualifying investment, each enterprise in which a qualifying investment was made for which a small business investment allocation has been issued, upon the request of the director of development services, shall provide to the director records or other evidence satisfactory to the director that the enterprise is a small business enterprise for the purposes of this section. Each enterprise shall also provide annually to the director records or evidence regarding the number of jobs created or retained in the state. The director shall compile and maintain a register of small business enterprises qualifying under this section and shall certify the register to the tax commissioner. The director shall also compile and maintain a record of the number of jobs created or retained as a result of qualifying investments made pursuant to this section.

(E) After the conclusion of the applicable holding period for a qualifying investment, a person to whom a small business investment allocation has been issued under this section shall receive a small business investment certification, which entitles the person to claim a credit as provided under section 5747.81 of the Revised Code. However, no certificate may be issued if the director finds that any requirement under this section is not met.

(F) The director of development services, in consultation with the tax commissioner, may adopt rules for the administration of this section, including rules governing the following:

(1) Documents, records, or other information eligible investors shall provide to the director;

(2) Any information a small business enterprise shall provide for the purposes of this section and section 5747.81 of the Revised Code;
(3) Determination of the number of full-time equivalent employees of a small business enterprise;

(4) Verification of a small business enterprise's investment;

(5) Circumstances under which small business enterprises or eligible investors may be subverting the purposes of this section and section 5747.81 of the Revised Code.

(G) Application fees paid under division (B) of this section shall be credited to the tax incentives operating fund created in section 122.174 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 122.87. As used in sections 122.87 to 122.90 of the Revised Code:

(A) "Surety company" means a company that is authorized by the department of insurance to issue bonds as surety.

(B) "Minority business" means any of the following occupations:

(1) Minority construction contractor;

(2) Minority seller;

(3) Minority service vendor.

(C) "Minority construction contractor" means a person who is both a construction contractor and an owner of a minority business enterprise certified under division (B) of section 122.921 of the Revised Code.

(D) "Minority seller" means a person who is both a seller of goods and an owner of a minority business enterprise listed on the special minority business enterprise bid notification list under section 125.08 of the Revised Code.

(E) "Minority service vendor" means a person who is both a vendor of services and an owner of a minority business enterprise.
listed on the special minority business enterprise bid notification list under section 125.08 of the Revised Code.

(F) "Minority business enterprise" has the meaning given in section 122.71 of the Revised Code.

(G) "EDGE business enterprise" means a sole proprietorship, association, partnership, corporation, limited liability corporation, or joint venture certified as a participant in the encouraging diversity, growth, and equity program by the director of administrative services under section 123.152 122.922 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 122.89. (A) The director of development services may execute bonds as surety for minority businesses as principals, on contracts with the state, any political subdivision or instrumentality thereof, or any person as the obligee. The director as surety may exercise all the rights and powers of a company authorized by the department of insurance to execute bonds as surety but shall not be subject to any requirements of a surety company under Title XXXIX of the Revised Code nor to any rules of the department of insurance.

(B) The director, with the advice of the minority development financing advisory board, shall adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code establishing procedures for application for surety bonds by minority businesses and for review and approval of applications. The board shall review each application in accordance with the rules and, based on the bond worthiness of each applicant, shall refer all qualified applicants to the director. Based on the recommendation of the board, the director shall determine whether or not the applicant shall receive bonding.

(C) The rules of the board shall require the minority business to pay a premium in advance for the bond to be
established by the director, with the advice of the board after the director receives advice from the superintendent of insurance regarding the standard market rates for premiums for similar bonds. All premiums paid by minority businesses shall be paid into the minority business bonding program administrative and loss reserve fund.

(D) The rules of the board shall provide for a retainage of money paid to the minority business or EDGE business enterprise of fifteen per cent for a contract valued at more than fifty thousand dollars and for a retainage of twelve per cent for a contract valued at fifty thousand dollars or less.

(E) The penal sum amounts of all outstanding bonds issued by the director shall not exceed the amount of moneys in the minority business bonding fund and available to the fund under division (B) of section 169.05 of the Revised Code.

(F) The superintendent of insurance shall provide such technical and professional assistance as is considered necessary by the director, including providing advice regarding the standard market rates for bond premiums as described under division (C) of this section.

(G) Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised Code to the contrary, a minority business or EDGE business enterprise may bid or enter into a contract with the state or with any instrumentality of the state without being required to provide a bond as follows:

(1) For the first contract that a minority business or EDGE business enterprise enters into with the state or with any particular instrumentality of the state, the minority business or EDGE business enterprise may bid or enter into a contract valued at twenty-five thousand dollars or less without being required to provide a bond, but only if the minority business or EDGE business
enterprise is participating in a qualified contractor assistance program or has successfully completed a qualified contractor assistance program after October 16, 2009;

(2) After the state or any particular instrumentality of the state has accepted the first contract as completed and all subcontractors and suppliers on the contract have been paid, the minority business or EDGE business enterprise may bid or enter into a second contract with the state or with that particular instrumentality of the state valued at fifty thousand dollars or less without being required to provide a bond, but only if the minority business or EDGE business enterprise is participating in a qualified contractor assistance program or has successfully completed a qualified contractor assistance program after October 16, 2009;

(3) After the state or any particular instrumentality of the state has accepted the second contract as completed and all subcontractors and suppliers on the contract have been paid, the minority business or EDGE business enterprise may bid or enter into a third contract with the state or with that particular instrumentality of the state valued at one hundred thousand dollars or less without being required to provide a bond, but only if the minority business or EDGE business enterprise has successfully completed a qualified contractor assistance program after October 16, 2009;

(4) After the state or any particular instrumentality of the state has accepted the third contract as completed and all subcontractors and suppliers on the contract have been paid, the minority business or EDGE business enterprise may bid or enter into a fourth contract with the state or with that particular instrumentality of the state valued at three hundred thousand dollars or less without being required to provide a bond, but only if the minority business or EDGE business enterprise has
successfully completed a qualified contractor assistance program after October 16, 2009;

(5) After the state or any instrumentality of the state has accepted the fourth contract as completed and all subcontractors and suppliers on the contract have been paid, upon a showing that with respect to a contract valued at four hundred thousand dollars or less with the state or with any particular instrumentality of the state, that the minority business or EDGE business enterprise either has been denied a bond by two surety companies or that the minority business or EDGE business enterprise has applied to two surety companies for a bond and, at the expiration of sixty days after making the application, has neither received nor been denied a bond, the minority business or EDGE business enterprise may repeat its participation in the unbonded state contractor program. Under no circumstances shall a minority business or EDGE business enterprise be permitted to participate in the unbonded state contractor program more than twice.

(H) Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised Code to the contrary, a minority business or EDGE business enterprise may bid or enter into a contract with any political subdivision of the state or with any instrumentality of a political subdivision without being required to provide a bond as follows:

(1) For the first contract that the minority business or EDGE business enterprise enters into with any particular political subdivision of the state or with any particular instrumentality of a political subdivision, the minority business or EDGE business enterprise may bid or enter into a contract valued at twenty-five thousand dollars or less without being required to provide a bond, but only if the minority business or EDGE business enterprise is participating in a qualified contractor assistance program or has successfully completed a qualified contractor assistance program after October 16, 2009;
(2) After any political subdivision of the state or any instrumentality of a political subdivision has accepted the first contract as completed and all subcontractors and suppliers on the contract have been paid, the minority business or EDGE business enterprise may bid or enter into a second contract with that particular political subdivision of the state or with that particular instrumentality of a political subdivision valued at fifty thousand dollars or less without being required to provide a bond, but only if the minority business or EDGE business enterprise is participating in a qualified contractor assistance program or has successfully completed a qualified contractor assistance program after October 16, 2009;

(3) After any political subdivision of the state or any instrumentality of a political subdivision has accepted the second contract as completed and all subcontractors and suppliers on the contract have been paid, the minority business or EDGE business enterprise may bid or enter into a third contract with that particular political subdivision of the state or with that particular instrumentality of a political subdivision valued at one hundred thousand dollars or less without being required to provide a bond, but only if the minority business or EDGE business enterprise has successfully completed a qualified contractor assistance program after October 16, 2009;

(4) After any political subdivision of the state or any instrumentality of a political subdivision has accepted the third contract as completed and all subcontractors and suppliers on the contract have been paid, the minority business or EDGE business enterprise may bid or enter into a fourth contract with that particular political subdivision of the state or with that particular instrumentality of a political subdivision valued at two hundred thousand dollars or less without being required to provide a bond, but only if the minority business or EDGE business enterprise has successfully completed a qualified contractor assistance program after October 16, 2009;
enterprise has successfully completed a qualified contractor assistance program after October 16, 2009;

(5) After any political subdivision of the state or any instrumentality of a political subdivision has accepted the fourth contract as completed and all subcontractors and suppliers on the contract have been paid, upon a showing that with respect to a contract valued at three hundred thousand dollars or less with any political subdivision of the state or any instrumentality of a political subdivision, that the minority business or EDGE business enterprise either has been denied a bond by two surety companies or that the minority business or EDGE business enterprise has applied to two surety companies for a bond and, at the expiration of sixty days after making the application, has neither received nor been denied a bond, the minority business or EDGE business enterprise may repeat its participation in the unbonded political subdivision contractor program. Under no circumstances shall a minority business or EDGE business enterprise be permitted to participate in the unbonded political subdivision contractor program more than twice.

(I) Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised Code to the contrary, if a minority business or EDGE business enterprise has entered into two or more contracts with the state or with any instrumentality of the state, the minority business or EDGE business enterprise may bid or enter into a contract with a political subdivision of the state or with any instrumentality of a political subdivision valued at the level at which the minority business or EDGE business enterprise would qualify if entering into an additional contract with the state.

(J) The director of development services shall coordinate and oversee the unbonded state contractor program described in division (G) of this section, the unbonded political subdivision contractor program described in division (H) of this section, and
the approval of a qualified contractor assistance program. The director shall prepare an annual report and submit it to the governor and the general assembly on or before the first day of August that includes the following: information on the director's activities for the preceding calendar year regarding the unbonded state contractor program, the unbonded political subdivision contractor program, and the qualified contractor assistance program; a summary and description of the operations and activities of these programs; an assessment of the achievements of these programs; and a recommendation as to whether these programs need to continue.

(K) As used in this section:

(1) "EDGE business enterprise" means an EDGE business enterprise certified under section 122.922 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Qualified contractor assistance program" means an educational program or technical assistance program for business development that is designed to assist a minority business or EDGE business enterprise in becoming eligible for bonding and has been approved by the director of development services for use as required under this section.

(3) "Successfully completed a qualified contractor assistance program" means the minority business or EDGE business enterprise completed such a program on or after October 16, 2009.

(4) "Unbonded state contractor program" means the program described in division (G) of this section.

(5) "Unbonded political subdivision contractor program" means the program described in division (H) of this section.

Sec. 122.90. (A) The director of development may guarantee bonds executed by sureties for minority businesses and EDGE
business enterprises certified under section 123.152 122.922 of
the Revised Code as principals on contracts with the state, any
political subdivision or instrumentality, or any person as the
obligee. The director, as guarantor, may exercise all the rights
and powers of a company authorized by the department of insurance
to guarantee bonds under Chapter 3929. of the Revised Code but
otherwise is not subject to any laws related to a guaranty company
under Title XXXIX of the Revised Code nor to any rules of the
department of insurance.

(B) The director shall adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the
Revised Code to establish procedures for the application for bond
guarantees and the review and approval of applications for bond
guarantees submitted by sureties that execute bonds eligible for
guarantees under division (A) of this section.

(C) In accordance with rules adopted pursuant to this
section, the director may guarantee up to ninety per cent of the
loss incurred and paid by sureties on bonds guaranteed under
division (A) of this section.

(D) The penal sum amounts of all outstanding guarantees made
by the director under this section shall not exceed three times
the difference between the amount of moneys in the minority
business bonding fund and available to the fund under division (B)
of section 169.05 of the Revised Code and the amount of all
outstanding bonds issued by the director in accordance with
division (A) of section 122.89 of the Revised Code.

(E) The director of development, with controlling board
approval, may approve one application per fiscal year from each
surety bond company for bond guarantees in an amount requested to
support one fiscal year of that company's activity under this
section. A surety bond company that applies for a bond guarantee
under this division, whether or not the guarantee is approved, is
Sec. 122.92. There is hereby created in the department of development a minority business development division. The division shall do all of the following:

(A) Provide technical, managerial, and counseling services and assistance to minority business enterprises;

(B) Provide procurement and bid packaging assistance to minority business enterprises;

(C) Provide bonding technical assistance to minority business enterprises;

(D) Participate with other state departments and agencies as appropriate in developing specific plans and specific program goals for programs to assist in the establishment and development of minority business enterprises and establish regular performance monitoring and reporting systems to ensure that those goals are being achieved;

(E) Implement state law and policy supporting minority business enterprise development, and assist in the coordination of plans, programs, and operations of state government which affect or may contribute to the establishment, preservation, and strengthening of minority business enterprises;

(F) Assist in the coordination of activities and resources of state agencies and local governments, business and trade associations, universities, foundations, professional organizations, and volunteer and other groups, to promote the growth of minority business enterprises;

(G) Establish a center for the development, collection, and dissemination of information that will be helpful to persons in establishing or expanding minority business enterprises in this
state;

(H) Design, implement, and assist in experimental and demonstration projects designed to overcome the special problems of minority business enterprises;

(I) Coordinate reviews of all proposed state training and technical assistance activities in direct support of minority business enterprise programs to ensure consistency with program goals and to preclude duplication of efforts by other state agencies;

(J) Recommend appropriate legislative or executive actions to enhance minority business enterprise opportunities in the state;

(K) Assist minority business enterprises in obtaining governmental or commercial financing for business expansion, establishment of new businesses, or industrial development projects;

(L) Assist minority business enterprises in contract procurement from government and commercial sources;

(M) Establish procedures to identify groups who have been disadvantaged because of racial, cultural, or ethnic circumstances without regard to the individual qualities of the members of the group;

(N) Establish procedures to identify persons who have been economically disadvantaged;

(O) Provide grant assistance to nonprofit entities that promote economic development, development corporations, community improvement corporations, and incubator business entities, if the entities or corporations focus on business, technical, and financial assistance to minority business enterprises to assist the enterprises with fixed asset financing;

(P) Implement the minority business enterprise program
described in section 122.921 of the Revised Code, the encouraging
diversity, growth, and equity program described in section 122.922
of the Revised Code, the women-owned business enterprise program
described in section 122.924 of the Revised Code, and the
veteran-friendly business enterprise program described in section
122.925 of the Revised Code.

(Q) Do all acts and things necessary or proper to carry out
the powers expressly granted and duties imposed by sections 122.92
to 122.94 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 123.151. Sec. 122.921. (A) As used in this section,
"minority business enterprise" has the same meaning as in division
(E)(1) of section 122.71 of the Revised Code.

(B)(1) The director of administrative services development
shall make rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code establishing procedures by which minority businesses may
apply to the equal employment opportunity coordinator department of development for certification as minority business enterprises.

(2) The coordinator director shall approve the application of
any minority business enterprise that complies with the rules
adopted under this division. Any person adversely affected by an
order of the coordinator director denying certification as a
minority business enterprise may appeal as provided in Chapter
119. of the Revised Code. The coordinator director shall prepare
and maintain a list of certified minority business enterprises.

(C) The department of administrative services, every other
Every state agency authorized to enter into contracts for
construction or contracts for purchases of equipment, materials,
supplies, insurance, or services, and every port authority shall
file a report every ninety days with the equal employment
opportunity coordinator department of development. The report
shall be filed at a time and in a form prescribed by the
director of development. The report shall include the name of each minority business enterprise that the state agency or port authority entered into a contract with during the preceding ninety-day period and the total value and type of each such contract. No later than thirty days after the end of each fiscal year, the coordinator director shall notify in writing each state agency and port authority that has not complied with the reporting requirements of this division for the prior fiscal year. A copy of this notification regarding a state agency shall be submitted to the director of budget and management. No later than thirty days after the notification, the state agency or port authority shall submit to the coordinator director the information necessary to comply with the reporting requirements of this division.

If, after the expiration of this thirty-day period, a state agency has not complied with the reporting requirements of this division, the coordinator director of development shall certify to the director of budget and management that the state agency has not complied with the reporting requirements. A copy of this certification shall be submitted to the state agency. Thereafter, no funds of the state agency shall be expended during the fiscal year for construction or purchases of equipment, materials, supplies, contracts of insurance, or services until the coordinator director of development certifies to the director of budget and management that the state agency has complied with the reporting requirements of this division for the prior fiscal year.

If any port authority has not complied with the reporting requirement after the expiration of the thirty-day period, the coordinator director of development shall certify to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate that the port authority has not complied with the reporting requirements of this division. A copy of this certification shall be submitted to the port authority. Upon receipt of the
certification, the speaker of the house of representatives and the 4696
president of the senate shall take such action or make such 4697
recommendations to the members of the general assembly as they 4698
consider necessary to correct the situation.

Sec. 123.152. Sec. 122.922. (A) As used in this section, 4700
"EDGE business enterprise" means a sole proprietorship, 4701
association, partnership, corporation, limited liability 4702
corporation, or joint venture certified as a participant in the 4703
encouraging diversity, growth, and equity program by the director 4704
of administrative services development under this section of the 4705
Revised Code.

(B) The director of administrative services development shall 4707
establish a business assistance program known as the encouraging 4708
diversity, growth, and equity program and shall adopt rules in 4709
accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to administer the 4710
program that do all of the following:

(1) Establish procedures by which a sole proprietorship, 4712
association, partnership, corporation, limited liability 4713
corporation, or joint venture may apply for certification as an 4714
EDGE business enterprise;

(2) Except as provided in division (B)(14) of this section, 4716
establish agency procurement goals for contracting with EDGE 4717
business enterprises in the award of contracts under Chapters 4718
123., 125., and 153. of the Revised Code based on the availability 4719
of eligible program participants by region or geographic area, as 4720
determined by the director, and by standard industrial code or 4721
equivalent code classification.

(a) Goals established under division (B)(2) of this section 4723
shall be based on a percentage level of participation and a 4724
percentage of contractor availability.
(b) Goals established under division (B)(2) of this section shall be applied at the contract level, relative to an overall dollar goal for each state agency, in accordance with the following certification categories: construction, architecture, and engineering; professional services; goods and services; and information technology services.

(3) Establish a system of certifying EDGE business enterprises based on a requirement that the business owner or owners show both social and economic disadvantage based on the following, as determined to be sufficient by the director:

(a) Relative wealth of the business seeking certification as well as the personal wealth of the owner or owners of the business;

(b) Social disadvantage based on any of the following:

(i) A rebuttable presumption when the business owner or owners demonstrate membership in a racial minority group or show personal disadvantage due to color, ethnic origin, gender, physical disability, long-term residence in an environment isolated from the mainstream of American society, location in an area of high unemployment;

(ii) Some other demonstration of personal disadvantage not common to other small businesses;

(iii) By business location in a qualified census tract.

(c) Economic disadvantage based on economic and business size thresholds and eligibility criteria designed to stimulate economic development through contract awards to businesses located in qualified census tracts.

(4) Establish standards to determine when an EDGE business enterprise no longer qualifies for EDGE business enterprise certification;
(5) Develop a process for evaluating and adjusting goals established by this section to determine what adjustments are necessary to achieve participation goals established by the director;

(6) Establish a point system or comparable system to evaluate bid proposals to encourage EDGE business enterprises to participate in the procurement of professional design and information technology services;

(7) Establish a system to track data and analyze each certification category established under division (B)(2)(b) of this section;

(8) Establish a process to mediate complaints and to review EDGE business enterprise certification appeals;

(9) Implement an outreach program to educate potential participants about the encouraging diversity, growth, and equity program;

(10) Establish a system to assist state agencies in identifying and utilizing EDGE business enterprises in their contracting processes;

(11) Implement a system of self-reporting by EDGE business enterprises as well as an on-site inspection process to validate the qualifications of an EDGE business enterprise;

(12) Establish a waiver mechanism to waive program goals or participation requirements for those companies that, despite their best-documented efforts, are unable to contract with certified EDGE business enterprises;

(13) Establish a process for monitoring overall program compliance in which equal employment opportunity officers primarily are responsible for monitoring their respective agencies;
(14) Establish guidelines for state universities as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code and the Ohio facilities construction commission created in section 123.20 of the Revised Code for awarding contracts pursuant to Chapters 153., 3318., and 3345. of the Revised Code to allow the universities and commission to establish agency procurement goals for contracting with EDGE business enterprises.

(C) Business and personal financial information and trade secrets submitted by encouraging diversity, growth, and equity program applicants to the director pursuant to this section are not public records for purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code, unless the director presents the financial information or trade secrets at a public hearing or public proceeding regarding the applicant's eligibility to participate in the program.

Sec. 123.153. Sec. 122.923. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Minority business enterprise" has the same meaning as in section 123.151 122.921 of the Revised Code.

(2) "EDGE business enterprise" has the same meaning as in section 123.152 122.922 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Women-owned business enterprise" has the same meaning as in section 123.154 122.924 of the Revised Code.

"Veteran-friendly business enterprise" has the same meaning as in section 122.925 of the Revised Code.

(B) Not later than the first day of October in each year, the director of administrative services development shall submit a written report to the governor and to each member of the general assembly describing the progress made by state agencies in advancing the minority business enterprise program, the encouraging diversity, growth, and equity program, and the women-owned business enterprise program, and the veteran-friendly
business enterprise program. The report shall highlight the initiatives implemented to encourage participation of minority-owned, socially and economically disadvantaged, and women-owned businesses, and veteran-friendly businesses in programs funded by state money or federal money received by the state. The report shall also include the total number of procurement contracts each agency has entered into with certified minority business enterprises, EDGE business enterprises, and women-owned business enterprises, and veteran-friendly business enterprises.

Sec. 123.154. Sec. 122.924. (A) As used in this section:

"Women-owned business enterprise" means any individual, partnership, corporation, or joint venture of any kind that is owned and controlled by women who are United States citizens and residents of this state or of a reciprocal state.

"Owned and controlled" means that at least fifty-one per cent of the business, including corporate stock if it is a corporation, is owned by women and that such owners have control over the day-to-day operations of the business and an interest in the capital, assets, and profits and losses of the business proportionate to their percentage of ownership. In order to qualify as a women-owned business, a business shall have been owned by such owners at least one year.

(B) The director of administrative services development shall establish a business assistance program known as the women-owned business enterprise program and shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to administer the program that do all of the following:

(1) Establish procedures by which a business enterprise may apply for certification as a women-owned business enterprise;
(2) Establish standards to determine when a women-owned business enterprise no longer qualifies for women-owned business enterprise certification;

(3) Establish a system to make publicly available a list of women-owned business enterprises certified under this section;

(4) Establish a process to mediate complaints and to review women-owned business enterprise certification appeals;

(5) Implement an outreach program to educate potential participants about the women-owned business enterprise program;

(6) Establish a system to assist state agencies in identifying and utilizing women-owned business enterprises in their contracting processes;

(7) Implement a system of self-reporting by women-owned business enterprises as well as an on-site inspection process to validate the qualifications of women-owned business enterprises.

(C) Business and personal financial information and trade secrets submitted by women-owned business enterprise applicants to the director pursuant to this section are not public records for purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code, unless the director presents the financial information or trade secrets at a public hearing or public proceeding regarding the applicant's eligibility to participate in the program.

(D) The director of administrative services, upon approval of the attorney general, may enter into a reciprocal agreement with the appropriate officials of one or more states, when the other state has a business assistance program or programs substantially similar to the women-owned business enterprise program of this state. The agreement shall provide that a business certified by the other state as a women-owned business enterprise, which is owned and controlled by a resident or residents of that other state, shall be considered a women-owned business enterprise.
in this state under this section. The agreement shall provide that
a women-owned business enterprise certified under this section,
which is owned and controlled by a resident or residents of this
state, shall be considered certified in the other state and
eligible for programs of that state that provide an advantage or
benefit to such businesses.

Sec. 9.318. Sec. 122.925. (A) As used in this section:

"Armed forces" means the armed forces of the United States,
including the army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, or
any reserve component of those forces; the national guard of any
state; the commissioned corps of the United States public health
service; the merchant marine service during wartime; such other
service as may be designated by congress; and the Ohio organized
militia when engaged in full-time national guard duty for a period
of more than thirty days.

"State agency" has the meaning defined in section 1.60 of the
Revised Code.

"Veteran" means any person who has completed service in the
armed forces, including the national guard of any state, or a
reserve component of the armed forces, who has been honorably
discharged or discharged under honorable conditions from the armed
forces or who has been transferred to the reserve with evidence of
satisfactory service.

"Veteran-friendly business enterprise" means a sole
proprietorship, association, partnership, corporation, limited
liability company, or joint venture that meets veteran employment
standards established by the director of administrative
servicesdevelopment and the director of transportation under this
section.

(B) The director of administrative servicesdevelopment and
the director of transportation shall establish and maintain the veteran-friendly business procurement program. The director of administrative services shall adopt rules to administer the program for all state agencies except the department of transportation, and the director of transportation shall adopt rules to administer the program for the department of transportation. The rules shall be adopted under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. The rules, as adopted separately by but with the greatest degree of consistency possible between the two directors, shall do all of the following:

(1) Establish criteria, based on the percentage of an applicant's employees who are veterans, that qualifies an applicant for certification as a veteran-friendly business enterprise;

(2) Establish procedures by which a sole proprietorship, association, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, or joint venture may apply for certification as a veteran-friendly business enterprise;

(3) Establish procedures for certifying a sole proprietorship, association, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, or joint venture as a veteran-friendly business enterprise;

(4) Establish standards for determining when a veteran-friendly business enterprise no longer qualifies for certification as a veteran-friendly business enterprise;

(5) Establish procedures, to be used by state agencies or the department of transportation, for the evaluation and ranking of proposals, which provide preference or bonus points to each certified veteran-friendly business enterprise that submits a bid or other proposal for a contract with the state or an agency of the state other than the department of transportation, or with the
department of transportation, for the rendering of services, or
the supplying of materials, or for the construction, demolition,
alteration, repair, or reconstruction of any public building,
structure, highway, or other improvement;

(6) Implement an outreach program to educate potential
participants about the veteran-friendly business procurement
program; and

(7) Establish a process for monitoring overall performance of
the veteran-friendly business procurement program.

Sec. 123.01. (A) The department of administrative services,
in addition to those powers enumerated in Chapters 124. and 125.
of the Revised Code and provided elsewhere by law, shall exercise
the following powers:

(1) To prepare and suggest comprehensive plans for the
development of grounds and buildings under the control of a state
agency;

(2) To acquire, by purchase, gift, devise, lease, or grant,
all real estate required by a state agency, in the exercise of
which power the department may exercise the power of eminent
domain, in the manner provided by sections 163.01 to 163.22 of the
Revised Code;

(3) To erect, supervise, and maintain all public monuments
and memorials erected by the state, except where the supervision
and maintenance is otherwise provided by law;

(4) To procure, by lease, storage accommodations for a state
agency;

(5) To lease or grant easements or licenses for unproductive
and unused lands or other property under the control of a state
agency. Such leases, easements, or licenses may be granted to any
person or entity, shall be for a period not to exceed fifteen
years, unless a longer period is authorized by division (A)(5) of this section, and shall be executed for the state by the director of administrative services, provided that the director shall grant leases, easements, or licenses of university land for periods not to exceed twenty-five years for purposes approved by the respective university's board of trustees wherein the uses are compatible with the uses and needs of the university and may grant leases of university land for periods not to exceed forty years for purposes approved by the respective university's board of trustees pursuant to section 123.17 of the Revised Code. The director may grant perpetual easements to public utilities, as defined in section 4905.02 of the Revised Code or described in section 4905.03 of the Revised Code.

(6) To lease space for the use of a state agency;

(7) To have general supervision and care of the storerooms, offices, and buildings leased for the use of a state agency;

(8) To exercise general custodial care of all real property of the state;

(9) To assign and group together state offices in any city in the state and to establish, in cooperation with the state agencies involved, rules governing space requirements for office or storage use;

(10) To lease for a period not to exceed forty years, pursuant to a contract providing for the construction thereof under a lease-purchase plan, buildings, structures, and other improvements for any public purpose, and, in conjunction therewith, to grant leases, easements, or licenses for lands under the control of a state agency for a period not to exceed forty years. The lease-purchase plan shall provide that at the end of the lease period, the buildings, structures, and related improvements, together with the land on which they are situated,
shall become the property of the state without cost.

(a) Whenever any building, structure, or other improvement is to be so leased by a state agency, the department shall retain either basic plans, specifications, bills of materials, and estimates of cost with sufficient detail to afford bidders all needed information or, alternatively, all of the following plans, details, bills of materials, and specifications:

(i) Full and accurate plans suitable for the use of mechanics and other builders in the improvement;

(ii) Details to scale and full sized, so drawn and represented as to be easily understood;

(iii) Accurate bills showing the exact quantity of different kinds of material necessary to the construction;

(iv) Definite and complete specifications of the work to be performed, together with such directions as will enable a competent mechanic or other builder to carry them out and afford bidders all needed information;

(v) A full and accurate estimate of each item of expense and of the aggregate cost thereof.

(b) The department shall give public notice, in such newspaper, in such form, and with such phraseology as the director of administrative services prescribes, published once each week for four consecutive weeks, of the time when and place where bids will be received for entering into an agreement to lease to a state agency a building, structure, or other improvement. The last publication shall be at least eight days preceding the day for opening the bids. The bids shall contain the terms upon which the builder would propose to lease the building, structure, or other improvement to the state agency. The form of the bid approved by the department shall be used, and a bid is invalid and shall not be considered unless that form is used without change, alteration,
or addition. Before submitting bids pursuant to this section, any builder shall comply with Chapter 153. of the Revised Code.

(c) On the day and at the place named for receiving bids for entering into lease agreements with a state agency, the director of administrative services shall open the bids and shall publicly proceed immediately to tabulate the bids upon duplicate sheets. No lease agreement shall be entered into until the bureau of workers' compensation has certified that the person to be awarded the lease agreement has complied with Chapter 4123. of the Revised Code, until, if the builder submitting the lowest and best bid is a foreign corporation, the secretary of state has certified that the corporation is authorized to do business in this state, until, if the builder submitting the lowest and best bid is a person nonresident of this state, the person has filed with the secretary of state a power of attorney designating the secretary of state as its agent for the purpose of accepting service of summons in any action brought under Chapter 4123. of the Revised Code, and until the agreement is submitted to the attorney general and the attorney general's approval is certified thereon. Within thirty days after the day on which the bids are received, the department shall investigate the bids received and shall determine that the bureau and the secretary of state have made the certifications required by this section of the builder who has submitted the lowest and best bid. Within ten days of the completion of the investigation of the bids, the department shall award the lease agreement to the builder who has submitted the lowest and best bid and who has been certified by the bureau and secretary of state as required by this section. If bidding for the lease agreement has been conducted upon the basis of basic plans, specifications, bills of materials, and estimates of costs, upon the award to the builder the department, or the builder with the approval of the department, shall appoint an architect or engineer licensed in this state to prepare such further detailed plans, specifications,
and bills of materials as are required to construct the building, 5063
structure, or improvement. The department shall adopt such rules 5064
as are necessary to give effect to this section. The department 5065
may reject any bid. Where there is reason to believe there is 5066
collusion or combination among bidders, the bids of those 5067
concerned therein shall be rejected.

(11) To acquire by purchase, gift, devise, or grant and to 5069
transfer, lease, or otherwise dispose of all real property 5070
required to assist in the development of a conversion facility as 5071
defined in section 5709.30 of the Revised Code as that section 5072
existed before its repeal by Amended Substitute House Bill 95 of 5073
the 125th general assembly;

(12) To lease for a period not to exceed forty years, 5075
notwithstanding any other division of this section, the 5076
state-owned property located at 408-450 East Town Street, 5077
Columbus, Ohio, formerly the state school for the deaf, to a 5078
developer in accordance with this section. "Developer," as used in 5079
this section, has the same meaning as in section 123.77 of the 5080
Revised Code.

Such a lease shall be for the purpose of development of the 5082
land for use by senior citizens by constructing, altering, 5083
renovating, repairing, expanding, and improving the site as it 5084
existed on June 25, 1982. A developer desiring to lease the land 5085
shall prepare for submission to the department a plan for 5086
development. Plans shall include provisions for roads, sewers, 5087
water lines, waste disposal, water supply, and similar matters to 5088
meet the requirements of state and local laws. The plans shall 5089
also include provision for protection of the property by insurance 5090
or otherwise, and plans for financing the development, and shall 5091
set forth details of the developer's financial responsibility.

The department may employ, as employees or consultants, 5093
persons needed to assist in reviewing the development plans. Those 5094
persons may include attorneys, financial experts, engineers, and other necessary experts. The department shall review the development plans and may enter into a lease if it finds all of the following:

   (a) The best interests of the state will be promoted by entering into a lease with the developer;
   (b) The development plans are satisfactory;
   (c) The developer has established the developer's financial responsibility and satisfactory plans for financing the development.

The lease shall contain a provision that construction or renovation of the buildings, roads, structures, and other necessary facilities shall begin within one year after the date of the lease and shall proceed according to a schedule agreed to between the department and the developer or the lease will be terminated. The lease shall contain such conditions and stipulations as the director considers necessary to preserve the best interest of the state. Moneys received by the state pursuant to this lease shall be paid into the general revenue fund. The lease shall provide that at the end of the lease period the buildings, structures, and related improvements shall become the property of the state without cost.

(13) To manage the use of space owned and controlled by the department by doing all of the following:

   (a) Biennially implementing, by state agency location, a census of agency employees assigned space;
   (b) Periodically in the discretion of the director of administrative services:
       (i) Requiring each state agency to categorize the use of space allotted to the agency between office space, common areas,
storage space, and other uses, and to report its findings to the department;

(ii) Creating and updating a master space utilization plan for all space allotted to state agencies. The plan shall incorporate space utilization metrics.

(iii) Conducting a cost-benefit analysis to determine the effectiveness of state-owned buildings;

(iv) Assessing the alternatives associated with consolidating the commercial leases for buildings located in Columbus.

(c) Commissioning a comprehensive space utilization and capacity study in order to determine the feasibility of consolidating existing commercially leased space used by state agencies into a new state-owned facility.

(14) To adopt rules to ensure that energy efficiency and conservation is considered in the purchase of products and equipment, except motor vehicles, by any state agency, department, division, bureau, office, unit, board, commission, authority, quasi-governmental entity, or institution. The department may require minimum energy efficiency standards for purchased products and equipment based on federal testing and labeling if available or on standards developed by the department. When possible, the rules shall apply to the competitive selection of energy consuming systems, components, and equipment under Chapter 125. of the Revised Code.

(15) To ensure energy efficient and energy conserving purchasing practices by doing all of the following:

(a) Identifying available energy efficiency and conservation opportunities;

(b) Providing for interchange of information among purchasing agencies;
(c) Identifying laws, policies, rules, and procedures that should be modified;

(d) Monitoring experience with and the cost-effectiveness of this state's purchase and use of motor vehicles and of major energy-consuming systems, components, equipment, and products having a significant impact on energy consumption by the government;

(e) Providing technical assistance and training to state employees involved in the purchasing process;

(f) Working with the department of development services agency to make recommendations regarding planning and implementation of purchasing policies and procedures that are supportive of energy efficiency and conservation.

(16) To require all state agencies, departments, divisions, bureaus, offices, units, commissions, boards, authorities, quasi-governmental entities, institutions, and state institutions of higher education to implement procedures to ensure that all of the passenger automobiles they acquire in each fiscal year, except for those passenger automobiles acquired for use in law enforcement or emergency rescue work, achieve a fleet average fuel economy of not less than the fleet average fuel economy for that fiscal year as the department shall prescribe by rule. The department shall adopt the rule prior to the beginning of the fiscal year, in accordance with the average fuel economy standards established by federal law for passenger automobiles manufactured during the model year that begins during the fiscal year.

Each state agency, department, division, bureau, office, unit, commission, board, authority, quasi-governmental entity, institution, and state institution of higher education shall determine its fleet average fuel economy by dividing the total number of passenger vehicles acquired during the fiscal year,
except for those passenger vehicles acquired for use in law enforcement or emergency rescue work, by a sum of terms, each of which is a fraction created by dividing the number of passenger vehicles of a given make, model, and year, except for passenger vehicles acquired for use in law enforcement or emergency rescue work, acquired during the fiscal year by the fuel economy measured by the administrator of the United States environmental protection agency, for the given make, model, and year of vehicle, that constitutes an average fuel economy for combined city and highway driving.

As used in division (A)(16) of this section, "acquired" means leased for a period of sixty continuous days or more, or purchased.

(17) To correct legal descriptions or title defects, or release fractional interests in real property, as necessary to cure title clouds reflected in public records, including those resulting from boundary disputes, ingress or egress issues, title transfers precipitated through retirement of bond requirements, and the retention of fractional interests in real estate otherwise disposed of in previous title transfers.

(18) To, with controlling board approval, sell, transfer, or otherwise dispose of all right, title, and interest in any state-owned real property having a fair market value that is less than one million dollars at the time of disposition.

(a) Fair market value of property proposed for disposition pursuant to division (A)(18) of this section shall be established by using best management or other relevant practices through a method considered reasonable, applicable, and appropriate by the director of administrative services.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, net proceeds from any disposition of real property made pursuant to
division (A)(18) of this section shall, at the direction of the
director of budget and management, be credited to a fund or funds
in the state treasury, or to accounts held by a state institution
of higher education for purposes to be determined by the
institution.

(B) This section and section 125.02 of the Revised Code shall
not interfere with any of the following:

(1) The power of the adjutant general to purchase military
supplies, or with the custody of the adjutant general of property
leased, purchased, or constructed by the state and used for
military purposes, or with the functions of the adjutant general
as director of state armories;

(2) The power of the director of transportation in acquiring
rights-of-way for the state highway system, or the leasing of
lands for division or resident district offices, or the leasing of
lands or buildings required in the maintenance operations of the
department of transportation, or the purchase of real property for
garage sites or division or resident district offices, or in
preparing plans and specifications for and constructing such
buildings as the director may require in the administration of the
department;

(3) The power of the director of public safety and the
registrar of motor vehicles to purchase or lease real property and
buildings to be used solely as locations to which a deputy
registrar is assigned pursuant to division (B) of section 4507.011
of the Revised Code and from which the deputy registrar is to
conduct the deputy registrar's business, the power of the director
of public safety to purchase or lease real property and buildings
to be used as locations for division or district offices as
required in the maintenance of operations of the department of
public safety, and the power of the superintendent of the state
highway patrol in the purchase or leasing of real property and
buildings needed by the patrol, to negotiate the sale of real
property owned by the patrol, to rent or lease real property owned
or leased by the patrol, and to make or cause to be made repairs
to all property owned or under the control of the patrol;

(4) The power of the division of liquor control in the
leasing or purchasing of retail outlets and warehouse facilities
for the use of the division;

(5) The power of the director of development services to
enter into leases of real property, buildings, and office space to
be used solely as locations for the state's foreign offices to
carry out the purposes of section 122.05 of the Revised Code;

(6) The power of the director of environmental protection to
enter into environmental covenants, to grant and accept easements,
or to sell property pursuant to division (G) of section 3745.01 of
the Revised Code;

(7) The power of the department of public safety under
section 5502.01 of the Revised Code to direct security measures
and operations for the Vern Riffe center and the James A. Rhodes
state office tower. The department of administrative services
shall implement all security measures and operations at the Vern
Riffe center and the James A. Rhodes state office tower as
directed by the department of public safety.

(C) Purchases for, and the custody and repair of, buildings
under the management and control of the capitol square review and
advisory board, the opportunities for Ohioans with disabilities
agency, the bureau of workers' compensation, or the departments of
public safety, job and family services, mental health and
addiction services, developmental disabilities, and rehabilitation
and correction; buildings of educational and benevolent
institutions under the management and control of boards of
trustees; and purchases or leases for, and the custody and repair
of, office space used for the purposes of any agency of the legislative branch of state government are not subject to the control and jurisdiction of the department of administrative services.

An agency of the legislative branch of state government that uses office space in a building under the management and control of the department of administrative services may exercise the agency's authority to improve the agency's office space as authorized under this division only if, upon review, the department of administrative services concludes the proposed improvements do not adversely impact the structural integrity of the building.

If an agency of the legislative branch of state government, except the capitol square review and advisory board, so requests, the agency and the director of administrative services may enter into a contract under which the department of administrative services agrees to perform any services requested by the agency that the department is authorized under this section to perform. In performing such services, the department shall not use competitive selection. As used in this division, "competitive selection" has the meaning defined in section 125.01 of the Revised Code and includes any other type of competitive process for the selection of persons producing or dealing in the services to be provided.

(D) Any instrument by which real property is acquired pursuant to this section shall identify the agency of the state that has the use and benefit of the real property as specified in section 5301.012 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 123.02. The director of administrative services shall be appointed superintendent of public works and shall have the care and control of the public works of the state and shall protect,
maintain, and keep them in repair.

Subject to the approval of the governor, the director may purchase on behalf of the state such real or personal property, rights, or privileges as are necessary, in the director's judgment, to acquire in the maintenance of the public works or their improvement.

The document that evidences the vesting of any right, title, or interest in real property, other than public lands, belonging to or used by the state shall be recorded in the office of the county recorder of the county in which the property is situated. When recorded, such document and related papers shall be deposited with the director of administrative services and kept in the director of administrative services' office, except that evidence of title to highway rights-of-way shall be deposited with the director of transportation and kept in the director of transportation's office. The director of administrative services shall register the document, except title to highway rights-of-way, in a record system prepared for that purpose and open for inspection by all persons interested.

Any instrument by which the state or an agency of the state acquires real property pursuant to this section shall identify the agency of the state that has the use and benefit of the real property as specified in section 5301.012 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 124.136. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Fetal death" has the same meaning as in section 3705.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Stillborn" means that an infant of at least twenty weeks of gestation suffered a fetal death.

(B)(1) Each permanent full-time and permanent part-time employee paid in accordance with section 124.152 of the Revised
Code and each employee listed in division (B)(2), (3), or (4) of section 124.14 of the Revised Code who works thirty or more hours per week, and who meets the requirement of division (A)(2), (B)(2)(a) of this section is eligible, upon the birth, stillbirth, or adoption of a child, for a parental leave of absence and parental leave benefits under this section. Parental leave of absence shall begin on the day of the birth of a child, on the day of the delivery of a stillborn child, or on the day on which custody of a child is taken for adoption placement by the prospective parents.

(2)(a) To be eligible for leave and benefits under this section, an employee must be one of the following:

(i) A parent, as listed on the birth certificate, of a newly born child.

(ii) A parent, as listed on the fetal death certificate, of a stillborn child.

(iii) A legal guardian of and reside in the same household as a newly adopted child.

(b) Employees may elect to receive two five thousand dollars for adoption expenses in lieu of receiving the paid leave benefit provided under this section. Such payment may be requested upon placement of the child in the employee's home. If the child is already residing in the home, payment may be requested at the time the adoption is approved.

(3) The average number of regular hours worked, which shall include all hours of holiday pay and other types of paid leave, during the three-month period immediately preceding the day parental leave of absence begins shall be used to determine eligibility and benefits under this section for part-time employees, but such benefits shall not exceed forty hours per week. If an employee has not worked for a three-month period, the
number of hours for which the employee has been scheduled to work per week during the employee's period of employment shall be used to determine eligibility and benefits under this section.

(B) (C) Parental leave granted under this section shall not exceed six continuous weeks, which shall include four weeks or one hundred sixty hours of paid leave for permanent full-time employees and a prorated number of hours of paid leave for permanent part-time employees. All employees granted parental leave shall serve a waiting period of fourteen days that begins on the day parental leave begins and during which they shall not receive paid leave under this section. Employees may choose to work during the waiting period. During the remaining four weeks of the leave period, employees shall receive paid leave equal to seventy per cent of their base rate of pay. All of the following apply to employees granted parental leave:

(1) They remain eligible to receive all employer-paid benefits and continue to accrue all other forms of paid leave as if they were in active pay status.

(2) They are ineligible to receive overtime pay, and no portion of their parental leave shall be included in calculating their overtime pay.

(3) They are ineligible to receive holiday pay. A holiday occurring during the leave period shall be counted as one day of parental leave and be paid as such.

(D) Employees receiving parental leave may utilize available sick leave, personal leave, vacation leave, or compensatory time balances in order to be paid during the fourteen-day waiting period and to supplement the seventy per cent of their base rate of pay received during the remaining part of their parental leave period, in an amount sufficient to give them up to one hundred per cent of their pay for time on parental
leave.

Use of parental leave does not affect an employee's eligibility for other forms of paid leave granted under this chapter and does not prohibit an employee from taking leave under the "Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993," 107 Stat. 6, 29 U.S.C.A. 2601, except that parental leave shall be included in any leave time provided under that act.

(D)(E) Employees receiving disability leave benefits under section 124.385 of the Revised Code prior to becoming eligible for parental leave shall continue to receive disability leave benefits for the duration of their disabling condition or as otherwise provided under the disability leave benefits program. If an employee is receiving disability leave benefits because of pregnancy and these benefits expire prior to the expiration date of any benefits the employee would have been entitled to receive under this section, the employee shall receive parental leave for such additional time without being required to serve an additional waiting period.

Sec. 124.1312. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Foster caregiver" has the same meaning as in section 5103.02 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Kinship caregiver" has the same meaning as in section 5101.85 of the Revised Code.

(B) Each permanent full-time and permanent part-time employee paid in accordance with section 124.152 of the Revised Code and each employee listed in division (B)(2), (3), or (4) of section 124.14 of the Revised Code who works thirty or more hours per week, and who is a foster caregiver or kinship caregiver is eligible, on placement of a child in the employee's home, to a maximum of five days of caregiver leave with full pay in a
calendar year. Caregiver leave begins on the day on which the child is placed with the prospective foster caregiver or kinship caregiver.

(C) The average number of regular hours worked, which shall include all hours of holiday pay and other types of paid leave, during the three-month period immediately preceding the day caregiver leave begins shall be used to determine eligibility for leave under this section for part-time employees. If an employee has not worked for a three-month period, the number of hours for which the employee has been scheduled to work per week during the employee's period of employment shall be used to determine eligibility for leave under this section.

(D) Use of caregiver leave does not affect an employee's eligibility for other forms of paid leave granted under this chapter and does not prohibit an employee from taking leave under the "Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993," 29 U.S.C. 2601, except that caregiver leave shall be included in any leave time provided under that act.

(E) The director of administrative services may adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code governing caregiver leave established under this section.

Sec. 125.02. (A) The department of administrative services shall establish contracts for supplies and services, including telephone, other telecommunications, and computer services, for the use of state agencies, and may establish such contracts for the use of any political subdivision as described in division (B) of section 125.04 of the Revised Code, except for the following:

(1) The adjutant general for military supplies and services;

(2) The general assembly;

(3) The judicial branch;
(4) State institutions of higher education;

(5) State elected officials as set forth in section 125.041 of the Revised Code;

(6) The capitol square review and advisory board.

The entities set forth in divisions (A)(1) to (6) of this section may request the department of administrative services' assistance in the procurement of supplies and services for their respective offices and, upon the department's approval, may participate in contracts awarded by the department.

(B) For purchases under division (C) of section 125.05 of the Revised Code, the department shall grant a state agency a release and permit to make the purchase if the department determines that it is not possible or advantageous for the department to make a purchase.

(C) Upon request, the department may grant a blanket release and permit to a state agency for specific purchases. The department may grant the blanket release and permit for a fiscal year or for a biennium as determined by the director of administrative services.

(D) The director of administrative services shall adopt rules regarding circumstances and criteria for obtaining a release and permit under this section. The director of administrative services shall prescribe uniform rules governing forms of specifications, advertisements for proposals, the opening of bids, the making of awards and contracts, and the purchase of supplies and performance of work.

(E) The director may enter into cooperative purchasing agreements to purchase supplies or services with the following:

(1) The entities set forth in divisions (A)(1) to (6) of
(2) One or more other states;
(3) Groups of states;
(4) The United States or any department, division, or agency of the United States;
(5) Other purchasing consortia;
(6) The department of transportation; or
(7) Any political subdivision of this state described in division (B) of section 125.04 of the Revised Code.

(F) The United States or any department, division, or agency of the United States, one or more other states, groups of states, other purchasing consortia, or any agency, commission, or authority established under an interstate compact or agreement may purchase supplies and services from contracts established by the department of administrative services.

(G) Except as provided in section 125.04 of the Revised Code, the department of administrative services shall purchase any policy of insurance, including a surety or fidelity bond, covering officers or employees of a state agency, for which the annual premium is more than one thousand dollars and which the state may procure. The department shall purchase the insurance in conformity with sections 125.04 to 125.15 of the Revised Code. As used in this division, "annual premium" means the total premium for one year for one type of insurance regardless of the number of policies.

Sec. 125.04. (A) Except for the requirements of division (B) of this section, section 125.092, and division (B) of section 125.11 of the Revised Code, sections 125.04 to 125.08 and 125.09 to 125.15 of the Revised Code do not apply to or affect state institutions of higher education.
(B)(1) As used in this division:

(a) "Chartered nonpublic school" has the same meaning as in section 3310.01 of the Revised Code.

(b) "Emergency medical service organization" has the same meaning as in section 4765.01 of the Revised Code.

(c) "Governmental agency" means a political subdivision or special district in this state or any other state established by or under law, or any combination of these entities; the United States or any department, division, or agency of the United States; one or more other states or groups of states; other purchasing consortia; and any agency, commission, or authority established under an interstate compact or agreement.

(d) "Political subdivision" means any county, township, municipal corporation, school district, conservancy district, township park district, park district created under Chapter 1545. of the Revised Code, regional transit authority, regional airport authority, regional water and sewer district, or port authority. "Political subdivision" also includes any other political subdivision described in the Revised Code that has been approved by the department of administrative services to participate in the department's contracts under this division.

(e) "Private fire company" has the same meaning as in section 9.60 of the Revised Code.

(f) "State institution of higher education" has the meaning defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code.

(2) Subject to division (C) of this section, the department of administrative services may permit a state institution of higher education, governmental agency, political subdivision, county board of elections, private fire company, private, nonprofit emergency medical service organization, or chartered nonpublic school to participate in contracts into which the
department has entered for the purchase of supplies and services. The department may charge the entity a reasonable fee to cover the administrative costs the department incurs as a result of participation by the entity in such a purchase contract.

A political subdivision desiring to participate in such purchase contracts shall file with the department a certified copy of an ordinance or resolution of the legislative authority or governing board of the political subdivision. The resolution or ordinance shall request that the political subdivision be authorized to participate in such contracts and shall agree that the political subdivision will be bound by such terms and conditions as the department prescribes and that it will directly pay the vendor under each purchase contract. A board of elections desiring to participate in such purchase contracts shall file with the purchasing authority a written request for inclusion in the program. A private fire company, private, nonprofit emergency medical service organization, or chartered nonpublic school desiring to participate in such purchase contracts shall file with the department a written request for inclusion in the program signed by the chief officer of the company, organization, or chartered nonpublic school. A governmental agency desiring to participate in such purchase contracts shall file with the department a written request for inclusion in the program. A state institution of higher education desiring to participate in such purchase contracts shall file with the department a certified copy of resolution of the board of trustees or similar authorizing body. The resolution shall request that the state institution of higher education be authorized to participate in such contracts.

A request for inclusion shall include an agreement to be bound by such terms and conditions as the department prescribes and to make direct payments to the vendor under each purchase contract.
(3) The board of elections of a county that is authorized to participate in contracts under division (B)(2) of this section may participate in contracts under that division under the same terms and conditions that apply to the county.

(4) The department shall include in its annual report, an estimate of the purchases made by state institutions of higher education, governmental agencies, political subdivisions, county boards of elections, private fire companies, private, nonprofit emergency medical service organizations, and chartered nonpublic schools from contracts pursuant to this division. The department may require such entities to file a report with the department, as often as it finds necessary, stating how many such contracts the entities participated in within a specified period of time, and any other information the department requires.

(5) Purchases made by a political subdivision or a county board of elections under this division are exempt from any competitive selection procedures otherwise required by law. No political subdivision shall make any purchase under this division when bids have been received for such purchase by the subdivision, unless such purchase can be made upon the same terms, conditions, and specifications at a lower price under this division (B)(2) of this section.

(C) A political subdivision as defined in division (B) of this section or a county board of elections may purchase supplies or services from another party, including a political subdivision, instead of through participation in contracts described in division (B) of this section if the political subdivision or county board of elections can purchase those supplies or services from the other party upon equivalent terms, conditions, and specifications but at a lower price than it can through those contracts. Purchases that a political subdivision or county board of elections makes under this division are exempt from any
competitive selection procedures otherwise required by law. A political subdivision or county board of elections that makes any purchase under this division shall maintain sufficient information regarding the purchase to verify that the political subdivision or county board of elections satisfied the conditions for making a purchase under this division. Nothing in this division restricts any action taken by a county or township as authorized by division (B)(1) of section 9.48 of the Revised Code.

(D) This section does not apply to supplies or services purchased by a state agency directly as provided in section 125.05 of the Revised Code, or to purchases of supplies or services for the emergency management agency or other state agencies as provided in section 125.061 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 125.08. (A) Any person who is certified by the equal employment opportunity coordinator of the department director of administrative services development in accordance with the rules adopted under division (B)(1) of section 123.15122.921 of the Revised Code as a minority business enterprise may have that person's name placed on a special minority business enterprise notification list to be used in connection with contracts awarded under section 125.081 of the Revised Code. The minority business enterprise notification list shall be used for bidding on contracts set aside for minority business enterprises only.

Sec. 125.081. (A) From the purchases that the department of administrative services is required by law to make through competitive selection, the director of administrative services shall select a number of such purchases, the aggregate value of which equals approximately fifteen per cent of the estimated total value of all such purchases to be made in the current fiscal year. The director shall set aside the purchases selected for competition only by minority business enterprises, as defined in...
division (E)(1) of section 122.71 of the Revised Code. The competitive selection procedures for such purchases set aside shall be the same as for all other purchases the department is required to make through competitive selection, except that only minority business enterprises certified by the equal employment opportunity coordinator of the department director of administrative services development in accordance with the rules adopted under division (B)(1) of section 123.151 of the Revised Code and listed by the director under section 125.08 of the Revised Code shall be qualified to compete.

(B) To the extent that any agency of the state, other than the department of administrative services, the legislative and judicial branches, boards of elections, and the adjutant general, is authorized to make purchases, the agency shall set aside a number of purchases, the aggregate value of which equals approximately fifteen per cent of the aggregate value of such purchases for the current fiscal year for competition by minority business enterprises only. The procedures for such purchases shall be the same as for all other such purchases made by the agency, except that only minority business enterprises certified by the equal employment opportunity coordinator director of development in accordance with rules adopted under division (B)(1) of section 123.151 of the Revised Code shall be qualified to compete.

(C) In the case of purchases set aside under division (A) or (B) of this section, if no bid is submitted by a minority business enterprise, the purchase shall be made according to usual procedures. The contracting agency shall from time to time set aside such additional purchases for which only minority business enterprises may compete, as are necessary to replace those purchases previously set aside for which no minority business enterprises bid and to ensure that, in any fiscal year, the aggregate amount of contracts awarded to minority business
enterprises will equal approximately fifteen per cent of the total
amount of contracts awarded by the agency.

(D) The provisions of this section shall not preclude any
minority business enterprise from competing for any other state
purchases that are not specifically set aside for minority
business enterprises.

(E) No funds of any state agency shall be expended in any
fiscal year for any purchase for which competitive selection is
required, until the director of the department of administrative
services certifies to the equal employment opportunity
coordinator, the clerk of the senate, and the clerk of the house
of representatives of the general assembly that approximately
fifteen per cent of the aggregate amount of the projected
expenditure for such purchases in the fiscal year has been set
aside as provided for in this section.

(F) Any person who intentionally misrepresents self as
owning, controlling, operating, or participating in a minority
business enterprise for the purpose of obtaining contracts,
subcontracts, or any other benefits under this section shall be
guilty of theft by deception as provided for in section 2913.02 of
the Revised Code.

Sec. 125.09. (A) Pursuant to section sections 125.07, 125.071, and 125.072 of the Revised Code, the department of
administrative services may prescribe such conditions under which
competitive sealed bids, competitive sealed proposals, and bids in
reverse auctions will be received and terms of the proposed
purchase as it considers necessary; provided, that all such
conditions and terms shall be reasonable and shall not
unreasonably restrict competition, and bidders may bid and
offerors may propose upon all or any item of the products,
supplies, or services listed in such notice. Those bidders and
offerors claiming the preference for United States and Ohio products outlined in this chapter shall designate in their bids either that the product to be supplied or supply is produced or mined in the United States and is either an Ohio product or that the product, supply, or service is provided by a bidder or offeror that qualifies as having a significant Ohio economic presence under the rules established by the director of administrative services they qualify as having a significant Ohio economic presence.

(B) The department may require that each bidder or offeror provide sufficient information about the energy efficiency or energy usage of the bidder's or offeror's product, supply, or service.

(C) The director of administrative services shall, by rule adopted pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, prescribe criteria and procedures for use by all state agencies in giving preference to United States and Ohio products under this section as required by division (B) of section 125.11 of the Revised Code. The rules shall extend to:

(1) Criteria for determining that a product is produced or mined in the United States rather than in another country or territory;

(2) Criteria for determining that a product is produced or mined in Ohio;

(3) Information to be submitted by bidders or offerors as to the nature of a product and the location where it is produced or mined;

(4) Criteria and procedures to be used by the director to qualify bidders or offerors located in states bordering Ohio who might otherwise be excluded from being awarded a contract by operation of this section and section 125.11 of the Revised Code.
The criteria and procedures shall recognize the level and regularity of interstate commerce between Ohio and the border states and provide that the non-Ohio businesses may qualify for award of a contract as long as they are located in a state that imposes no greater restrictions than are contained in this section and section 125.11 of the Revised Code upon persons located in Ohio selling products or services to agencies of that state. The criteria and procedures shall also provide that a non-Ohio business shall not bid on a contract for state printing in this state if the business is located in a state that excludes Ohio businesses from bidding on state printing contracts in that state.

(5) Criteria and procedures to be used to qualify bidders and offerors whose manufactured products, except for mined products, are produced in other states or in North America, but the bidders or offerors have a significant Ohio economic presence in terms of the number of employees or capital investment a bidder or offeror has in this state. Bidders and offerors with a significant Ohio economic presence shall qualify for award of a contract on the same basis as if their products were produced in this state or as if the bidder or offeror was domiciled in this state.

(6) Criteria and procedures for the director to grant waivers of the requirements of division (B) of section 125.11 of the Revised Code on a contract-by-contract basis where compliance with those requirements would result in the state agency paying an excessive price for the product or acquiring a disproportionately inferior product;

(7) Such other requirements or procedures reasonably necessary to implement the system of preferences established pursuant to division (B) of section 125.11 of the Revised Code.

In adopting the rules required under this division, the director shall, to the maximum extent possible, conform to the requirements of the federal "Buy America Act," 47 Stat. 1520,
(1933), 41 U.S.C.A. 10a-10d, as amended, and to the regulations adopted thereunder.

Sec. 125.14. (A) The director of administrative services shall allocate any proceeds from the transfer, sale, or lease of excess and surplus supplies in the following manner:

(1) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(2) or (3) of this section, the proceeds of such a transfer, sale, or lease shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the investment recovery fund, which is hereby created.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(2) of this section, when supplies originally were purchased with funds from nongeneral revenue fund sources, the director shall determine what fund or account originally was used to purchase the supplies, and the credit for the proceeds from any transfer, sale, or lease of those supplies shall be transferred to that fund or account. If the director cannot determine which fund or account originally was used to purchase the supplies, if the fund or account is no longer active, or if the proceeds from the transfer, sale, or lease of a unit of supplies are less than one hundred dollars or any larger amount the director may establish with the approval of the director of budget and management, then the proceeds from the transfer, sale, or lease of such supplies shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the investment recovery fund.

(3) In accordance with division (H)(2) of section 125.832 of the Revised Code, when vehicles originally were purchased with moneys derived from the general revenue fund, the proceeds shall be deposited, in the director's discretion, into the state treasury to the credit of either the fleet management fund created by section 125.83 of the Revised Code or to the credit of the investment recovery fund created by this section. Any such proceeds deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the
investment recovery fund may be transferred from the investment recovery fund to the fleet management fund.

(B) The investment recovery fund shall be used to pay for the operating expenses of the state surplus property program and of the federal surplus property program described in sections 125.84 to 125.90 of the Revised Code. Any amounts in excess of these operating expenses shall periodically be transferred to the general revenue fund of the state. If proceeds paid into the investment recovery fund are insufficient to pay for the program's operating expenses, a service fee may be charged to state agencies to eliminate the deficit.

(C) Proceeds from the sale of recyclable goods and materials shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the recycled materials fund, which is hereby created, except that the director of environmental protection, upon request, may grant an exemption from this requirement. The director shall administer the fund for the benefit of recycling programs in state agencies.

Sec. 125.18. (A) There is hereby established the office of information technology within the department of administrative services. The office shall be under the supervision of a state chief information officer to be appointed by the director of administrative services and subject to removal at the pleasure of the director. The chief information officer is an assistant director of administrative services.

(B) Under the direction of the director of administrative services, the state chief information officer shall lead, oversee, and direct state agency activities related to information technology development and use. In that regard, the state chief information officer shall do all of the following:

(1) Coordinate and superintend statewide efforts to promote common use and development of technology by state agencies. The
office of information technology shall establish policies and standards that govern and direct state agency participation in statewide programs and initiatives.

(2) Coordinate with the office of procurement services to establish policies and standards for state agency acquisition of information technology supplies and services;

(3) Establish policies and standards for the acquisition and use of common information technology by state agencies, including, but not limited to, hardware, software, technology services, and security, and the extension of the service life of information technology systems, with which state agencies shall comply;

(4) Establish criteria and review processes to identify state agency information technology projects or purchases that require alignment or oversight. As appropriate, the department of administrative services shall provide the governor and the director of budget and management with notice and advice regarding the appropriate allocation of resources for those projects. The state chief information officer may require state agencies to provide, and may prescribe the form and manner by which they must provide, information to fulfill the state chief information officer's alignment and oversight role;

(5) Establish policies and procedures for the security of personal information that is maintained and destroyed by state agencies;

(6) Employ a chief information security officer who is responsible for the implementation of the policies and procedures described in division (B)(4) (B)(5) of this section and for coordinating the implementation of those policies and procedures in all of the state agencies;

(7) Employ a chief privacy officer who is responsible for advising state agencies when establishing policies and procedures...
for the security of personal information and developing education
and training programs regarding the state's security procedures;

(7)(8) Establish policies on the purchasing, use, and
reimbursement for use of handheld computing and telecommunications
devices by state agency employees;

(8)(9) Establish policies for the reduction of printing and
for the increased use of electronic records by state agencies;

(9)(10) Establish policies for the reduction of energy
consumption by state agencies;

(10)(11) Compute the amount of revenue attributable to the
amortization of all equipment purchases and capitalized systems
from information technology service delivery and major information
technology purchases, MARCS administration, enterprise
applications, and the professions licensing system operating
appropriation items and major computer purchases capital
appropriation items that is recovered as part of the information
technology services rates the department of administrative
services charges and deposits into the information technology fund
created in section 125.15 of the Revised Code, the user fees the
department of administrative services charges and deposits in the
MARCS administration fund created in section 4501.29 of the
Revised Code, the rates the department of administrative services
charges to benefiting agencies for the operation and management of
information technology applications and deposits in the enterprise
applications fund, and the rates the department of administrative
services charges for the cost of ongoing maintenance of the
professions licensing system and deposits in the professions
licensing system fund. The enterprise applications fund is hereby
created in the state treasury.

(11)(12) Regularly review and make recommendations regarding
improving the infrastructure of the state's cybersecurity
operations with existing resources and through partnerships between government, business, and institutions of higher education;

(13) Assist, as needed, with general state efforts to grow the cybersecurity industry in this state.

(C)(1) The chief information security officer shall assist each state agency with the development of an information technology security strategic plan and review that plan, and each state agency shall submit that plan to the state chief information officer. The chief information security officer may require that each state agency update its information technology security strategic plan annually as determined by the state chief information officer.

(2) Prior to the implementation of any information technology data system, a state agency shall prepare or have prepared a privacy impact statement for that system.

(D) When a state agency requests a purchase of information technology supplies or services under Chapter 125. of the Revised Code, the state chief information officer may review and reject the requested purchase for noncompliance with information technology direction, plans, policies, standards, or project-alignment criteria.

(E) The office of information technology may operate technology services for state agencies in accordance with this chapter.

Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised Code to the contrary, the office of information technology may assess a transaction fee on each license or registration issued as part of an electronic licensing system operated by the office in an amount determined by the office not to exceed three dollars and fifty cents. The transaction fee shall apply to all transactions,
regardless of form, that immediately precede the issuance, renewal, reinstatement, reactivation of, or other activity that results in, a license or registration to operate as a regulated professional or entity. Each license or registration is a separate transaction to which a fee under this division applies.

Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised Code to the contrary, if a fee is assessed under this section, no agency, board, or commission shall issue a license or registration unless a fee required by this division has been received. The director of administrative services may collect the fee or require a state agency, board, or commission for which the system is being operated to collect the fee. Amounts received under this division shall be deposited in or transferred to the professions licensing system fund created in division (I) (H) of this section.

(F) With the approval of the director of administrative services, the office of information technology may establish cooperative agreements with federal and local government agencies and state agencies that are not under the authority of the governor for the provision of technology services and the development of technology projects.

(G) The office of information technology may operate a program to make information technology purchases. The director of administrative services may recover the cost of operating the program from all participating government entities by issuing intrastate transfer voucher billings for the procured technology or through any pass-through billing method agreed to by the director of administrative services, the director of budget and management, and the participating government entities that will receive the procured technology.

If the director of administrative services chooses to recover the program costs through intrastate transfer voucher billings, the participating government entities shall process the intrastate
transfer vouchers to pay for the cost. Amounts received under this section for the information technology purchase program shall be deposited to the credit of the information technology governance fund created in section 125.15 of the Revised Code.

(H) Upon request from the director of administrative services, the director of budget and management may transfer cash from the information technology fund created in section 125.15 of the Revised Code, the MARCS administration fund created in section 4501.29 of the Revised Code, the enterprise applications fund created in division (B)(10) (B)(11) of this section, or the professions licensing system fund created in division (I) of this section to the major information technology purchases fund in an amount not to exceed the amount computed under division (B)(10) (B)(11) of this section. The major information technology purchases fund is hereby created in the state treasury.

(I) There is hereby created in the state treasury the professions licensing system fund. The fund shall be used to operate the electronic licensing system referenced in division (E) of this section.

(J) As used in this section:

(1) "Personal information" has the same meaning as in section 149.45 of the Revised Code.

(2) "State agency" means every organized body, office, or agency established by the laws of the state for the exercise of any function of state government, other than any state-supported institution of higher education, the office of the auditor of state, treasurer of state, secretary of state, or attorney general, the adjutant general's department, the bureau of workers' compensation, the industrial commission, the public employees retirement system, the Ohio police and fire pension fund, the state teachers retirement system, the school employees retirement...
Sec. 125.65. (A) As used in this section, "small business" has the same meaning as in section 107.63 of the Revised Code.

(B) The LeanOhio office in the department of administrative services shall establish and operate an entrepreneur in residence pilot program. The mission of the entrepreneur in residence pilot program is to provide for better outreach by state government to small businesses, to strengthen coordination and interaction between state government and small businesses, and to make state government programs and functions simpler, easier to access, more efficient, and more responsive to the needs of small businesses.

(C) Not later than the first day of the seventh month after the effective date of this section March 3, 2015, the LeanOhio office shall appoint not more than five entrepreneurs in residence from among individuals who are successful in their fields and shall make reasonable efforts to market the entrepreneur in residence program across the state and attract participation from entrepreneurs with various backgrounds, including female entrepreneurs, minority business enterprises as defined in section 122.71 of the Revised Code, and owners of EDGE business enterprises as defined in section 122.922 of the Revised Code. The LeanOhio office may give preference to individuals who have achieved quantifiable improvements using LeanOhio tools and strategies such as lean six sigma and individuals who have achieved a black belt or master black belt certification from the LeanOhio office or an equivalent certification from a private sector office or entity.

The appointment of an entrepreneur in residence is for one year.
The office shall monitor the work of entrepreneurs in residence during the pilot program.

An entrepreneur in residence serves at the pleasure of the LeanOhio office, and the office may discharge without cause an entrepreneur in residence.

(D) The duties of an entrepreneur in residence may include any or all of the following:

(1) Assisting the LeanOhio office in facilitating and developing the scope of lean process improvement events throughout state government;

(2) Assisting the LeanOhio office in holding follow-up meetings to ensure the improvements developed at lean process improvement events are implemented;

(3) Participating in strategic planning efforts for the LeanOhio office or other areas of state government;

(4) Assisting the LeanOhio office with presentations on opportunities for state government to become more efficient and effective;

(5) Facilitating meetings with businesses, state agencies, and local governments that may be affected by process improvements recommended by the LeanOhio office;

(6) Assisting the LeanOhio office in providing continuous improvement training to state employees.

(E) An entrepreneur in residence shall report directly to the LeanOhio office.

An entrepreneur in residence is not entitled to compensation or any reimbursement from the LeanOhio office for expenses the entrepreneur in residence incurs in discharge of the entrepreneur in residence's duties.

(F)(1) Not later than the date that is one year after an
entrepreneur in residence was appointed, the entrepreneur in
residence shall prepare a report about the entrepreneur's
experiences in the program. In the report, the entrepreneur in
residence shall make recommendations to the LeanOhio office that
further the mission of the entrepreneur in residence program. In
particular, the entrepreneur in residence shall make
recommendations regarding all of the following:

(a) Elimination of inefficient or duplicative programs or
functions of state government that affect small businesses;

(b) Methods of improving the efficiency of the programs or
functions of state government that affect small businesses;

(c) Any new program or function affecting small businesses
that should be established and implemented by state government;

(d) Any other matter that will further the mission of the
entrepreneur in residence pilot program.

The entrepreneur in residence shall provide a copy of the
report to the LeanOhio office.

(2) During or upon conclusion of the entrepreneur in
residence pilot program, the LeanOhio office may convene an
informal working group of entrepreneurs in residence to discuss
best practices, experiences, and opportunities for and obstacles
to operating small businesses as well as the recommendations in
the reports prepared by the entrepreneurs in residence.

(G) Upon conclusion of the entrepreneur in residence pilot
program, and after considering the reports of the entrepreneurs in
residence and information learned from any informal working group,
the LeanOhio office shall prepare a report on the entrepreneur in
residence pilot program. In the report, the office shall recommend
whether the entrepreneur in residence pilot program should be
repeated with or without modifications, made permanent with or
without modifications, or abandoned. The office shall append the
reports of the entrepreneurs in residence to its report. If the pilot program is repeated or made permanent, an individual who previously was assigned as an entrepreneur in residence shall not be reassigned as an entrepreneur in residence.

The LeanOhio office shall provide a copy of its report to the common sense initiative office. The common sense initiative office promptly shall transmit a copy of the report to the officials designated in the last paragraph of section 107.55 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 125.832. (A) The department of administrative services is granted exclusive authority over the acquisition and management of all motor vehicles used by state agencies. In carrying out this authority, the department shall do both of the following:

(1) Approve the purchase or lease of each motor vehicle for use by a state agency. The department shall decide if a motor vehicle shall be leased or purchased for that use.

Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(1) of this section, on and after July 1, 2005, each state agency shall acquire all passenger motor vehicles under the department's master leasing program. If the department determines that acquisition under that program is not the most economical method and if the department and the state agency acquiring the passenger motor vehicle can provide economic justification for doing so, the department may approve the purchase, rather than the lease, of a passenger motor vehicle for the acquiring state agency.

(2) Direct and approve all funds that are expended for the purchase, lease, repair, maintenance, registration, insuring, and other costs related to the possession and operation of motor vehicles for the use of state agencies.

(B) The director of administrative services shall establish
and operate a fleet management program. The director shall operate
the program for purposes including, but not limited to,
cost-effective acquisition, maintenance, management, analysis, and
disposal of all motor vehicles owned or leased by the state. All
state agencies shall comply with statewide fleet management
policies and procedures established by the director for the
program, including, but not limited to, motor vehicle assignments,
additions of motor vehicles to fleets or motor vehicle
replacements, motor vehicle fueling, and motor vehicle repairs.

(C) The director shall establish and maintain a fleet
reporting system and shall require state agencies to submit to the
department information relative to state motor vehicles, including
motor vehicles described in division (G)(2) of section 125.831 of
the Revised Code, to be used in operating the fleet management
program. State agencies shall provide to the department fleet data
and other information, including, but not limited to, mileage and
costs. The data and other information shall be submitted in
formats and in a manner determined by the department.

(D) All state agency purchases or leases of motor vehicles
are subject to the prior approval of the director under division
(A)(1) of this section.

(E) State agencies that utilize state motor vehicles or pay
mileage reimbursements to employees shall provide a fleet plan to
the department as directed by the department.

(F)(1) The fleets of state agencies that consist of one
hundred or less vehicles on July 1, 2004, shall be managed by the
department's fleet management program on a time schedule
determined by the department, unless the state agency has received
delegated authority as described in division (G) of this section.

(2) The fleets of state agencies that consist of greater than
one hundred motor vehicles, but less than five hundred motor
vehicles, on July 1, 2005, also shall be managed by the department's fleet management program on a time schedule determined by the department, unless the state agency has received delegated authority as described in division (G) of this section.

(G)(1) The department may delegate any or all of its duties regarding fleet management to a state agency, if the state agency demonstrates to the satisfaction of the department both of the following:

(a) Capabilities to institute and manage a fleet management program, including, but not limited to, the presence of a certified fleet manager;

(b) Fleet management performance, as demonstrated by fleet data and other information submitted pursuant to annual reporting requirements and any other criteria the department considers necessary in evaluating the performance.

(2) The department may determine that a state agency is not in compliance with this section and direct that the agency's fleet management duties be transferred to the department.

(H) The proceeds derived from the disposition of any motor vehicles under this section shall be paid to whichever of the following applies:

(1) The fund that originally provided moneys for the purchase or lease of the motor vehicles;

(2) If the motor vehicles were originally purchased with moneys derived from the general revenue fund, the proceeds shall be deposited, in the director's discretion, into the state treasury to the credit of either the fleet management fund created by section 125.83 of the Revised Code or the investment recovery fund created by section 125.14 of the Revised Code. Any such proceeds deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the investment recovery fund may be transferred from the investment
recovery fund to the fleet management fund.

(I)(1) The department shall create and maintain a certified fleet manager program.

(2) State agencies that have received delegated authority as described in division (G) of this section shall have a certified fleet manager.

(J) The department annually shall prepare and submit a statewide fleet report to the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the president of the senate. The report shall be submitted not later than the thirty-first day of January following the end of each fiscal year. It may include, but is not limited to, the numbers and types of motor vehicles, their mileage, miles per gallon, and cost per mile, mileage reimbursements, accident and insurance data, and information regarding compliance by state agencies having delegated authority under division (G) of this section with applicable fleet management requirements.

(K) The director shall adopt rules for implementing the fleet management program that are consistent with recognized best practices. The program shall be supported by reasonable fee charges for the services provided. The director shall collect these fees and deposit them into the state treasury to the credit for the fleet management fund created by section 125.83 of the Revised Code. The setting and collection of fees under this division is not subject to any restriction imposed by law upon the director's or the department's authority to set or collect fees.

(L) The director also shall adopt rules that prohibit, except in very limited circumstances, the exclusive assignment of state-owned, leased, or pooled motor vehicles to state employees and that prohibit the reimbursement under section 126.31 of the Revised Code of state employees who use their own motor vehicles.
for any mileage they incur above an amount that the department shall determine annually unless reimbursement for the excess mileage is approved by the department in accordance with standards for that approval the director shall establish in those rules. Beginning on September 26, 2003, no state-owned, leased, or pooled motor vehicle shall be personally assigned as any form of compensation or benefit of state employment, and no state-owned, leased, or pooled motor vehicle shall be assigned to an employee solely for commuting to and from home and work.

(M) The director shall do both of the following:

(1) Implement to the greatest extent possible the recommendations from the 2002 report entitled "Administrative Analysis of the Ohio Fleet Management Program" in connection with the authority granted to the department by this section;

(2) Attempt to reduce the number of passenger vehicles used by state agencies during the fiscal years ending on June 30, 2004, and June 30, 2005.

(N) Each state agency shall reimburse the department for all costs incurred in the assignment of motor vehicles to the state agency.

(O) The director shall do all of the following in managing the fleet management program:

(1) Determine how motor vehicles will be maintained, insured, operated, financed, and licensed;

(2) Pursuant to the formula in division (O)(3) of this section, annually establish the minimum number of business miles per year an employee of a state agency must drive in order to qualify for approval by the department to receive a motor vehicle for business use;

(3) Establish the minimum number of business miles per year for any employee of a state agency who is approved by the department to receive a motor vehicle for business use;
at an amount that results when the annual motor vehicle cost is divided by the amount that is the reimbursement rate per mile minus the amount that is the sum of the fuel cost, the operating cost, and the insurance cost. As used in this division:

(a) "Annual motor vehicle cost" means the price of a motor vehicle divided by the number of years an average motor vehicle is used.

(b) "Fuel cost" means the average price per gallon of motor fuel divided by the miles per gallon fuel efficiency of a motor vehicle.

(c) "Insurance cost" means the cost of insuring a motor vehicle per year divided by the number of miles an average motor vehicle is driven per year.

(d) "Operating cost" means the maintenance cost of a motor vehicle per year divided by the product resulting when the number of miles an average motor vehicle is driven per year is multiplied by the number of years an average motor vehicle is used.

(e) "Reimbursement rate per mile" means the reimbursement per mile rate for travel expenses as provided by rule of the director of budget and management adopted under division (B) of section 126.31 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 125.95. (A) There is hereby created within the department of administrative services the prescription drug transparency and affordability advisory council. The department shall provide administrative support to the advisory council as necessary for the advisory council to carry out its duties under this section.

(1) Members of the advisory council shall include the following:

(a) The director of administrative services, who shall serve
as the advisory council's chairperson;

(b) The director of health;
(c) The medicaid director;
(d) The director of mental health and addiction services;
(e) The administrator of workers' compensation.

(2) Members of the advisory council shall also include individuals who are working to address prescription drug availability and affordability in any of the following areas:

(a) Insurance;
(b) Local, state, and federal government service;
(c) Private industry;
(d) Organizations of faith;
(e) Health care providers;
(f) Consumer organizations;
(g) Prescription drug manufacturers;
(h) Prescription drug wholesale distributors;
(i) Pharmacists;
(j) Business organizations;
(k) Individuals concerned about mental health or substance abuse matters;
(l) Advocates for individuals struggling to afford prescription drugs.

The governor, the senate president, and the speaker of the house of representatives shall each appoint three members, each of whom represents at least one of the categories listed in divisions (A)(2)(a) to (l) of this section.

(B) Members shall serve without compensation. Initial
appointments shall be made not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section. Vacancies shall be filled in the manner provided for original appointments.

(C) Not later than six months after the date of initial appointments under division (B) of this section, the advisory council shall submit a report to the governor, the general assembly, and the chairperson of the joint medicaid oversight committee in accordance with section 101.68 of the Revised Code. The report shall include recommendations on all of the following:

(1) How this state can best achieve prescription drug price transparency;

(2) New payment models or other avenues to create the most affordable environment for purchasing prescription drugs;

(3) Leveraging this state's purchasing power across all state agencies, boards, commissions, and similar entities;

(4) Creating efficiencies across different health care systems, such as hospitals, the criminal justice system, treatment and recovery support programs, and employer-sponsored health insurance, to reduce duplicative service delivery across these systems, ensure that patients receive high quality and affordable prescription drugs, and support quality care and outcomes;

(5) Which critical outcomes can be measured and used to improve this state's system of purchasing affordable prescribed drugs;

(6) How federal, state, and local resources are being used to optimize these outcomes and identify where the resources can be better coordinated or redirected to meet the needs of consumers in this state.

(D) State agencies, boards, commissions, and similar entities shall cooperate with and provide assistance to the advisory
council as necessary for the advisory council to carry out its duties under this section.

(E) Upon completion of the report described in division (C) of this section, the advisory council shall meet not less than quarterly at the call of its chairperson to provide assistance and guidance relating to the recommendations in the report.

Sec. 126.37. (A) The director of budget and management shall void any warrant the director draws on the state treasury pursuant to Chapter 5733, or 5747, of the Revised Code that is not presented for payment to the treasurer of state within two years after the date of issuance and shall void any other warrant the director draws on the state treasury that is not presented for payment to the treasurer of state within ninety days after the date of issuance.

(B) If a warrant voided pursuant to division (A) of this section was drawn against an appropriation of the current fiscal year and the holder of the voided warrant presents the warrant for reissuance, in the same fiscal year, to the state agency that made the payment originally, the agency shall prepare a voucher for the holder of the voided warrant, in the amount shown on the warrant that has been voided, against the same appropriation of the same fiscal year if the agency is satisfied that payment is proper.

(C) If a warrant was drawn against an appropriation of the first fiscal year of the fiscal biennium and voided pursuant to division (A) of this section in either fiscal year of the biennium and if the holder of the voided warrant presents the warrant for reissuance, in the second fiscal year of the biennium, to the state agency that made the payment originally, the agency shall prepare a voucher for the holder of the voided warrant, in the amount shown on the warrant that has been voided, against funds transferred to the agency by the director pursuant to section
131.33 of the Revised Code, if the agency is satisfied that payment is proper. If no such funds are available for transfer, the agency shall prepare the voucher against any unexpended appropriations of the current fiscal year available to it.

(D) If a warrant was drawn against an appropriation and, during the same biennium, was voided pursuant to division (A) of this section, and if, after that biennium, the holder of the voided warrant presents the warrant for reissuance to the state agency that made the payment originally, the agency shall prepare a voucher for the holder of the voided warrant, in the amount shown on the warrant that has been voided, against any appropriation of the current fiscal year made to the agency if the agency is satisfied that payment is proper.

(E) If a warrant voided pursuant to division (A) of this section was drawn against an appropriation of a previous fiscal year and voided after that fiscal biennium and if the holder of the voided warrant presents the warrant for reissuance to the state agency that made the payment originally, the agency shall forward the warrant to the director with a request for reissuance. The director shall make payment to the holder of the voided warrant, in the amount shown on the warrant that has been voided, against an appropriation of the current fiscal year made to the director for the reissuance of voided warrants, if the director is satisfied that reissuance of the warrant is proper.

Sec. 128.55. (A)(1) The tax commissioner, not later than the last day of each month, shall disburse moneys from the wireless 9-1-1 government assistance fund, plus any accrued interest on the fund, to each county treasurer.

(a) If there are sufficient funds in the wireless 9-1-1 government assistance fund, each county treasurer shall receive the same amount proportion distributed to that county by the
(b) If the funds available are insufficient to make the
distributions as provided in division (A)(1)(a) of this section,
each county's share shall be reduced in proportion to the amounts
received in the corresponding calendar month in 2013, until the
total amount to be distributed to the counties is equivalent to
the amount available in the wireless 9-1-1 government assistance
fund of the previous year. Any shortfall in distributions
resulting from insufficient the timing of funds from received in a
previous month shall be remedied distributed in the following
month.

(2) The tax commissioner shall disburse moneys from the next
generation 9-1-1 fund in accordance with the guidelines
established under section 128.022 of the Revised Code.

(B) Immediately upon receipt by a county treasurer of a
disbursement under division (A) of this section, the county shall
disburse, in accordance with the allocation formula set forth in
the final plan, the amount the county so received to any other
subdivisions in the county and any regional councils of
governments in the county that pay the costs of a public safety
answering point providing wireless enhanced 9-1-1 under the plan.

(C) Nothing in this chapter affects the authority of a
subdivision operating or served by a public safety answering point
of a 9-1-1 system or a regional council of governments operating a
public safety answering point of a 9-1-1 system to use, as
provided in the final plan for the system or in an agreement under
section 128.09 of the Revised Code, any other authorized revenue
of the subdivision or the regional council of governments for the
purposes of providing basic or enhanced 9-1-1.
the budget stabilization fund. All investment earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund. It is the intent of the general assembly to maintain an amount of money in the budget stabilization fund that amounts to approximately eight and one-half per cent of the general revenue fund revenues for the preceding fiscal year. The governor shall include in the state budget the governor submits to the general assembly under section 107.03 of the Revised Code proposals for transfers between the general revenue fund and the budget stabilization fund for the ensuing fiscal biennium. The balance in the fund may be combined with the balance in the general revenue fund for purposes of cash management.

Sec. 133.06. (A) A school district shall not incur, without a vote of the electors, net indebtedness that exceeds an amount equal to one-tenth of one per cent of its tax valuation, except as provided in divisions (G) and (H) of this section and in division (D) of section 3313.372 of the Revised Code, or as prescribed in section 3318.052 or 3318.44 of the Revised Code, or as provided in division (J) of this section.

(B) Except as provided in divisions (E), (F), and (I) of this section, a school district shall not incur net indebtedness that exceeds an amount equal to nine per cent of its tax valuation.

(C) A school district shall not submit to a vote of the electors the question of the issuance of securities in an amount that will make the district's net indebtedness after the issuance of the securities exceed an amount equal to four per cent of its tax valuation, unless the superintendent of public instruction, acting under policies adopted by the state board of education, and the tax commissioner, acting under written policies of the commissioner, consent to the submission. A request for the consents shall be made at least one hundred twenty days prior to
the election at which the question is to be submitted.  

The superintendent of public instruction shall certify to the district the superintendent's and the tax commissioner's decisions within thirty days after receipt of the request for consents.  

If the electors do not approve the issuance of securities at the election for which the superintendent of public instruction and tax commissioner consented to the submission of the question, the school district may submit the same question to the electors on the date that the next special election may be held under section 3501.01 of the Revised Code without submitting a new request for consent. If the school district seeks to submit the same question at any other subsequent election, the district shall first submit a new request for consent in accordance with this division.  

(D) In calculating the net indebtedness of a school district, none of the following shall be considered:  

(1) Securities issued to acquire school buses and other equipment used in transporting pupils or issued pursuant to division (D) of section 133.10 of the Revised Code;  

(2) Securities issued under division (F) of this section and, to the extent in excess of the limitation stated in division (B) of this section, under division (E) of this section;  

(3) Indebtedness resulting from the dissolution of a joint vocational school district under section 3311.217 of the Revised Code, evidenced by outstanding securities of that joint vocational school district;  

(4) Loans, evidenced by any securities, received under sections 3313.483, 3317.0210, and 3317.0211 of the Revised Code;  

(5) Debt incurred under section 3313.374 of the Revised Code;  

(6) Debt incurred pursuant to division (B)(5) of section
3313.37 of the Revised Code to acquire computers and related hardware;

(7) Debt incurred under section 3318.042 of the Revised Code;

(8) Debt incurred under section 5705.2112 or 5705.2113 of the Revised Code by the fiscal board of a qualifying partnership of which the school district is a participating school district.

(E) A school district may become a special needs district as to certain securities as provided in division (E) of this section.

(1) A board of education, by resolution, may declare its school district to be a special needs district by determining both of the following:

(a) The student population is not being adequately serviced by the existing permanent improvements of the district.

(b) The district cannot obtain sufficient funds by the issuance of securities within the limitation of division (B) of this section to provide additional or improved needed permanent improvements in time to meet the needs.

(2) The board of education shall certify a copy of that resolution to the superintendent of public instruction with a statistical report showing all of the following:

(a) The history of and a projection of the growth of the tax valuation;

(b) The projected needs;

(c) The estimated cost of permanent improvements proposed to meet such projected needs.

(3) The superintendent of public instruction shall certify the district as an approved special needs district if the superintendent finds both of the following:

(a) The district does not have available sufficient
additional funds from state or federal sources to meet the
projected needs.

(b) The projection of the potential average growth of tax
valuation during the next five years, according to the information
certified to the superintendent and any other information the
superintendent obtains, indicates a likelihood of potential
average growth of tax valuation of the district during the next
five years of an average of not less than one and one-half per
cent per year. The findings and certification of the
superintendent shall be conclusive.

(4) An approved special needs district may incur net
indebtedness by the issuance of securities in accordance with the
provisions of this chapter in an amount that does not exceed an
amount equal to the greater of the following:

(a) Twelve per cent of the sum of its tax valuation plus an
amount that is the product of multiplying that tax valuation by
the percentage by which the tax valuation has increased over the
tax valuation on the first day of the sixtieth month preceding the
month in which its board determines to submit to the electors the
question of issuing the proposed securities;

(b) Twelve per cent of the sum of its tax valuation plus an
amount that is the product of multiplying that tax valuation by
the percentage, determined by the superintendent of public
instruction, by which that tax valuation is projected to increase
during the next ten years.

(F) A school district may issue securities for emergency
purposes, in a principal amount that does not exceed an amount
equal to three per cent of its tax valuation, as provided in this
division.

(1) A board of education, by resolution, may declare an
emergency if it determines both of the following:
(a) School buildings or other necessary school facilities in the district have been wholly or partially destroyed, or condemned by a constituted public authority, or that such buildings or facilities are partially constructed, or so constructed or planned as to require additions and improvements to them before the buildings or facilities are usable for their intended purpose, or that corrections to permanent improvements are necessary to remove or prevent health or safety hazards.

(b) Existing fiscal and net indebtedness limitations make adequate replacement, additions, or improvements impossible.

(2) Upon the declaration of an emergency, the board of education may, by resolution, submit to the electors of the district pursuant to section 133.18 of the Revised Code the question of issuing securities for the purpose of paying the cost, in excess of any insurance or condemnation proceeds received by the district, of permanent improvements to respond to the emergency need.

(3) The procedures for the election shall be as provided in section 133.18 of the Revised Code, except that:

(a) The form of the ballot shall describe the emergency existing, refer to this division as the authority under which the emergency is declared, and state that the amount of the proposed securities exceeds the limitations prescribed by division (B) of this section;

(b) The resolution required by division (B) of section 133.18 of the Revised Code shall be certified to the county auditor and the board of elections at least one hundred days prior to the election;

(c) The county auditor shall advise and, not later than ninety-five days before the election, confirm that advice by certification to, the board of education of the information
required by division (C) of section 133.18 of the Revised Code;

(d) The board of education shall then certify its resolution and the information required by division (D) of section 133.18 of the Revised Code to the board of elections not less than ninety days prior to the election.

(4) Notwithstanding division (B) of section 133.21 of the Revised Code, the first principal payment of securities issued under this division may be set at any date not later than sixty months after the earliest possible principal payment otherwise provided for in that division.

(G)(1) The board of education may contract with an architect, professional engineer, or other person experienced in the design and implementation of energy conservation measures for an analysis and recommendations pertaining to installations, modifications of installations, or remodeling that would significantly reduce energy consumption in buildings owned by the district. The report shall include estimates of all costs of such installations, modifications, or remodeling, including costs of design, engineering, installation, maintenance, repairs, measurement and verification of energy savings, and debt service, forgone residual value of materials or equipment replaced by the energy conservation measure, as defined by the Ohio facilities construction commission, a baseline analysis of actual energy consumption data for the preceding three years with the utility baseline based on only the actual energy consumption data for the preceding twelve months, and estimates of the amounts by which energy consumption and resultant operational and maintenance costs, as defined by the commission, would be reduced.

If the board finds after receiving the report that the amount of money the district would spend on such installations, modifications, or remodeling is not likely to exceed the amount of money it would save in energy and resultant operational and
maintenance costs over the ensuing fifteen years, the board may submit to the commission a copy of its findings and a request for approval to incur indebtedness to finance the making or modification of installations or the remodeling of buildings for the purpose of significantly reducing energy consumption.

The facilities construction commission, in consultation with the auditor of state, may deny a request under division (G)(1) of this section by the board of education of any school district that is in a state of fiscal watch pursuant to division (A) of section 3316.03 of the Revised Code, if it determines that the expenditure of funds is not in the best interest of the school district.

No district board of education of a school district that is in a state of fiscal emergency pursuant to division (B) of section 3316.03 of the Revised Code shall submit a request without submitting evidence that the installations, modifications, or remodeling have been approved by the district's financial planning and supervision commission established under section 3316.05 of the Revised Code.

No board of education of a school district for which an academic distress commission has been established under section 3302.10 of the Revised Code shall submit a request without first receiving approval to incur indebtedness from the district's academic distress commission established under that section, for so long as such commission continues to be required for the district.

(2) The board of education may contract with a person experienced in the implementation of student transportation to produce a report that includes an analysis of and recommendations for the use of alternative fuel vehicles by school districts. The report shall include cost estimates detailing the return on investment over the life of the alternative fuel vehicles and environmental impact of alternative fuel vehicles. The report also
shall include estimates of all costs associated with alternative fuel transportation, including facility modifications and vehicle purchase costs or conversion costs.

If the board finds after receiving the report that the amount of money the district would spend on purchasing alternative fuel vehicles or vehicle conversion is not likely to exceed the amount of money it would save in fuel and resultant operational and maintenance costs over the ensuing five years, the board may submit to the commission a copy of its findings and a request for approval to incur indebtedness to finance the purchase of new alternative fuel vehicles or vehicle conversions for the purpose of reducing fuel costs.

The facilities construction commission, in consultation with the auditor of state, may deny a request under division (G)(2) of this section by the board of education of any school district that is in a state of fiscal watch pursuant to division (A) of section 3316.03 of the Revised Code, if it determines that the expenditure of funds is not in the best interest of the school district.

No district board of education of a school district that is in a state of fiscal emergency pursuant to division (B) of section 3316.03 of the Revised Code shall submit a request without submitting evidence that the purchase or conversion of alternative fuel vehicles has been approved by the district's financial planning and supervision commission established under section 3316.05 of the Revised Code.

No board of education of a school district for which an academic distress commission has been established under section 3302.10 of the Revised Code shall submit a request without first receiving approval to incur indebtedness from the district's academic distress commission established under that section, for so long as such commission continues to be required for the district.
(3) The facilities construction commission shall approve the board's request provided that the following conditions are satisfied:

(a) The commission determines that the board's findings are reasonable.

(b) The request for approval is complete.

(c) If the request was submitted under division (G)(1) of this section, the installations, modifications, or remodeling are consistent with any project to construct or acquire classroom facilities, or to reconstruct or make additions to existing classroom facilities under sections 3318.01 to 3318.20 or sections 3318.40 to 3318.45 of the Revised Code.

Upon receipt of the commission's approval, the district may issue securities without a vote of the electors in a principal amount not to exceed nine-tenths of one per cent of its tax valuation for the purpose specified in division (G)(1) or (2) of this section, but the total net indebtedness of the district without a vote of the electors incurred under this and all other sections of the Revised Code, except section 3318.052 of the Revised Code, shall not exceed one per cent of the district's tax valuation.

(4)(a) So long as any securities issued under division (G)(1) of this section remain outstanding, the board of education shall monitor the energy consumption and resultant operational and maintenance costs of buildings in which installations or modifications have been made or remodeling has been done pursuant to that division. Except as provided in division (G)(4)(b) of this section, the board shall maintain and annually update a report in a form and manner prescribed by the facilities construction commission documenting the reductions in energy consumption and resultant operational and maintenance cost savings attributable to...
such installations, modifications, or remodeling. The resultant
operational and maintenance cost savings shall be certified by the
school district treasurer. The report shall be submitted annually
to the commission.

(b) If the facilities construction commission verifies that
the certified annual reports submitted to the commission by a
board of education under division (G)(4)(a) of this section
fulfill the guarantee required under division (B) of section
3313.372 of the Revised Code for three consecutive years, the
board of education shall no longer be subject to the annual
reporting requirements of division (G)(4)(a) of this section.

(5) So long as any securities issued under division (G)(2) of
this section remain outstanding, the board of education shall
monitor the purchase of new alternative fuel vehicles or vehicle
conversions pursuant to that division. The board shall maintain
and annually update a report in a form and manner prescribed by
the facilities construction commission documenting the purchase of
new alternative fuel vehicles or vehicle conversions, the
associated environmental impact, and return on investment. The
resultant fuel and operational and maintenance cost savings shall
be certified by the school district treasurer. The report shall be
submitted annually to the commission.

(H) With the consent of the superintendent of public
instruction, a school district may incur without a vote of the
electors net indebtedness that exceeds the amounts stated in
divisions (A) and (G) of this section for the purpose of paying
costs of permanent improvements, if and to the extent that both of
the following conditions are satisfied:

(1) The fiscal officer of the school district estimates that
receipts of the school district from payments made under or
pursuant to agreements entered into pursuant to section 725.02,
1728.10, 3735.671, 5709.081, 5709.082, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45,
5709.57, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632, 5709.73, 5709.78, or 5709.82 of the Revised Code, or distributions under division (C) of section 5709.43 or division (B) of section 5709.47 of the Revised Code, or any combination thereof, are, after accounting for any appropriate coverage requirements, sufficient in time and amount, and are committed by the proceedings, to pay the debt charges on the securities issued to evidence that indebtedness and payable from those receipts, and the taxing authority of the district confirms the fiscal officer's estimate, which confirmation is approved by the superintendent of public instruction;

(2) The fiscal officer of the school district certifies, and the taxing authority of the district confirms, that the district, at the time of the certification and confirmation, reasonably expects to have sufficient revenue available for the purpose of operating such permanent improvements for their intended purpose upon acquisition or completion thereof, and the superintendent of public instruction approves the taxing authority's confirmation.

The maximum maturity of securities issued under division (H) of this section shall be the lesser of twenty years or the maximum maturity calculated under section 133.20 of the Revised Code.

(I) A school district may incur net indebtedness by the issuance of securities in accordance with the provisions of this chapter in excess of the limit specified in division (B) or (C) of this section when necessary to raise the school district portion of the basic project cost and any additional funds necessary to participate in a project under Chapter 3318. of the Revised Code, including the cost of items designated by the facilities construction commission as required locally funded initiatives, the cost of other locally funded initiatives in an amount that does not exceed fifty per cent of the district's portion of the basic project cost, and the cost for site acquisition. The commission A school district shall notify the superintendent of
public instruction whenever a school district will exceed either limit pursuant to this division.

(J) A school district whose portion of the basic project cost of its classroom facilities project under sections 3318.01 to 3318.20 of the Revised Code is greater than or equal to one hundred million dollars may incur without a vote of the electors net indebtedness in an amount up to two per cent of its tax valuation through the issuance of general obligation securities in order to generate all or part of the amount of its portion of the basic project cost if the controlling board has approved the facilities construction commission's conditional approval of the project under section 3318.04 of the Revised Code. The school district board and the Ohio facilities construction commission shall include the dedication of the proceeds of such securities in the agreement entered into under section 3318.08 of the Revised Code. No state moneys shall be released for a project to which this section applies until the proceeds of any bonds issued under this section that are dedicated for the payment of the school district portion of the project are first deposited into the school district's project construction fund.

Sec. 149.311. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Historic building" means a building, including its structural components, that is located in this state and that is either individually listed on the national register of historic places under 16 U.S.C. 470a, located in a registered historic district, and certified by the state historic preservation officer as being of historic significance to the district, or is individually listed as an historic landmark designated by a local government certified under 16 U.S.C. 470a(c).

(2) "Qualified rehabilitation expenditures" means expenditures paid or incurred during the rehabilitation period,
and before and after that period as determined under 26 U.S.C. 47, by an owner or qualified lessee of an historic building to rehabilitate the building. "Qualified rehabilitation expenditures" includes architectural or engineering fees paid or incurred in connection with the rehabilitation, and expenses incurred in the preparation of nomination forms for listing on the national register of historic places. "Qualified rehabilitation expenditures" does not include any of the following:

(a) The cost of acquiring, expanding, or enlarging an historic building;

(b) Expenditures attributable to work done to facilities related to the building, such as parking lots, sidewalks, and landscaping;

(c) New building construction costs.

(3) "Owner" of an historic building means a person holding the fee simple interest in the building. "Owner" does not include the state or a state agency, or any political subdivision as defined in section 9.23 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Qualified lessee" means a person subject to a lease agreement for an historic building and eligible for the federal rehabilitation tax credit under 26 U.S.C. 47. "Qualified lessee" does not include the state or a state agency or political subdivision as defined in section 9.23 of the Revised Code.

(5) "Certificate owner" means the owner or qualified lessee of an historic building to which a rehabilitation tax credit certificate was issued under this section.

(6) "Registered historic district" means an historic district listed in the national register of historic places under 16 U.S.C. 470a, an historic district designated by a local government certified under 16 U.S.C. 470a(c), or a local historic district certified under 36 C.F.R. 67.8 and 67.9.
(7) "Rehabilitation" means the process of repairing or altering an historic building or buildings, making possible an efficient use while preserving those portions and features of the building and its site and environment that are significant to its historic, architectural, and cultural values.

(8) "Rehabilitation period" means one of the following:

(a) If the rehabilitation initially was not planned to be completed in stages, a period chosen by the owner or qualified lessee not to exceed twenty-four months during which rehabilitation occurs;

(b) If the rehabilitation initially was planned to be completed in stages, a period chosen by the owner or qualified lessee not to exceed sixty months during which rehabilitation occurs. Each stage shall be reviewed as a phase of a rehabilitation as determined under 26 C.F.R. 1.48-12 or a successor to that section.

(9) "State historic preservation officer" or "officer" means the state historic preservation officer appointed by the governor under 16 U.S.C. 470a.

(10) "Catalytic project" means the rehabilitation of an historic building, the rehabilitation of which will foster economic development within two thousand five hundred feet of the historic building.

(B) The owner or qualified lessee of an historic building may apply to the director of development services for a rehabilitation tax credit certificate for qualified rehabilitation expenditures paid or incurred by such owner or qualified lessee after April 4, 2007, for rehabilitation of an historic building. If the owner of an historic building enters a pass-through agreement with a qualified lessee for the purposes of the federal rehabilitation tax credit under 26 U.S.C. 47, the qualified rehabilitation
expenditures paid or incurred by the owner after April 4, 2007, may be attributed to the qualified lessee.

The form and manner of filing such applications shall be prescribed by rule of the director. Each application shall state the amount of qualified rehabilitation expenditures the applicant estimates will be paid or incurred. The director may require applicants to furnish documentation of such estimates.

The director, after consultation with the tax commissioner and in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall adopt rules that establish all of the following:

1. Forms and procedures by which applicants may apply for rehabilitation tax credit certificates;

2. Criteria for reviewing, evaluating, and approving applications for certificates within the limitations under division (D) of this section, criteria for assuring that the certificates issued encompass a mixture of high and low qualified rehabilitation expenditures, and criteria for issuing certificates under division (C)(3)(b) of this section;

3. Eligibility requirements for obtaining a certificate under this section;

4. The form of rehabilitation tax credit certificates;

5. Reporting requirements and monitoring procedures;

6. Procedures and criteria for conducting cost-benefit analyses of historic buildings that are the subjects of applications filed under this section. The purpose of a cost-benefit analysis shall be to determine whether rehabilitation of the historic building will result in a net revenue gain in state and local taxes once the building is used.

7. Any other rules necessary to implement and administer this section.
(C) The director of development services shall review the applications with the assistance of the state historic preservation officer and determine whether all of the following criteria are met:

(1) That the building that is the subject of the application is an historic building and the applicant is the owner or qualified lessee of the building;

(2) That the rehabilitation will satisfy standards prescribed by the United States secretary of the interior under 16 U.S.C. 470, et seq., as amended, and 36 C.F.R. 67.7 or a successor to that section;

(3) That receiving a rehabilitation tax credit certificate under this section is a major factor in:

(a) The applicant's decision to rehabilitate the historic building; or

(b) To increase the level of investment in such rehabilitation.

An applicant shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the state historic preservation officer and director of development services that the rehabilitation will satisfy the standards described in division (C)(2) of this section before the applicant begins the physical rehabilitation of the historic building.

(D)(1) If the director of development services determines that an application meets the criteria in divisions (C)(1), (2), and (3) of this section, the director shall conduct a cost-benefit analysis for the historic building that is the subject of the application to determine whether rehabilitation of the historic building will result in a net revenue gain in state and local taxes once the building is used. The director shall consider the results of the cost-benefit analysis in determining whether to approve the application. The director shall also consider the
potential economic impact and the regional distributive balance of
the credits throughout the state. The director may approve an
application only after completion of the cost-benefit analysis.

(2) A rehabilitation tax credit certificate shall not be
issued for an amount greater than the estimated amount furnished
by the applicant on the application for such certificate and
approved by the director. The director shall not approve more than
a total of sixty million dollars of rehabilitation tax credits per
fiscal year but the director may reallocate unused tax credits
from a prior fiscal year for new applicants and such reallocated
credits shall not apply toward the dollar limit of this division.

(3) For rehabilitations with a rehabilitation period not
exceeding twenty-four months as provided in division (A)(8)(a) of
this section, a rehabilitation tax credit certificate shall not be
issued before the rehabilitation of the historic building is
completed.

(4) For rehabilitations with a rehabilitation period not
exceeding sixty months as provided in division (A)(8)(b) of this
section, a rehabilitation tax credit certificate shall not be
issued before a stage of rehabilitation is completed. After all
stages of rehabilitation are completed, if the director cannot
determine that the criteria in division (C) of this section are
satisfied for all stages of rehabilitations, the director shall
certify this finding to the tax commissioner, and any
rehabilitation tax credits received by the applicant shall be
repaid by the applicant and may be collected by assessment as
unpaid tax by the commissioner.

(5) The director of development services shall require the
applicant to provide a third-party cost certification by a
certified public accountant of the actual costs attributed to the
rehabilitation of the historic building when qualified
rehabilitation expenditures exceed two hundred thousand dollars.
If an applicant whose application is approved for receipt of a rehabilitation tax credit certificate fails to provide to the director sufficient evidence of reviewable progress, including a viable financial plan, copies of final construction drawings, and evidence that the applicant has obtained all historic approvals within twelve months after the date the applicant received notification of approval, and if the applicant fails to provide evidence to the director that the applicant has secured and closed on financing for the rehabilitation within eighteen months after receiving notification of approval, the director may rescind the approval of the application. The director shall notify the applicant if the approval has been rescinded. Credits that would have been available to an applicant whose approval was rescinded shall be available for other qualified applicants. Nothing in this division prohibits an applicant whose approval has been rescinded from submitting a new application for a rehabilitation tax credit certificate.

(6) The director of development services may approve the application of, and issue a rehabilitation tax credit certificate to, the owner of a catalytic project, provided the application otherwise meets the criteria described in divisions (C) and (D) of this section. The director may not approve more than one application for a rehabilitation tax credit certificate under division (D)(6) of this section during each state fiscal biennium. The director shall not approve an application for a rehabilitation tax credit certificate under division (D)(6) of this section during the state fiscal biennium beginning July 1, 2017, or during any state fiscal biennium thereafter. The director shall consider the following criteria in determining whether to approve an application for a certificate under division (D)(6) of this section:

(a) Whether the historic building is a catalytic project;
(b) The effect issuance of the certificate would have on the availability of credits for other applicants that qualify for a credit certificate within the credit dollar limit described in division (D)(2) of this section;

(c) The number of jobs, if any, the catalytic project will create.

(7)(a) The owner or qualified lessee of a historic building may apply for a rehabilitation tax credit certificate under both divisions (B) and (D)(6) of this section. In such a case, the director of development services shall consider each application at the time the application is submitted.

(b) The director of development services shall not issue more than one certificate under this section with respect to the same qualified rehabilitation expenditures.

(E) Issuance of a certificate represents a finding by the director of development services of the matters described in divisions (C)(1), (2), and (3) of this section only; issuance of a certificate does not represent a verification or certification by the director of the amount of qualified rehabilitation expenditures for which a tax credit may be claimed under section 5725.151, 5725.34, 5726.52, 5729.17, 5733.47, or 5747.76 of the Revised Code. The amount of qualified rehabilitation expenditures for which a tax credit may be claimed is subject to inspection and examination by the tax commissioner or employees of the commissioner under section 5703.19 of the Revised Code and any other applicable law. Upon the issuance of a certificate, the director shall certify to the tax commissioner, in the form and manner requested by the tax commissioner, the name of the applicant, the amount of qualified rehabilitation expenditures shown on the certificate, and any other information required by the rules adopted under this section.
(F)(1) On or before the first day of August each year, the director of development services and tax commissioner jointly shall submit to the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives a report on the tax credit program established under this section and sections 5725.151, 5725.34, 5726.52, 5729.17, 5733.47, and 5747.76 of the Revised Code. The report shall present an overview of the program and shall include information on the number of rehabilitation tax credit certificates issued under this section during the preceding fiscal year, an update on the status of each historic building for which an application was approved under this section, the dollar amount of the tax credits granted under sections 5725.151, 5725.34, 5726.52, 5729.17, 5733.47, and 5747.76 of the Revised Code, and any other information the director and commissioner consider relevant to the topics addressed in the report.

(2) On or before December 1, 2015, the director of development services and tax commissioner jointly shall submit to the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives a comprehensive report that includes the information required by division (F)(1) of this section and a detailed analysis of the effectiveness of issuing tax credits for rehabilitating historic buildings. The report shall be prepared with the assistance of an economic research organization jointly chosen by the director and commissioner.

(G) There is hereby created in the state treasury the historic rehabilitation tax credit operating fund. The director of development services is authorized to charge reasonable application and other fees in connection with the administration of tax credits authorized by this section and sections 5725.151, 5725.34, 5726.52, 5729.17, 5733.47, and 5747.76 of the Revised Code. Any such fees collected shall be credited to the fund and used to pay reasonable costs incurred by the department of
development services in administering this section and sections 5725.151, 5725.34, 5726.52, 5729.17, 5733.47, and 5747.76 of the Revised Code.

The Ohio historic preservation office is authorized to charge reasonable fees in connection with its review and approval of applications under this section. Any such fees collected shall be credited to the fund and used to pay administrative costs incurred by the Ohio historic preservation office pursuant to this section.

(H) Notwithstanding sections 5725.151, 5725.34, 5726.52, 5729.17, 5733.47, and 5747.76 of the Revised Code, the certificate owner of a tax credit certificate issued under division (D)(6) of this section may claim a tax credit equal to twenty-five per cent of the dollar amount indicated on the certificate for a total credit of not more than twenty-five million dollars. The credit claimed by such a certificate owner for any calendar year, tax year, or taxable year under section 5725.151, 5725.34, 5726.52, 5729.17, 5733.47, or 5747.76 of the Revised Code shall not exceed five million dollars. If the certificate owner is eligible for more than five million dollars in total credits, the certificate owner may carry forward the balance of the credit in excess of the amount claimed for that year for not more than five ensuing calendar years, tax years, or taxable years. If the credit claimed in any calendar year, tax year, or taxable year exceeds the tax otherwise due, the excess shall be refunded to the taxpayer.

(I) The director of development services, in consultation with the director of budget and management, shall develop and adopt a system of tracking any information necessary to anticipate the impact of credits issued under this section on tax revenues for current and future fiscal years. Such information may include the number of applications approved, the estimated rehabilitation expenditures and rehabilitation period associated with such applications, the number and amount of tax credit certificates
issued, and any other information the director of budget and
management requires for the purposes of this division.

Sec. 149.434. (A) Each public office or person responsible
for public records shall maintain a database or a list that
includes the name and date of birth of all public officials and
employees elected to or employed by that public office. The
database or list is a public record and shall be made available
upon a request made pursuant to section 149.43 of the Revised
Code.

(B) As used in this section:

(1) "Employee" has the same meaning as in section 9.40 of the
Revised Code.

(2) "Public official" has the same meaning as in section
117.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Public record" has the same meaning as in section 149.43
of the Revised Code.

Sec. 155.011. The owner of any tract of land in which the
state has retained the gas, oil, coal, and other mineral rights
and right of entry may acquire such rights by purchase from the
state. Such owner desiring to purchase such rights shall make
application to the director of administrative services. This
application shall be in such manner and form and shall contain
such information as prescribed by the director. The said
application shall have a deposit of a sum sufficient to pay the
appraisal fees together with evidence of title to the land in
which the applicant desires to purchase the mineral rights affixed
thereto.

Upon receipt of the application, evidence of title, and the
deposit, the director shall cause the mineral rights to be
appraised by three disinterested persons. The director shall
determine the fee that each appraiser shall receive. All appraisal fees shall be paid from the deposit posted by the applicant. If the deposit exceeds the appraisal fees the balance shall be returned to the applicant.

The appraisal value when approved by the director of administrative services shall constitute the purchase price. The director shall notify the applicant of the purchase price by certified or registered mail. Upon receipt of the purchase price by the director of administrative services, the auditor of state director shall prepare, with the assistance of the attorney general, a deed which shall be executed by the governor, countersigned by the secretary of state, recorded in the office of the auditor of state director of administrative services, and delivered to the purchaser; provided, that if the purchase price has not been received within ninety days after notice of the purchase price was delivered to the applicant, the purchase price shall no longer be valid and a new application shall be instituted, a new deposit tendered, and a new appraisal had on the mineral rights.

If the applicant fails to purchase the mineral rights within one year from the date of the initial application instituted by such applicant, a purchase by such applicant may be had only upon a determination by the director of administrative services that such sale would be in the best interests of the state.

Any deed of conveyance issued under authority of this section shall be subject to existing easements, rights-of-way, and legal highways.

Net sale proceeds shall be credited to the general revenue fund except when the rights disposed of were entrusted to the state for school or religious purposes.

Sec. 166.01. As used in this chapter:
(A) "Allowable costs" means all or part of the costs of project facilities, eligible projects, eligible innovation projects, eligible research and development projects, eligible advanced energy projects, or eligible logistics and distribution projects, including costs of acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, rehabilitating, renovating, enlarging, improving, equipping, or furnishing project facilities, eligible projects, eligible innovation projects, eligible research and development projects, eligible advanced energy projects, or eligible logistics and distribution projects, site clearance and preparation, supplementing and relocating public capital improvements or utility facilities, designs, plans, specifications, surveys, studies, and estimates of costs, expenses necessary or incident to determining the feasibility or practicability of assisting an eligible project, an eligible innovation project, an eligible research and development project, an eligible advanced energy project, or an eligible logistics and distribution project, architectural, engineering, and legal services fees and expenses, the costs of conducting any other activities as part of a voluntary action, and such other expenses as may be necessary or incidental to the establishment or development of an eligible project, an eligible innovation project, an eligible research and development project, an eligible advanced energy project, or an eligible logistics and distribution project, and reimbursement of moneys advanced or applied by any governmental agency or other person for allowable costs.

(B) "Allowable innovation costs" includes allowable costs of eligible innovation projects and, in addition, includes the costs of research and development of eligible innovation projects;
obtaining or creating any requisite software or computer hardware related to an eligible innovation project or the products or services associated therewith; testing (including, without limitation, quality control activities necessary for initial production), perfecting, and marketing of such products and services; creating and protecting intellectual property related to an eligible innovation project or any products or services related thereto, including costs of securing appropriate patent, trademark, trade secret, trade dress, copyright, or other form of intellectual property protection for an eligible innovation project or related products and services; all to the extent that such expenditures could be capitalized under then-applicable generally accepted accounting principles; and the reimbursement of moneys advanced or applied by any governmental agency or other person for allowable innovation costs.

(C) "Eligible innovation project" includes an eligible project, including any project facilities associated with an eligible innovation project and, in addition, includes all tangible and intangible property related to a new product or process based on new technology or the creative application of existing technology, including research and development, product or process testing, quality control, market research, and related activities, that is to be acquired, established, expanded, remodeled, rehabilitated, or modernized for industry, commerce, distribution, or research, or any combination thereof, the operation of which, alone or in conjunction with other eligible projects, eligible innovation projects, or innovation property, will create new jobs or preserve existing jobs and employment opportunities and improve the economic welfare of the people of the state.

(D) "Eligible project" means project facilities to be acquired, established, expanded, remodeled, rehabilitated, or
modernized for industry, commerce, distribution, or research, or any combination thereof, the operation of which, alone or in conjunction with other facilities, will create new jobs or preserve existing jobs and employment opportunities and improve the economic welfare of the people of the state. "Eligible project" includes, without limitation, a voluntary action. For purposes of this division, "new jobs" does not include existing jobs transferred from another facility within the state, and "existing jobs" includes only those existing jobs with work places within the municipal corporation or unincorporated area of the county in which the eligible project is located.

"Eligible project" does not include project facilities to be acquired, established, expanded, remodeled, rehabilitated, or modernized for industry, commerce, distribution, or research, or any combination of industry, commerce, distribution, or research, if the project facilities consist solely of point-of-final-purchase retail facilities. If the project facilities consist of both point-of-final-purchase retail facilities and nonretail facilities, only the portion of the project facilities consisting of nonretail facilities is an eligible project. If a warehouse facility is part of a point-of-final-purchase retail facility and supplies only that facility, the warehouse facility is not an eligible project. Catalog distribution facilities are not considered point-of-final-purchase retail facilities for purposes of this paragraph, and are eligible projects.

(E) "Eligible research and development project" means an eligible project, including project facilities, comprising, within, or related to, a facility or portion of a facility at which research is undertaken for the purpose of discovering information that is technological in nature and the application of which is intended to be useful in the development of a new or
improved product, process, technique, formula, or invention, a new product or process based on new technology, or the creative application of existing technology.

(F) "Financial assistance" means inducements under division (B) of section 166.02 of the Revised Code, loan guarantees under section 166.06 of the Revised Code, and direct loans under section 166.07 of the Revised Code.

(G) "Governmental action" means any action by a governmental agency relating to the establishment, development, or operation of an eligible project, eligible innovation project, eligible research and development project, eligible advanced energy project, or eligible logistics and distribution project, and project facilities that the governmental agency acting has authority to take or provide for the purpose under law, including, but not limited to, actions relating to contracts and agreements, zoning, building, permits, acquisition and disposition of property, public capital improvements, utility and transportation service, taxation, employee recruitment and training, and liaison and coordination with and among governmental agencies.

(H) "Governmental agency" means the state and any state department, division, commission, institution or authority; a municipal corporation, county, or township, and any agency thereof, and any other political subdivision or public corporation or the United States or any agency thereof; any agency, commission, or authority established pursuant to an interstate compact or agreement; and any combination of the above.

(I) "Innovation financial assistance" means inducements under division (B) of section 166.12 of the Revised Code, innovation Ohio loan guarantees under section 166.15 of the Revised Code, and innovation Ohio loans under section 166.16 of the Revised Code.

(J) "Innovation Ohio loan guarantee reserve requirement"
means, at any time, with respect to innovation loan guarantees made under section 166.15 of the Revised Code, a balance in the innovation Ohio loan guarantee fund equal to the greater of twenty per cent of the then-outstanding principal amount of all outstanding innovation loan guarantees made pursuant to section 166.15 of the Revised Code or fifty per cent of the principal amount of the largest outstanding guarantee made pursuant to section 166.15 of the Revised Code.

(K) "Innovation property" includes property and also includes software, inventory, licenses, contract rights, goodwill, intellectual property, including without limitation, patents, patent applications, trademarks and service marks, and trade secrets, and other tangible and intangible property, and any rights and interests in or connected to the foregoing.

(L) "Loan guarantee reserve requirement" means, at any time, with respect to loan guarantees made under section 166.06 of the Revised Code, a balance in the loan guarantee fund equal to the greater of twenty per cent of the then-outstanding principal amount of all outstanding guarantees made pursuant to section 166.06 of the Revised Code or fifty per cent of the principal amount of the largest outstanding guarantee made pursuant to section 166.06 of the Revised Code.

(M) "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, association, corporation, or governmental agency, and any combination thereof.

(N) "Project facilities" means buildings, structures, and other improvements, and equipment and other property, excluding small tools, supplies, and inventory, and any one, part of, or combination of the above, comprising all or part of, or serving or being incidental to, an eligible project, an eligible innovation project, an eligible research and development project, an eligible advanced energy project, or an eligible logistics and distribution
project, including, but not limited to, public capital improvements.

(O) "Property" means real and personal property and interests therein.

(P) "Public capital improvements" means capital improvements or facilities that any governmental agency has authority to acquire, pay the costs of, own, maintain, or operate, or to contract with other persons to have the same done, including, but not limited to, highways, roads, streets, water and sewer facilities, railroad and other transportation facilities, and air and water pollution control and solid waste disposal facilities. For purposes of this division, "air pollution control facilities" includes, without limitation, solar, geothermal, biofuel, biomass, wind, hydro, wave, and other advanced energy projects as defined in section 3706.25 of the Revised Code.

(Q) "Research and development financial assistance" means inducements under section 166.17 of the Revised Code, research and development loans under section 166.21 of the Revised Code, and research and development tax credits under sections 5733.352 and 5747.331 of the Revised Code.

(R) "Targeted innovation industry sectors" means industry sectors involving the production or use of advanced materials, instruments, controls and electronics, power and propulsion, biosciences, and information technology, or such other sectors as may be designated by the director of development services.

(S) "Voluntary action" means a voluntary action, as defined in section 3746.01 of the Revised Code, that is conducted under the voluntary action program established in Chapter 3746. of the Revised Code.

(T) "Project financing obligations" means obligations issued pursuant to section 166.08 of the Revised Code other than
obligations for which the bond proceedings provide that bond service charges shall be paid from receipts of the state representing gross profit on the sale of spirituous liquor as referred to in division (B)(4) of section 4310.10 of the Revised Code.

(U) "Regional economic development entity" means an entity that is under contract with the director to administer a loan program under this chapter in a particular area of this state.

(V) "Eligible advanced energy project" means an eligible project that is an "advanced energy project" as defined in section 3706.25 of the Revised Code.

(W) "Eligible logistics and distribution project" means an eligible project, including project facilities, to be acquired, established, expanded, remodeled, rehabilitated, or modernized for transportation logistics and distribution infrastructure purposes. As used in this division, "transportation logistics and distribution infrastructure purposes" means promoting, providing for, and enabling improvements to the ground, air, and water transportation infrastructure comprising the transportation system in this state, including, without limitation, highways, streets, roads, bridges, railroads carrying freight, and air and water ports and port facilities, and all related supporting facilities.

(X) "Department of development" means the development services agency and "director of development" means the director of development services.

Sec. 166.03. (A) There is hereby created the facilities establishment fund within the state treasury, consisting of proceeds from the issuance of obligations as specified under section 166.08 of the Revised Code; the moneys received by the state from the sources specified in section 166.09 of the Revised Code; service charges imposed under sections 166.06 and 166.07 of
any grants, gifts, or contributions of moneys received by the director of development services to be used for loans made under section 166.07 of the Revised Code or for the payment of the allowable costs of project facilities; and all other moneys appropriated or transferred to the fund. Moneys in the loan guarantee fund in excess of the loan guarantee reserve requirement, but subject to the provisions and requirements of any guarantee contracts, may be transferred to the facilities establishment fund by the treasurer of state upon the order of the director of development services. Moneys received by the state under Chapter 122. of the Revised Code, to the extent allocable to the utilization of moneys derived from proceeds of the sale of obligations pursuant to section 166.08 of the Revised Code, shall be credited to the facilities establishment fund. All investment earnings on the cash balance in the fund shall be credited to the fund.

(B) All moneys appropriated or transferred to the facilities establishment fund may be released at the request of the director of development services for payment of allowable costs or the making of loans under section 166.07 of the Revised Code, for transfer to the loan guarantee fund established in section 166.06 of the Revised Code, or for use for the purpose of or transfer to the funds established by sections 122.35, 122.42, 122.54, 122.55, 122.56, 122.561, 122.57, 122.601, and 122.80 of the Revised Code and, until July 1, 2003, the fund established by section 166.031 of the Revised Code, and, until July 1, 2007, the fund established by section 122.26 of the Revised Code, but only for such of those purposes as are within the authorization of Section 13 of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution, in all cases subject to the approval of the controlling board.

(C) The department of development services agency, in the administration of the facilities establishment fund, is encouraged
to utilize and promote the utilization of, to the maximum practicable extent, the other existing programs, business incentives, and tax incentives that department is required or authorized to administer or supervise.

Sec. 166.27. (A) As used in this section, "minority" has the same meaning as in section 184.17 of the Revised Code, except that the individual must be a resident of this state. The term also includes an economically disadvantaged individual who is a resident of this state.

(B) The director of development shall conduct outreach activities in Ohio that seek to include minorities in the loan program for logistics and distribution projects established under section 166.25 of the Revised Code. The outreach activities shall include the following, when appropriate:

(1) Identifying and partnering with historically black colleges and universities;

(2) Working with all institutions of higher education in the state to support minority faculty and students involved in logistics and distribution fields;

(3) Developing a plan to contact by telephone minority-owned businesses and entrepreneurs and other economically disadvantaged businesses to notify them of opportunities to participate in the loan program for logistics and distribution projects;

(4) Identifying minority professional and technical trade associations and economic development assistance organizations and notifying them of the loan program for logistics and distribution projects;

(5) Partnering with regional councils to foster local efforts to support minority-owned businesses or otherwise identify networks of minority-owned businesses, entrepreneurs, and
individuals operating locally;

(6) Identifying minority firms and notifying them of the opportunities that exist within the investment community, including the Ohio venture capital authority created under section 150.02 of the Revised Code.

(C) The director shall publish an annual report that includes all of the following:

(1) Details of loans awarded for logistics and distribution projects;

(2) The status of loan recipients' projects funded in previous years;

(3) The amount of loans awarded for projects in economically distressed areas, and if possible to ascertain, the impact of the loans to those areas.

(D) To the extent possible, outreach activities described in this section shall be conducted in conjunction with the EDGE program created in section 123.152 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 169.05. (A) Every holder required to file a report under section 169.03 of the Revised Code shall, at the time of filing, pay to the director of commerce ten per cent of the aggregate amount of unclaimed funds as shown on the report, except for aggregate amounts of fifty dollars or less in which case one hundred per cent shall be paid. The funds may be deposited by the director in the state treasury to the credit of the unclaimed funds trust fund, which is hereby created, or placed with a financial organization. Any interest earned on money in the trust fund shall be credited to the trust fund. The remainder of the aggregate amount of unclaimed funds as shown on the report, plus earnings accrued to date of payment to the director, shall, at the option of the director, be retained by the holder or paid to the
director for deposit as agent for the mortgage funds with a
financial organization as defined in section 169.01 of the Revised Code, with the funds to be in income-bearing accounts to the credit of the mortgage funds, or the holder may enter into an agreement with the director specifying the obligations of the United States in which funds are to be invested, and agree to pay the interest on the obligations to the state. Holders retaining any funds not in obligations of the United States shall enter into an agreement with the director specifying the classification of income-bearing account in which the funds will be held and pay the state interest on the funds at a rate equal to the prevailing market rate for similar funds. Moneys that the holder is required to pay to the director rather than to retain may be deposited with the treasurer of state, or placed with a financial organization.

Securities and other intangible property transferred to the director shall, within a reasonable time, be converted to cash and the proceeds deposited as provided for other funds.

One-half of the funds evidenced by agreements, in income-bearing accounts, or on deposit with the treasurer of state shall be allocated on the records of the director to the mortgage insurance fund created by section 122.561 of the Revised Code. Out of the remaining half, after allocation of sufficient moneys to the minority business bonding fund to meet the provisions of division (B) of this section, the remainder shall be allocated on the records of the director to the housing development fund created by division (A) of section 175.11 of the Revised Code.

(B) The director shall serve as agent for the director of development and as agent for the Ohio housing finance agency in making deposits and withdrawals and maintaining records pertaining to the minority business bonding fund created by section 122.88 of the Revised Code, the mortgage insurance fund, and the housing development fund created by section 175.11 of the Revised Code.
Funds from the mortgage insurance fund are available to the
director of development when those funds are to be disbursed to
prevent or cure, or upon the occurrence of, a default of a
mortgage insured pursuant to section 122.451 of the Revised Code.
Funds from the housing development fund are available upon request
to the Ohio housing finance agency, in an amount not to exceed the
funds allocated on the records of the director, for the purposes
of section 175.05 of the Revised Code. Funds from the minority
business bonding fund are available to the director of development
upon request to pay obligations on bonds the director writes
pursuant to section 122.88 of the Revised Code; except that,
unless the general assembly authorizes additional amounts, the
total maximum amount of moneys that may be allocated to the
minority business bonding fund under this division is ten million
dollars.

When funds are to be disbursed, the appropriate agency shall
call upon the director to transfer the necessary funds to it. The
director shall first withdraw the funds paid by the holders and
deposited with the treasurer of state or in a financial
institution as agent for the funds. Whenever these funds are
inadequate to meet the request, the director shall provide for a
withdrawal of funds, within a reasonable time and in the amount
necessary to meet the request, from financial institutions in
which the funds were retained or placed by a holder and from other
holders who have retained funds, in an equitable manner as the
director prescribes. In the event that the amount to be withdrawn
from any one holder is less than five hundred dollars, the amount
to be withdrawn is at the director's discretion. The director
shall then transfer to the agency the amount of funds requested.

Funds deposited in the unclaimed funds trust fund are subject
to call by the director when necessary to pay claims the director
allows under section 169.08 of the Revised Code, in accordance
with the director's rules, to defray the necessary costs of making publications this chapter requires and to pay other operating and administrative expenses the department of commerce incurs in the administration and enforcement of this chapter.

The unclaimed funds trust fund shall be assessed a proportionate share of the administrative costs of the department of commerce in accordance with procedures the director of commerce prescribes and the director of budget and management approves. The assessment shall be paid from the unclaimed funds trust fund to the division of administration fund.

(C) Earnings on the accounts in financial organizations to the credit of the mortgage funds shall, at the option of the financial organization, be credited to the accounts at times and at rates as earnings are paid on other accounts of the same classification held in the financial organization or paid to the director. The director shall be notified annually, and at other times as the director may request, of the amount of the earnings credited to the accounts. Interest on unclaimed funds a holder retains shall be paid to the director or credited as specified in the agreement under which the organization retains the funds. Interest payable to the director under an agreement to invest unclaimed funds in income-bearing accounts or obligations of the United States shall be paid annually by the holder to the director. Any earnings or interest the director receives under this division shall be deposited in and credited to the mortgage funds.

Sec. 169.07. (A) Upon the payment or delivery of unclaimed funds to the director of commerce under section 169.05 of the Revised Code in good faith and in compliance with this chapter, the holder will be relieved of further responsibility for the safe-keeping thereof and will be held harmless by the state from
any and all liabilities for any claim arising out of the transfer of such funds to the state to the extent of the value of the property paid or delivered determined as of the time of such payment or delivery.

(B) If legal proceedings are instituted against a holder which has paid unclaimed funds to the director or entered into an agreement as provided in section 169.05 of the Revised Code in respect to such funds, such holder shall notify the director in writing of the pendency of such proceedings and not later than fourteen days after the date process was served on the holder. Failure to give such notice absolves the state from any liability that it may otherwise have with regard to such unclaimed funds beyond the value of the property paid or delivered to the director.

Upon the proper notice, the director may take such action as the director considers necessary or expedient to protect the interests of the state. If the director shall elect to intervene and assume the defense of such proceedings, Failure to give such notice shall absolve the state from any and all liability which it may have with regard to such funds. If and judgment is entered against such holder, the director shall, upon proof of satisfaction of such judgment, forthwith reimburse such organization for the amount of the judgment or enter into an agreement modified to reflect the satisfaction of such judgment, if the holder retained such funds, and shall reimburse such holder for any legal fees, costs and other expenses incurred in such proceedings in the manner provided for the payment of claims under divisions (D) and (E) of section 169.08 of the Revised Code.

If the director elects not to intervene and assume the defense of such proceedings, and judgment is entered against such holder for any amount paid to the director pursuant to this chapter, the director shall upon proof of satisfaction of such
judgment, forthwith reimburse such organization for the amount so 
paid or enter into an agreement modified to reflect the 
satisfaction of such judgment, if the holder retained such funds, 
to the extent of the value of the property paid or delivered.

(C) No person has a claim against the state, the holder, or a 
transfer agent, registrar, or other person acting for or on behalf 
of a holder for any change in the market value of unclaimed funds 
occuring after delivery by the holder to the division, or after 
sale of the property by the division.

Sec. 169.13. (A)(1) All agreements to pay a fee, 
compensation, commission, or other remuneration to locate, 
deliver, recover, or assist in the recovery of unclaimed funds 
reported under section 169.03 of the Revised Code, entered into 
within two years immediately after the date a report is filed 
under division (C) of section 169.03 of the Revised Code, are 
invalid.

(2) A person interested in entering into an agreement to 
locate, deliver, recover, or assist in the recovery of unclaimed 
funds for remuneration shall not initiate any contact with an 
owner during the two-year period immediately after the date a 
report is filed under division (C) of section 169.03 of the 
Revised Code. Failure to comply with this requirement is grounds 
for the invalidation of any such agreement between the person and 
the owner.

(B) An agreement entered into any time after such two-year 
period is valid only if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The aggregate fee, compensation, commission, or other 
remuneration agreed upon is not in excess of ten per cent of the 
amount recovered and paid to the owner by the director of budget 
and management;
(2) The agreement is in writing, signed by the owner, and notarized and discloses all of the following items:

(a) The name, address, and telephone number of the owner, as shown by the records of the person or entity in possession of the unclaimed funds or contents of a safe deposit box;

(b) The name, address, and telephone number of the owner if the owner's name, address, or telephone number are different from the name, address, or telephone number of the owner as shown by the records of the person or entity in possession of the unclaimed funds or contents of a safe deposit box;

(c) The nature and value of the unclaimed funds or contents of a safe deposit box;

(d) The amount the owner will receive after the fee or compensation has been subtracted;

(e) The name and address of the person or entity in possession of the unclaimed funds or contents of a safe deposit box;

(f) That the auditor of state director of budget and management will pay the unclaimed funds directly to the owner or the director of commerce shall deliver the contents of a safe deposit box directly to the owner;

(g) That the person agreeing to locate, deliver, recover, or assist in the recovery of the unclaimed funds or contents of a safe deposit box is not an employee or agent of the director of commerce;

(h) That the director of commerce is not a party to the agreement;

(i) That the person agreeing to locate, deliver, recover, or assist in the recovery of the unclaimed funds or contents of a safe deposit box holds a valid certificate of registration issued
by the director under section 169.16 of the Revised Code;

(j) The number designated on that certificate of registration and the date the certificate of registration expires.

(3) No agreement described in division (B)(2) of this section shall include a power of attorney for the payment of the unclaimed funds or delivery of the contents of a safe deposit box to any person other than the owner of the unclaimed funds or contents of a safe deposit box.

(4) If the agreement involves recovery of the contents of a safe deposit box, the agreement stipulates that the person receiving any fee, compensation, commission, or other remuneration for engaging in any activity for the purpose of locating, delivering, recovering, or assisting in the recovery of unclaimed funds or other items stored in a safe deposit box on behalf of any other person shall do all of the following:

(a) Make arrangements to have an appraiser and the director of commerce view the contents of the safe deposit box together, at a time mutually agreeable to the appraiser and director;

(b) State that the value of the property in the safe deposit box is the amount established by the appraiser who viewed the safe deposit box contents;

(c) Base the fee, compensation, commission, or other remuneration for locating, delivering, recovering, or assisting in the recovery of unclaimed funds or other items stored in a safe deposit box on the appraised value established by the appraiser who viewed the safe deposit box contents.

(C) No person shall receive a fee, compensation, commission, or other remuneration, or engage in any activity for the purpose of locating, delivering, recovering, or assisting in the recovery of unclaimed funds or contents of a safe deposit box, under without having first entered into an agreement that is invalid
under fully compliant with this section with an owner or owner's legal representative.

(D) A person who receives any fee, compensation, commission, or other remuneration for engaging in any activity for the purpose of locating, delivering, recovering, or assisting in the recovery of unclaimed funds or other items stored in a safe deposit box on behalf of any other person cannot function as an appraiser of the contents of the safe deposit box for purposes of division (B)(4) of this section.

(E) The director shall not recognize or make any delivery and the auditor of state shall not make any payment pursuant to any power of attorney between an owner of the unclaimed funds or contents of a safe deposit box and the person with whom the owner entered into an agreement pursuant to division (B)(2) of this section to locate, deliver, recover, or assist in the recovery of the unclaimed funds or contents of a safe deposit box if that power of attorney is entered into on or after the effective date of this amendment March 23, 2007, and that power of attorney specifically provides for the payment of unclaimed funds or delivery of the contents of a safe deposit box to any person other than the owner of the unclaimed funds or contents of a safe deposit box. Nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting the payment of unclaimed funds or delivery of the contents of a safe deposit box to the legal representative of the owner of the unclaimed funds or contents of the safe deposit box. Notwithstanding the definition of "owner" specified in division (C) of section 169.01 of the Revised Code, for purposes of the payment of unclaimed funds or delivery of the contents of the safe deposit box, a person with whom an owner entered into an agreement under division (B)(2) of this section is not a legal representative.
Sec. 169.18. (A) When an item owned by an individual who died a resident of this state has been reported to the director of commerce as unclaimed funds pursuant to this chapter, the director, not sooner than two hundred ten days after the death of the owner, shall distribute the item or pay the amount being held by the director, plus any interest due, pursuant to section 169.08 of the Revised Code, without requiring letters testamentary or letters of administration to be issued upon the estate of the deceased owner where all the following conditions are met:

(1) All such items of unclaimed funds taken together are valued at not more than five thousand dollars.

(2) The person claiming the item is the surviving spouse, any one or more of the deceased owner’s natural born or adopted children eighteen years of age or older, or the parent of the deceased owner, with preference given in that order.

(3) The person seeking to claim the item provides to the satisfaction of the director all of the following:

(a) An unredacted certified death certificate of the deceased owner;

(b) The sworn affidavit described in division (A)(4) of this section under penalty of perjury;

(c) Other information or documentary evidence the director determines necessary to pay funds under this section to the proper person, including personal identification and proof of tax identification number for the claimant, deceased owner, or both.

(4) The person seeking to claim the item under division (A) of this section presents to the director an affidavit requesting that the director release the item along with a list of all individual beneficiaries in the decedent's will or individuals who would inherit pursuant to section 2105.06 of the Revised Code if
the decedent died intestate. The affidavit shall include all of the following information:

(a) The deceased owner's name;

(b) The date and place of the deceased owner's death;

(c) A statement that more than two hundred ten days have passed since the deceased owner's death;

(d) A statement that either:

(i) An executor, administrator, or commissioner has not been appointed to administer the deceased owner's estate and no application for the appointment of an executor or administrator, or application to relieve an estate from administration, is pending in any jurisdiction;

(ii) The executor, administrator, or commissioner has been discharged.

(e) A description and dollar value of each item of unclaimed funds in the director's custody, not exceeding an aggregate amount of five thousand dollars to be paid, transferred, or delivered to the claimant;

(f)(i) A statement that the deceased owner's funeral and burial expenses have been paid, that the claimant will pay the funeral and burial expenses, or that the unclaimed funds will be used to pay the funeral and burial expenses;

(ii) If the statement in division (A)(4)(f)(i) of this section indicates that the unclaimed funds will be used to pay the funeral and burial expenses, an additional statement that if the unclaimed funds are in an amount sufficient to cover all unpaid funeral and burial expenses, the unclaimed funds will be used to cover all such expenses. If the unclaimed funds are insufficient to cover all such expenses, a statement that all the unclaimed funds will be used to pay the expenses.
(g) A statement that the claimant is entitled to inherit from the deceased owner either by virtue of being a beneficiary in the decedent's will or under section 2105.06 of the Revised Code if the decedent died intestate, and that specifies the claimant's relationship to the deceased owner;

(h) The following statement: "No other person has a superior right to the interest of the decedent in the described unclaimed funds."

(i) A statement that the claimant requests that the item be paid, delivered, or transferred to the claimant;

(j) A statement that the claimant will distribute the unclaimed funds pursuant to the deceased owner's will or section 2105.06 of the Revised Code if the decedent died intestate;

(k) The claimant's affirmation under penalty of perjury that the foregoing affidavit is true and correct.

(B) If the director determines the claimant to be a person entitled to claim the item, the director shall distribute the item or pay the amount being held by the director. By this distribution or payment, the director shall be released to the same extent as by an entry granting release from administration or as if distribution or payment had been made to a duly appointed executor, administrator, or commissioner of the deceased owner's estate. The director shall not be required to oversee the application of the payment, delivery, or transfer made.

(C) The payment, delivery, or transfer of the unclaimed funds due the deceased owner under this section is a full discharge and release to the director from any claim for the funds paid, delivered, or transferred. Any claimant to whom payment is made shall be liable to anyone prejudiced by an improper distribution, transfer, or payment.
Sec. 173.012. The department of aging may develop and offer training programs to area agencies on aging, long-term care facilities, providers of long-term care services, and other interested parties. The department may charge fees for the training programs. Amounts collected from charging the fees shall be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the senior community outreach fund, which is hereby created. Money credited to the fund may be used by the department to administer this section and to develop and offer additional training programs.

Sec. 173.39. (A) As used in sections 173.39 to 173.393 of the Revised Code:

(1) "Provider" means a person or government entity that provides any services, including community-based long-term care services, under a program the department of aging administers. "Provider" includes a person or government entity that provides home and community-based services to older adults through the PASSPORT program or assisted living program as defined in section 173.51 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Community-based long-term care services" has the same meaning as in section 173.14 of the Revised Code.

(3) "PASSPORT program" and "assisted living program" have the same meanings as in section 173.51 of the Revised Code.

(B) Except as provided in section 173.392 of the Revised Code, the department of aging may not pay a provider for providing any service, including community-based long-term care services, under a PASSPORT program or assisted living program unless the provider is certified under section 173.391 of the Revised Code and the service is in fact provided.

The department may require a provider under any other program the department administers to be certified under section 173.391.
of the Revised Code. If the department requires this certification, the department shall not pay the provider for providing any service under that program unless the provider is certified under section 173.391 of the Revised Code and provides the services the service is in fact provided. If the department does not require this certification, the department shall not pay the provider for providing any service under that program unless the provider complies with section 173.392 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 173.391. (A) Subject to section 173.381 of the Revised Code, the department of aging or its designee shall do all of the following in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code:

(1) Certify a provider to provide services, including community-based long-term care services, under a program the department administers if the provider satisfies the requirements for certification established by rules adopted under division (B) of this section and pays the fee, if any, established by rules adopted under division (G) of this section;

(2) When required to do so by rules adopted under division (B) of this section, take one or more of the following disciplinary actions against a provider certified under division (A)(1) of this section:

(a) Issue a written warning;

(b) Require the submission of a plan of correction or evidence of compliance with requirements identified by the department;

(c) Suspend referrals;

(d) Remove clients;

(e) Impose a fiscal sanction such as a civil monetary penalty or an order that unearned funds be repaid;

(f) Suspend the certification;
(g) Revoke the certification;

(h) Impose another sanction.

(3) Except as provided in division (E) of this section, hold hearings when there is a dispute between the department or its designee and a provider concerning actions the department or its designee takes regarding a decision not to certify the provider under division (A)(1) of this section or a disciplinary action under divisions (A)(2)(e) to (h) of this section.

(B) The director of aging shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code establishing certification requirements and standards for determining which type of disciplinary action to take under division (A)(2) of this section in individual situations. The rules shall establish procedures for all of the following:

(1) Ensuring that providers comply with sections 173.38 and 173.381 of the Revised Code;

(2) Evaluating the services provided by the providers to ensure that the services are provided in a quality manner advantageous to the individual receiving the services;

(3) In a manner consistent with section 173.381 of the Revised Code, determining when to take disciplinary action under division (A)(2) of this section and which disciplinary action to take;

(4) Determining what constitutes another sanction for purposes of division (A)(2)(h) of this section.

(C) The procedures established in rules adopted under division (B)(2) of this section shall require that all of the following be considered as part of an evaluation described in division (B)(2) of this section:

(1) The provider's experience and financial responsibility;
The provider's ability to comply with standards for the services, including community-based long-term care services, that the provider provides under a program the department administers;

3. The provider's ability to meet the needs of the individuals served;

4. Any other factor the director considers relevant.

D. The rules adopted under division (B)(3) of this section shall specify that the reasons disciplinary action may be taken under division (A)(2) of this section include good cause, including misfeasance, malfeasance, nonfeasance, confirmed abuse or neglect, financial irresponsibility, or other conduct the director determines is injurious, or poses a threat, to the health or safety of individuals being served.

E. Subject to division (F) of this section, the department is not required to hold hearings under division (A)(3) of this section if any of the following conditions apply:

1. Rules adopted by the director of aging pursuant to this chapter require the provider to be a party to a provider agreement; hold a license, certificate, or permit; or maintain a certification, any of which is required or issued by a state or federal government entity other than the department of aging, and either of the following is the case:

   a. The provider agreement has not been entered into or the license, certificate, permit, or certification has not been obtained or maintained.

   b. The provider agreement, license, certificate, permit, or certification has been denied, revoked, not renewed, or suspended or has been otherwise restricted.

2. The provider's certification under this section has been denied, suspended, or revoked for any of the following reasons:
(a) A government entity of this state, other than the department of aging, has terminated or refused to renew any of the following held by, or has denied any of the following sought by, a provider: a provider agreement, license, certificate, permit, or certification. Division (E)(2)(a) of this section applies regardless of whether the provider has entered into a provider agreement in, or holds a license, certificate, permit, or certification issued by, another state.

(b) The provider or a principal owner or manager of the provider who provides direct care has entered a guilty plea for, or has been convicted of, an offense materially related to the medicaid program.

(c) A principal owner or manager of the provider who provides direct care has entered a guilty plea for, been convicted of, or been found eligible for intervention in lieu of conviction for an offense listed or described in divisions (A)(3)(a) to (e) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code, but only if the provider, principal owner, or manager does not meet standards specified by the director in rules adopted under section 173.38 of the Revised Code.

(d) The department or its designee is required by section 173.381 of the Revised Code to deny or revoke the provider's certification.

(e) The United States department of health and human services has taken adverse action against the provider and that action impacts the provider's participation in the medicaid program.

(f) The provider has failed to enter into or renew a provider agreement with the PASSPORT administrative agency, as that term is defined in section 173.42 of the Revised Code, that administers programs on behalf of the department of aging in the region of the state in which the provider is certified to provide services.
(g) The provider has not billed or otherwise submitted a claim to the department for payment under the medicaid program in at least two years.

(h) The provider denied or failed to provide the department or its designee access to the provider's facilities during the provider's normal business hours for purposes of conducting an audit or structural compliance review.

(i) The provider has ceased doing business.

(j) The provider has voluntarily relinquished its certification for any reason.

(3) The provider's provider agreement with the department of medicaid has been suspended under section 5164.36 of the Revised Code.

(4) The provider's provider agreement with the department of medicaid is denied or revoked because the provider or its owner, officer, authorized agent, associate, manager, or employee has been convicted of an offense that caused the provider agreement to be suspended under section 5164.36 of the Revised Code.

(F) If the department does not hold hearings when any condition described in division (E) of this section applies, the department shall send a notice to the provider describing a decision not to certify the provider under division (A)(1) of this section or the disciplinary action the department is taking under divisions (A)(2)(e) to (h) of this section. The notice shall be sent to the provider's address that is on record with the department and may be sent by regular mail.

(G) The director of aging may adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code establishing a fee to be charged by the department of aging or its designee for certification issued under this section.
(H) Any amounts collected by the department or its designee under this section shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the provider certification fund, which is hereby created. Money credited to the fund shall be used to pay for services, including community-based long-term care services, to pay for administrative costs associated with provider certification under this section, and to pay for administrative costs related to the publication of the Ohio long-term care consumer guide.

Sec. 173.392. (A) The In the case of a provider that the department of aging under section 173.39 of the Revised Code has not required to be certified under section 173.391 of the Revised Code, the department of aging may pay the provider for providing services, including community-based long-term care services, under a program the department administers, even though the provider is not certified under section 173.391 of the Revised Code, but only if all of the following are the case:

(1) The provider has a contract with the department of aging or the department's designee to provide the services in accordance with the contract or has received a grant from the department or its designee to provide the services in accordance with a grant agreement;

(2) The contract or grant agreement includes detailed conditions of participation for the provider and service standards that the provider is required to satisfy;

(3) The provider complies with the contract or grant agreement;

(4) The contract or grant is not for medicaid-funded services, other than services provided under the PACE program administered by the department of aging under section 173.50 of the Revised Code.
(B)(1) The director of aging shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code governing both of the following:

(a) Contracts and grant agreements between the department of aging or its designee and providers;

(b) The department's payment for services, including community-based long-term care services, under this section.

(2) The rules adopted under this section shall be consistent with section 173.381 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 173.393. (A) Except as provided in division (B) of this section, the records of an evaluation conducted in accordance with rules adopted under division (B)(2) of section 173.391 of the Revised Code are public records for purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code and shall be made available on request of any person, including individuals receiving or seeking any services, including community-based long-term care services, under a program the department of aging administers.

(B) A part of a record of an evaluation that is otherwise available as a public record under division (A) of this section is not available as a public record if its release would violate a federal or state statute, regulation, or rule, including regulations adopted by the United States department of health and human services to implement the health information privacy provisions of the "Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996," 110 Stat. 1955, 42 U.S.C. 1320d, et seq., as amended.

Sec. 174.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Financial assistance" means grants, loans, loan guarantees, an equity position in a project, or loan subsidies.
(B) "Grant" means funding the department of development services agency or the Ohio housing finance agency provides for which the relevant agency does not require repayment.

(C) "Housing" means housing for owner-occupancy and multifamily rental housing.

(D) "Housing for owner-occupancy" means housing that is intended for occupancy by an owner as a principal residence. "Housing for owner-occupancy" may be any type of structure and may be owned in any type of ownership.

(E) "Housing trust fund" means the low- and moderate-income housing trust fund created and administered pursuant to Chapter 174. of the Revised Code.

(F) "Lending institution" means any financial institution qualified to conduct business in this state, a subsidiary corporation that is wholly owned by a financial institution qualified to conduct business in this state, and a mortgage lender whose regular business is originating, servicing, or brokering real estate loans and who is qualified to do business in this state.

(G) "Loan" means any extension of credit or other form of financing or indebtedness directly or indirectly to a borrower with the expectation that it will be repaid in accordance with the terms of the underlying loan agreement or other pertinent document. "Loan" includes financing extended to lending institutions and indebtedness purchased from lending institutions.

(H) "Loan guarantee" means any agreement in favor of a lending institution or other lender in which the credit and resources of the housing trust fund are pledged to secure the payment or collection of financing extended to a borrower for the acquisition, construction, improvement, rehabilitation or preservation of housing, or to refinance any financing previously.
extended for those purposes by any lender.

(I) "Loan subsidy" means any deposit of funds into a lending institution with the authorization or direction that the income or revenues the deposit earns, or could have earned at competitive rates, be applied directly or indirectly to the benefit of housing assistance or financial assistance.

(J) "Low- and moderate-income persons" means individuals and families who qualify as low- and moderate-income persons pursuant to guidelines the Department of development services agency department establishes.

(K) "Multifamily rental housing" means multiple unit housing intended for rental occupancy.

(L) "Nonprofit organization" means a nonprofit organization in good standing and qualified to conduct business in this state including any corporation whose members are members of a metropolitan housing authority.

(M) "Department of development" means the development services agency and "director of development" means the director of development services.

Sec. 174.02. (A) The low- and moderate-income housing trust fund is hereby created in the state treasury. The fund consists of all appropriations made to the fund, housing trust fund fees collected by county recorders pursuant to section 317.36 of the Revised Code and deposited into the fund pursuant to section 319.63 of the Revised Code, and all grants, gifts, loan repayments, and contributions of money made from any source to the department of development services agency for deposit in the fund. All investment earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund. The director of development services shall allocate a portion of the money in the fund to an account of the Ohio housing finance agency.
agency. The development services agency shall administer the fund. The Ohio housing finance agency shall use money allocated to it for implementing and administering its programs and duties under sections 174.03 and 174.05 of the Revised Code, and the development services agency shall use the remaining money in the fund for implementing and administering its programs and duties under sections 174.03 to 174.06 of the Revised Code. Use of all money drawn from the fund is subject to the following restrictions:

(1)(a) Not more than five per cent of the current year appropriation authority for the fund shall be allocated between grants to community development corporations for the community development corporation grant program and grants and loans to the Ohio community development finance fund, a private nonprofit corporation.

(b) In any year in which the amount in the fund exceeds one hundred thousand dollars and at least that much is allocated for the uses described in this section, not less than one hundred thousand dollars shall be used to provide training, technical assistance, and capacity building assistance to nonprofit development organizations.

(2) Not more than ten per cent of any current year appropriation authority for the fund shall be used for the emergency shelter housing grants program to make grants to private, nonprofit organizations and municipal corporations, counties, and townships for emergency shelter housing for the homeless and emergency shelter facilities serving unaccompanied youth seventeen years of age and younger. The grants shall be distributed pursuant to rules the director adopts and qualify as matching funds for funds obtained pursuant to the McKinney Act, 101 Stat. 85 (1987), 42 U.S.C.A. 11371 to 11378.

(3) In any fiscal year in which the amount in the fund...
exceeds the amount awarded pursuant to division (A)(1)(b) of this section by at least two hundred fifty thousand dollars, at least two hundred fifty thousand dollars from the fund shall be provided to the department of aging for the resident services coordinator program as established in section 173.08 of the Revised Code.

(4) Of all current year appropriation authority for the fund, not more than five per cent shall be used for administration.

(5) Not less than forty-five per cent of the funds awarded during any one fiscal year shall be for grants and loans to nonprofit organizations under section 174.03 of the Revised Code.

(6) Not less than fifty per cent of the funds awarded during any one fiscal year, excluding the amounts awarded pursuant to divisions (A)(1), (2), and (7) of this section, shall be for grants and loans for activities that provide housing and housing assistance to families and individuals in rural areas and small cities that are not eligible to participate as a participating jurisdiction under the "HOME Investment Partnerships Act," 104 Stat. 4094 (1990), 42 U.S.C. 12701 note, 12721.

(7) No money in the fund shall be used to pay for any legal services other than the usual and customary legal services associated with the acquisition of housing.

(8) Money in the fund may be used as matching money for federal funds received by the state, counties, municipal corporations, and townships for the activities listed in section 174.03 of the Revised Code.

(B) If, after the second quarter of any year, it appears to the director of development services that the full amount of the money in the fund designated in that year for activities that provide housing and housing assistance to families and individuals in rural areas and small cities under division (A) of this section will not be used for that purpose, the director may reallocate all
or a portion of that amount for other housing activities. In determining whether or how to reallocate money under this division, the director may consult with and shall receive advice from the housing trust fund advisory committee.

Sec. 183.021. (A) No money from the tobacco master settlement agreement fund, as that fund existed prior to the repeal of section 183.02 of the Revised Code by H.B. 119 of the 127th general assembly, shall be expended to do any of the following:

1. Hire an executive agency lobbyist, as defined under section 121.60 of the Revised Code, or a legislative agent, as defined under section 101.70 of the Revised Code;

2. Support or oppose candidates, ballot questions, referendums, or ballot initiatives.

(B) Nothing in this section prohibits either of the following:

1. The members or employees of the third frontier commission or the members of the third frontier advisory board from advocating on behalf of the specific objectives of a program funded under this chapter;

2. The members of the board of trustees, executive director, or employees of the southern Ohio agricultural and community development foundation;

Sec. 183.18. (A) Ohio's public health priorities fund is hereby created in the state treasury. All investment earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund. Notwithstanding any conflicting provision of the Revised Code, the director of budget and management may credit to the fund any money received by the state, director of health, or department of health as part of a
settlement agreement relating to a pressing public health issue. The director of budget and management may also credit to the fund any grant, gift, devise, bequest, or contribution made to the state to support public health.

(B) Money credited to the fund shall be used by the director of health for the following purposes:

(1) To conduct public health awareness and educational campaigns;

(2) To address any pressing public health issue identified by the director or described in the state health improvement plan or a successor document prepared for the department of health;

(3) To implement and administer innovative public health programs and prevention strategies;

(4) To improve the population health of Ohio.

The director may collaborate with one or more nonprofit entities, including a public health foundation, to meet the requirements of division (B) of this section.

Sec. 183.33. No money shall be appropriated or transferred from the general revenue fund to the law enforcement improvements trust fund, southern Ohio agricultural and community development foundation endowment fund, biomedical research and technology transfer trust fund, or education technology trust fund.

Sec. 184.01. (A) There is hereby created the third frontier commission in the department of development services agency. The purpose of the commission is to coordinate and administer science and technology programs to promote the welfare of the people of the state and to maximize the economic growth of the state through expansion of both of the following:

(1) The state's high technology research and development
capabilities;

(2) The state's product and process innovation and commercialization.

(B)(1) The commission shall consist of eleven members: the director of development services, the chancellor of the Ohio board of regents higher education, the governor's science and technology advisor, the chief investment officer of the nonprofit corporation formed under section 187.01 of the Revised Code, and seven persons appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate.

(2) Of the seven persons appointed by the governor, one shall represent the central region, which is composed of the counties of Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Hocking, Knox, Licking, Logan, Madison, Marion, Morrow, Perry, Pickaway, Ross, and Union; one shall represent the west central region, which is composed of the counties of Champaign, Clark, Darke, Greene, Miami, Montgomery, Preble, and Shelby; one shall represent the northeast region, which is composed of the counties of Ashland, Ashtabula, Carroll, Crawford, Columbiana, Cuyahoga, Erie, Geauga, Holmes, Huron, Lake, Lorain, Mahoning, Medina, Portage, Richland, Stark, Summit, Trumbull, Tuscarawas, and Wayne; one shall represent the northwest region, which is composed of the counties of Allen, Auglaize, Defiance, Fulton, Hancock, Hardin, Henry, Lucas, Mercer, Ottawa, Paulding, Putnam, Sandusky, Seneca, Van Wert, Williams, Wood, and Wyandot; one shall represent the southeast region, which shall represent the counties of Adams, Athens, Belmont, Coshocton, Gallia, Guernsey, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Lawrence, Meigs, Monroe, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, Pike, Scioto, Vinton, and Washington; one shall represent the southwest region, which is composed of the counties of Butler, Brown, Clermont, Clinton, Hamilton, Highland, and Warren; and one shall represent the public at large. Of the initial appointments, two shall be for one year,
two shall be for two years, and two shall be for three years as assigned by the governor. Thereafter, appointments shall be for three-year terms. Members may be reappointed and vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as appointments. A person must have a background in business or research in order to be eligible for appointment to the commission.

(3) The governor shall select a chairperson from among the members, who shall serve in that role at the pleasure of the governor. Sections 101.82 to 101.87 of the Revised Code do not apply to the commission.

(C) The commission shall meet at least once during each quarter of the calendar year or at the call of the chairperson. A majority of all members of the commission constitutes a quorum, and no action shall be taken without the concurrence of a majority of the members.

(D) The commission shall administer any money that may be appropriated to it by the general assembly. The commission may use such money for research and commercialization and for any other purposes that may be designated by the commission.

(E) The development services agency shall provide office space and facilities for the commission. Administrative costs associated with the operation of the commission or with any program or activity administered by the commission shall be paid from amounts appropriated to the commission or to the agency for such purposes.

(F) The attorney general shall serve as the legal representative for the commission and may appoint other counsel as necessary for that purpose in accordance with section 109.07 of the Revised Code.

(G) Members of the commission shall serve without compensation, but shall receive their reasonable and necessary
expenses incurred in the conduct of commission business.

(H) Members of the commission shall file financial disclosure statements described in division (B) of section 102.02 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 184.173. The third frontier commission shall conduct the outreach activities described in sections 184.171 and 184.172 of the Revised Code in conjunction with the EDGE program created under section 123.152122.922 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 307.921. From any contracts to be awarded under sections 307.86 to 307.92 of the Revised Code, the contracting authority, as defined in section 307.92 of the Revised Code, may develop a policy to assist minority business enterprises, as defined in sections 122.71 and 122.921 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 319.54. (A) On all moneys collected by the county treasurer on any tax duplicate of the county, other than estate tax duplicates, and on all moneys received as advance payments of personal property and classified property taxes, the county auditor, on settlement with the treasurer and tax commissioner, on or before the date prescribed by law for such settlement or any lawful extension of such date, shall be allowed as compensation for the county auditor's services the following percentages:

(1) On the first one hundred thousand dollars, two and one-half per cent;

(2) On the next two million dollars, eight thousand three hundred eighteen ten-thousandths of one per cent;

(3) On the next two million dollars, six thousand six hundred fifty-five ten-thousandths of one per cent;

(4) On all further sums, one thousand six hundred sixty-three ten-thousandths of one per cent.
If any settlement is not made on or before the date prescribed by law for such settlement or any lawful extension of such date, the aggregate compensation allowed to the auditor shall be reduced one per cent for each day such settlement is delayed after the prescribed date. No penalty shall apply if the auditor and treasurer grant all requests for advances up to ninety per cent of the settlement pursuant to section 321.34 of the Revised Code. The compensation allowed in accordance with this section on settlements made before the dates prescribed by law, or the reduced compensation allowed in accordance with this section on settlements made after the date prescribed by law or any lawful extension of such date, shall be apportioned ratably by the auditor and deducted from the shares or portions of the revenue payable to the state as well as to the county, townships, municipal corporations, and school districts.

(B) For the purpose of reimbursing county auditors for the expenses associated with the increased number of applications for reductions in real property taxes under sections 323.152 and 4503.065 of the Revised Code that result from the amendment of those sections by Am. Sub. H.B. 119 of the 127th general assembly, there shall be paid from the state's general revenue fund to the county treasury, to the credit of the real estate assessment fund created by section 325.31 of the Revised Code, an amount equal to one per cent of the total annual amount of property tax relief reimbursement paid to that county under sections 323.156 and 4503.068 of the Revised Code for the preceding tax year. Payments made under this division shall be made at the same times and in the same manner as payments made under section 323.156 of the Revised Code.

(C) From all moneys collected by the county treasurer on any tax duplicate of the county, other than estate tax duplicates, and on all moneys received as advance payments of personal property
and classified property taxes, there shall be paid into the county 8336
treasury to the credit of the real estate assessment fund created 8337
by section 325.31 of the Revised Code, an amount to be determined 8338
by the county auditor, which shall not exceed the percentages 8339
prescribed in divisions (C)(1) and (2) of this section.

(1) For payments made after June 30, 2007, and before 2011, 8340
the following percentages:

(a) On the first five hundred thousand dollars, four per 8341
cent;

(b) On the next five million dollars, two per cent;

(c) On the next five million dollars, one per cent;

(d) On all further sums not exceeding one hundred fifty 8347
million dollars, three-quarters of one per cent;

(e) On amounts exceeding one hundred fifty million dollars, 8349
five hundred eighty-five thousandths of one per cent.

(2) For payments made in or after 2011, the following 8351
percentages:

(a) On the first five hundred thousand dollars, four per 8353
cent;

(b) On the next ten million dollars, two per cent;

(c) On amounts exceeding ten million five hundred thousand 8356
dollars, three-fourths of one per cent.

Such compensation shall be apportioned ratably by the auditor 8358
and deducted from the shares or portions of the revenue payable to 8359
the state as well as to the county, townships, municipal 8360
corporations, and school districts.

(D) Each county auditor shall receive four per cent of the 8362
amount of tax collected and paid into the county treasury, on 8363
property omitted and placed by the county auditor on the tax 8364
duplicate.

(E) On all estate tax moneys collected by the county treasurer, the county auditor, on settlement annually with the tax commissioner, shall be allowed, as compensation for the auditor's services under Chapter 5731. of the Revised Code, the following percentages:

(1) Four per cent on the first one hundred thousand dollars;

(2) One-half of one per cent on all additional sums.

Such percentages shall be computed upon two per cent of the amount collected and reported at each annual settlement that year in excess of refunds distributed, and shall be for the use of the general fund of the county.

(F) On all cigarette license moneys collected by the county treasurer, the county auditor, on settlement semiannually with the treasurer, shall be allowed as compensation for the auditor's services in the issuing of such licenses one-half of one per cent of such moneys, to be apportioned ratably and deducted from the shares of the revenue payable to the county and subdivisions, for the use of the general fund of the county.

(G) The county auditor shall charge and receive fees as follows:

(1) For deeds of land sold for taxes to be paid by the purchaser, five dollars;

(2) For the transfer or entry of land, lot, or part of lot, or the transfer or entry on or after January 1, 2000, of a used manufactured home or mobile home as defined in section 5739.0210 of the Revised Code, fifty cents for each transfer or entry, to be paid by the person requiring it;

(3) For receiving statements of value and administering section 319.202 of the Revised Code, one dollar, or ten cents for
each one hundred dollars or fraction of one hundred dollars, whichever is greater, of the value of the real property transferred or, for sales occurring on or after January 1, 2000, the value of the used manufactured home or used mobile home, as defined in section 5739.0210 of the Revised Code, transferred, except no fee shall be charged when the transfer is made:

(a) To or from the United States, this state, or any instrumentality, agency, or political subdivision of the United States or this state;

(b) Solely in order to provide or release security for a debt or obligation;

(c) To confirm or correct a deed previously executed and recorded or when a current owner on any record made available to the general public on the internet or a publicly accessible database and the general tax list of real and public utility property and the general duplicate of real and public utility property is a peace officer, parole officer, prosecuting attorney, assistant prosecuting attorney, correctional employee, youth services employee, firefighter, EMT, or investigator of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation and is changing the current owner name listed on any record made available to the general public on the internet or a publicly accessible database and the general tax list of real and public utility property and the general duplicate of real and public utility property to the initials of the current owner as prescribed in division (B)(1) of section 319.28 of the Revised Code;

(d) To evidence a gift, in trust or otherwise and whether revocable or irrevocable, between husband and wife, or parent and child or the spouse of either;

(e) On sale for delinquent taxes or assessments;

(f) Pursuant to court order, to the extent that such transfer
is not the result of a sale effected or completed pursuant to such order;

(g) Pursuant to a reorganization of corporations or unincorporated associations or pursuant to the dissolution of a corporation, to the extent that the corporation conveys the property to a stockholder as a distribution in kind of the corporation's assets in exchange for the stockholder's shares in the dissolved corporation;

(h) By a subsidiary corporation to its parent corporation for no consideration, nominal consideration, or in sole consideration of the cancellation or surrender of the subsidiary's stock;

(i) By lease, whether or not it extends to mineral or mineral rights, unless the lease is for a term of years renewable forever;

(j) When the value of the real property or the manufactured or mobile home or the value of the interest that is conveyed does not exceed one hundred dollars;

(k) Of an occupied residential property, including a manufactured or mobile home, being transferred to the builder of a new residence or to the dealer of a new manufactured or mobile home when the former residence is traded as part of the consideration for the new residence or new manufactured or mobile home;

(l) To a grantee other than a dealer in real property or in manufactured or mobile homes, solely for the purpose of, and as a step in, the prompt sale of the real property or manufactured or mobile home to others;

(m) To or from a person when no money or other valuable and tangible consideration readily convertible into money is paid or to be paid for the real estate or manufactured or mobile home and the transaction is not a gift;
(n) Pursuant to division (B) of section 317.22 of the Revised Code, or section 2113.61 of the Revised Code, between spouses or to a surviving spouse pursuant to section 5302.17 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to April 4, 1985, between persons pursuant to section 5302.17 or 5302.18 of the Revised Code on or after April 4, 1985, to a person who is a surviving, survivorship tenant pursuant to section 5302.17 of the Revised Code on or after April 4, 1985, or pursuant to section 5309.45 of the Revised Code;

(o) To a trustee acting on behalf of minor children of the deceased;

(p) Of an easement or right-of-way when the value of the interest conveyed does not exceed one thousand dollars;

(q) Of property sold to a surviving spouse pursuant to section 2106.16 of the Revised Code;

(r) To or from an organization exempt from federal income taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the "Internal Revenue Code of 1986," 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C.A. 1, as amended, provided such transfer is without consideration and is in furtherance of the charitable or public purposes of such organization;

(s) Among the heirs at law or devisees, including a surviving spouse, of a common decedent, when no consideration in money is paid or to be paid for the real property or manufactured or mobile home;

(t) To a trustee of a trust, when the grantor of the trust has reserved an unlimited power to revoke the trust;

(u) To the grantor of a trust by a trustee of the trust, when the transfer is made to the grantor pursuant to the exercise of the grantor's power to revoke the trust or to withdraw trust assets;

(v) To the beneficiaries of a trust if the fee was paid on
the transfer from the grantor of the trust to the trustee or if
the transfer is made pursuant to trust provisions which became
irrevocable at the death of the grantor;

(w) To a corporation for incorporation into a sports facility
constructed pursuant to section 307.696 of the Revised Code;

(x) Between persons pursuant to section 5302.18 of the
Revised Code;

(y) From a county land reutilization corporation organized
under Chapter 1724. of the Revised Code, or its wholly owned
subsidiary, to a third party.

(4) For the cost of publishing the delinquent manufactured
home tax list, the delinquent tax list, and the delinquent vacant
land tax list, a flat fee, as determined by the county auditor, to
be charged to the owner of a home on the delinquent manufactured
home tax list or the property owner of land on the delinquent tax
list or the delinquent vacant land tax list.

The auditor shall compute and collect the fee. The auditor
shall maintain a numbered receipt system, as prescribed by the tax
commissioner, and use such receipt system to provide a receipt to
each person paying a fee. The auditor shall deposit the receipts
of the fees on conveyances in the county treasury daily to the
credit of the general fund of the county, except that fees charged
and received under division (G)(3) of this section for a transfer
of real property to a county land reutilization corporation shall
be credited to the county land reutilization corporation fund
established under section 321.263 of the Revised Code.

The real property transfer fee provided for in division
(G)(3) of this section shall be applicable to any conveyance of
real property presented to the auditor on or after January 1,
1968, regardless of its time of execution or delivery.

The transfer fee for a used manufactured home or used mobile
home shall be computed by and paid to the county auditor of the county in which the home is located immediately prior to the transfer.

**Sec. 321.27.** (A) On settlement annually with the county auditor, the county treasurer shall be allowed as fees on all moneys collected by the treasurer on estate tax duplicates the following percentages: three per cent on the first one hundred thousand dollars; two per cent on the next one hundred thousand dollars; five tenths per cent on all additional sums. Such percentages shall be computed upon of the amount collected and reported at each annual settlement that year in excess of refunds distributed, and shall be for the use of the general fund of the county.

(B) On settlement semiannually with the county auditor, the county treasurer shall be allowed as fees on all cigarette license moneys collected by the treasurer one-half per cent on the amount received, to be paid upon the warrant of the auditor and apportioned ratably and deducted from the shares of revenue payable to the county and subdivisions of the county under section 5743.15 of the Revised Code, for the use of the general fund of the county.

**Sec. 329.12.** (A) A county department of job and family services may establish an individual development account program for residents of the county. The program shall provide for establishment of accounts for participants and acceptance of contributions from individuals and entities, including the county department, to be used as matching funds for deposit in the accounts.

(B) A county department shall select a fiduciary organization to administer its individual development account program.
selecting a fiduciary organization, the department shall consider all of the following regarding the organization:

(1) Its ability to market the program to potential participants and matching fund contributors;

(2) Its ability to invest money in the accounts in a way that provides for return with minimal risk of loss;

(3) Its overall administrative capacity, including the ability to verify eligibility of individuals for participation in the program, prevent unauthorized use of matching contributions, and enforce any penalties for unauthorized uses that may be provided for by rule adopted by the director of job and family services under section 5101.971 of the Revised Code;

(4) Its ability to provide financial counseling to participants;

(5) Its affiliation with other activities designed to increase the independence of individuals and families through postsecondary education, home ownership, and business development;

(6) Any other factor the county department considers appropriate.

(C) At the time it commences the program and on the first day of each subsequent program year, the county department may make a grant to the fiduciary organization to pay all or part of the administrative costs of the program.

(D) The county department shall require the fiduciary organization to collect and maintain information regarding the program, including all of the following:

(1) The number of accounts established;

(2) The amount deposited by each participant and the amount matched by contributions;

(3) The uses of funds withdrawn from the account, including ...
the number of participants who used funds for postsecondary educational expenses and the institutions attended, the number of personal residences purchased, and the number of participants who used funds for business capitalization;

(4) The demographics of program participants;

(5) The number of participants who withdrew from the program and the reasons for withdrawal.

(E) The county department shall prepare and file with the department of job and family services a semiannual report containing the information the director of job and family services requires by rule adopted under section 5101.971 of the Revised Code, with the first report being filed at the end of the six-month period following October 1, 1997.

Sec. 340.13. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Minority business enterprise" has the same meaning as in section 122.71 of the Revised Code.

(2) "EDGE business enterprise" has the same meaning as in section 123.152122.922 of the Revised Code.

(B) Any minority business enterprise that desires to bid on a contract under division (C) of this section shall first apply to the equal employment opportunity coordinator in the department of administrative services, department of development for certification as a minority business enterprise. Any EDGE business enterprise that desires to bid on a contract under division (D) of this section shall first apply to the equal employment opportunity coordinator of the department of administrative services, department of development for certification as an EDGE business enterprise. The coordinator/director of development shall approve the application of any minority business enterprise or EDGE business enterprise that complies with the rules adopted under section
122.71 or 123.152122.922 of the Revised Code, respectively. The coordinator director shall prepare and maintain a list of minority business enterprises and EDGE business enterprises certified under those sections.

(C) From the contracts to be awarded for the purchases of equipment, materials, supplies, or services, other than contracts entered into under section 340.036 of the Revised Code, each board of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services shall select a number of contracts with an aggregate value of approximately fifteen per cent of the total estimated value of contracts to be awarded in the current fiscal year. The board shall set aside the contracts so selected for bidding by minority business enterprises only. The bidding procedures for such contracts shall be the same as for all other contracts awarded under section 307.86 of the Revised Code, except that only minority business enterprises certified and listed pursuant to division (B) of this section shall be qualified to submit bids.

(D) To the extent that a board is authorized to enter into contracts for construction, the board shall strive to attain a yearly contract dollar procurement goal the aggregate value of which equals approximately five per cent of the aggregate value of construction contracts for the current fiscal year for EDGE business enterprises only.

(E)(1) In the case of contracts set aside under division (C) of this section, if no bid is submitted by a minority business enterprise, the contract shall be awarded according to normal bidding procedures. The board shall from time to time set aside such additional contracts as are necessary to replace those contracts previously set aside on which no minority business enterprise bid.

(2) If a board, after having made a good faith effort, is unable to comply with the goal of procurement for contracting with
EDGE business enterprises pursuant to division (D) of this section, the board may apply in writing, on a form prescribed by the department of administrative services, to the director of mental health and addiction services for a waiver or modification of the goal.

(F) This section does not preclude any minority business enterprise or EDGE business enterprise from bidding on any other contract not specifically set aside for minority business enterprises or subject to procurement goals for EDGE business enterprises.

(G) Within ninety days after the beginning of each fiscal year, each board shall file a report with the department of mental health and addiction services that shows for that fiscal year the name of each minority business enterprise and EDGE business enterprise with which the board entered into a contract, the value and type of each such contract, the total value of contracts awarded under divisions (C) and (D) of this section, the total value of contracts awarded for the purchases of equipment, materials, supplies, or services, other than contracts entered into under section 340.036 of the Revised Code, and the total value of contracts entered into for construction.

(H) Any person who intentionally misrepresents self as owning, controlling, operating, or participating in a minority business enterprise or an EDGE business enterprise for the purpose of obtaining contracts or any other benefits under this section shall be guilty of theft by deception as provided for in section 2913.02 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 901.171. (A) The department of agriculture may promote the use of Ohio-produced agricultural goods, including natural spring water, through the issuance of logotypes to qualified producers and processors under a promotional certification program.
to be developed and administered by the division of markets.

(B) Pursuant to rules adopted under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the department may establish reasonable fees and criteria for participation in the program. All such fees shall be credited to the general revenue Ohio proud, international, and domestic market development fund created in section 901.20 of the Revised Code and used to finance the program.

(C) The department may sell merchandise that promotes the certification program. The director of agriculture shall deposit all proceeds from the sales of merchandise in the state treasury to the credit of the Ohio proud, international, and domestic market development fund.

Sec. 901.91. The director of agriculture may assess the operating funds of the department of agriculture to pay a share of the department's central support and administrative costs. The assessments shall be based on a plan that the director develops and submits to the director of budget and management not later than the fifteenth day of July of the fiscal year in which the assessments are to be made. If the director of budget and management determines that the assessments proposed in the plan are appropriate, the director shall approve the plan. Assessments shall be paid from the funds designated in the plan and credited by means of intrastate transfer voucher to the department of agriculture central support indirect costs fund, which is hereby created in the state treasury. The fund shall be administered by the director of agriculture and used to pay central support and administrative costs of the department of agriculture.

Sec. 921.02. (A) No person shall distribute a pesticide within this state unless the pesticide is registered with the director of agriculture under this chapter. Registrations shall be
issued for a period of time established by rule and shall be renewed in accordance with deadlines established by rule. Registration is not required if a pesticide is shipped from one plant or warehouse to another plant or warehouse operated by the same person and used solely at that plant or warehouse as a constituent part to make a pesticide that is registered under this chapter, or if the pesticide is distributed under the provisions of an experimental use permit issued under section 921.03 of the Revised Code or an experimental use permit issued by the United States environmental protection agency.

(B) The applicant for registration of a pesticide shall file a statement with the director on a form provided by the director, which shall include all of the following:

(1) The name and address of the applicant and the name and address of the person whose name will appear on the label, if other than the applicant's name;

(2) The brand and product name of the pesticide;

(3) Any necessary information required for completion of the department of agriculture's application for registration, including the agency registration number;

(4) A complete copy of the labeling accompanying the pesticide and a statement of all claims to be made for it, including the directions for use and the use classification as provided for in the federal act.

(C) The director, when the director considers it necessary in the administration of this chapter, may require the submission of the complete formula of any pesticide including the active and inert ingredients.

(D) The director may require a full description of the tests made and the results thereof upon which the claims are based for
any pesticide. The director shall not consider any data submitted in support of an application, without permission of the applicant, in support of any other application for registration unless the other applicant first has offered to pay reasonable compensation for producing the test data to be relied upon and the data are not protected from disclosure by section 921.04 of the Revised Code. In the case of a renewal of registration, a statement shall be required only with respect to information that is different from that furnished when the pesticide was registered or last registered.

(E) The director may require any other information to be submitted with an application.

Any applicant may designate any portion of the required registration information as a trade secret or confidential business information. Upon receipt of any required registration information designated as a trade secret or confidential business information, the director shall consider the designated information as confidential and shall not reveal or cause to be revealed any such designated information without the consent of the applicants, except to persons directly involved in the registration process described in this section or as required by law.

(F) Beginning January 1, 2007, each applicant shall pay a registration and inspection application fee of one thousand dollars for each product name and brand registered for the company whose name appears on the label. If an applicant files for a renewal of registration after the deadline established by rule, the applicant shall pay a penalty fee of seventy-five dollars for each product name and brand registered for the applicant. The penalty fee shall be added to the original fee and paid before the renewal registration is issued. If the director does not issue or renew a registration, the director shall retain
the application fee as payment for the reasonable expense of processing the application.

In addition to any other remedy available under this chapter, if a pesticide that is not registered pursuant to this section is distributed within this state, the person required to register the pesticide shall do so and shall pay a penalty fee of seventy-five dollars for each product name and brand registered for the applicant. The penalty fee shall be added to the original fee of one hundred fifty dollars and paid before the registration is issued.

(G) Provided that the state is authorized by the administrator of the United States environmental protection agency to register pesticides to meet special local needs, the director shall require the information set forth under divisions (B), (C), (D), and (E) of this section and shall register any such pesticide after determining that all of the following conditions are met:

(1) Its composition is such as to warrant the proposed claims for it.

(2) Its labeling and other material required to be submitted comply with the requirements of the federal act and of this chapter, and rules adopted thereunder.

(3) It will perform its intended function without unreasonable adverse effects on the environment.

(4) When used in accordance with widespread and commonly recognized practice, it will not generally cause unreasonable adverse effects on the environment.

(5) The classification for general or restricted use is in conformity with the federal act.

The director shall not make any lack of essentiality a criterion for denying the registration of any pesticide. When two
pesticides meet the requirements of division (G) of this section, the director shall not register one in preference to the other.

(H)(1) The director may refuse to register a pesticide if the application for registration fails to comply with this section.

(2) The director may suspend or revoke a pesticide registration after a hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code for a pesticide that fails to meet the claims made for it on its label.

(3) The director may immediately suspend a pesticide registration, prior to a hearing, when the director believes that the pesticide poses an immediate hazard to human or animal health or a hazard to the environment. Not later than fifteen days after suspending the registration, the director shall determine whether the pesticide poses such a hazard. If the director determines that no hazard exists, the director shall lift the suspension of the registration. If the director determines that a hazard exists, the director shall revoke the registration in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(I) All money collected under this section shall be credited to the pesticide, fertilizer, and lime program fund created in section 921.22 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 1121.30. (A) All assessments, fees, charges, and forfeitures provided for in Chapters 1101. to 1127. and sections 1315.01 to 1315.18 of the Revised Code, except civil penalties assessed pursuant to section 1121.35 or 1315.152 of the Revised Code, shall be paid to the superintendent of financial institutions, and the superintendent shall deposit them into the state treasury to the credit of the banks fund, which is hereby created.

(B) The superintendent may expend or obligate the banks fund
to defray the costs of the division of financial institutions in administering Chapters 1101. to 1127. and sections 1315.01 to 1315.18 of the Revised Code. The superintendent shall pay from the fund all actual and necessary expenses incurred by the superintendent, including for any services rendered by the department of commerce for the division's administration of Chapters 1101. to 1127. and sections 1315.01 to 1315.18 of the Revised Code. The fund shall be assessed a proportionate share of the administrative costs of the department and the division of financial institutions. The proportionate share of the administration costs of the division of financial institutions shall be determined in accordance with procedures prescribed by the superintendent and approved by the director of budget and management. The amount assessed for the fund's proportional share of the department's administrative costs and the division's administrative costs shall be paid from the banks fund to the division of administration fund and the division of financial institutions fund respectively.

(C) Any money deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the banks fund, but not expended or encumbered by the superintendent to defray the costs of administering Chapters 1101. to 1127. and sections 1315.01 to 1315.18 of the Revised Code, shall remain in the banks fund for expenditures by the superintendent in subsequent years and shall not be used for any purpose other than as set forth in this section.

Sec. 1181.06. There is hereby created in the state treasury the financial institutions fund. The fund shall receive assessments on the banks fund established under section 1121.30 of the Revised Code, the credit unions fund established under section 1733.321 of the Revised Code, and the consumer finance fund established under section 1321.21 of the Revised Code in accordance with procedures prescribed by the superintendent of
financial institutions and approved by the director of budget and management. Such assessments shall be in addition to any assessments on these funds required under division (G) of section 121.08 of the Revised Code. All operating expenses of the division of financial institutions shall be paid from the financial institutions fund. Money in the fund shall be used only for that purpose.

Sec. 1321.21. All fees, charges, penalties, and forfeitures collected under Chapters 1321., 1322., 4712., 4727., and 4728., sections 1315.21 to 1315.30, and sections 1349.25 to 1349.37 of the Revised Code shall be paid to the superintendent of financial institutions and shall be deposited by the superintendent into the state treasury to the credit of the consumer finance fund, which is hereby created. The fund may be expended or obligated by the superintendent for the defrayment of the costs of administration of Chapters 1321., 1322., 4712., 4727., and 4728., sections 1315.21 to 1315.30, and sections 1349.25 to 1349.37 of the Revised Code by the division of financial institutions. All actual and necessary expenses incurred by the superintendent, including any services rendered by the department of commerce for the division's administration of Chapters 1321., 1322., 4712., 4727., and 4728., sections 1315.21 to 1315.30, and sections 1349.25 to 1349.37 of the Revised Code, shall be paid from the fund. The fund shall be assessed a proportionate share of the administrative costs of the department and the division. The proportionate share of the administrative costs of the division of financial institutions shall be determined in accordance with procedures prescribed by the superintendent and approved by the director of budget and management. Such assessment shall be paid from the consumer finance fund to the division of administration fund or the financial institutions fund.

Periodically, in accordance with a schedule the director
establishes by rule, but at least once every three months, the
director of budget and management shall transfer five per cent of
all charges, penalties, and forfeitures received into the consumer
finance fund to the financial literacy education fund created
under section 121.085 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 1322.09. (A) An application for a certificate of
registration shall be in writing, under oath, and in a form
prescribed by the superintendent of financial institutions that
complies with the requirements of the nationwide mortgage
licensing system and registry. The application shall be
accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee of five seven
hundred fifty dollars for each location of an office to be
maintained by the applicant in accordance with division (A) of
section 1322.07 of the Revised Code and any additional fee
required by the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry.

(B) Upon the filing of the application and payment of the
nonrefundable application fee and any fee required by the
nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry, the
superintendent shall investigate the applicant and any individual
whose identity is required to be disclosed in the application. As
part of that investigation, the superintendent shall conduct a
civil records check.

If, in order to issue a certificate of registration to an
applicant, additional investigation by the superintendent outside
this state is necessary, the superintendent may require the
applicant to advance sufficient funds to pay the actual expenses
of the investigation, if it appears that these expenses will
exceed five hundred dollars. The superintendent shall provide the
applicant with an itemized statement of the actual expenses that
the applicant is required to pay.

(C) In connection with applying for a certificate of
registration, the applicant shall furnish to the nationwide
mortgage licensing system and registry information concerning the
applicant's identity, including all of the following:

(1) The applicant's fingerprints for submission to the
federal bureau of investigation, and any other governmental agency
or entity authorized to receive such information, for purposes of
a state, national, and international criminal history background
check;

(2) Personal history and experience in a form prescribed by
the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry, along with
authorization for the superintendent and the nationwide mortgage
licensing system and registry to obtain both of the following:

(a) An independent credit report from a consumer reporting
agency;

(b) Information related to any administrative, civil, or
criminal findings by any governmental jurisdiction.

(D) The superintendent shall pay all funds advanced and
application and renewal fees and penalties the superintendent
receives pursuant to this section and section 1322.10 of the
Revised Code to the treasurer of state to the credit of the
consumer finance fund created in section 1321.21 of the Revised
Code.

(E) If an application for a certificate of registration does
not contain all of the information required under this section,
and if that information is not submitted to the superintendent or
to the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry within
ninety days after the superintendent or the nationwide mortgage
licensing system and registry requests the information in writing,
including by electronic transmission or facsimile, the
superintendent may consider the application withdrawn.

(F) A certificate of registration and the authority granted
under that certificate is not transferable or assignable and cannot be franchised by contract or any other means.

(G)(1) The superintendent may establish relationships or enter into contracts with the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry, or any entities designated by it, to collect and maintain records and process transaction fees or other fees related to mortgage lender, mortgage servicer, or mortgage broker certificates of registration or the persons associated with a mortgage lender, mortgage servicer, or mortgage broker.

(2) For purposes of this section and to reduce the points of contact that the federal bureau of investigation may have to maintain, the division of financial institutions may use the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry as a channeling agent for requesting information from and distributing information to the United States department of justice or other governmental agencies.

(3) For purposes of this section and to reduce the points of contact that the division may have to maintain, the division may use the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry as a channeling agent for requesting information from and distributing information to any source as determined by the division.

Sec. 1322.10. (A) Upon the conclusion of the investigation required under division (B) of section 1322.09 of the Revised Code, the superintendent of financial institutions shall issue a certificate of registration to the applicant if the superintendent finds that the following conditions are met:

(1) The application is accompanied by the application fee and any fee required by the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry.

(a) If a check or other draft instrument is returned to the
superintendent for insufficient funds, the superintendent shall notify the applicant by certified mail, return receipt requested, that the application will be withdrawn unless the applicant, within thirty days after receipt of the notice, submits the application fee and a one-hundred-dollar penalty to the superintendent. If the applicant does not submit the application fee and penalty within that time period, or if any check or other draft instrument used to pay the fee or penalty is returned to the superintendent for insufficient funds, the application shall be withdrawn.

(b) If a check or other draft instrument is returned to the superintendent for insufficient funds after the certificate of registration has been issued, the superintendent shall notify the registrant by certified mail, return receipt requested, that the certificate of registration issued in reliance on the check or other draft instrument will be canceled unless the registrant, within thirty days after receipt of the notice, submits the application fee and a one-hundred-dollar penalty to the superintendent. If the registrant does not submit the application fee and penalty within that time period, or if any check or other draft instrument used to pay the fee or penalty is returned to the superintendent for insufficient funds, the certificate of registration shall be canceled immediately without a hearing, and the registrant shall cease activity as a mortgage broker.

(2) If the application is for a location that is a residence, evidence that the use of the residence to transact business as a mortgage lender or mortgage broker is not prohibited.

(3) The applicant maintains all necessary filings and approvals required by the secretary of state.

(4) The applicant complies with the surety bond requirements of section 1322.32 of the Revised Code.
(5) The applicant has not made a material misstatement of fact or material omission of fact in the application.

(6) Neither the applicant nor any person whose identity is required to be disclosed on an application for a certificate of registration has had such a certificate of registration or mortgage loan originator license, or any comparable authority, revoked in any governmental jurisdiction or has pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to or been convicted of any of the following in a domestic, foreign, or military court:

(a) During the seven-year period immediately preceding the date of application for the certificate of registration, a misdemeanor involving theft or any felony;

(b) At any time prior to the date the application for the certificate of registration is approved, a felony involving an act of fraud, dishonesty, a breach of trust, theft, or money laundering.

(7) The applicant's operations manager successfully completed the examination required by section 1322.27 of the Revised Code.

(8) The applicant's financial responsibility, experience, character, and general fitness command the confidence of the public and warrant the belief that the business will be operated honestly, fairly, and efficiently in compliance with the purposes of this chapter and the rules adopted thereunder. The superintendent shall not use a credit score or a bankruptcy as the sole basis for registration denial.

(B) For purposes of determining whether an applicant that is a partnership, corporation, or other business entity or association has met the conditions set forth in divisions (A)(6) and (8) of this section, the superintendent shall determine which partners, shareholders, or persons named in the application must meet those conditions. This determination shall be based on the
extent and nature of the partner's, shareholder's, or person's ownership interest in the partnership, corporation, or other business entity or association that is the applicant and on whether the person is in a position to direct, control, or adversely influence the operations of the applicant.

(C) The certificate of registration issued pursuant to division (A) of this section may be renewed annually on or before the thirty-first day of December if the superintendent finds that all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The renewal application is accompanied by a nonrefundable renewal fee of \textdollar{five} seven hundred fifty dollars for each location of an office to be maintained by the applicant in accordance with division (A) of section 1322.07 of the Revised Code and any fee required by the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry. If a check or other draft instrument is returned to the superintendent for insufficient funds, the superintendent shall notify the registrant by certified mail, return receipt requested, that the certificate of registration renewed in reliance on the check or other draft instrument will be canceled unless the registrant, within thirty days after receipt of the notice, submits the renewal fee and a one-hundred-dollar penalty to the superintendent. If the registrant does not submit the renewal fee and penalty within that time period, or if any check or other draft instrument used to pay the fee or penalty is returned to the superintendent for insufficient funds, the certificate of registration shall be canceled immediately without a hearing and the registrant shall cease activity as a mortgage broker.

(2) The operations manager designated under section 1322.12 of the Revised Code has completed at least eight hours of continuing education as required under section 1322.28 of the Revised Code.

(3) The applicant meets the conditions set forth in divisions
(A)(2) to (8) of this section.

(4) The applicant's certificate of registration is not subject to an order of suspension or an unpaid and past due fine imposed by the superintendent.

(D)(1) Subject to division (D)(2) of this section, if a renewal fee or additional fee required by the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry is received by the superintendent after the thirty-first day of December, the certificate of registration shall not be considered renewed, and the applicant shall cease activity as a mortgage lender or mortgage broker.

(2) Division (D)(1) of this section shall not apply if the applicant, not later than forty-five days after the renewal deadline, submits the renewal fee or additional fee and a one-hundred-dollar one-hundred-fifty-dollar penalty to the superintendent.

(E) Certificates of registration issued under this chapter annually expire on the thirty-first day of December.

(F) The pardon or expungement of a conviction shall not be considered a conviction for purposes of this section. When determining the eligibility of an applicant, the superintendent may consider the underlying crime, facts, or circumstances connected with a pardoned or expunged conviction.

(G) If the renewal fees billed by the superintendent pursuant to division (C) of this section and division (B) of section 1322.21 of the Revised Code are less than the estimated expenditures of the consumer finance section of the division of financial institutions, as determined by the superintendent, for the following fiscal year, the superintendent may assess each registrant at a rate sufficient to equal in the aggregate of the difference between the renewal fees billed and the estimated expenditures. Each registrant shall pay the assessed amount to the
superintendent prior to the last day of June. In no case shall the
assessment exceed one cent per one hundred dollars of Ohio
transaction volume for a twelve-month period, as defined by the
superintendent. If an assessment is imposed under this division,
it shall not be less than five hundred dollars per registrant and
shall not exceed thirty thousand dollars for any registrant.

Sec. 1322.20. (A) An application for a license as a mortgage
loan originator shall be in writing, under oath, and in a form
prescribed by the superintendent of financial institutions that
complies with the requirements of the nationwide mortgage
licensing system and registry. The application shall be
accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee of one two hundred
fifty dollars and any additional fee required by the nationwide
mortgage licensing system and registry.

(B)(1) The application shall provide evidence, acceptable to
the superintendent, that the applicant has successfully completed
at least twenty-four hours of pre-licensing instruction consisting
of all of the following:

(a) Twenty hours of instruction in an approved education
course;

(b) Four hours of instruction in a course or program of study
reviewed and approved by the superintendent concerning Ohio
lending laws and the Ohio consumer sales practices act, Chapter
1345. of the Revised Code, as it applies to registrants and
licensees.

(2) If an applicant held a valid mortgage loan originator
license issued by this state at any time during the immediately
preceding five-year period, the applicant shall not be required to
complete any additional pre-licensing instruction. For this
purpose, any time during which the individual is a registered
mortgage loan originator shall not be taken into account.
A person having successfully completed the pre-licensing education requirement reviewed and approved by the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry for any state within the previous five years shall be granted credit toward completion of the pre-licensing education requirement of this state.

(C) In addition to the information required under division (B) of this section, the application shall provide both of the following:

(1) Evidence that the applicant passed a written test that meets the requirements described in section 1322.27 of the Revised Code;

(2) Any further information that the superintendent requires.

(D) Upon the filing of the application and payment of the application fee and any fee required by the nationwide mortgage lending system and registry, the superintendent of financial institutions shall investigate the applicant. As part of that investigation, the superintendent shall conduct a civil records check.

If, in order to issue a license to an applicant, additional investigation by the superintendent outside this state is necessary, the superintendent may require the applicant to advance sufficient funds to pay the actual expenses of the investigation, if it appears that these expenses will exceed five hundred dollars. The superintendent shall provide the applicant with an itemized statement of the actual expenses that the applicant is required to pay.

(E) In connection with applying for a loan originator license, the applicant shall furnish to the nationwide mortgage lending system and registry information concerning the applicant's identity, including all of the following:

(1) The applicant's fingerprints for submission to the
federal bureau of investigation, and any other governmental agency or entity authorized to receive such information, for purposes of a state, national, and international criminal history background check;

(2) Personal history and experience in a form prescribed by the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry, along with authorization for the superintendent and the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry to obtain both of the following:

(a) An independent credit report from a consumer reporting agency;

(b) Information related to any administrative, civil, or criminal findings by any governmental jurisdiction.

(F) The superintendent shall pay all funds advanced and application and renewal fees and penalties the superintendent receives pursuant to this section and section 1322.21 of the Revised Code to the treasurer of state to the credit of the consumer finance fund created in section 1321.21 of the Revised Code.

(G) If an application for a mortgage loan originator license does not contain all of the information required under this section, and if that information is not submitted to the superintendent or to the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry within ninety days after the superintendent or the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry requests the information in writing, including by electronic transmission or facsimile, the superintendent may consider the application withdrawn.

(H)(1) The superintendent may establish relationships or enter into contracts with the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry, or any entities designated by it, to collect and maintain records and process transaction fees or other fees
related to mortgage loan originator licenses or the persons associated with a licensee.

(2) For purposes of this section and to reduce the points of contact that the federal bureau of investigation may have to maintain, the division of financial institutions may use the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry as a channeling agent for requesting information from and distributing information to the United States department of justice or other governmental agencies.

(3) For purposes of this section and to reduce the points of contact that the division may have to maintain, the division may use the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry as a channeling agent for requesting information from and distributing information to any source as determined by the division.

(I) A mortgage loan originator license, or the authority granted under that license, is not assignable or transferable.

Sec. 1322.21. (A) Upon the conclusion of the investigation required under division (C) of section 1322.20 of the Revised Code, the superintendent of financial institutions shall issue a mortgage loan originator license to the applicant if the superintendent finds that the following conditions are met:

(1) The application is accompanied by the application fee and any fee required by the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry.

(a) If a check or other draft instrument is returned to the superintendent for insufficient funds, the superintendent shall notify the applicant by certified mail, return receipt requested, that the application will be withdrawn unless the applicant, within thirty days after receipt of the notice, submits the application fee and a one-hundred-dollar penalty to the
superintendent. If the applicant does not submit the application fee and penalty within that time period, or if any check or other draft instrument used to pay the fee or penalty is returned to the superintendent for insufficient funds, the application shall be withdrawn.

(b) If a check or other draft instrument is returned to the superintendent for insufficient funds after the license has been issued, the superintendent shall notify the licensee by certified mail, return receipt requested, that the license issued in reliance on the check or other draft instrument will be canceled unless the licensee, within thirty days after receipt of the notice, submits the application fee and a one-hundred-dollar penalty to the superintendent. If the licensee does not submit the application fee and penalty within that time period, or if any check or other draft instrument used to pay the fee or penalty is returned to the superintendent for insufficient funds, the license shall be canceled immediately without a hearing, and the licensee shall cease activity as a loan originator.

(2) The applicant has not made a material misstatement of fact or material omission of fact in the application.

(3) The applicant has not been convicted of or pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to any of the following in a domestic, foreign, or military court:

(a) During the seven-year period immediately preceding the date of application for the license, a misdemeanor involving theft or any felony;

(b) At any time prior to the date the application for the license is approved, a felony involving an act of fraud, dishonesty, a breach of trust, theft, or money laundering.

(4) The applicant completed the prelicensing instruction set forth in division (B) of section 1322.20 of the Revised Code.
(5) The applicant's financial responsibility, character, and general fitness command the confidence of the public and warrant the belief that the business will be operated honestly and fairly in compliance with the purposes of this chapter. The superintendent shall not use a credit score or bankruptcy as the sole basis for a license denial.

(6) The applicant is in compliance with the surety bond requirements of section 1322.32 of the Revised Code.

(7) The applicant has not had a mortgage loan originator license, or comparable authority, revoked in any governmental jurisdiction.

(B) The license issued under division (A) of this section may be renewed annually on or before the thirty-first day of December if the superintendent finds that all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The renewal application is accompanied by a nonrefundable renewal fee of one two hundred fifty dollars and any fee required by the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry. If a check or other draft instrument is returned to the superintendent for insufficient funds, the superintendent shall notify the licensee by certified mail, return receipt requested, that the license renewed in reliance on the check or other draft instrument will be canceled unless the licensee, within thirty days after receipt of the notice, submits the renewal fee and a one-hundred-dollar penalty to the superintendent. If the licensee does not submit the renewal fee and penalty within that time period, or if any check or other draft instrument used to pay the fee or penalty is returned to the superintendent for insufficient funds, the license shall be canceled immediately without a hearing, and the licensee shall cease activity as a loan originator.
(2) The applicant has completed at least eight hours of continuing education as required under section 1322.28 of the Revised Code.

(3) The applicant meets the conditions set forth in divisions (A)(2) to (7) of this section.

(4) The applicant's license is not subject to an order of suspension or an unpaid and past due fine imposed by the superintendent.

(C)(1) Subject to division (C)(2) of this section, if a license renewal application fee, including any fee required by the nationwide mortgage licensing system and registry, is received by the superintendent after the thirty-first day of December, the license shall not be considered renewed, and the applicant shall cease activity as a mortgage loan originator.

(2) Division (C)(1) of this section shall not apply if the applicant, not later than forty-five days after the renewal deadline, submits the renewal application and any other required fees and a one-hundred-dollar penalty to the superintendent.

(D) Mortgage originator licenses annually expire on the thirty-first day of December.

(E) The pardon or expungement of a conviction shall not be considered a conviction for purposes of this section. When determining the eligibility of an applicant, the superintendent may consider the underlying crime, facts, or circumstances connected with a pardoned or expunged conviction.

Sec. 1327.501. (A) No person shall operate in this state a commercially used weighing and measuring device that provides the quantity or cost of a final transaction and for which a fee is established in division (G) of this section unless the operator of
the device obtains a permit issued by the director of agriculture or the director's designee.

(B) An application for a permit shall be submitted to the director on a form that the director prescribes and provides. The applicant shall include with the application any information that is specified on the application form as well as the application fee established in this section.

(C) Upon receipt of a completed application and the required fee from an applicant, the director or the director's designee shall issue or deny the permit to operate the commercially used weighing and measuring device that was the subject of the application.

(D) A permit issued under this section expires on the thirtieth day of June of the year following its issuance and may be renewed annually on or before the first day of July of that year upon payment of a permit renewal fee established in this section.

(E) If a permit renewal fee is more than sixty days past due, the director may assess a late penalty in an amount established under this section.

(F) The director shall do both of the following:

(1) Establish procedures and requirements governing the issuance or denial of permits under this section;

(2) Establish late penalties to be assessed for the late payment of a permit renewal fee and fees for the replacement of lost or destroyed permits.

(G) An applicant for a permit to operate under this section shall pay an application fee in the following applicable amount:

(1) Seventy-five One hundred dollars for a livestock scale;
Seventy-five One hundred dollars for a vehicle scale; 9349
(3) Seventy-five One hundred dollars for a railway scale; 9350
(4) Seventy-five One hundred dollars for a vehicle tank meter; 9351
(5) Seventy-five One hundred dollars for a bulk rack meter; 9352
(6) Seventy-five One hundred dollars for an LPG meter. 9353

A person who is issued a permit under this section and who seeks to renew that permit shall pay an annual permit renewal fee. The amount of a permit renewal fee shall be equal to the application fee for that permit established in this division.

(H) All money collected through the payment of fees and the imposition of penalties under this section shall be credited to the metrology and scale certification and device permitting fund created in section 1327.511 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 1503.03. The chief of the division of forestry shall cooperate with all state operated universities and the department of agriculture. The chief, with the approval of the director of natural resources, may purchase or acquire by gift, donations, or contributions any interest in land suitable for forestry purposes. The chief may enter into agreements with the federal government or other agencies for the acquisition, by lease, purchase, or otherwise, of such lands as in the judgment of the chief and director are desirable for state forests, building sites, or nursery lands. The chief may expend funds, not otherwise obligated, for the management, development, and utilization of such lands.

The chief, with the approval of the director of natural resources, may acquire by lease, purchase, gift, or otherwise, in the name of the state, forested or other lands in the state suitable for the growth of forest trees to the amount of the
appropriation for that purpose. The chief shall prepare and submit to the director of natural resources maps and descriptions of such areas including and adjacent to the existing state forest lands, the lands within which, not at the time belonging to the state, are properly subject to purchase as state forest lands for reasons of protection, utilization, and administration. When such an area is approved by the director of natural resources, it shall be known as a state forest purchase area and the map and description, with the approval of the director of natural resources indorsed thereon, shall be filed in duplicate with the auditor of state director of administrative services and the attorney general.

All lands purchased for forest purposes shall be deeded to the state, but the purchase price of such lands shall not be paid until the title thereof has been approved by the attorney general. The price of such lands shall not exceed the appropriation for such purposes.

Sec. 1503.05. (A) The chief of the division of forestry may sell timber and other forest products from the state forest and state forest nurseries, and federal lands in accordance with the terms of an agreement under section 1503.271 of the Revised Code whenever the chief considers such a sale desirable and, with the approval of the attorney general and the director of natural resources, the chief may sell portions of the state forest lands when such a sale is advantageous to the state.

(B) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a timber sale agreement shall not be executed unless the person or governmental entity bidding on the sale executes and files a surety bond conditioned on completion of the timber sale in accordance with the terms of the agreement in an amount determined by the chief. All bonds shall be given in a form prescribed by the chief and shall run to the state as obligee.
The chief shall not approve any bond until it is personally signed and acknowledged by both principal and surety, or as to either by the attorney in fact thereof, with a certified copy of the power of attorney attached. The chief shall not approve the bond unless there is attached a certificate of the superintendent of insurance that the company is authorized to transact a fidelity and surety business in this state.

In lieu of a bond, the bidder may deposit any of the following:

1. Cash in an amount equal to the amount of the bond;

2. United States government securities having a par value equal to or greater than the amount of the bond;

3. Negotiable certificates of deposit or irrevocable letters of credit issued by any bank organized or transacting business in this state having a par value equal to or greater than the amount of the bond.

The cash or securities shall be deposited on the same terms as bonds. If one or more certificates of deposit are deposited in lieu of a bond, the chief shall require the bank that issued any of the certificates to pledge securities of the aggregate market value equal to the amount of the certificate or certificates that is in excess of the amount insured by the federal deposit insurance corporation. The securities to be pledged shall be those designated as eligible under section 135.18 of the Revised Code. The securities shall be security for the repayment of the certificate or certificates of deposit.

Immediately upon a deposit of cash, securities, certificates of deposit, or letters of credit, the chief shall deliver them to the treasurer of state, who shall hold them in trust for the purposes for which they have been deposited. The treasurer of state is responsible for the safekeeping of the deposits. A bidder
making a deposit of cash, securities, certificates of deposit, or letters of credit may withdraw and receive from the treasurer of state, on the written order of the chief, all or any portion of the cash, securities, certificates of deposit, or letters of credit upon depositing with the treasurer of state cash, other United States government securities, or other negotiable certificates of deposit or irrevocable letters of credit issued by any bank organized or transacting business in this state, equal in par value to the par value of the cash, securities, certificates of deposit, or letters of credit withdrawn.

A bidder may demand and receive from the treasurer of state all interest or other income from any such securities or certificates as it becomes due. If securities so deposited with and in the possession of the treasurer of state mature or are called for payment by their issuer, the treasurer of state, at the request of the bidder who deposited them, shall convert the proceeds of the redemption or payment of the securities into other United States government securities, negotiable certificates of deposit, or cash as the bidder designates.

When the chief finds that a person or governmental agency has failed to comply with the conditions of the person's or governmental agency's bond, the chief shall make a finding of that fact and declare the bond, cash, securities, certificates, or letters of credit forfeited. The chief thereupon shall certify the total forfeiture to the attorney general, who shall proceed to collect the amount of the bond, cash, securities, certificates, or letters of credit.

In lieu of total forfeiture, the surety, at its option, may cause the timber sale to be completed or pay to the treasurer of state the cost thereof.

All moneys collected as a result of forfeitures of bonds, cash, securities, certificates, and letters of credit under
this section shall be credited to the state forest fund created in this section.

(C) The chief may grant easements and leases on portions of the state forest lands and state forest nurseries under terms that are advantageous to the state, and the chief may grant mineral rights on a royalty basis on those lands and nurseries, with the approval of the attorney general and the director.

(D) All money received from the sale of state forest lands, or in payment for easements or leases on or as rents from those lands or from state forest nurseries, shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the state forest fund, which is hereby created. In addition, all money received from federal grants, payments, and reimbursements, from the sale of reforestation tree stock, from the sale of forest products, other than standing timber, and from the sale of minerals taken from the state forest lands and state forest nurseries, together with royalties from mineral rights, shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the state forest fund. Any other revenues derived from the operation of the state forests and related facilities or equipment also shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the state forest fund, as shall contributions received for the issuance of Smokey Bear license plates under section 4503.574 of the Revised Code and any other money required by law to be deposited in the fund. Any revenue generated from agreements entered into under section 1503.271 of the Revised Code shall be deposited in the fund.

The state forest fund shall not be expended for any purpose other than the administration, operation, maintenance, development, or utilization of the state forests, forest nurseries, and forest programs for facilities or equipment incident to them for the further purchase of lands for state forest or forest nursery purposes for wildfire suppression.
payments and, for fire prevention purposes in the case of contributions received pursuant to section 4503.574 of the Revised Code, for fire prevention purposes; or for forest management projects associated with federal lands in the case of revenues received pursuant to agreements entered into under section 1503.271 of the Revised Code.

(E) All moneys money received from the sale of standing timber taken from state forest lands and state forest nurseries shall be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the forestry holding account redistribution fund, which is hereby created. The moneys money shall remain in the fund until they are redistributed in accordance with this division.

The redistribution shall occur at least once each year. To begin the redistribution, the chief first shall determine the amount of all standing timber sold from state forest lands and state forest nurseries, together with the amount of the total sale proceeds, in each county, in each township within the county, and in each school district within the county. The chief next shall determine the amount of the direct costs that the division of forestry incurred in association with the sale of that standing timber. The amount of the direct costs shall be subtracted from the amount of the total sale proceeds and shall be transferred from the forestry holding account redistribution fund to the state forest fund.

The remaining amount of the total sale proceeds equals the net value of the standing timber that was sold. The chief shall determine the net value of standing timber sold from state forest lands and state forest nurseries in each county, in each township within the county, and in each school district within the county and shall send to each county treasurer a copy of the determination at the time that moneys are money is paid to the county treasurer under this division.
Thirty-five per cent of the net value of standing timber sold from state forest lands and state forest nurseries located in a county shall be transferred from the forestry holding account redistribution fund to the state forest fund. The remaining sixty-five per cent of the net value shall be transferred from the forestry holding account redistribution fund and paid to the county treasurer for the use of the general fund of that county.

The county auditor shall do all of the following:

(1) Retain for the use of the general fund of the county one-fourth of the amount received by the county under division (E) of this section;

(2) Pay into the general fund of any township located within the county and containing such lands and nurseries one-fourth of the amount received by the county from standing timber sold from lands and nurseries located in the township;

(3) Request the board of education of any school district located within the county and containing such lands and nurseries to identify which fund or funds of the district should receive the money available to the school district under division (E)(3) of this section. After receiving notice from the board, the county auditor shall pay into the fund or funds so identified one-half of the amount received by the county from standing timber sold from lands and nurseries located in the school district, distributed proportionately as identified by the board.

The division of forestry shall not supply logs, lumber, or other forest products or minerals, taken from the state forest lands or state forest nurseries, to any other agency or subdivision of the state unless payment is made therefor in the amount of the actual prevailing value thereof. This section is applicable to the money so received.
The chief may enter into a personal service contract for consulting services to assist the chief with the sale of timber or other forest products and related inventory. Compensation for consulting services shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale of timber or other forest products and related inventory that are the subject of the personal service contract.

Sec. 1503.141. (A) As used in this section, "firefighting agency" and "private fire company" have the same meanings as in section 9.60 of the Revised Code.

(B) Each fiscal year, the director of natural resources or the director's designee shall designate not more than two hundred thousand dollars in the state forest fund created in section 1503.05 of the Revised Code for wildfire suppression payments. The amount designated shall consist only of money credited to the fund from the sale of standing timber taken from state forest lands as set forth in that section.

(C) The director or the director's designee may use money designated for wildfire suppression payments to reimburse firefighting agencies and private fire companies for their costs incurred in the suppression of wildfires in counties within fire protection areas established under section 1503.08 of the Revised Code where there is a state forest or national forest, or portion thereof. The director or the director's designee may provide such reimbursement in additional counties. The director or the director's designee shall provide such reimbursement pursuant to agreements and contracts entered into under section 1503.14 of the Revised Code and in accordance with the following schedule:

(A)(1) For wildfire suppression on private land, an initial seventy-dollar payment to the firefighting agency or private fire company;
(B)(2) For wildfire suppression on land under the administration or care of the department of natural resources or on land that is part of any national forest administered by the United States department of agriculture forest service, an initial one-hundred-dollar payment to the firefighting agency or private fire company;

(C)(3) For any wildfire suppression on land specified in division (A)(C)(1) or (B)(2) of this section lasting more than two hours, an additional payment of thirty-five dollars per hour.

As used in this section, "firefighting agency" and "private fire company" have the same meanings as in section 9.60 of the Revised Code. For wildfire suppression, prescribed fire assistance, or emergency response support to federal agencies, the division may reimburse costs in addition to the amounts set forth in division (C) of this section provided those costs are eligible in accordance with an agreement under section 1503.27 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 1503.271. The chief of the division of forestry may enter into agreements with the federal government under 16 U.S.C. 2113a or other applicable federal statutes for the purpose of forest management projects, including timber sales.

Sec. 1503.33. In order to further cooperation with other states and with federal agencies, the chief of the division of forestry, with the approval of the director of natural resources, may request assistance and aid from and may provide assistance and aid to other states, groups of states, and federal agencies in the protection of forests from forest fires and may enter into agreements for that purpose. Upon the request of another state, the chief may send to or receive from that state such personnel, equipment, and supplies as may be available and appropriate for
use in accordance with the terms of the applicable agreement.

Employees of the division this state serving outside the state under the terms of an agreement entered into under this section shall be considered as performing services within their regular employment for the purposes of compensation, pension or indemnity fund rights, workers' compensation, and other rights or benefits to which they may be entitled as incidents of their regular employment. Such employees retain personal immunity from civil liability as specified in section 9.86 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 1505.09. (A) There is hereby created in the state treasury the geological mapping fund, to be administered by the chief of the division of geological survey. Except as provided in divisions (C) and (D) of this section, the fund shall be used for any of the following purposes:

(1) Performing the necessary field, laboratory, and administrative tasks to map and make public reports on the geology, geologic hazards, and energy and mineral resources of the state;

(2) The administration of the oil and gas leasing commission created in section 1509.71 of the Revised Code;

(3) To award grants to geology departments at state colleges and universities for undergraduate or graduate level research conducted at locations of geological interest in the state. The chief shall award grants at least annually, but at the chief's discretion, may award grants more frequently;

(4) To provide materials such as rock and mineral kits to state elementary and secondary schools to assist students in the study of geology.

(B) The sources of money for the fund shall include all of the following:
(1) The mineral severance tax as specified in section 5749.02 of the Revised Code;

(2) Transfers made to the fund in accordance with section 6111.046 of the Revised Code;

(3) Contributions that a person pays to the bureau of motor vehicles to obtain "Ohio geology" license plates under section 4503.515 of the Revised Code;

(4) The fees collected under rules adopted under section 1505.05 of the Revised Code.

The chief may seek federal or other money in addition to the mineral severance tax and fees to carry out the purposes of this section. If the chief receives federal money for the purposes of this section, the chief shall deposit that money into the state treasury to the credit of a fund created by the controlling board to carry out those purposes.

Other money received by the chief for the purposes of this section in addition to the mineral severance tax, fees, and federal money shall be credited to the geological mapping fund.

(C) Any money transferred to the geological mapping fund in accordance with section 6111.046 of the Revised Code shall be used by the chiefs of the divisions of mineral resources management, oil and gas resources management, geological survey, and water resources in the department of natural resources for the purpose of executing their duties under sections 6111.043 to 6111.047 of the Revised Code.

(D) The director of natural resources shall use contributions from "Ohio geology" license plates deposited into the fund for both of the following purposes in order of preference:

(1) To award grants to geology departments at state colleges and universities for graduate level research conducted at
locations of geological interest in the state;

(2) To provide materials such as rock and mineral kits to state elementary and secondary schools to assist students in the study of geology.

The director shall award grants at least annually, but at the director's discretion, may award grants more frequently.

Sec. 1509.12. (A)(1) No owner of any well shall construct or operate a well, or permit defective casing in a well to leak fluids or gases, that causes damage to other permeable strata, underground sources of drinking water, or the surface of the land or that threatens the public health and safety or the environment. Upon

(2) No owner of a well shall permit defective casing in a well to leak fluids or gases.

(3) Upon the discovery that the casing in a well is defective or that a well was not adequately constructed, the person that constructed the well or owner of the well shall notify the chief of the division of oil and gas resources management within twenty-four hours of the discovery, and the owner shall immediately repair the casing, correct the construction inadequacies, or plug and abandon the well.

(B) When the chief finds that a well should be plugged, the chief shall notify the person that constructed the well or owner of the well to that effect by order in writing and shall specify in the order a reasonable time within which to comply. No owner person shall fail or refuse to plug a well within the time specified in the order. Each day on which such a well remains unplugged thereafter constitutes a separate offense.

Where the plugging method prescribed by rules adopted pursuant to section 1509.15 of the Revised Code cannot be applied
or if applied would be ineffective in carrying out the protection that the law is meant to give, the chief may designate a different method of plugging. The abandonment report shall show the manner in which the well was plugged.

(C) In case of oil or gas wells abandoned prior to September 1, 1978, the board of county commissioners of the county in which the wells are located may submit to the electors of the county the question of establishing a special fund, by general levy, by general bond issue, or out of current funds, which shall be approved by a majority of the electors voting upon that question for the purpose of plugging the wells. The fund shall be administered by the board and the plugging of oil and gas wells shall be under the supervision of the chief, and the board shall let contracts for that purpose, provided that the fund shall not be used for the purpose of plugging oil and gas wells that were abandoned subsequent to September 1, 1978.

**Sec. 1509.13.** (A) **No (1) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(2) of this section and division (E)(1) of section 1509.071 of the Revised Code, no person shall plug and abandon a well without having a permit to do so issued by the chief of the division of oil and gas resources management. The permit shall be issued by the chief in accordance with this chapter and shall be valid for a period of twenty-four months from the date of issue.**

(2) **The holder of a valid permit issued under section 1509.06 of the Revised Code may receive approval from an oil and gas resources inspector to plug and abandon the well associated with that permit, without obtaining the permit required under division (A) of this section, if either of the following apply:**

(a) The well was drilled to total depth and the well cannot or will not be completed.

(b) The well is a lost hole or dry hole.
(3) A permit holder plugging a well pursuant to division (A)(2)(a) of this section shall plug the well within thirty days of receipt of approval from the oil and gas resources inspector.

(4) A permit holder plugging a well pursuant to division (A)(2)(b) of this section shall plug the well immediately after determining that the well is a lost hole or dry hole in accordance with rules adopted under this chapter.

(B) Application by the owner

The application for a permit to plug and abandon shall be filed as many days in advance as will be necessary for an oil and gas resources inspector or, if the well is located in a coal bearing township, both a deputy mine inspector and an oil and gas resources inspector to be present at the plugging. The application shall be filed with the chief upon a form that the chief prescribes and shall contain the following information:

(1) The name and address of the owner applicant;

(2) The signature of the owner applicant or the owner's applicant's authorized agent. When an authorized agent signs an application, it shall be accompanied by a certified copy of the appointment as that agent.

(3) The location of the well identified by section or lot number, city, village, township, and county;

(4) Designation of well by name and number;

(5) The total depth of the well to be plugged;

(6) The date and amount of last production from the well;

(7) Other data information that the chief may require.

(C) Except as otherwise provided in division (E)(2)(a) of section 1509.071 of the Revised Code, if oil or gas has been produced from the well, the application shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable fee of two hundred fifty dollars. If a well has been
drilled in accordance with law and the permit is still valid, the permit holder may receive approval to plug the well from an oil and gas resources inspector so that the well can be plugged and abandoned without undue delay. Unless waived by an oil and gas resources inspector, the owner of a well or the owner's authorized representative shall notify an oil and gas resources inspector at least twenty-four hours prior to the commencement of the plugging of a well. No well shall be plugged and abandoned without an oil and gas resources inspector present unless permission has been granted by the chief. The owner of a well that has produced oil or gas shall give written notice at the same time to the owner of the land upon which the well is located and to all lessors that receive gas from the well pursuant to a lease agreement. If the well penetrates or passes within one hundred feet of the excavations and workings of a mine, the owner of the well shall give written notice to the owner or lessee of that mine of the well owner's intention to abandon the well and of the time when the well owner of the well will be prepared to commence plugging it.

(D) An applicant may file a request with the chief for expedited review of an application for a permit to plug and abandon a well. The chief may refuse to accept a request for expedited review if, in the chief's judgment, acceptance of the request will prevent the issuance, within twenty-one days of filing, of permits for which applications filed under section 1509.06 of the Revised Code are pending. In addition to a complete application for a permit that meets the requirements of this section and the permit fee prescribed by this section, if applicable, a request shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable filing fee of five hundred dollars unless the chief has ordered the applicant to plug and abandon the well. When a request for expedited review is filed, the chief shall immediately begin to process the application and shall issue a permit within seven days.
of the filing of the request unless the chief, by order, denies the application.

(E) Except as otherwise provided in division (E)(2) of this section, any person undertaking the plugging of a well for which a permit has been issued under this section shall obtain insurance for bodily injury coverage and property damage coverage in the amount established under section 1509.07 of the Revised Code to pay for damages or injury to property or person, including damages caused by the plugging of the well. The person shall electronically submit proof of insurance to the chief upon the chief's request.

(2) Division (E)(1) of this section does not apply to a person already required to maintain an insurance policy under section 1509.07 of the Revised Code.

(F) This section does not apply to a well plugged or abandoned in compliance with section 1571.05 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 1513.08. (A) After a coal mining and reclamation permit application has been approved, the applicant shall file with the chief of the division of mineral resources management, on a form prescribed and furnished by the chief, the performance security required under this section that shall be payable to the state and conditioned on the faithful performance of all the requirements of this chapter and rules adopted under it and the terms and conditions of the permit.

(B) Using the information contained in the permit application; the requirements contained in the approved permit and reclamation plan; and, after considering the topography, geology, hydrology, and revegetation potential of the area of the approved permit, the probable difficulty of reclamation; the chief shall determine the estimated cost of reclamation under the initial term of the permit if the reclamation has to be performed by the
division of mineral resources management in the event of forfeiture of the performance security by the applicant. The chief shall send written notice of the amount of the estimated cost of reclamation by certified mail to the applicant. The applicant shall send written notice to the chief indicating the method by which the applicant will provide the performance security pursuant to division (C) of this section.

(C) The applicant shall provide the performance security in an amount using one of the following:

(1) If the applicant elects to provide performance security without reliance on the reclamation forfeiture fund created in section 1513.18 of the Revised Code, the amount of the estimated cost of reclamation as determined by the chief under division (B) of this section for the increments of land on which the operator will conduct a coal mining and reclamation operation under the initial term of the permit as indicated in the application;

(2) If the applicant elects to provide performance security together with reliance on the reclamation forfeiture fund through payment of the additional tax on the severance of coal that is levied under division (A)(8) of section 5749.02 of the Revised Code, an amount of twenty-five hundred dollars per acre of land on which the operator will conduct coal mining and reclamation under the initial term of the permit as indicated in the application.

However, in order for an applicant to be eligible to provide performance security in accordance with division (C)(2) of this section, the applicant, an owner and controller of the applicant, or an affiliate of the applicant shall have held a permit issued under this chapter for any coal mining and reclamation operation for a period of not less than five years.

If a permit is transferred, assigned, or sold, the transferee is not eligible to provide performance security under division (C)(2) of this section if the transferee has not held a permit.
issued under this chapter for any coal mining and reclamation operation for a period of not less than five years. This restriction applies even if the status or name of the permittee otherwise remains the same after the transfer, assignment, or sale.

In the event of forfeiture of performance security that was provided in accordance with division (C)(2) of this section, the difference between the amount of that performance security and the estimated cost of reclamation as determined by the chief under division (B) of this section shall be obtained from money in the reclamation forfeiture fund as needed to complete the reclamation.

The performance security provided under division (C) of this section for the entire area to be mined under one permit issued under this chapter shall not be less than ten thousand dollars.

The performance security shall cover areas of land affected by mining within or immediately adjacent to the permitted area, so long as the total number of acres does not exceed the number of acres for which the performance security is provided. However, the authority for the performance security to cover areas of land immediately adjacent to the permitted area does not authorize a permittee to mine areas outside an approved permit area. As succeeding increments of coal mining and reclamation operations are to be initiated and conducted within the permit area, the permittee shall file with the chief additional performance security to cover the increments in accordance with this section. If a permittee intends to mine areas outside the approved permit area, the permittee shall provide additional performance security in accordance with this section to cover the areas to be mined.

If an applicant or permittee has is not held a permit issued under this chapter for any coal mining and reclamation operation for a period of five years or more eligible to provide performance security in accordance with division (C)(2) of this section, the
applicant or permittee shall provide performance security in accordance with division (C)(1) of this section in the full amount of the estimated cost of reclamation as determined by the chief for a permitted coal preparation plant or coal refuse disposal area that is not located within a permitted area of a mine. If an applicant for a permit for a coal preparation plant or coal refuse disposal area or a permittee of a permitted coal preparation plant or coal refuse disposal area that is not located within a permitted area of a mine has held a permit issued under this chapter for any coal mining and reclamation operation for a period of five years or more, the applicant or permittee may provide performance security for the coal preparation plant or coal refuse disposal area either in accordance with division (C)(1) of this section in the full amount of the estimated cost of reclamation as determined by the chief or in accordance with division (C)(2) of this section in an amount of twenty-five hundred dollars per acre of land with reliance on the reclamation forfeiture fund. If a permittee has previously provided performance security under division (C)(1) of this section for a coal preparation plant or coal refuse disposal area that is not located within a permitted area of a mine and elects to provide performance security in accordance with division (C)(2) of this section, the permittee shall submit written notice to the chief indicating that the permittee elects to provide performance security in accordance with division (C)(2) of this section, the permittee shall submit written notice to the chief indicating that the permittee elects to provide performance security in accordance with division (C)(2) of this section. Upon receipt of such a written notice, the chief shall release to the permittee the amount of the performance security previously provided under division (C)(1) of this section that exceeds the amount of performance security that is required to be provided under division (C)(2) of this section.

(D) A permittee's liability under the performance security shall be limited to the obligations established under the permit, which include completion of the reclamation plan in order to make
the land capable of supporting the postmining land use that was approved in the permit. The period of liability under the performance security shall be for the duration of the coal mining and reclamation operation and for a period coincident with the operator's responsibility for revegetation requirements under section 1513.16 of the Revised Code.

(E) The amount of the estimated cost of reclamation determined under division (B) of this section and the amount of a permittee's performance security provided in accordance with division (C)(1) of this section shall be adjusted by the chief as the land that is affected by mining increases or decreases or if the cost of reclamation increases or decreases. If the performance security was provided in accordance with division (C)(2) of this section and the chief has issued a cessation order under division (D)(2) of section 1513.02 of the Revised Code for failure to abate a violation of the contemporaneous reclamation requirement under division (A)(15) of section 1513.16 of the Revised Code, the chief may require the permittee to increase the amount of performance security from twenty-five hundred dollars per acre of land to five thousand dollars per acre of land.

The chief shall notify the permittee, each surety, and any person who has a property interest in the performance security and who has requested to be notified of any proposed adjustment to the performance security. The permittee may request an informal conference with the chief concerning the proposed adjustment, and the chief shall provide such an informal conference.

If the chief increases the amount of performance security under this division, the permittee shall provide additional performance security in an amount determined by the chief. If the chief decreases the amount of performance security under this division, the chief shall determine the amount of the reduction of the performance security and send written notice of the amount of
reduction to the permittee. The permittee may reduce the amount of
the performance security in the amount determined by the chief.

(F) A permittee may request a reduction in the amount of the
performance security by submitting to the chief documentation
proving that the amount of the performance security provided by
the permittee exceeds the estimated cost of reclamation if the
reclamation would have to be performed by the division in the
event of forfeiture of the performance security. The chief shall
examine the documentation and determine whether the permittee's
performance security exceeds the estimated cost of reclamation. If
the chief determines that the performance security exceeds that
estimated cost, the chief shall determine the amount of the
reduction of the performance security and send written notice of
the amount to the permittee. The permittee may reduce the amount
of the performance security in the amount determined by the chief.
Adjustments in the amount of performance security under this
division shall not be considered release of performance security
and are not subject to section 1513.16 of the Revised Code.

(G) If the performance security is a bond, it shall be
executed by the operator and a corporate surety licensed to do
business in this state. If the performance security is a cash
deposit or negotiable certificates of deposit of a bank or savings
and loan association, the bank or savings and loan association
shall be licensed and operating in this state. The cash deposit or
market value of the securities shall be equal to or greater than
the amount of the performance security required under this
section. The chief shall review any documents pertaining to the
performance security and approve or disapprove the documents. The
chief shall notify the applicant of the chief's determination.

(H) If the performance security is a bond, the chief may
accept the bond of the applicant itself without separate surety
when the applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the chief
the existence of a suitable agent to receive service of process and a history of financial solvency and continuous operation sufficient for authorization to self-insure or bond the amount.

(I) Performance security provided under this section may be held in trust, provided that the state is the primary beneficiary of the trust and the custodian of the performance security held in trust is a bank, trust company, or other financial institution that is licensed and operating in this state. The chief shall review the trust document and approve or disapprove the document. The chief shall notify the applicant of the chief's determination.

(J) If a surety, bank, savings and loan association, trust company, or other financial institution that holds the performance security required under this section becomes insolvent, the permittee shall notify the chief of the insolvency, and the chief shall order the permittee to submit a plan for replacement performance security within thirty days after receipt of notice from the chief. If the permittee provided performance security in accordance with division (C)(1) of this section, the permittee shall provide the replacement performance security within ninety days after receipt of notice from the chief. If the permittee provided performance security in accordance with division (C)(2) of this section, the permittee shall provide the replacement performance security within one year after receipt of notice from the chief, and, for a period of one year after the permittee's receipt of notice from the chief or until the permittee provides the replacement performance security, whichever occurs first, money in the reclamation forfeiture fund shall be the permittee's replacement performance security in an amount not to exceed the estimated cost of reclamation as determined by the chief.

(K) If a permittee provided performance security in accordance with division (C)(1) of this section, the permittee's responsibility for repairing material damage and replacement of
water supply resulting from subsidence shall be satisfied by
either of the following:

(1) The purchase prior to mining of a noncancelable
premium-prepaid liability insurance policy in lieu of the
permittee's performance security for subsidence damage. The
insurance policy shall contain terms and conditions that
specifically provide coverage for repairing material damage and
replacement of water supply resulting from subsidence.

(2) The provision of additional performance security in the
amount of the estimated cost to the division of mineral resources
management to repair material damage and replace water supplies
resulting from subsidence until the repair or replacement is
completed. However, if such repair or replacement is completed, or
compensation for structures that have been damaged by subsidence
is provided, by the permittee within ninety days of the occurrence
of the subsidence, additional performance security is not
required. In addition, the chief may extend the ninety-day period
for a period not to exceed one year if the chief determines that
the permittee has demonstrated in writing that subsidence is not
complete and that probable subsidence-related damage likely will
occur and, as a result, the completion of repairs of
subsidence-related material damage to lands or protected
structures or the replacement of water supply within ninety days
of the occurrence of the subsidence would be unreasonable.

(L) If the performance security provided in accordance with
this section exceeds the estimated cost of reclamation, the chief
may authorize the amount of the performance security that exceeds
the estimated cost of reclamation together with any interest or
other earnings on the performance security to be paid to the
permittee.

(M) A permittee that held a valid coal mining and reclamation
permit immediately prior to April 6, 2007, shall provide, not
later than a date established by the chief, performance security in accordance with division (C)(1) or (2) of this section, rather than in accordance with the law as it existed prior to that date, by filing it with the chief on a form that the chief prescribes and furnishes. Accordingly, for purposes of this section, "applicant" is deemed to include such a permittee.

(N) As used in this section:

(1) "Affiliate of the applicant" means an entity that has a parent entity in common with the applicant.

(2) "Owner and controller of the applicant" means a person that has any relationship with the applicant that gives the person authority to determine directly or indirectly the manner in which the applicant conducts coal mining operations.

Sec. 1521.06. (A) No dam may be constructed for the purpose of storing, conserving, or retarding water, or for any other purpose, nor shall any levee be constructed for the purpose of diverting or retaining flood water, unless the person or governmental agency desiring the construction has a construction permit for the dam or levee issued by the chief of the division of water resources.

A construction permit is not required under this section for:

(1) A dam that is or will be less than ten feet in height and that has or will have a storage capacity of not more than fifty acre-feet at the elevation of the top of the dam, as determined by the chief. For the purposes of this section, the height of a dam shall be measured from the natural stream bed or lowest ground elevation at the downstream or outside limit of the dam to the elevation of the top of the dam.

(2) A dam, regardless of height, that has or will have a storage capacity of not more than fifteen acre-feet at the
elevation of the top of the dam, as determined by the chief;  

(3) A dam, regardless of storage capacity, that is or will be six feet or less in height, as determined by the chief;  

(4) A dam or levee that belongs to a class exempted by the chief;  

(5) The repair, maintenance, improvement, alteration, or removal of a dam or levee that is subject to section 1521.062 of the Revised Code, unless the construction constitutes an enlargement or reconstruction of the structure as determined by the chief;  

(6) A dam or impoundment constructed under Chapter 1513. of the Revised Code.  

(B) Before a construction permit may be issued, three copies of the plans and specifications, including a detailed cost estimate, for the proposed construction, prepared by a registered professional engineer, together with any filing fee specified by rules adopted by the chief in accordance with division (I) of this section and the bond or other security required by section 1521.061 of the Revised Code, shall be filed with the chief. The detailed estimate of the cost shall include all costs associated with the construction of the dam or levee, including supervision and inspection of the construction by a registered professional engineer.  

All fees collected pursuant to this section, and all fines collected pursuant to section 1521.99 of the Revised Code, shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the dam safety fund, which is hereby created. Expenditures from the fund shall be made by the chief for the purpose of administering this section and sections 1521.061 and 1521.062 of the Revised Code.  

(C) The chief shall, within thirty days from the date of the receipt of the application, fee, and bond or other security, issue
or deny a construction permit for the construction or may issue a
construction permit conditioned upon the making of such changes in
the plans and specifications for the construction as the chief
considers advisable if the chief determines that the construction
of the proposed dam or levee, in accordance with the plans and
specifications filed, would endanger life, health, or property.

(D) The chief may deny a construction permit after finding
that a dam or levee built in accordance with the plans and
specifications would endanger life, health, or property, because
of improper or inadequate design, or for such other reasons as the
chief may determine.

In the event the chief denies a permit for the construction
of the dam or levee, or issues a permit conditioned upon a making
of changes in the plans or specifications for the construction,
the chief shall state the reasons therefor and so notify, in
writing, the person or governmental agency making the application
for a permit. If the permit is denied, the chief shall return the
bond or other security to the person or governmental agency making
application for the permit.

The decision of the chief conditioning or denying a
construction permit is subject to appeal as provided in Chapter
119. of the Revised Code. A dam or levee built substantially at
variance from the plans and specifications upon which a
construction permit was issued is in violation of this section.
The chief may at any time inspect any dam or levee, or site upon
which any dam or levee is to be constructed, in order to determine
whether it complies with this section.

(E) A registered professional engineer shall inspect the
construction for which the permit was issued during all phases of
construction and shall furnish to the chief such regular reports
of the engineer's inspections as the chief may require. When the
chief finds that construction has been fully completed in
accordance with the terms of the permit and the plans and specifications approved by the chief, the chief shall approve the construction. When one year has elapsed after approval of the completed construction, and the chief finds that within this period no fact has become apparent to indicate that the construction was not performed in accordance with the terms of the permit and the plans and specifications approved by the chief, or that the construction as performed would endanger life, health, or property, the chief shall release the bond or other security. No bond or other security shall be released until one year after final approval by the chief, unless the dam or levee has been modified so that it will not retain water and has been approved as nonhazardous after determination by the chief that the dam or levee as modified will not endanger life, health, or property.

(F) When inspections required by this section are not being performed, the chief shall notify the person or governmental agency to which the permit has been issued that inspections are not being performed by the registered professional engineer and that the chief will inspect the remainder of the construction. Thereafter, the chief shall inspect the construction and the cost of inspection shall be charged against the owner. Failure of the registered professional engineer to submit required inspection reports shall be deemed notice that the engineer's inspections are not being performed.

(G) The chief may order construction to cease on any dam or levee that is being built in violation of this section, and may prohibit the retention of water behind any dam or levee that has been built in violation of this section.

(H) The chief may adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, for the design and construction of dams and levees for which a construction permit is required by this section or for which periodic inspection is required by section 1521.062.
of the Revised Code, for deposit and forfeiture of bonds and other securities required by section 1521.061 of the Revised Code, for the periodic inspection, operation, repair, improvement, alteration, or removal of all dams and levees, as specified in section 1521.062 of the Revised Code, and for establishing classes of dams or levees that are exempt from the requirements of this section and section 1521.062 of the Revised Code as being of a size, purpose, or situation that does not present a substantial hazard to life, health, or property. The chief may, by rule, limit the period during which a construction permit issued under this section is valid. The rules may allow for the extension of the period during which a permit is valid upon written request, provided that the written request includes a revised construction cost estimate, and may require the payment of an additional filing fee for the requested extension. If a construction permit expires without an extension before construction is completed, the person or agency shall apply for a new permit, and shall not continue construction until the new permit is issued.

(I) The chief shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code establishing a filing fee schedule for purposes of division (B) of this section.

Sec. 1521.061.  (A)(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the chief of the division of water resources shall not issue a construction permit under section 1521.06 of the Revised Code unless the person or governmental agency applying for the permit executes and files a surety bond conditioned on completion of the dam or levee in accordance with the terms of the permit and the plans and specifications approved by the chief of the division of water resources, in an amount equal to fifty per cent of the estimated cost of the project. Except as provided in division (A)(2) of this section, the surety bond shall equal:
(a) $50,000 for the first $500,000 of the estimated cost of the project; plus

(b) Twenty-five per cent of the estimated cost for the next $4,500,000 of the estimated cost of the project; plus

(c) Ten per cent of the estimated cost that exceeds $5,000,000.

(2) The chief may reduce the amount of the required surety bond to the amount equal to the cost estimate of construction activities necessary to render the dam nonhazardous if the cost estimate is provided by the applicant and approved by the chief.

(B) If a permittee requests an extension of the time period during which a construction permit is valid in accordance with rules adopted under section 1521.06 of the Revised Code, the chief shall determine whether the revised construction cost estimate provided with the request exceeds the original construction cost estimate that was filed with the chief by more than twenty-five per cent. If the revised construction cost estimate exceeds the original construction cost estimate by more than twenty-five per cent, the chief may require an additional surety bond to be filed so that the total amount of the surety bonds equals at least fifty per cent of in an amount determined in accordance with division (A) of this section based on the revised construction cost estimate.

(C) The chief shall not approve any bond until it is personally signed and acknowledged by both principal and surety, or as to either by the attorney in fact thereof, with a certified copy of the power of attorney attached. The chief shall not approve the bond unless there is attached a certificate of the superintendent of insurance that the company is authorized to transact a fidelity and surety business in this state.

All bonds shall be given in a form prescribed by the chief.
and shall run to the state as obligee.

(D)(1) The applicant may deposit, in lieu of a bond, cash in an amount equal to the amount of the bond or United States government securities or negotiable certificates of deposit issued by any bank organized or transacting business in this state having a par value equal to or greater than the amount of the bond. Such cash or securities shall be deposited upon the same terms as bonds. If one or more certificates of deposit are deposited in lieu of a bond, the chief shall require the bank that issued any such certificate to pledge securities of the aggregate market value equal to the amount of the certificate that is in excess of the amount insured by the federal deposit insurance corporation. The securities to be pledged shall be those designated as eligible under section 135.18 of the Revised Code. The securities shall be security for the repayment of the certificate of deposit.

(2) Immediately upon a deposit of cash, securities, or certificates of deposit, the chief shall deliver them to the treasurer of state, who shall hold them in trust for the purposes for which they have been deposited. The treasurer of state is responsible for the safekeeping of such deposits. An applicant making a deposit of cash, securities, or certificates of deposit may withdraw and receive from the treasurer of state, on the written order of the chief, all or any portion of the cash, securities, or certificates of deposit, upon depositing with the treasurer of state cash, other United States government securities, or negotiable certificates of deposit issued by any bank organized or transacting business in this state equal in par value to the par value of the cash, securities, or certificates of deposit withdrawn. An applicant may demand and receive from the treasurer of state all interest or other income from any such securities or certificates as it becomes due. If securities so deposited with and in the possession of the treasurer of state
mature or are called for payment by the issuer thereof, the treasurer of state, at the request of the applicant who deposited them, shall convert the proceeds of the redemption or payment of the securities into such other United States government securities, negotiable certificates of deposit issued by any bank organized or transacting business in this state, or cash as the applicant designates.

(E)(1) When the chief finds that a person or governmental agency has failed to comply with the conditions of the person's or agency's bond, the chief shall make a finding of that fact and declare the bond, cash, securities, or certificates of deposit forfeited in the amount set by rule of the chief. The chief shall thereupon certify the total forfeiture to the attorney general, who shall proceed to collect that amount.

(2) In lieu of total forfeiture, the surety, at its option, may cause the dam or levee to be completed as required by section 1521.06 of the Revised Code and rules of the chief, or otherwise rendered nonhazardous, or pay to the treasurer of state the cost thereof.

(F)(1) All moneys collected on account of forfeitures of bonds, cash, securities, and certificates of deposit under this section shall be credited to the dam safety fund created in section 1521.06 of the Revised Code. The chief shall make expenditures from the fund to complete dams and levees for which bonds have been forfeited or to otherwise render them nonhazardous.

(2) Expenditures from the fund for those purposes shall be made pursuant to contracts entered into by the chief with persons who agree to furnish all of the materials, equipment, work, and labor as specified and provided in the contract.

(G) A surety bond shall not be required for a permit for a
dam or levee that is to be designed and constructed by an agency of the United States government, if the agency files with the chief written assurance of the agency's financial responsibility for the structure during the one-year period for one year following the chief's approval of the completed construction provided for under division (E) of section 1521.06 of the Revised Code.

**Sec. 1521.40.** (A) No person shall violate any provision of this chapter, any rule or order adopted or issued under it, or any term or condition of a permit issued under it.

(B) The attorney general, upon written request of the chief of the division of water resources, shall bring an action for an injunction or other appropriate legal or equitable action against any person who has violated, is violating, or is threatening to violate any provision of this chapter, any rule or order adopted or issued under it, or any term or condition of a permit issued under it.

(C) A person who violates any provision of this chapter, any rule or order adopted or issued under it, or any term or condition of a permit issued under it is liable to the chief for any costs incurred by the division of water resources in investigating, mitigating, minimizing, removing, or abating the violation and conditions caused by it. The chief also may assess a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars per day for each day a violation occurs of any provision of this chapter, any rule or order adopted or issued under it, or any term or condition of a permit issued under it.

(D) Upon the request of the chief, the attorney general shall bring a civil action against the responsible person to recover those costs and civil penalties in the court of common pleas of Franklin county. Money recovered under this division for
violations of sections 1521.06 to 1521.063 of the Revised Code, any rule or order adopted or issued under those sections, or any term or condition of a permit issued under those sections shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the dam safety fund created in section 1521.06 of the Revised Code. Money recovered under this division for violations of sections 1521.16 and 1521.22 to 1521.35 of the Revised Code, any rule or order adopted or issued under those sections, or any term or condition of a permit issued under those sections shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the water management fund created in section 1521.22 of the Revised Code.

**Sec. 1521.99.** (A) Whoever violates division (E)(1) of section 1521.05 or division (E)(1) of section 1521.16 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. All fines collected pursuant to this division shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the water management fund created in section 1521.22 of the Revised Code.

(B) Whoever violates section 1521.06 or 1521.062 of the Revised Code shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars for each offense. Each day of violation constitutes a separate offense. All fines collected pursuant to this division shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the dam safety fund created in section 1521.06 of the Revised Code.

(C) Whoever violates section 1521.22 of the Revised Code or the terms or conditions of a permit issued under that section shall be fined not more than ten thousand dollars for each day of violation. All fines collected pursuant to this division shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the water management fund created in section 1521.22 of the Revised Code.

(D) Whoever violates section 1521.23 of the Revised Code or
the terms or conditions of a permit issued under section 1521.29 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. All fines collected pursuant to this division shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the water management fund created in section 1521.22 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 1531.01. As used in this chapter and Chapter 1533. of the Revised Code:

(A) "Person" means a person as defined in section 1.59 of the Revised Code or a company; an employee, agent, or officer of such a person or company; a combination of individuals; the state; a political subdivision of the state; an interstate body created by a compact; or the federal government or a department, agency, or instrumentality of it.

(B) "Resident" means any individual who has resided in this state for not less than six months preceding the date of making application for a license or permit.

(C) "Nonresident" means any individual who does not qualify as a resident.

(D) "Division rule" or "rule" means any rule adopted by the chief of the division of wildlife under section 1531.10 of the Revised Code unless the context indicates otherwise.

(E) "Closed season" means that period of time during which the taking of wild animals protected by this chapter and Chapter 1533. of the Revised Code is prohibited.

(F) "Open season" means that period of time during which the taking of wild animals protected by this chapter and Chapter 1533. of the Revised Code is permitted.

(G) "Take or taking" includes pursuing, shooting, hunting, killing, trapping, angling, fishing with a trotline, or netting any clam, mussel, crayfish, aquatic insect, fish, frog, turtle,
wild bird, or wild quadruped, and any lesser act, such as wounding, or placing, setting, drawing, or using any other device for killing or capturing any wild animal, whether it results in killing or capturing the animal or not. "Take or taking" includes every attempt to kill or capture and every act of assistance to any other person in killing or capturing or attempting to kill or capture a wild animal.

(H) "Possession" means both actual and constructive possession and any control of things referred to.

(I) "Bag limit" means the number, measurement, or weight of any kind of crayfish, aquatic insects, fish, frogs, turtles, wild birds, and wild quadrupeds permitted to be taken.

(J) "Transport and transportation" means carrying or moving or causing to be carried or moved.

(K) "Sell and sale" means barter, exchange, or offer or expose for sale.

(L) "Whole to include part" means that every provision relating to any wild animal protected by this chapter and Chapter 1533. of the Revised Code applies to any part of the wild animal with the same effect as it applies to the whole.

(M) "Angling" means fishing with not more than two hand lines, not more than two units of rod and line, or a combination of not more than one hand line and one rod and line, either in hand or under control at any time while fishing. The hand line or rod and line shall have attached to it not more than three baited hooks, not more than three artificial fly rod lures, or one artificial bait casting lure equipped with not more than three sets of three hooks each.

(N) "Trotline" means a device for catching fish that consists of a line having suspended from it, at frequent intervals, vertical lines with hooks attached.
(O) "Fish" means a cold-blooded vertebrate having fins.

(P) "Measurement of fish" means length from the end of the nose to the longest tip or end of the tail.

(Q) "Wild birds" includes game birds and nongame birds.

(R) "Game" includes game birds, game quadrupeds, and fur-bearing animals.

(S) "Game birds" includes mourning doves, ringneck pheasants, bobwhite quail, ruffed grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, pinnated grouse, wild turkey, Hungarian partridge, Chukar partridge, woodcocks, black-breasted plover, golden plover, Wilson's snipe or jacksnipe, greater and lesser yellowlegs, rail, coots, gallinules, duck, geese, brant, and crows.

(T) "Nongame birds" includes all other wild birds not included and defined as game birds or migratory game birds.

(U) "Wild quadrupeds" includes game quadrupeds and fur-bearing animals.

(V) "Game quadrupeds" includes cottontail rabbits, gray squirrels, black squirrels, fox squirrels, red squirrels, flying squirrels, chipmunks, groundhogs or woodchucks, white-tailed deer, wild boar, elk, and black bears.

(W) "Fur-bearing animals" includes minks, weasels, raccoons, skunks, opossums, muskrats, fox, beavers, badgers, otters, coyotes, and bobcats.

(X) "Wild animals" includes mollusks, crustaceans, aquatic insects, fish, reptiles, amphibians, wild birds, wild quadrupeds, and all other wild mammals, but does not include domestic deer.

(Y) "Hunting" means pursuing, shooting, killing, following after or on the trail of, lying in wait for, shooting at, or wounding wild birds or wild quadrupeds while employing any device commonly used to kill or wound wild birds or wild quadrupeds.
whether or not the acts result in killing or wounding. "Hunting" includes every attempt to kill or wound and every act of assistance to any other person in killing or wounding or attempting to kill or wound wild birds or wild quadrupeds.

(Z) "Trapping" means securing or attempting to secure possession of a wild bird or wild quadruped by means of setting, placing, drawing, or using any device that is designed to close upon, hold fast, confine, or otherwise capture a wild bird or wild quadruped whether or not the means results in capture. "Trapping" includes every act of assistance to any other person in capturing wild birds or wild quadrupeds by means of the device whether or not the means results in capture.

(AA) "Muskrat spear" means any device used in spearing muskrats.

(BB) "Channels and passages" means those narrow bodies of water lying between islands or between an island and the mainland in Lake Erie.

(CC) "Island" means a rock or land elevation above the waters of Lake Erie having an area of five or more acres above water.

(DD) "Reef" means an elevation of rock, either broken or in place, or gravel shown by the latest United States chart to be above the common level of the surrounding bottom of the lake, other than the rock bottom, or in place forming the base or foundation rock of an island or mainland and sloping from the shore of it. "Reef" also means all elevations shown by that chart to be above the common level of the sloping base or foundation rock of an island or mainland, whether running from the shore of an island or parallel with the contour of the shore of an island or in any other way and whether formed by rock, broken or in place, or from gravel.

(EE) "Fur farm" means any area used exclusively for raising
fur-bearing animals or in addition thereto used for hunting game, the boundaries of which are plainly marked as such.

(FF) "Waters" includes any lake, pond, reservoir, stream, channel, lagoon, or other body of water, or any part thereof, whether natural or artificial.

(GG) "Crib" or "car" refers to that particular compartment of the net from which the fish are taken when the net is lifted.

(HH) "Commercial fish" means those species of fish permitted to be taken, possessed, bought, or sold unless otherwise restricted by the Revised Code or division rule and are alewife (Alosa pseudoharengus), American eel (Anguilla rostrata), bowfin (Amia calva), burbot (Lota lota), carp (Cyprinus carpio), smallmouth buffalo (Ictiobus bubalus), bigmouth buffalo (Ictiobus cyrinellus), black bullhead (Ictalurus melas), yellow bullhead (Ictalurus natalis), brown bullhead (Ictalurus nebulosus), channel catfish (Ictalurus punctatus), flathead catfish (Pylodictis olivaris), whitefish (Coregonus sp.), cisco (Coregonus sp.), freshwater drum or sheepshead (Aplodinotus grunniens), gar (Lepisosteus sp.), gizzard shad (Dorosoma cepedianum), goldfish (Carassius auratus), lake trout (Salvelinus namaycush), mooneye (Hiodon tergisus), quillback (Carpiodes cyrinus), smelt (Allosmerus elongatus, Hypomesus sp., Osmerus sp., Spirinchus sp.), sturgeon (Acipenser sp., Scaphirhynchus sp.), sucker other than buffalo and quillback (Carpiodes sp., Catostomus sp., Hypentelium sp., Minytrema sp., Moxostoma sp.), white bass (Morone chrysops), white perch (Roccus americanus), and yellow perch (Perca flavescens). When the common name of a fish is used in this chapter or Chapter 1533. of the Revised Code, it refers to the fish designated by the scientific name in this definition.

(II) "Fishing" means taking or attempting to take fish by any method, and all other acts such as placing, setting, drawing, or using any device commonly used to take fish whether resulting in a
taking or not.

(JJ) "Fillet" means the pieces of flesh taken or cut from both sides of a fish, joined to form one piece of flesh.

(KK) "Part fillet" means a piece of flesh taken or cut from one side of a fish.

(LL) "Round" when used in describing fish means with head and tail intact.

(MM) "Migrate" means the transit or movement of fish to or from one place to another as a result of natural forces or instinct and includes, but is not limited to, movement of fish induced or caused by changes in the water flow.

(NN) "Spreader bar" means a brail or rigid bar placed across the entire width of the back, at the top and bottom of the cars in all trap, crib, and fyke nets for the purpose of keeping the meshes hanging squarely while the nets are fishing.

(OO) "Fishing guide" means any person who, for consideration or hire, operates a boat, rents, leases, or otherwise furnishes angling devices, ice fishing shanties or shelters of any kind, or other fishing equipment, and accompanies, guides, directs, or assists any other person in order for the other person to engage in fishing.

(PP) "Net" means fishing devices with meshes composed of twine or synthetic material and includes, but is not limited to, trap nets, fyke nets, crib nets, carp aprons, dip nets, and seines, except minnow seines and minnow dip nets.

(QQ) "Commercial fishing gear" means seines, trap nets, fyke nets, dip nets, carp aprons, trotlines, other similar gear, and any boat used in conjunction with that gear, but does not include gill nets.

(RR) "Native wildlife" means any species of the animal
kingdom indigenous to this state.

(SS) "Gill net" means a single section of fabric or netting seamed to a float line at the top and a lead line at the bottom, which is designed to entangle fish in the net openings as they swim into it.

(TT) "Tag fishing tournament" means a contest in which a participant pays a fee, or gives other valuable consideration, for a chance to win a prize by virtue of catching a tagged or otherwise specifically marked fish within a limited period of time.

(UU) "Tenant" means an individual who resides on land for which the individual pays rent and whose annual income is primarily derived from agricultural production conducted on that land, as "agricultural production" is defined in section 929.01 of the Revised Code.

(VV) "Nonnative wildlife" means any wild animal not indigenous to this state, but does not include domestic deer.

(WW) "Reptiles" includes common musk turtle (sternotherus odoratus), common snapping turtle (Chelydra serpentina serpentina), spotted turtle (Clemmys guttata), eastern box turtle (Terrapene carolina carolina), Blanding's turtle (Emydoidea blandingii), common map turtle (Graptemys geographica), ouachita map turtle (Graptemys pseudogeographica ouachitensis), midland painted turtle (Chrysemys picta marginata), red-eared slider (Trachemys scripta elegans), eastern spiny softshell turtle (Apalone spinifera spinifera), midland smooth softshell turtle (Apalone mutica mutica), northern fence lizard (Sceloporus undulatus hyacinthinus), ground skink (Scincella lateralis), five-lined skink (Eumeces fasciatus), broadhead skink (Eumeces laticeps), northern coal skink (Eumeces anthracinus anthracinus), European wall lizard (Podarcis muralis), queen snake (Regina
septemvittata), Kirtland's snake (Clonophis kirtlandii), northern water snake (Nerodia sipedon sipedon), Lake Erie watersnake (Nerodia sipedon insularum), copperbelly water snake (Nerodia erythrogaster neglecta), northern brown snake (Storeria dekayi dekayi), midland brown snake (Storeria dekayi wrightorum), northern redbelly snake (Storeria occipitomaculata occipitomaculata), eastern garter snake (Thamnophis sirtalis sirtalis), eastern plains garter snake (Thamnophis radix radix), Butler's garter snake (Thamnophis butleri), shorthead garter snake (Thamnophis brachystoma), eastern ribbon snake (Thamnophis sauritus sauritus), northern ribbon snake (Thamnophis sauritus septentrionalis), eastern hognose snake (Heterodon platirhinos), eastern smooth earth snake (Virginia valeriae valeriae), northern ringneck snake (Diadophis punctatus edwardsii), midwest worm snake (Carphophis amoenius helenae), eastern worm snake (Carphophis amoenius amoenus), black racer (Coluber constrictor constrictor), blue racer (Coluber constrictor foxii), rough green snake (opheodrys aestivus), smooth green snake (opheodrys vernalis vernalis), black rat snake (Elaphe obsoleta obsoleta), eastern fox snake (Elaphe vulpina gloydi), black kingsnake (Lampropeltis getula nigra), eastern milk snake (Lampropeltis triangulum triangulum), northern copperhead (Agkistrodon contortrix mokasen), eastern massasauga (Sistrurus catenatus catenatus), and timber rattlesnake (Crotalus horridus horridus).

(XX) "Amphibians" includes eastern hellbender (Cryptobranchus alleganiensis alleganiensis), mudpuppy (Necturus maculosus maculosus), red-spotted newt (Notophthalmus viridescens viridescens), Jefferson salamander (Ambystoma jeffersonianum), spotted salamander (Ambystoma maculatum), blue-spotted salamander (Ambystoma laterale), smallmouth salamander (Ambystoma texanum), streamside salamander (Ambystoma barbouri), marbled salamander (Ambystoma opacum), eastern tiger salamander (Ambystoma tigrinum tigrinum), northern dusky salamander (Desmognathus fuscus fuscus),
mountain dusky salamander (Desmognathus ochrophaeus), redback salamander (Plethodon cinereus), ravine salamander (Plethodon richmondi), northern slimy salamander (Plethodon glutinosus), Wehrle's salamander (Plethodon wehrlei), four-toed salamander (Hemidactylium scutatum), Kentucky spring salamander (Gyrinophilus porphyriticus duryi), northern spring salamander (Gyrinophilus porphyriticus porphyriticus), mud salamander (Pseudotriton montanus), northern red salamander (Pseudotriton ruber ruber), green salamander (Aneides aeneus), northern two-lined salamander (Eurycea bislineata), longtail salamander (Eurycea longicauda longicauda), cave salamander (Eurycea lucifuga), southern two-lined salamander (Eurycea cirrigera), Fowler's toad (Bufo woodhousii Fowleri), American toad (Bufo americanus), eastern spadefoot (Scaphiopus holbrookii), Blanchard's cricket frog (Acris crepitans blanchardi), northern spring peeper (Pseudacris crucifer crucifer), gray treefrog (Hyla versicolor), Cope's gray treefrog (Hyla chrysoscelis), western chorus frog (Pseudacris triseriata triseriata), mountain chorus frog (Pseudacris brachyphona), bullfrog (Rana catesbeiana), green frog (Rana clamitans melanota), northern leopard frog (Rana pipiens), pickerel frog (Rana palustris), southern leopard frog (Rana utricularia), and wood frog (Rana sylvatica).

(YY) "Deer" means white-tailed deer (Oddocoileus virginianus).

(ZZ) "Domestic deer" means nonnative deer that have been legally acquired or their offspring and that are held in private ownership for primarily agricultural purposes.

(LLL) "Migratory game bird" includes waterfowl (Anatidae); doves (Columbidae); cranes (Gruidae); cormorants (Phalacrocoracidae); rails, coots, and gallinules (Rallidae); and woodcock and snipe (Scolopacidae).

(BBB) "Accompany" means to go along with another person while
staying within a distance from the person that enables uninterrupted, unaided visual and auditory communication.

   (CCC) "All-purpose vehicle" means any vehicle that is designed primarily for cross-country travel on land, water, or land and water and that is steered by wheels, caterpillar treads, or a combination of wheels and caterpillar treads and includes vehicles that operate on a cushion of air, vehicles commonly known as all-terrain vehicles, all-season vehicles, mini-bikes, and trail bikes.

   (DDD) "Wholly enclosed preserve" means an area of land that is surrounded by a fence that is at least six feet in height, unless otherwise specified in division rule, and is constructed of a woven wire mesh, or another enclosure that the division of wildlife may approve, where game birds, game quadrupeds, reptiles, amphibians, or fur-bearing animals are raised and may be sold under the authority of a commercial propagating license or captive white-tailed deer propagation license obtained under section 1533.71 of the Revised Code.

   (EEE) "Commercial bird shooting preserve" means an area of land where game birds are released and hunted by shooting as authorized by a commercial bird shooting preserve license obtained under section 1533.72 of the Revised Code.

   (FFF) "Wild animal hunting preserve" means an area of land where game, captive white-tailed deer, and nonnative wildlife, other than game birds, are released and hunted as authorized by a wild animal hunting preserve license obtained under section 1533.721 of the Revised Code.

   (GGG) "Captive white-tailed deer" means legally acquired deer that are held in private ownership at a facility licensed under section 943.03 or 943.031 of the Revised Code and under section 1533.71 or 1533.721 of the Revised Code.
"Lake Erie sport fishing district" means the Ohio waters of Lake Erie and its embayments, including Maumee bay, Sandusky bay, East Harbor, Middle Harbor, West Harbor, and the entire length of all tributaries or to the first dam or designated landmark as follows:

- Vermilion river - state route 2 bridge
- Black river - state route 611 bridge
- Rocky river - Detroit road bridge
- Cuyahoga river - Harvard road bridge
- Euclid creek - state route 283 bridge
- Chagrin river - state route 283 bridge
- Arcola creek - United States route 20 bridge
- Wheeler creek - United States route 20 bridge
- Cowles creek - United States route 20 bridge
- Indian creek - United States route 20 bridge
- Grand river - state route 535 bridge
- Conneaut creek - Main street bridge, downtown Conneaut
- Ashtabula river - east 24th street bridge

**Sec. 1531.35.** The wildlife boater angler fund is hereby created in the state treasury. The fund shall consist of money credited to the fund pursuant to section 5735.051 of the Revised Code and other money contributed to the division of wildlife for the purposes of the fund. The fund shall be used for boating access construction, improvements, maintenance and repair of dams and impoundments, and acquisitions, including lands and facilities for boating access, and to pay for equipment and personnel costs involved with those activities, on waters on which the operation of gasoline-powered watercraft is permissible. However, not more
than five hundred thousand dollars of the annual expenditures from the fund may be used to pay for the equipment and personnel costs.


Sec. 1533.101. Any person who has a current hunting or fishing license, a nonresident Lake Erie sport fishing district permit, a wetlands habitat stamp, a deer or wild turkey permit, or a fur taker permit pursuant to this chapter and has lost or destroyed the license, stamp, or permit, or had the license, stamp, or permit stolen, may be reissued such license, stamp, or permit. The person shall file with the clerk of the court of common pleas an application in affidavit form or, if the chief of the division of wildlife authorizes it, apply for a reissued license, stamp, or permit to an authorized agent designated by the chief, and pay a fee for each license, stamp, or permit of four
dollars. The clerk or agent shall administer the oath to the applicant, issue a reissued license, stamp, or permit that shall allow the applicant to hunt, fish, or trap, as applicable, and send a copy of the reissued license, stamp, or permit to the division of wildlife.

All moneys received as fees for the issuance of reissued licenses, stamps, or permits shall be transmitted to the director of natural resources to be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the funds to which the fees for the original licenses, stamps, and permits were credited.

No person shall knowingly or willfully secure, attempt to secure, or use a reissued hunting or fishing license, wetlands habitat stamp, deer or wild turkey permit, or fur taker permit to which the person is not entitled. No person shall knowingly or willfully issue a reissued hunting or fishing license, wetlands habitat stamp, deer or wild turkey permit, or fur taker permit under this section to any person who is not entitled to receive and use such a reissued license, stamp, or permit.

Sec. 1533.11. (A)(1) Except as provided in this section or section 1533.731 of the Revised Code, no person shall hunt deer on lands of another without first obtaining an annual deer permit. Except as provided in this section, no person shall hunt wild turkeys on lands of another without first obtaining an annual wild turkey permit. A deer or wild turkey permit is valid during the hunting license year in which the permit is purchased. Except as provided in rules adopted under division (B) of that section 1533.12 of the Revised Code, each applicant for a deer or wild turkey permit shall pay an annual fee for each permit in accordance with the following schedule:

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(2) As used in division (A)(1) of this section:

(a) "Resident" means an individual who has resided in this state for not less than six months preceding the date of making application for a permit.

(b) "Nonresident" means any individual who does not qualify as a resident.

(c) "Youth" means an applicant who is under the age of eighteen years at the time of application for a permit.

(d) "Senior" means an applicant who is sixty-six years of age or older at the time of application for a permit.

(3) The money received shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the wildlife fund, created in section 1531.17 of the Revised Code, exclusively for the use of the division of wildlife in the acquisition and development of land for deer or wild turkey management, for investigating deer or wild turkey problems, and for the stocking, management, and protection of deer or wild turkey.

(4) Every person, while hunting deer or wild turkey on lands of another, shall carry the person's deer or wild turkey permit and exhibit it to any enforcement officer so requesting. Failure to so carry and exhibit such a permit constitutes an offense under this section.

(5) The chief of the division of wildlife shall adopt any
additional rules the chief considers necessary to carry out this section and section 1533.10 of the Revised Code.

(6) An owner who is a resident of this state or an owner who is exempt from obtaining a hunting license under section 1533.10 of the Revised Code and the children of the owner of lands in this state may hunt deer or wild turkey thereon without a deer or wild turkey permit. If the owner of land in this state is a limited liability company or a limited liability partnership that consists of three or fewer individual members or partners, as applicable, an individual member or partner who is a resident of this state and the member's or partner's children of any age may hunt deer or wild turkey on the land owned by the limited liability company or limited liability partnership without a deer or wild turkey permit. In addition, if the owner of land in this state is a trust that has a total of three or fewer trustees and beneficiaries, an individual who is a trustee or beneficiary and who is a resident of this state and the individual's children of any age may hunt deer or wild turkey on the land owned by the trust without a deer or wild turkey permit. The tenant and children of the tenant may hunt deer or wild turkey on lands where they reside without a deer or wild turkey permit.

(B) A deer or wild turkey permit is not transferable. No person shall carry a deer or wild turkey permit issued in the name of another person.

(C) The wildlife refunds fund is hereby created in the state treasury. The fund shall consist of money received from application fees for deer permits that are not issued. Money in the fund shall be used to make refunds of such application fees.

(D) If the division establishes a system for the electronic submission of information regarding deer or wild turkey that are taken, the division shall allow the owner and the children of the owner of lands in this state to use the owner's name or address
for purposes of submitting that information electronically via that system.

Sec. 1533.12. (A)(1) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(2) of this section, every person on active duty in the armed forces of the United States who is stationed in this state and who wishes to engage in an activity for which a license, permit, or stamp is required under this chapter first shall obtain the requisite license, permit, or stamp. Such a person is eligible to obtain a resident hunting or fishing license regardless of whether the person qualifies as a resident of this state. To obtain a resident hunting or fishing license, the person shall present a card or other evidence identifying the person as being on active duty in the armed forces of the United States and as being stationed in this state.

(2) Every person on active duty in the armed forces of the United States, while on leave or furlough, may take or catch fish of the kind lawfully permitted to be taken or caught within the state, may hunt any wild bird or wild quadruped lawfully permitted to be hunted within the state, and may trap fur-bearing animals lawfully permitted to be trapped within the state, without procuring a fishing license, a hunting license, a fur taker permit, or a wetlands habitat stamp required by this chapter, provided that the person shall carry on the person when fishing, hunting, or trapping, a card or other evidence identifying the person as being on active duty in the armed forces of the United States, and provided that the person is not otherwise violating any of the hunting, fishing, and trapping laws of this state.

In order to hunt deer or wild turkey, any such person shall obtain a deer or wild turkey permit, as applicable, under section 1533.11 of the Revised Code. Such a person is eligible to obtain a deer or wild turkey permit at the resident rate, regardless of
whether the person is a resident of this state. However, the person need not obtain a hunting license in order to obtain such a permit.

(B) The chief of the division of wildlife shall provide by rule adopted under section 1531.10 of the Revised Code all of the following:

(1) Every resident of this state with a disability that has been determined by the veterans administration to be permanently and totally disabling, who receives a pension or compensation from the veterans administration, and who received an honorable discharge from the armed forces of the United States, and who is entitled to benefits under the dependent's education assistance program administered by the United States department of veterans affairs, and every veteran to whom the registrar of motor vehicles has issued a set of license plates under section 4503.41 of the Revised Code, shall be issued a fishing license, hunting license, fur taker permit, deer or wild turkey permit, or wetlands habitat stamp, or any combination of those licenses, permits, and stamp, free of charge on an annual, multi-year, or lifetime basis as determined appropriate by the chief when application is made to the chief in the manner prescribed by and on forms provided by the chief.

(2) Every resident of the state who was born on or before December 31, 1937, shall be issued an annual fishing license, hunting license, fur taker permit, deer or wild turkey permit, or wetlands habitat stamp, or any combination of those licenses, permits, and stamp, free of charge when application is made to the chief in the manner prescribed by and on forms provided by the chief.

(3) Every resident of state or county institutions, charitable institutions, and military homes in this state shall be issued an annual fishing license free of charge when application
is made to the chief in the manner prescribed by and on forms provided by the chief.

(4) Any mobility impaired or blind person, as defined in section 955.011 of the Revised Code, who is a resident of this state and who is unable to engage in fishing without the assistance of another person shall be issued an annual fishing license free of charge when application is made to the chief in the manner prescribed by and on forms provided by the chief. The person who is assisting the mobility impaired or blind person may assist in taking or catching fish of the kind permitted to be taken or caught without procuring the license required under section 1533.32 of the Revised Code, provided that only one line is used by both persons.

(5) As used in division (B)(5) of this section, "prisoner of war" means any regularly appointed, enrolled, enlisted, or inducted member of the military forces of the United States who was captured, separated, and incarcerated by an enemy of the United States.

Any person who has been a prisoner of war, was honorably discharged from the military forces, and is a resident of this state shall be issued a fishing license, hunting license, fur taker permit, or wetlands habitat stamp, or any combination of those licenses, permits, and stamp, free of charge on an annual, multi-year, or lifetime basis as determined appropriate by the chief when application is made to the chief in the manner prescribed by and on forms provided by the chief.

(C) The chief shall adopt rules pursuant to section 1531.08 of the Revised Code designating not more than two days, which need not be consecutive, in each year as "free sport fishing days" on which any resident may exercise the privileges accorded the holder of a fishing license issued under section 1533.32 of the Revised Code without procuring such a license, provided that the person is
not otherwise violating any of the fishing laws of this state.

Sec. 1546.06. The chief of the division of parks and watercraft shall prepare and submit to the director of natural resources maps and descriptions of the areas of lands and waters which the chief intends to designate as state park purchase areas. Such state park purchase areas may include lands and waters at the time belonging to the state, together with lands and waters not belonging to the state but which for reasons of protection, utilization, and administration should be subject to purchase by the state for park purposes. If such area is approved by the director of natural resources, it shall be known as a state park purchase area, and the map and description thereof, with the approval of the director of natural resources indorsed thereon, shall be filed in duplicate with the auditor of state director of administrative services and the attorney general.

All moneys appropriated for the purchase of lands and waters by the state for park purposes, unless specifically appropriated for the purchase of particular tracts or areas, may be expended for the purchase of lands or waters within any legally established state park purchase area. If, after the purchase of specifically designated tracts or areas, moneys from such appropriations remain unexpended, upon the request of the director of natural resources, the controlling board shall release such funds, in whole or in part, for the purchase of lands or waters within any state park purchase area.

Sec. 1547.533. No person shall operate a watercraft in this state if it displays an identification number or registration decal that is any of the following:

(A) Fictitious;

(B) A counterfeit or an unlawfully made copy of any
identification number or registration decal; 10969

(C) An identification number or registration decal that belongs to another watercraft. 10970

Sec. 1547.59. The operator of a vessel involved in a collision, accident, or other casualty, so far as the operator can do so without serious danger to the operator's own vessel, crew, and passengers, shall render to other persons affected by the collision, accident, or other casualty such assistance as may be practicable and as may be necessary in order to save them from or minimize any danger caused by the collision, accident, or other casualty. The operator also shall give the operator's name, address, and identification of the operator's vessel in writing to any person injured and to the owner of any property damaged in the collision, accident, or other casualty. 10971

Any person who renders assistance at the scene of a collision, accident, or other casualty involving a vessel is not liable in a civil action for damages or injury to persons or property resulting from any act or omission in rendering assistance or in providing or arranging salvage, towage, medical treatment, or other assistance, except that the person is liable for willful or wanton misconduct in rendering assistance. Nothing in this section precludes recovery from any tortfeasor causing a collision, accident, or other casualty of damages caused or aggravated by the rendering of assistance. 10972

In the case of collision, accident, or other casualty involving a vessel, the operator thereof, if the collision, accident, or other casualty results in loss of life, personal injury requiring medical treatment beyond first aid, damage to property in excess of five hundred one thousand dollars, or the total loss of a vessel, shall file with the chief of the division of parks and watercraft a full description of the collision,
accident, or other casualty on a form prescribed by the chief.

If the operator of the vessel involved in a collision, accident, or other casualty is incapacitated, the investigating law enforcement officer shall file the required form as prescribed by the chief.

Sec. 1551.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Governmental agency" means the United States government or any department, agency, or instrumentality thereof; any department, agency, or instrumentality of a state government; any municipal corporation, county, township, board of education, or other political subdivision or any other body corporate and politic of a state; or any agency, commission, or authority established under an interstate compact or agreement.

(B) "Energy resource development facility" means any energy resource development, research, or conservation facility, including pilot as well as demonstration facilities, and including undivided or other interests therein, acquired or to be acquired, or constructed or to be constructed under this chapter or Chapter 6121. or 6123. of the Revised Code, or acquired or to be acquired, or constructed or to be constructed by a governmental agency or person with all or a part of the cost thereof being paid from a loan or grant under such chapters, including all buildings and facilities that the director of development services determines necessary for the operation of the facility, together with all property, rights, easements, and interests that may be required for the operation of the facility, which facilities may include:

(1) Any building, testing facility, testing device, or support facilities which would provide experimental, demonstration, or testing capabilities or services not otherwise available in this state and which are necessary for the accomplishment of the purposes of this chapter;
(2) Any method, process, structure, or equipment that is used to store coal, oil, natural gas, fuel for nuclear reactors, or any other form of energy;

(3) Any method, process, structure, or equipment that is used to recover or convert coal, oil, natural gas, steam, or other form of energy from property located within the state for the purpose of supplying energy for utilization;

(4) Any method, process, structure, or equipment that is designed to result in more efficient recovery, conversion, or utilization of energy resources within the state, including any scrap tire recovery facility for which a registration certificate or permit has been issued under section 3734.78 of the Revised Code;

(5) Any improvement that is designed to improve the thermal efficiency of a building or structure or reduce the fuel or power needed to heat, cool, light, ventilate, or provide hot water in a building or structure;

(6) Any improvement designed to enable the substitution of coal or alternate fuel, other than natural gas, for natural gas or a petroleum fuel, or the conversion of coal to other fuels;

(7) Any improvement designed to enable the combustion of high sulfur coal in compliance with air or water pollution control or solid waste disposal laws, including, but not limited to, any facility for processing coal to remove sulfur before combustion of the coal, for fluidized bed combustion, or for removal of the sulfur before the products of combustion are emitted or discharged.

(C) "Cost" as applied to an energy resource development facility means the cost of acquisition and construction, the cost of acquisition of all land, rights-of-way, property rights, easements, franchise rights, and interests required for such
acquisition and construction, the cost of demolishing or removing any buildings or structures on land so acquired, including the cost of acquiring any lands to which such buildings or structures may be moved, the cost of acquiring or constructing and equipping a principal office and sub-offices of the department of development, the cost of diverting highways, interchange of highways, access roads to private property, including the cost of land or easements for such access roads, the cost of public utility and common carrier relocation or duplication, the cost of all machinery, furnishings, and equipment, financing charges, interest prior to and during construction and for no more than eighteen months after completion of construction, engineering, expenses of research and development with respect to the facility, legal expenses, plans, specifications, surveys, studies, estimates of cost and revenues, working capital, other expenses necessary or incident to determining the feasibility or practicability of acquiring or constructing such facility, administrative expense, and such other expense as may be necessary or incident to the acquisition or construction of the facility, the financing of such acquisition or construction, including the amount authorized in the resolution of the Ohio water development authority providing for the issuance of energy resource development revenue bonds to be paid into any special funds from the proceeds of such bonds, and the financing of the placing of such facility in operation. Any obligation, cost, or expense incurred after August 26, 1975, by any governmental agency or person for surveys, borings, preparation of plans and specifications, and other engineering services, or any other cost described above, in connection with the acquisition or construction of a facility may be regarded as a part of the cost of such facility and may be reimbursed out of the proceeds of energy resource development revenue bonds.

(D) "Revenues" means all rentals and other charges received by the Ohio water development authority for the use or services of
any energy resource development facility, any contract, gift, or grant received with respect to any energy resource development facility, and moneys received with respect to the lease, sublease, sale, including installment sale or conditional sale, or other disposition of an energy resource development facility, moneys received in repayment of and for interest on any loans made by the authority to a person or governmental agency, whether from the United States or any department, administration, or agency thereof, or otherwise, proceeds of energy resource development revenue bonds to the extent that the use thereof for payment of principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the bonds is authorized by the authority, proceeds from any insurance, condemnation, or guaranty pertaining to a facility or property mortgaged to secure bonds or pertaining to the financing of a facility, and income and profit from the investment of the proceeds of energy resource development revenue bonds or of any revenues.

(E) "Construction," unless the context indicates a different meaning or intent, includes construction, reconstruction, enlargement, improvement, or providing furnishings or equipment.

(F) "Energy resource development revenue bonds," unless the context indicates a different meaning or intent, includes energy resource development revenue bonds, energy resource development revenue notes, and energy resource development revenue refunding bonds.

(G) "Energy" means work or heat that is, or can be, produced from any fuel or source whatsoever.

(H) "Energy audit" means any process by which energy usage or costs of heating, cooling, lighting, and climate control in a building or structure are determined.

(I) "Energy conservation" means preservation of energy
resources by efficient utilization, and reduction of waste.

(J) "Energy conservation measure" means any modification of a building, structure, machine, appliance, vehicle, improvement, or process in order to improve its efficiency of energy use or energy costs.

(K) "Fuel" means petroleum, crude oil, petroleum product, coal, natural gas, synthetic natural or artificial gas, nuclear, or other substance used primarily for its energy content.

(L) "Net energy analysis" means the determination of the amount of energy remaining after all energy outputs have been subtracted from the energy inputs of a given system.

(M) "Department of development" means the development services agency and "director of development" means the director of development services.

Sec. 1551.33. (A) The director of development services shall appoint and fix the compensation of the director of the Ohio coal development office. The director shall serve at the pleasure of the director of development services.

(B) The director of the office shall do all of the following:

(1) Biennially prepare and maintain the Ohio coal development agenda required under section 1551.34 of the Revised Code;

(2) Propose and support policies for the office consistent with the Ohio coal development agenda and develop means to implement the agenda;

(3) Initiate, undertake, and support projects to carry out the office's purposes and ensure that the projects are consistent with and meet the selection criteria established by the Ohio coal development agenda;

(4) Actively encourage joint participation in and, when
feasible, joint funding of the office's projects with governmental agencies, electric utilities, universities and colleges, other public or private interests, or any other person;

(5) Establish a table of organization for and employ such employees and agents as are necessary for the administration and operation of the office. Any such employees shall be in the unclassified service and shall serve at the pleasure of the director of development services.

(6) Convene the technical advisory committee established under section 1551.35 of the Revised Code;

(7) Review, with the assistance of the technical advisory committee, proposed coal research and development projects as defined in section 1555.01 of the Revised Code, and coal development projects, submitted to the office by public utilities for the purpose of section 4905.304 of the Revised Code. If the director and the advisory committee determine that any such facility or project has as its purpose the enhanced use of Ohio coal in an environmentally acceptable, cost effective manner, promotes energy conservation, is cost effective, and is environmentally sound, the director shall submit to the public utilities commission a report recommending that the commission allow the recovery of costs associated with the facility or project under section 4905.304 of the Revised Code and including the reasons for the recommendation.

(8) Establish such policies, procedures, and guidelines as are necessary to achieve the office's purposes.

(C) With the approval of the director of development services, the director of the office may exercise any of the powers and duties that the director of development services considers appropriate or desirable to achieve the office's purposes, including, but not limited to, the powers and duties
enumerated in sections 1551.11, 1551.12, and 1551.15 of the Revised Code.

Additionally, the director of the office may make loans to governmental agencies or persons for projects to carry out the office's purposes. Fees, charges, rates of interest, times of payment of interest and principal, and other terms, conditions, and provisions of the loans shall be such as the director of the office determines to be appropriate and in furtherance of the purposes for which the loans are made. The mortgage lien securing any moneys lent by the director of the office may be subordinate to the mortgage lien securing any moneys lent or invested by a financial institution, but shall be superior to that securing any moneys lent or expended by any other person. The moneys used in making the loans shall be disbursed upon order of the director of the office.

Sec. 1551.35. (A) There is hereby established a technical advisory committee to assist the director of the Ohio coal development office in achieving the office's purposes. The director of development services shall appoint to the committee one member of the public utilities commission and one representative each of coal production companies, the united mine workers of America, and electric utilities, as well as two people with a background in coal research and development technology, one of whom is employed at the time of the member's appointment by a state university, as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code. In addition, the committee shall include four legislative members. The speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives each shall appoint one member of the house of representatives, and the president and minority leader of the senate each shall appoint one member of the senate, to the committee. The director of environmental protection shall serve on the committee as an ex officio member. Any member of the committee
may designate in writing a substitute to serve in the member's absence on the committee. The director of environmental protection may designate in writing the chief of the air pollution control division of the environmental protection agency to represent the agency. Members shall serve on the committee at the pleasure of their appointing authority. Members of the committee appointed by the director of development services and, notwithstanding section 101.26 of the Revised Code, legislative members of the committee, when engaged in their official duties as members of the committee, shall be compensated on a per diem basis in accordance with division (J) of section 124.15 of the Revised Code, except that the member of the public utilities commission and, while employed by a state university, the member with a background in coal research, shall not be so compensated. Members shall receive their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

(B) The technical advisory committee shall review and make recommendations concerning the Ohio coal development agenda required under section 1551.34 of the Revised Code, project proposals, research and development projects submitted to the office by public utilities for the purpose of section 4905.304 of the Revised Code, proposals for grants, loans, and loan guarantees for purposes of sections 1555.01 to 1555.06 of the Revised Code, and such other topics as the director of the office considers appropriate.

(C) The technical advisory committee may hold an executive session at any regular or special meeting for the purpose of considering research and development project proposals or applications for assistance submitted to the Ohio coal development office under section 1551.33, or sections 1555.01 to 1555.06, of the Revised Code, to the extent that the proposals or applications consist of trade secrets or other proprietary information.
Any materials or data submitted to, made available to, or received by the department of development services agency or the director of the Ohio coal development office in connection with agreements for assistance entered into under this chapter or Chapter 1555. of the Revised Code, or any information taken from those materials or data for any purpose, to the extent that the materials or data consist of trade secrets or other proprietary information, are not public records for the purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code.

As used in this division, "trade secrets" has the same meaning as in section 1333.61 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 1561.12. An applicant for any examination or certificate under this section shall, before being examined, register the applicant's name with the chief of the division of mineral resources management and file with the chief an affidavit as to all matters of fact establishing the applicant's right to receive the examination, a certificate of good character and temperate habits signed by at least three reputable citizens of the community in which the applicant resides, and a certificate from a reputable and disinterested physician as to the physical condition of the applicant showing that the applicant is physically capable of performing the duties of the office or position.

Each applicant for examination for any of the following positions shall present evidence satisfactory to the chief that the applicant has been a resident and citizen of this state for two years next preceding the date of application:

(A) An applicant for the position of deputy mine inspector of underground mines shall have had actual practical experience of not less than six years, at least two of which shall have been in the underground workings of mines in this state. In the case of an
applicant who would inspect underground coal mines, the two years shall consist of actual practical experience in underground coal mines. In the case of an applicant who would inspect noncoal mines, the two years shall consist of actual practical experience in noncoal mines in underground mines. In lieu of two of the six years of the actual practical experience required in underground mines, the chief may accept as the equivalent thereof a certificate evidencing graduation from an accredited school of mines or mining, after a four-year course of study, but such credit shall not apply as to the two years’ actual practical experience required in the mines in this state.

The applicant shall pass an examination as to the applicant's practical and technological knowledge of mine surveying, mining machinery, and appliances; the proper development and operation of mines; the best methods of working and ventilating mines; the nature, properties, and powers of noxious, poisonous, and explosive gases, particularly methane; the best means and methods of detecting, preventing, and removing the accumulation of such gases; the use and operation of gas detecting devices and appliances; first aid to the injured; and the uses and dangers of electricity as applied and used in, at, and around mines. The applicant shall also hold a certificate for foreperson of gaseous mines issued by the chief.

(B) An applicant for the position of deputy mine inspector of surface mines shall have had actual practical mining experience of not less than six years, at least two of which shall have been in surface mines in this state. In lieu of two of the six years of the actual practical experience required, the chief may accept as the equivalent thereof a certificate evidencing graduation from an accredited school of mines or mining, after a four-year course of study, but such credit shall not apply as to the two years' actual practical experience required in the mines in this state. The
applicant shall pass an examination as to the applicant's 11313
practical and technological knowledge of surface mine surveying, 11314
machinery, and appliances; the proper development and operations 11315
of surface mines; first aid to the injured; and the use and 11316
dangers of explosives and electricity as applied and used in, at, 11317
and around surface mines. The applicant shall also hold a surface 11318
mine foreperson certificate issued by the chief. 11319

(C) An applicant for the position of electrical inspector 11320
shall have had at least five years' practical experience in the 11321
installation and maintenance of electrical circuits and equipment 11322
in mines, and the applicant shall be thoroughly familiar with the 11323
principles underlying the safety features of permissible and 11324
approved equipment as authorized and used in mines. 11325

The applicant shall be required to pass the examination 11326
required for deputy mine inspectors and an examination testing and 11327
determining the applicant's qualification and ability to 11328
competently inspect and administer the mining law that relates to 11329
electricity used in and around mines and mining in this state. 11330

(D) An applicant for the position of superintendent or 11331
assistant superintendent of rescue stations shall possess the same 11332
qualifications as those required for a deputy mine inspector. In 11333
addition, the applicant shall present evidence satisfactory to the 11334
chief that the applicant is sufficiently qualified and trained to 11335
organize, supervise, and conduct group training classes in first 11336
aid, safety, and rescue work.

The applicant shall pass the examination required for deputy 11338
mine inspectors and shall be tested as to the applicant's 11339
practical and technological experience and training in first aid, 11340
safety, and mine rescue work.

(E) An applicant for the position of mine chemist shall have 11342
such educational training as is represented by the degree MS in 11343
chemistry from a university of recognized standing, and at least five years of actual practical experience in research work in chemistry or as an assistant chemist. The chief may provide that an equivalent combination of education and experience together with a wide knowledge of the methods of and skill in chemical analysis and research may be accepted in lieu of the above qualifications. It is preferred that the chemist shall have had actual experience in mineralogy and metallurgy.

Sec. 1561.23. (A) The chief of the division of mineral resources management shall issue the following certificates to those applicants who pass their examination:

(A)(1) Certificates for mine forepersons of gaseous mines;

(B)(2) Certificates for mine forepersons of nongaseous mines;

(C)(3) Certificates for forepersons of gaseous mines;

(D)(4) Certificates for forepersons of nongaseous mines;

(E)(5) Certificates for forepersons of surface maintenance facilities of underground or surface mines;

(F)(6) Certificates for mine forepersons of surface mines;

(G)(7) Certificates for forepersons of surface mines;

(H)(8) Certificates for fire bosses;

(I)(9) Certificates for mine electricians;

(J)(10) Certificates for surface mine blasters;

(K)(11) Certificates for shot firers.

(B) Applicants for certificates shall make application to the chief, on a form provided by the chief, for examination. All applicants shall be able to read and write the English language intelligently, and shall furnish the chief with a certificate as to their character, length and description of their practical
experience, and satisfactory evidence of their ability to perform 
the duties of the position for which they make application for 
examination.

(C) The chief may issue a certificate to an applicant for 
mine foreperson, foreperson, or mine electrician who holds a valid 
certification or other authorization from a state with which the 
department of natural resources has a reciprocal agreement for the 
certification or other authorization. However, the applicant shall 
pass an examination on this chapter and rules adopted under it or 
on any other relevant material that the chief determines to be 
appropriate.

A mine foreperson, foreperson, or mine electrician who has 
been issued a temporary certificate under section 1565.06 of the 
Revised Code prior to the effective date of this amendment and who 
holds a valid certification or other authorization from a state 
with which the department has a reciprocal agreement for the 
certification or other authorization may continue to operate under 
the temporary certificate until it expires or the chief suspends 
or revokes it.

(D) Except as provided in sections 1561.16 and 1561.17 of the 
Revised Code, any certificate issued by the former mine examining 
board prior to October 29, 1995, shall remain in effect 
notwithstanding the new classifications of certificates 
established by this section.

Sec. 1703.27. No foreign nonprofit corporation shall exercise 
its corporate privileges in this state in a continual course of 
transactions until it has first procured from the secretary of 
state a certificate authorizing it to do so.

Before issuing such certificate, the secretary of state shall 
require such foreign corporation to file in the secretary of 
state's office a certificate of good standing or subsistence,
setting forth the exact corporate title, the date of incorporation, and the fact that the corporation is in good standing or is a subsisting corporation, certified by the secretary of state, or other proper official, of the state under the laws of which the corporation was incorporated, and a statement, on a form prescribed by the secretary of state, verified by the oath of one of its officers, setting forth, but not limited to, the following:

(A) The name of the corporation;
(B) The state under the laws of which it is incorporated;
(C) The location of its principal office;
(D) The corporate privileges it proposes to exercise in this state;
(E) The location of its principal office in this state;
(F) The appointment of a designated agent and the complete address of such agent, which shall comply with the requirements of section 1703.041 of the Revised Code;
(G) Its irrevocable consent to service of process on such agent so long as the authority of the agent continues and to service of process upon the secretary of state in the events provided for in section 1703.19 of the Revised Code.

For the filing of that statement, the secretary of state shall charge and collect the fee specified in division (I)(1) of section 111.16 of the Revised Code.

A foreign nonprofit corporation shall file an amendment with the secretary of state if there is a modification of any of the information required to be included in its statement, except for changes in information required by division (E) of this section, which shall be corrected in the same manner as described in section 1702.06 of the Revised Code. For the filing of those
amendments and corrections, the secretary of state shall charge and collect the fee specified in division (B) or (R) of section 111.16 of the Revised Code.

Sections 1703.01 to 1703.31 of the Revised Code, governing foreign corporations for profit in respect to exemption from attachment, change of location of principal office, change of its designated agent or of the designated agent's address, service on the secretary of state, license certificate as prima-facie evidence, proof of due incorporation, filing of amendments evidencing changes of corporate name, merger, or consolidation, filing of certificate of surrender, service on retired corporation, and penalties or forfeitures for transacting business without license, for false reports, and for failure to comply with other applicable provisions of such sections, shall also apply to foreign nonprofit corporations.

The secretary of state may require further reports, certificates, or information from a foreign nonprofit corporation, including verification of the continued existence of the corporation. Upon the failure of any corporation to provide the information, the secretary of state shall give notice of the failure by certified mail and, if the report is not filed within thirty days after the mailing of the notice, the license of the corporation to exercise its corporate privileges in this state shall expire and the secretary of state shall make a notation to that effect on the secretary of state's records.

Sec. 1707.37. (A) All fees and charges collected under this chapter shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the division of securities fund, which is hereby created. All expenses of the division of securities, other than those specified in division (B) of this section, shall be paid from the fund.

The fund shall be assessed a proportionate share of the
administrative costs of the department of commerce in accordance with procedures prescribed by the director of commerce and approved by the director of budget and management. The assessments shall be paid from the division of securities fund to the division of administration fund.

If moneys in the division of securities fund are determined by the director of budget and management and the director of commerce to be in excess of those necessary to defray all the expenses in any fiscal year, the director of budget and management shall transfer the excess to the general revenue fund.

(B) There is hereby created in the state treasury the division of securities investor education and enforcement expense fund, which shall consist of all money received in settlement of any violation of this chapter and any cash transfers. Money in the fund shall be used to pay expenses of the division of securities relating to education or enforcement for the protection of securities investors and the public. The division may adopt rules pursuant to section 1707.20 of the Revised Code that establish what qualifies as such an expense.

**Sec. 1707.47.** (A) As used in this section and section 1707.471 of the Revised Code:

(1) "Claimant" means a person that files an application for restitution assistance on behalf of a victim.

(2) "Final order" means a final administrative order issued by the division of securities or a final court order in a civil or criminal proceeding initiated by the division.

(3) "Victim" means a purchaser identified in a final order that has suffered a pecuniary loss as the result of a violation of this chapter or any rules adopted thereunder, or, in the case of a deceased purchaser so identified, the purchaser's surviving spouse.
or dependent children.

(B) There is hereby created in the state treasury the Ohio investor recovery fund, which shall consist of all cash transfers from the division of securities fund, created in section 1707.37 of the Revised Code, not to exceed an aggregate total of two million five hundred thousand dollars in any fiscal year. Money in the Ohio investor recovery fund shall be used for the purposes identified in division (C) of this section.

(C) The division shall use the Ohio investor recovery fund only to pay awards of restitution assistance and any expenses incurred in administering this section.

(D)(1) If the Ohio investor recovery fund is reduced below two hundred fifty thousand dollars due to payment in full of restitution assistance awards that become final during a month, the division shall suspend payment of further claims that become final during that month and the following two months.

(2) At the end of the suspension period described in division (D)(1) of this section, the division shall pay the suspended claims. If the Ohio investor recovery fund would be exhausted by payment in full of the suspended claims, the amount paid to each claimant shall be prorated according to the amount remaining in the Ohio investor recovery fund at the end of the suspension period.

(E) The state shall not be liable for a determination made by the division under this section except to the extent that money is available in the Ohio investor recovery fund on the date the award is calculated.

(F) The following victims are eligible for restitution assistance:

(1) A natural person who is a resident of this state;
(2) A person, other than a natural person, that is domiciled in Ohio.

(G) The division shall not award restitution assistance as follows:

(1) To more than one claimant per victim;

(2) To a claimant on behalf of a victim that has received the full amount of restitution owed from the person ordered to pay restitution to the victim in the final order before the application for restitution assistance from the fund is filed;

(3) To a claimant if the final order identifies no pecuniary loss to the victim on whose behalf the application is made;

(4) To a claimant on behalf of a victim that assisted in the commission of the violation of this chapter;

(5) If the portion of the final order giving rise to a restitution order or otherwise establishing a pecuniary loss to the victim is overturned on appeal.

(H) If, after the division has made a restitution assistance award from the Ohio investor recovery fund under this section, the restitution award in the final order is overturned on appeal and all legal remedies have been exhausted, then the claimant shall forfeit the restitution assistance award.

Sec. 1707.471. (A) A person that is eligible for a restitution assistance award under section 1707.47 of the Revised Code may submit an application for restitution assistance to the division in a manner and form prescribed by the division of securities.

(B) To receive a restitution assistance award, the claimant shall submit an application to the division within one hundred eighty days after the date of the final order. The division may grant an extension for good cause shown by the claimant. In no
case shall the division accept an application that is received more than two years after the date of the final order.

(C) The maximum award from the Ohio investor recovery fund created in section 1707.47 of the Revised Code for each claimant shall be the lesser of twenty-five thousand dollars or twenty-five per cent of the amount of monetary injury suffered by the victim as specified in the final order.

(D) The state is subrogated to the rights of the person awarded restitution assistance under section 1707.47 of the Revised Code to the extent of the award. The subrogation rights are against the person that committed the securities violation or a person liable for the pecuniary loss.

(E) The state may obtain a lien on the restitution assistance award in a separation action brought by the state or through state intervention in an action brought by or on behalf of the victim.

(F)(1) No claimant shall knowingly file or cause to be filed an application for restitution assistance or documents supporting the application that contain false, incomplete, or misleading information in any material respect.

(2) A claimant that violates division (F)(1) of this section shall forfeit all restitution assistance provided from the fund and shall be fined not more than ten thousand dollars by the division.

(3) Notwithstanding section 1707.28 of the Revised Code, a proceeding to determine whether a violation of division (F)(1) of this section occurred shall be commenced not later than two years after the date on which the division discovered the violation or through reasonable diligence should have discovered the violation, whichever is earlier.

(G) The division shall adopt rules as necessary to implement sections 1707.47 and 1707.471 of the Revised Code, including rules.
governing the processes for both of the following:

(1) Reviewing applications for restitution assistance awards;

(2) Suspending awards or making a prorated payment of awards when the fund balance approaches or reaches a balance below two hundred fifty thousand dollars.

Sec. 1707.49. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Eligible adult" means either of the following:
   (a) A person sixty years of age or older;
   (b) A person eligible to receive protective services pursuant to sections 5101.60 to 5101.71 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Financial exploitation" means either of the following:
   (a) The wrongful or unauthorized taking, withholding, directing, appropriation, or use of money, assets, or property of an eligible adult;
   (b) Any act or omission by a person, including through the use of a power of attorney or guardianship of an eligible adult, to do either of the following:
      (i) Obtain control, through deception, intimidation, or undue influence, money, assets, or property of an eligible adult and thereby deprive the eligible adult of the ownership, use, benefit, or possession of the money, assets, or property;
      (ii) Convert money, assets, or property of an eligible adult and thereby deprive the eligible adult of the ownership, use, benefit, or possession of the money, assets, or property.

(B) If an employee of a dealer or investment adviser has reasonable cause to believe that an eligible adult who is an account holder may be subject to past, current, or attempted financial exploitation, then both of the following apply:
(1) The employee shall follow any internal written policy, program, plan, or procedure adopted by the dealer or investment adviser for the purpose of establishing protocols for the reporting of past, current, or attempted financial exploitation.

(2) The dealer or investment adviser may place a hold on any transaction impacted by the past, current, or attempted financial exploitation for a period of time not to exceed fifteen business days.

(C) A dealer or investment adviser shall report any transactional hold placed pursuant to division (B)(2) of this section, along with a summary of the facts and circumstances leading up to the hold, in writing immediately to the division and the county department of job and family services for the county in which the eligible adult resides.

(D) A dealer or investment adviser making a report to the division and the county department of job and family services pursuant to division (C) of this section may continue the transactional hold for up to another fifteen business days at the request of an investigating federal or state agency or if the dealer or investment adviser has not heard from either the division or the county department of job and family services within the initial fifteen-day hold period. Nothing in this section shall be construed as limiting a dealer's or investment adviser's ability to seek injunctive relief from a court of competent jurisdiction at any time for any past, current, or attempted financial exploitation.

(E) Any person participating in good faith in making a report or placing a transactional hold pursuant to this section is immune from any civil or administrative liability arising from the report or hold.

(F) Any record made available to a state agency under this
section shall be considered an investigative record pursuant to division (B) of section 1707.12 of the Revised Code. Any record of a transactional hold, any report relating to the hold, and any notification of the hold shall be maintained by the dealer or investment adviser for not less than five years.

Sec. 1733.321. All fees, charges, and forfeitures collected under this chapter shall be paid to the superintendent of financial institutions, who shall deposit them into the state treasury to the credit of the credit unions fund, which is hereby established, and may be expended or obligated by the superintendent for the defrayment of the costs of regulation of credit unions. All actual and necessary expenses incurred by the superintendent, including any services rendered by the department of commerce for the benefit of credit unions, shall be paid from the fund. The fund shall be assessed a proportionate share of the administrative costs of the department of commerce and the division of financial institutions. The proportionate share of the administrative costs of the division of financial institutions shall be determined in accordance with procedures prescribed by the superintendent and approved by the director of budget and management. Such assessment shall be paid from the credit unions fund to the division of administration fund or the financial institutions fund.

Sec. 2151.011. (A) As used in the Revised Code:  

(1) "Juvenile court" means whichever of the following is applicable that has jurisdiction under this chapter and Chapter 2152. of the Revised Code:

(a) The division of the court of common pleas specified in section 2101.022 or 2301.03 of the Revised Code as having jurisdiction under this chapter and Chapter 2152. of the Revised
Code or as being the juvenile division or the juvenile division combined with one or more other divisions;

(b) The juvenile court of Cuyahoga county or Hamilton county that is separately and independently created by section 2151.08 or Chapter 2153. of the Revised Code and that has jurisdiction under this chapter and Chapter 2152. of the Revised Code;

(c) If division (A)(1)(a) or (b) of this section does not apply, the probate division of the court of common pleas.

(2) "Juvenile judge" means a judge of a court having jurisdiction under this chapter.

(3) "Private child placing agency" means any association, as defined in section 5103.02 of the Revised Code, that is certified under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code to accept temporary, permanent, or legal custody of children and place the children for either foster care or adoption.

(4) "Private noncustodial agency" means any person, organization, association, or society certified by the department of job and family services that does not accept temporary or permanent legal custody of children, that is privately operated in this state, and that does one or more of the following:

(a) Receives and cares for children for two or more consecutive weeks;

(b) Participates in the placement of children in certified foster homes;

(c) Provides adoption services in conjunction with a public children services agency or private child placing agency.

(B) As used in this chapter:

(1) "Adequate parental care" means the provision by a child's parent or parents, guardian, or custodian of adequate food, clothing, and shelter to ensure the child's health and physical
safety and the provision by a child's parent or parents of specialized services warranted by the child's physical or mental needs.

(2) "Adult" means an individual who is eighteen years of age or older.

(3) "Agreement for temporary custody" means a voluntary agreement authorized by section 5103.15 of the Revised Code that transfers the temporary custody of a child to a public children services agency or a private child placing agency.

(4) "Alternative response" means the public children services agency's response to a report of child abuse or neglect that engages the family in a comprehensive evaluation of child safety, risk of subsequent harm, and family strengths and needs and that does not include a determination as to whether child abuse or neglect occurred.

(5) "Certified foster home" means a foster home, as defined in section 5103.02 of the Revised Code, certified under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code.

(6) "Child" means a person who is under eighteen years of age, except that the juvenile court has jurisdiction over any person who is adjudicated an unruly child prior to attaining eighteen years of age until the person attains twenty-one years of age, and, for purposes of that jurisdiction related to that adjudication, a person who is so adjudicated an unruly child shall be deemed a "child" until the person attains twenty-one years of age.

(7) "Child day camp," "child care," "child day-care center," "part-time child day-care center," "type A family day-care home," "licensed type B family day-care home," "type B family day-care home," "administrator of a child day-care center," "administrator of a type A family day-care home," and "in-home aide" have the
same meanings as in section 5104.01 of the Revised Code.

(8) "Child care provider" means an individual who is a
child-care staff member or administrator of a child day-care
center, a type A family day-care home, or a type B family day-care
home, or an in-home aide or an individual who is licensed, is
regulated, is approved, operates under the direction of, or
otherwise is certified by the department of job and family
services, department of developmental disabilities, or the early
childhood programs of the department of education.

(9) "Commit" means to vest custody as ordered by the court.

(10) "Counseling" includes both of the following:

(a) General counseling services performed by a public
children services agency or shelter for victims of domestic
violence to assist a child, a child's parents, and a child's
siblings in alleviating identified problems that may cause or have
cured the child to be an abused, neglected, or dependent child.

(b) Psychiatric or psychological therapeutic counseling
services provided to correct or alleviate any mental or emotional
illness or disorder and performed by a licensed psychiatrist,
licensed psychologist, or a person licensed under Chapter 4757. of
the Revised Code to engage in social work or professional
counseling.

(11) "Custodian" means a person who has legal custody of a
child or a public children services agency or private child
placing agency that has permanent, temporary, or legal custody of
a child.

(12) "Delinquent child" has the same meaning as in section
2152.02 of the Revised Code.

(13) "Detention" means the temporary care of children pending
court adjudication or disposition, or execution of a court order,
in a public or private facility designed to physically restrict the movement and activities of children.

(14) "Developmental disability" has the same meaning as in section 5123.01 of the Revised Code.

(15) "Differential response approach" means an approach that a public children services agency may use to respond to accepted reports of child abuse or neglect with either an alternative response or a traditional response.

(16) "Foster caregiver" has the same meaning as in section 5103.02 of the Revised Code.

(17) "Guardian" means a person, association, or corporation that is granted authority by a probate court pursuant to Chapter 2111. of the Revised Code to exercise parental rights over a child to the extent provided in the court's order and subject to the residual parental rights of the child's parents.

(18) "Habitual truant" means any child of compulsory school age who is absent without legitimate excuse for absence from the public school the child is supposed to attend for thirty or more consecutive hours, forty-two or more hours in one school month, or seventy-two or more hours in a school year.

(19) "Intellectual disability" has the same meaning as in section 5123.01 of the Revised Code.

(20) "Juvenile traffic offender" has the same meaning as in section 2152.02 of the Revised Code.

(21) "Legal custody" means a legal status that vests in the custodian the right to have physical care and control of the child and to determine where and with whom the child shall live, and the right and duty to protect, train, and discipline the child and to provide the child with food, shelter, education, and medical care, all subject to any residual parental rights, privileges, and
responsibilities. An individual granted legal custody shall exercise the rights and responsibilities personally unless otherwise authorized by any section of the Revised Code or by the court.

(22) A "legitimate excuse for absence from the public school the child is supposed to attend" includes, but is not limited to, any of the following:

(a) The fact that the child in question has enrolled in and is attending another public or nonpublic school in this or another state;

(b) The fact that the child in question is excused from attendance at school for any of the reasons specified in section 3321.04 of the Revised Code;

(c) The fact that the child in question has received an age and schooling certificate in accordance with section 3331.01 of the Revised Code.

(23) "Mental illness" has the same meaning as in section 5122.01 of the Revised Code.

(24) "Mental injury" means any behavioral, cognitive, emotional, or mental disorder in a child caused by an act or omission that is described in section 2919.22 of the Revised Code and is committed by the parent or other person responsible for the child's care.

(25) "Nonsecure care, supervision, or training" means care, supervision, or training of a child in a facility that does not confine or prevent movement of the child within the facility or from the facility.

(26) "Of compulsory school age" has the same meaning as in section 3321.01 of the Revised Code.

(27) "Organization" means any institution, public,
semipublic, or private, and any private association, society, or agency located or operating in the state, incorporated or unincorporated, having among its functions the furnishing of protective services or care for children, or the placement of children in certified foster homes or elsewhere.

(28) "Out-of-home care" means detention facilities, shelter facilities, certified children's crisis care facilities, certified foster homes, placement in a prospective adoptive home prior to the issuance of a final decree of adoption, organizations, certified organizations, child day-care centers, type A family day-care homes, type B family day-care homes, child care provided by in-home aides, group home providers, group homes, institutions, state institutions, residential facilities, residential care facilities, residential camps, day camps, private, nonprofit therapeutic wilderness camps, public schools, chartered nonpublic schools, educational service centers, hospitals, and medical clinics that are responsible for the care, physical custody, or control of children.

(29) "Out-of-home care child abuse" means any of the following when committed by a person responsible for the care of a child in out-of-home care:

(a) Engaging in sexual activity with a child in the person's care;

(b) Denial to a child, as a means of punishment, of proper or necessary subsistence, education, medical care, or other care necessary for a child's health;

(c) Use of restraint procedures on a child that cause injury or pain;

(d) Administration of prescription drugs or psychotropic medication to the child without the written approval and ongoing supervision of a licensed physician;
(e) Commission of any act, other than by accidental means, that results in any injury to or death of the child in out-of-home care or commission of any act by accidental means that results in an injury to or death of a child in out-of-home care and that is at variance with the history given of the injury or death.

(30) "Out-of-home care child neglect" means any of the following when committed by a person responsible for the care of a child in out-of-home care:

(a) Failure to provide reasonable supervision according to the standards of care appropriate to the age, mental and physical condition, or other special needs of the child;

(b) Failure to provide reasonable supervision according to the standards of care appropriate to the age, mental and physical condition, or other special needs of the child, that results in sexual or physical abuse of the child by any person;

(c) Failure to develop a process for all of the following:
   (i) Administration of prescription drugs or psychotropic drugs for the child;
   (ii) Assuring that the instructions of the licensed physician who prescribed a drug for the child are followed;
   (iii) Reporting to the licensed physician who prescribed the drug all unfavorable or dangerous side effects from the use of the drug.

(d) Failure to provide proper or necessary subsistence, education, medical care, or other individualized care necessary for the health or well-being of the child;

(e) Confinement of the child to a locked room without monitoring by staff;

(f) Failure to provide ongoing security for all prescription and nonprescription medication;
(g) Isolation of a child for a period of time when there is substantial risk that the isolation, if continued, will impair or retard the mental health or physical well-being of the child.

(31) "Permanent custody" means a legal status that vests in a public children services agency or a private child placing agency, all parental rights, duties, and obligations, including the right to consent to adoption, and divests the natural parents or adoptive parents of all parental rights, privileges, and obligations, including all residual rights and obligations.

(32) "Permanent surrender" means the act of the parents or, if a child has only one parent, of the parent of a child, by a voluntary agreement authorized by section 5103.15 of the Revised Code, to transfer the permanent custody of the child to a public children services agency or a private child placing agency.

(33) "Person" means an individual, association, corporation, or partnership and the state or any of its political subdivisions, departments, or agencies.

(34) "Person responsible for a child's care in out-of-home care" means any of the following:

(a) Any foster caregiver, in-home aide, or provider;

(b) Any administrator, employee, or agent of any of the following: a public or private detention facility; shelter facility; certified children's crisis care facility; organization; certified organization; child day-care center; type A family day-care home; licensed type B family day-care home; group home; institution; state institution; residential facility; residential care facility; residential camp; day camp; school district; community school; chartered nonpublic school; educational service center; hospital; or medical clinic;

(c) Any person who supervises or coaches children as part of an extracurricular activity sponsored by a school district, public
school, or chartered nonpublic school;

(d) Any other person who performs a similar function with respect to, or has a similar relationship to, children.

(35) "Physical impairment" means having one or more of the following conditions that substantially limit one or more of an individual's major life activities, including self-care, receptive and expressive language, learning, mobility, and self-direction:

(a) A substantial impairment of vision, speech, or hearing;

(b) A congenital orthopedic impairment;

(c) An orthopedic impairment caused by disease, rheumatic fever or any other similar chronic or acute health problem, or amputation or another similar cause.

(36) "Placement for adoption" means the arrangement by a public children services agency or a private child placing agency with a person for the care and adoption by that person of a child of whom the agency has permanent custody.

(37) "Placement in foster care" means the arrangement by a public children services agency or a private child placing agency for the out-of-home care of a child of whom the agency has temporary custody or permanent custody.

(38) "Planned permanent living arrangement" means an order of a juvenile court pursuant to which both of the following apply:

(a) The court gives legal custody of a child to a public children services agency or a private child placing agency without the termination of parental rights.

(b) The order permits the agency to make an appropriate placement of the child and to enter into a written agreement with a foster care provider or with another person or agency with whom the child is placed.

(39) "Practice of social work" and "practice of professional
counseling" have the same meanings as in section 4757.01 of the Revised Code.

(40) "Private, nonprofit therapeutic wilderness camp" has the same meaning as in section 5103.02 of the Revised Code.

(41) "Sanction, service, or condition" means a sanction, service, or condition created by court order following an adjudication that a child is an unruly child that is described in division (A)(4) of section 2152.19 of the Revised Code.

(42) "Protective supervision" means an order of disposition pursuant to which the court permits an abused, neglected, dependent, or unruly child to remain in the custody of the child's parents, guardian, or custodian and stay in the child's home, subject to any conditions and limitations upon the child, the child's parents, guardian, or custodian, or any other person that the court prescribes, including supervision as directed by the court for the protection of the child.

(43) "Psychiatrist" has the same meaning as in section 5122.01 of the Revised Code.

(44) "Psychologist" has the same meaning as in section 4732.01 of the Revised Code.

(45) "Resource caregiver" has the same meaning as in section 5103.02 of the Revised Code.

(46) "Resource family" has the same meaning as in section 5103.02 of the Revised Code.

(47) "Residential camp" means a program in which the care, physical custody, or control of children is accepted overnight for recreational or recreational and educational purposes.

(46) "Residential care facility" means an institution, residence, or facility that is licensed by the department of mental health and addiction services under section 5119.34 of the Revised Code.
Revised Code and that provides care for a child.

(47) (49) "Residential facility" means a home or facility that is licensed by the department of developmental disabilities under section 5123.19 of the Revised Code and in which a child with a developmental disability resides.

(48) (50) "Residual parental rights, privileges, and responsibilities" means those rights, privileges, and responsibilities remaining with the natural parent after the transfer of legal custody of the child, including, but not necessarily limited to, the privilege of reasonable visitation, consent to adoption, the privilege to determine the child's religious affiliation, and the responsibility for support.

(49) (51) "School day" means the school day established by the board of education of the applicable school district pursuant to section 3313.481 of the Revised Code.

(50) (52) "School year" has the same meaning as in section 3313.62 of the Revised Code.

(51) (53) "Secure correctional facility" means a facility under the direction of the department of youth services that is designed to physically restrict the movement and activities of children and used for the placement of children after adjudication and disposition.

(52) (54) "Sexual activity" has the same meaning as in section 2907.01 of the Revised Code.

(53) (55) "Shelter" means the temporary care of children in physically unrestricted facilities pending court adjudication or disposition.

(54) (56) "Shelter for victims of domestic violence" has the same meaning as in section 3113.33 of the Revised Code.

(55) (57) "Temporary custody" means legal custody of a child.
who is removed from the child's home, which custody may be
terminated at any time at the discretion of the court or, if the
legal custody is granted in an agreement for temporary custody, by
the person who executed the agreement.

(56) (58) "Traditional response" means a public children
services agency's response to a report of child abuse or neglect
that encourages engagement of the family in a comprehensive
evaluation of the child's current and future safety needs and a
fact-finding process to determine whether child abuse or neglect
occurred and the circumstances surrounding the alleged harm or
risk of harm.

(C) For the purposes of this chapter, a child shall be
presumed abandoned when the parents of the child have failed to
visit or maintain contact with the child for more than ninety
days, regardless of whether the parents resume contact with the
child after that period of ninety days.

Sec. 2151.152. The juvenile judge may enter into an agreement
with the department of job and family services pursuant to section
5101.11 of the Revised Code for the purpose of reimbursing the
court for foster care maintenance costs and associated
administrative and training costs, and prevention services costs
under the "Family First Prevention Services Act," Public Law
115-123, incurred on behalf of a child who is either any of the
following:

(A) Eligible for payments under Title IV-E of the "Social
the temporary or permanent custody of the court or subject to a
disposition issued under division (A)(5) of section 2151.354 or
division (A)(7)(a)(ii) or (A)(8) of section 2152.19 of the Revised
Code;

(B) Determined to be at serious risk of removal from the home
and for whom the court has undertaken a plan of reasonable efforts to prevent such removal.

(C) At imminent risk of removal from the home and is a sibling of a child in the temporary or permanent custody of the court.

The agreement shall govern the responsibilities and duties the court shall perform in providing services to the child.

Sec. 2151.316. (A) The department of job and family services shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to establish and enforce a foster youth bill of rights for individuals who are in the temporary or permanent custody of a public children services agency or a planned permanent living arrangement or in the Title IV-E eligible care and placement responsibility of a juvenile court or other governmental agency that provides Title IV-E reimbursable placement services and who are subject to out-of-home care or placed with a kinship caregiver as defined in section 5101.85 of the Revised Code.

(B) If the rights of an individual, as established under division (A) of this section, conflict with the rights of a resource family or resource caregiver, as established in section 5103.163 of the Revised Code, the rights of the individual shall preempt the rights of the resource family or resource caregiver.

(C) The rights established by rules under this section shall not create grounds for a civil action against the department, the recommending agency, or the custodial agency.

Sec. 2151.34. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Court" means the juvenile division of the court of common pleas of the county in which the person to be protected by the protection order resides.
(2) "Victim advocate" means a person who provides support and assistance for a person who files a petition under this section.

(3) "Family or household member" has the same meaning as in section 3113.31 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Protection order issued by a court of another state" has the same meaning as in section 2919.27 of the Revised Code.

(5) "Petitioner" means a person who files a petition under this section and includes a person on whose behalf a petition under this section is filed.

(6) "Respondent" means a person who is under eighteen years of age and against whom a petition is filed under this section.

(7) "Sexually oriented offense" has the same meaning as in section 2950.01 of the Revised Code.

(8) "Electronic monitoring" has the same meaning as in section 2929.01 of the Revised Code.

(9) "Companion animal" has the same meaning as in section 959.131 of the Revised Code.

(B) The court has jurisdiction over all proceedings under this section.

(C)(1) Any of the following persons may seek relief under this section by filing a petition with the court:

(a) Any person on behalf of that person;

(b) Any parent or adult family or household member on behalf of any other family or household member;

(c) Any person who is determined by the court in its discretion as an appropriate person to seek relief under this section on behalf of any child.

(2) The petition shall contain or state all of the following:

(a) An allegation that the respondent engaged in a violation
of section 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.21, 2903.211, 2903.22,
or 2911.211 of the Revised Code, committed a sexually oriented
offense, or engaged in a violation of any municipal ordinance that
is substantially equivalent to any of those offenses against the
person to be protected by the protection order, including a
description of the nature and extent of the violation;

(b) If the petitioner seeks relief in the form of electronic
monitoring of the respondent, an allegation that at any time
preceding the filing of the petition the respondent engaged in
conduct that would cause a reasonable person to believe that the
health, welfare, or safety of the person to be protected was at
risk, a description of the nature and extent of that conduct, and
an allegation that the respondent presents a continuing danger to
the person to be protected;

(c) A request for relief under this section.

(3) The court in its discretion may determine whether or not
to give notice that a petition has been filed under division
(C)(1) of this section on behalf of a child to any of the
following:

(a) A parent of the child if the petition was filed by any
person other than a parent of the child;

(b) Any person who is determined by the court to be an
appropriate person to receive notice of the filing of the
petition.

(D)(1) If a person who files a petition pursuant to this
section requests an ex parte order, the court shall hold an ex
parte hearing as soon as possible after the petition is filed, but
not later than the next day after the court is in session after
the petition is filed. The court, for good cause shown at the ex
parte hearing, may enter any temporary orders, with or without
bond, that the court finds necessary for the safety and protection
of the person to be protected by the order. Immediate and present
danger to the person to be protected by the protection order
constitutes good cause for purposes of this section. Immediate and
present danger includes, but is not limited to, situations in
which the respondent has threatened the person to be protected by
the protection order with bodily harm or in which the respondent
previously has been convicted of, pleaded guilty to, or been
adjudicated a delinquent child for committing a violation of
section 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.21, 2903.211, 2903.22, or
2911.211 of the Revised Code, a sexually oriented offense, or a
violation of any municipal ordinance that is substantially
equivalent to any of those offenses against the person to be
protected by the protection order.

(2)(a) If the court, after an ex parte hearing, issues a
protection order described in division (E) of this section, the
court shall schedule a full hearing for a date that is within ten
court days after the ex parte hearing. The court shall give the
respondent notice of, and an opportunity to be heard at, the full
hearing. The court also shall give notice of the full hearing to
the parent, guardian, or legal custodian of the respondent. The
court shall hold the full hearing on the date scheduled under this
division unless the court grants a continuance of the hearing in
accordance with this division. Under any of the following
circumstances or for any of the following reasons, the court may
grant a continuance of the full hearing to a reasonable time
determined by the court:

(i) Prior to the date scheduled for the full hearing under
this division, the respondent has not been served with the
petition filed pursuant to this section and notice of the full
hearing.

(ii) The parties consent to the continuance.

(iii) The continuance is needed to allow a party to obtain
counsel.

(iv) The continuance is needed for other good cause.

(b) An ex parte order issued under this section does not expire because of a failure to serve notice of the full hearing upon the respondent before the date set for the full hearing under division (D)(2)(a) of this section or because the court grants a continuance under that division.

(3) If a person who files a petition pursuant to this section does not request an ex parte order, or if a person requests an ex parte order but the court does not issue an ex parte order after an ex parte hearing, the court shall proceed as in a normal civil action and grant a full hearing on the matter.

(E)(1)(a) After an ex parte or full hearing, the court may issue any protection order, with or without bond, that contains terms designed to ensure the safety and protection of the person to be protected by the protection order. The court may include within a protection order issued under this section a term requiring that the respondent not remove, damage, hide, harm, or dispose of any companion animal owned or possessed by the person to be protected by the order, and may include within the order a term authorizing the person to be protected by the order to remove a companion animal owned by the person to be protected by the order from the possession of the respondent.

(b) After a full hearing, if the court considering a petition that includes an allegation of the type described in division (C)(2)(b) of this section or the court, upon its own motion, finds upon clear and convincing evidence that the petitioner reasonably believed that the respondent's conduct at any time preceding the filing of the petition endangered the health, welfare, or safety of the person to be protected and that the respondent presents a continuing danger to the person to be protected and if division
(N) of this section does not prohibit the issuance of an order that the respondent be electronically monitored, the court may order that the respondent be electronically monitored for a period of time and under the terms and conditions that the court determines are appropriate. Electronic monitoring shall be in addition to any other relief granted to the petitioner.

(2)(a) Any protection order issued pursuant to this section shall be valid until a date certain but not later than the date the respondent attains nineteen years of age.

(b) Any protection order issued pursuant to this section may be renewed in the same manner as the original order was issued.

(3) A court may not issue a protection order that requires a petitioner to do or to refrain from doing an act that the court may require a respondent to do or to refrain from doing under division (E)(1) of this section unless all of the following apply:

(a) The respondent files a separate petition for a protection order in accordance with this section.

(b) The petitioner is served with notice of the respondent's petition at least forty-eight hours before the court holds a hearing with respect to the respondent's petition, or the petitioner waives the right to receive this notice.

(c) If the petitioner has requested an ex parte order pursuant to division (D) of this section, the court does not delay any hearing required by that division beyond the time specified in that division in order to consolidate the hearing with a hearing on the petition filed by the respondent.

(d) After a full hearing at which the respondent presents evidence in support of the request for a protection order and the petitioner is afforded an opportunity to defend against that evidence, the court determines that the petitioner has committed a violation of section 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.21, 2903.211,
2903.22, or 2911.211 of the Revised Code, a sexually oriented
offense, or a violation of any municipal ordinance that is
substantially equivalent to any of those offenses against the
person to be protected by the protection order issued pursuant to
division (E)(3) of this section, or has violated a protection
order issued pursuant to this section or section 2903.213 of the
Revised Code relative to the person to be protected by the
protection order issued pursuant to division (E)(3) of this
section.

(4) No protection order issued pursuant to this section shall
in any manner affect title to any real property.

(5)(a) A protection order issued under this section shall
clearly state that the person to be protected by the order cannot
waive or nullify by invitation or consent any requirement in the
order.

(b) Division (E)(5)(a) of this section does not limit any
discretion of a court to determine that a respondent alleged to
have violated section 2919.27 of the Revised Code, violated a
municipal ordinance substantially equivalent to that section, or
committed contempt of court, which allegation is based on an
alleged violation of a protection order issued under this section,
did not commit the violation or was not in contempt of court.

(6) Any protection order issued pursuant to this section
shall include a provision that the court will automatically seal
all of the records of the proceeding in which the order is issued
on the date the respondent attains the age of nineteen years
unless the petitioner provides the court with evidence that the
respondent has not complied with all of the terms of the
protection order. The protection order shall specify the date when
the respondent attains the age of nineteen years.

(F)(1) The court shall cause the delivery of a copy of any
protection order that is issued under this section to the petitioner, to the respondent, and to all law enforcement agencies that have jurisdiction to enforce the order. If the protection order will be valid subsequent to the date on which the respondent attains eighteen years of age, the order shall be transmitted by the clerk of the court to the appropriate law enforcement agency for entry into the protection order database of the national crime information center (NCIC) maintained by the federal bureau of investigation. The court shall direct that a copy of the order be delivered to the respondent and the parent, guardian, or legal custodian of the respondent on the same day that the order is entered. If the court terminates or cancels the order, the clerk of the court shall cause the delivery of notice of the termination or cancellation to the same persons and entities that were delivered a copy of the order and the court shall issue the removal order described in this division to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

The court shall file with the clerk of the court each protection order issued pursuant to this section that will be valid subsequent to the date on which the respondent attains eighteen years of age and the clerk shall transmit the order to the appropriate law enforcement agency to be entered into the law enforcement automated data system created by section 5503.10 of the Revised Code, and known as LEADS, by the close of the next business day after the day on which the court issues the order. Upon the termination or cancellation of the order, the court shall order the appropriate law enforcement agency to remove the order from the LEADS database by the close of the next business day after the day on which the termination or cancellation of the order occurred and shall ensure that the order is terminated, cleared, or canceled in the protection order database of the national crime information center (NCIC) maintained by the federal bureau of investigation.
(2) Upon the issuance of a protection order under this section, the court shall provide the parties to the order with the following notice orally or by form:

"NOTICE

As a result of this order, it may be unlawful for you to possess or purchase a firearm, including a rifle, pistol, or revolver, or ammunition pursuant to federal law under 18 U.S.C. 922(g)(8) for the duration of this order. If you have any questions whether this law makes it illegal for you to possess or purchase a firearm or ammunition, you should consult an attorney."

(3) All law enforcement agencies shall establish and maintain an index for the protection orders delivered to the agencies pursuant to division (F)(1) of this section. With respect to each order delivered, each agency shall note on the index the date and time that it received the order.

(4) Regardless of whether the petitioner has registered the protection order in the county in which the officer's agency has jurisdiction pursuant to division (M) of this section, any officer of a law enforcement agency shall enforce a protection order issued pursuant to this section by any court in this state in accordance with the provisions of the order, including removing the respondent from the premises, if appropriate.

(G)(1) Any proceeding under this section shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules of Civil Procedure, except that a protection order may be obtained under this section with or without bond. An order issued under this section, other than an ex parte order, that grants a protection order, or that refuses to grant a protection order, is a final, appealable order. The remedies and procedures provided in this section are in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other available civil or criminal remedies or any other available remedies under Chapter 2151. or 2152. of the Revised Code.
(2) If as provided in division (G)(1) of this section an
order issued under this section, other than an ex parte order,
refuses to grant a protection order, the court, on its own motion,
shall order that the ex parte order issued under this section and
all of the records pertaining to that ex parte order be sealed
after either of the following occurs:

(a) No party has exercised the right to appeal pursuant to
Rule 4 of the Rules of Appellate Procedure.

(b) All appellate rights have been exhausted.

(H) The filing of proceedings under this section does not
excuse a person from filing any report or giving any notice
required by section 2151.421 of the Revised Code or by any other
law.

(I) Any law enforcement agency that investigates an alleged
violation of section 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.21, 2903.211,
2903.22, or 2911.211 of the Revised Code, an alleged commission of
a sexually oriented offense, or an alleged violation of a
municipal ordinance that is substantially equivalent to any of
those offenses shall provide information to the victim and the
family or household members of the victim regarding the relief
available under this section.

(J)(1) Subject to division (J)(2) of this section and
regardless of whether a protection order is issued or a consent
agreement is approved by a court of another county or by a court
of another state, no court or unit of state or local government
shall charge the petitioner any fee, cost, deposit, or money in
connection with the filing of a petition pursuant to this section,
in connection with the filing, issuance, registration,
modification, enforcement, dismissal, withdrawal, or service of a
protection order, consent agreement, or witness subpoena or for
obtaining a certified copy of a protection order or consent
agreement.

(2) Regardless of whether a protection order is issued or a consent agreement is approved pursuant to this section, the court may assess costs against the respondent in connection with the filing, issuance, registration, modification, enforcement, dismissal, withdrawal, or service of a protection order, consent agreement, or witness subpoena or for obtaining a certified copy of a protection order or consent agreement.

(K)(1) A person who violates a protection order issued under this section is subject to the following sanctions:

(a) A delinquent child proceeding or a criminal prosecution for a violation of section 2919.27 of the Revised Code, if the violation of the protection order constitutes a violation of that section;

(b) Punishment for contempt of court.

(2) The punishment of a person for contempt of court for violation of a protection order issued under this section does not bar criminal prosecution of the person or a delinquent child proceeding concerning the person for a violation of section 2919.27 of the Revised Code. However, a person punished for contempt of court is entitled to credit for the punishment imposed upon conviction of or adjudication as a delinquent child for a violation of that section, and a person convicted of or adjudicated a delinquent child for a violation of that section shall not subsequently be punished for contempt of court arising out of the same activity.

(L) In all stages of a proceeding under this section, a petitioner may be accompanied by a victim advocate.

(M)(1) A petitioner who obtains a protection order under this section may provide notice of the issuance or approval of the order to the judicial and law enforcement officials in any county
other than the county in which the order is issued by registering that order in the other county pursuant to division (M)(2) of this section and filing a copy of the registered order with a law enforcement agency in the other county in accordance with that division. A person who obtains a protection order issued by a court of another state may provide notice of the issuance of the order to the judicial and law enforcement officials in any county of this state by registering the order in that county pursuant to section 2919.272 of the Revised Code and filing a copy of the registered order with a law enforcement agency in that county.

(2) A petitioner may register a protection order issued pursuant to this section in a county other than the county in which the court that issued the order is located in the following manner:

(a) The petitioner shall obtain a certified copy of the order from the clerk of the court that issued the order and present that certified copy to the clerk of the court of common pleas or the clerk of a municipal court or county court in the county in which the order is to be registered.

(b) Upon accepting the certified copy of the order for registration, the clerk of the court of common pleas, municipal court, or county court shall place an endorsement of registration on the order and give the petitioner a copy of the order that bears that proof of registration.

(3) The clerk of each court of common pleas, municipal court, or county court shall maintain a registry of certified copies of protection orders that have been issued by courts in other counties pursuant to this section and that have been registered with the clerk.

(N) If the court orders electronic monitoring of the respondent under this section, the court shall direct the
sheriff's office or any other appropriate law enforcement agency to install the electronic monitoring device and to monitor the respondent. Unless the court determines that the respondent is indigent, the court shall order the respondent to pay the cost of the installation and monitoring of the electronic monitoring device. If the court determines that the respondent is indigent and subject to the maximum amount allowable to be paid in any year from the fund and the rules promulgated by the attorney general under section 2903.214 of the Revised Code, the cost of the installation and monitoring of the electronic monitoring device may be paid out of funds from the reparations fund created pursuant to section 2743.191 of the Revised Code. The total amount paid from the reparations fund created pursuant to section 2743.191 of the Revised Code for electronic monitoring under this section and sections 2903.214 and 2919.27 of the Revised Code shall not exceed three hundred thousand dollars per year. When the total amount paid from the reparations fund in any year for electronic monitoring under those sections equals or exceeds three hundred thousand dollars, the court shall not order pursuant to this section that an indigent respondent be electronically monitored.

(O) The court, in its discretion, may determine if the respondent is entitled to court-appointed counsel in a proceeding under this section.

Sec. 2151.412. (A) Each public children services agency and private child placing agency shall prepare and maintain a case plan for any child to whom the agency is providing services and to whom any of the following applies:

(1) The agency filed a complaint pursuant to section 2151.27 of the Revised Code alleging that the child is an abused, neglected, or dependent child;
(2) The agency has temporary or permanent custody of the child;

(3) The child is living at home subject to an order for protective supervision;

(4) The child is in a planned permanent living arrangement.

Except as provided by division (A)(2) of section 5103.153 of the Revised Code, a private child placing agency providing services to a child who is the subject of a voluntary permanent custody surrender agreement entered into under division (B)(2) of section 5103.15 of the Revised Code is not required to prepare and maintain a case plan for that child.

(B) Each public children services agency shall prepare and maintain a case plan or a family service plan for any child for whom the agency is providing in-home services pursuant to an alternative response.

(C)(1) The director of job and family services shall adopt rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code setting forth the content and format of case plans required by division (A) of this section and establishing procedures for developing, implementing, and changing the case plans. The rules shall at a minimum comply with the requirements of Title IV-E of the "Social Security Act," 94 Stat. 501, 42 U.S.C. 671-670, et seq. (1980), as amended.

(2) The director of job and family services shall adopt rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code requiring public children services agencies and private child placing agencies to maintain case plans for children and their families who are receiving services in their homes from the agencies and for whom case plans are not required by division (A) of this section. The rules for public children services agencies shall include the requirements for case plans or family service plans maintained for
children and their families who are receiving services in their homes from public children services agencies pursuant to an alternative response. The agencies shall maintain case plans and family service plans as required by those rules; however, the case plans and family service plans shall not be subject to any other provision of this section except as specifically required by the rules.

(D) Each public children services agency and private child placing agency that is required by division (A) of this section to maintain a case plan shall file the case plan with the court prior to the child's adjudicatory hearing but no later than thirty days after the earlier of the date on which the complaint in the case was filed or the child was first placed into shelter care. If the agency does not have sufficient information prior to the adjudicatory hearing to complete any part of the case plan, the agency shall specify in the case plan the additional information necessary to complete each part of the case plan and the steps that will be taken to obtain that information. All parts of the case plan shall be completed by the earlier of thirty days after the adjudicatory hearing or the date of the dispositional hearing for the child.

(E) Any agency that is required by division (A) of this section to prepare a case plan shall attempt to obtain an agreement among all parties, including, but not limited to, the parents, guardian, or custodian of the child and the guardian ad litem of the child regarding the content of the case plan. If all parties agree to the content of the case plan and the court approves it, the court shall journalize it as part of its dispositional order. If the agency cannot obtain an agreement upon the contents of the case plan or the court does not approve it, the parties shall present evidence on the contents of the case plan at the dispositional hearing. The court, based upon the
evidence presented at the dispositional hearing and the best interest of the child, shall determine the contents of the case plan and journalize it as part of the dispositional order for the child.

(F)(1) All parties, including the parents, guardian, or custodian of the child, are bound by the terms of the journalized case plan. A party that fails to comply with the terms of the journalized case plan may be held in contempt of court.

(2) Any party may propose a change to a substantive part of the case plan, including, but not limited to, the child's placement and the visitation rights of any party. A party proposing a change to the case plan shall file the proposed change with the court and give notice of the proposed change in writing before the end of the day after the day of filing it to all parties and the child's guardian ad litem. All parties and the guardian ad litem shall have seven days from the date the notice is sent to object to and request a hearing on the proposed change.

(a) If it receives a timely request for a hearing, the court shall schedule a hearing pursuant to section 2151.417 of the Revised Code to be held no later than thirty days after the request is received by the court. The court shall give notice of the date, time, and location of the hearing to all parties and the guardian ad litem. The agency may implement the proposed change after the hearing, if the court approves it. The agency shall not implement the proposed change unless it is approved by the court.

(b) If it does not receive a timely request for a hearing, the court may approve the proposed change without a hearing. If the court approves the proposed change without a hearing, it shall journalize the case plan with the change not later than fourteen days after the change is filed with the court. If the court does not approve the proposed change to the case plan, it shall schedule a hearing to be held pursuant to section 2151.417 of the Revised Code.
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fourteen-day time period and give notice of the date, time, and
location of the hearing to all parties and the guardian ad litem
of the child. If, despite the requirements of division (F)(2) of
this section, the court neither approves and journalizes the
proposed change nor conducts a hearing, the agency may implement
the proposed change not earlier than fifteen days after it is
submitted to the court.

(3) If an agency has reasonable cause to believe that a child
is suffering from illness or injury and is not receiving proper
care and that an appropriate change in the child's case plan is
necessary to prevent immediate or threatened physical or emotional
harm, to believe that a child is in immediate danger from the
child's surroundings and that an immediate change in the child's
case plan is necessary to prevent immediate or threatened physical
or emotional harm to the child, or to believe that a parent,
guardian, custodian, or other member of the child's household has
abused or neglected the child and that the child is in danger of
immediate or threatened physical or emotional harm from that
person unless the agency makes an appropriate change in the
child's case plan, it may implement the change without prior
agreement or a court hearing and, before the end of the next day
after the change is made, give all parties, the guardian ad litem
of the child, and the court notice of the change. Before the end
of the third day after implementing the change in the case plan,
the agency shall file a statement of the change with the court and
give notice of the filing accompanied by a copy of the statement
to all parties and the guardian ad litem. All parties and the
guardian ad litem shall have ten days from the date the notice is
sent to object to and request a hearing on the change.

(a) If it receives a timely request for a hearing, the court
shall schedule a hearing pursuant to section 2151.417 of the
Revised Code to be held no later than thirty days after the request is received by the court. The court shall give notice of the date, time, and location of the hearing to all parties and the guardian ad litem. The agency shall continue to administer the case plan with the change after the hearing, if the court approves the change. If the court does not approve the change, the court shall make appropriate changes to the case plan and shall journalize the case plan.

(b) If it does not receive a timely request for a hearing, the court may approve the change without a hearing. If the court approves the change without a hearing, it shall journalize the case plan with the change within fourteen days after receipt of the change. If the court does not approve the change to the case plan, it shall schedule a hearing under section 2151.417 of the Revised Code to be held no later than thirty days after the expiration of the fourteen-day time period and give notice of the date, time, and location of the hearing to all parties and the guardian ad litem of the child.

(G)(1) All case plans for children in temporary custody shall have the following general goals:

(a) Consistent with the best interest and special needs of the child, to achieve a safe out-of-home placement in the least restrictive, most family-like setting available and in close proximity to the home from which the child was removed or the home in which the child will be permanently placed;

(b) To eliminate with all due speed the need for the out-of-home placement so that the child can safely return home.

(2) The director of job and family services shall adopt rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code setting forth the general goals of case plans for children subject to dispositional orders for protective supervision, a planned permanent living
arrangement, or permanent custody.

(H) In the agency's development of a case plan and the court's review of the case plan, the child's health and safety shall be the paramount concern. The agency and the court shall be guided by the following general priorities:

1. A child who is residing with or can be placed with the child's parents within a reasonable time should remain in their legal custody even if an order of protective supervision is required for a reasonable period of time;

2. If both parents of the child have abandoned the child, have relinquished custody of the child, have become incapable of supporting or caring for the child even with reasonable assistance, or have a detrimental effect on the health, safety, and best interest of the child, the child should be placed in the legal custody of a suitable member of the child's extended family;

3. If a child described in division (H)(2) of this section has no suitable member of the child's extended family to accept legal custody, the child should be placed in the legal custody of a suitable nonrelative who shall be made a party to the proceedings after being given legal custody of the child;

4. If the child has no suitable member of the child's extended family to accept legal custody of the child and no suitable nonrelative is available to accept legal custody of the child and, if the child temporarily cannot or should not be placed with the child's parents, guardian, or custodian, the child should be placed in the temporary custody of a public children services agency or a private child placing agency;

5. If the child cannot be placed with either of the child's parents within a reasonable period of time or should not be placed with either, if no suitable member of the child's extended family or suitable nonrelative is available to accept legal custody of
the child, and if the agency has a reasonable expectation of
placing the child for adoption, the child should be committed to
the permanent custody of the public children services agency or
private child placing agency;

(6) If the child is to be placed for adoption or foster care,
the placement shall not be delayed or denied on the basis of the
child's or adoptive or foster family's race, color, or national
origin.

(I) The case plan for a child in temporary custody shall
include at a minimum the following requirements if the child is or
has been the victim of abuse or neglect or if the child witnessed
the commission in the child's household of abuse or neglect
against a sibling of the child, a parent of the child, or any
other person in the child's household:

(1) A requirement that the child's parents, guardian, or
custodian participate in mandatory counseling;

(2) A requirement that the child's parents, guardian, or
custodian participate in any supportive services that are required
by or provided pursuant to the child's case plan.

(J) A (1) Prior to January 1, 2023, a case plan for a child
in temporary custody may include, as a supplement, a plan for
locating a permanent family placement. The supplement shall not be
considered part of the case plan for purposes of division (E) of
this section.

(2) On and after January 1, 2023, a case plan for a child in
temporary custody shall include a permanency plan for the child
unless it is documented that such a plan would not be in the best
interest of the child. The permanency plan shall describe the
services the agency shall provide to achieve permanency for the
child if reasonable efforts to return the child to the child's
home, or eliminate the continued removal from that home, are
unsuccessful. Those services shall be provided concurrently with reasonable efforts to return the child home or eliminate the child's continued removal from home.

(3) The director of job and family services, pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall adopt rules necessary to carry out the purposes of division (J) of this section.

(K)(1) A public children services agency may request that the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation conduct a criminal records check with respect to a parent, guardian, custodian, prospective custodian, or prospective placement whose actions result in a finding after the filing of a complaint as described in division (A)(1) of this section that a child is an abused, neglected, or dependent child. The public children services agency shall request that the superintendent obtain information from the federal bureau of investigation as part of the criminal records check.

(2) At any time on or after the date that is ninety days after the effective date of this amendment September 10, 2012, a prosecuting attorney, or an assistant prosecuting attorney appointed under section 309.06 of the Revised Code, may request that the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation conduct a criminal records check with respect to each parent, guardian, custodian, prospective custodian, or prospective placement whose actions resulted in a finding after the filing of a complaint described in division (A)(1) of this section that a child is an abused, neglected, or dependent child. Each prosecuting attorney or assistant prosecuting attorney who makes such a request shall request that the superintendent obtain information from the federal bureau of investigation as part of the criminal records check for each parent, guardian, custodian, prospective custodian, or prospective placement who is a subject of the request.
(3) A public children services agency, prosecuting attorney, or assistant prosecuting attorney that requests a criminal records check under division (K)(1) or (2) of this section shall do both of the following:

(a) Provide to each parent, guardian, custodian, prospective custodian, or prospective placement for whom a criminal records check is requested a copy of the form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code and a standard fingerprint impression sheet prescribed pursuant to division (C)(2) of that section and obtain the completed form and impression sheet from the parent, guardian, custodian, prospective custodian, or prospective placement;

(b) Forward the completed form and impression sheet to the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation.

(4) A parent, guardian, custodian, prospective custodian, or prospective placement who is given a form and fingerprint impression sheet under division (K)(3)(a) of this section and who fails to complete the form or provide fingerprint impressions may be held in contempt of court.

Sec. 2151.416. (A) Each agency that is required by section 2151.412 of the Revised Code to prepare a case plan for a child shall complete a semiannual administrative review of the case plan no later than six months after the earlier of the date on which the complaint in the case was filed or the child was first placed in shelter care. After the first administrative review, the agency shall complete semiannual administrative reviews no later than every six months. If the court issues an order pursuant to section 2151.414 or 2151.415 of the Revised Code, the agency shall complete an administrative review no later than six months after the court's order and continue to complete administrative reviews.
no later than every six months after the first review, except that the court hearing held pursuant to section 2151.417 of the Revised Code may take the place of any administrative review that would otherwise be held at the time of the court hearing. When conducting a review, the child's health and safety shall be the paramount concern.

(B) Each administrative review required by division (A) of this section shall be conducted by a review panel of at least three persons, including, but not limited to, both of the following:

(1) A caseworker with day-to-day responsibility for, or familiarity with, the management of the child's case plan;

(2) A person who is not responsible for the management of the child's case plan or for the delivery of services to the child or the parents, guardian, or custodian of the child.

(C) Each semiannual administrative review shall include, but not be limited to, a joint meeting by the review panel with the parents, guardian, or custodian of the child, the guardian ad litem of the child, and the child's foster care provider and shall include an opportunity for those persons to submit any written materials to be included in the case record of the child. If a parent, guardian, custodian, guardian ad litem, or foster care provider of the child cannot be located after reasonable efforts to do so or declines to participate in the administrative review after being contacted, the agency does not have to include them in the joint meeting.

(D) The agency shall prepare a written summary of the semiannual administrative review that shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following:

(1) A conclusion regarding the safety and appropriateness of the child's foster care placement;
(2) The extent of the compliance with the case plan of all parties;

(3) The extent of progress that has been made toward alleviating the circumstances that required the agency to assume temporary custody of the child;

(4) An estimated date by which the child may be returned to and safely maintained in the child's home or placed for adoption or legal custody;

(5) An updated case plan that includes any changes that the agency is proposing in the case plan;

(6) The recommendation of the agency as to which agency or person should be given custodial rights over the child for the six-month period after the administrative review;

(7) The names of all persons who participated in the administrative review;

(8) A summary of the agency's intensive efforts to secure a placement with an appropriate and willing kinship caregiver as defined in section 5101.85 of the Revised Code, including any use of search technology to find biological family members of the child and all other efforts undertaken since the last review, unless a court has determined that intensive efforts are unnecessary pursuant to section 2151.4118 of the Revised Code.

(E) The agency shall file the summary with the court no later than seven days after the completion of the administrative review. If the agency proposes a change to the case plan as a result of the administrative review, the agency shall file the proposed change with the court at the time it files the summary. The agency shall give notice of the summary and proposed change in writing before the end of the next day after filing them to all parties and the child's guardian ad litem. All parties and the guardian ad litem shall have seven days after the date the notice is sent to
object to and request a hearing on the proposed change.

(1) If the court receives a timely request for a hearing, the court shall schedule a hearing pursuant to section 2151.417 of the Revised Code to be held not later than thirty days after the court receives the request. The court shall give notice of the date, time, and location of the hearing to all parties and the guardian ad litem. The agency may implement the proposed change after the hearing, if the court approves it. The agency shall not implement the proposed change unless it is approved by the court.

(2) If the court does not receive a timely request for a hearing, the court may approve the proposed change without a hearing. If the court approves the proposed change without a hearing, it shall journalize the case plan with the change not later than fourteen days after the change is filed with the court. If the court does not approve the proposed change to the case plan, it shall schedule a review hearing to be held pursuant to section 2151.417 of the Revised Code no later than thirty days after the expiration of the fourteen-day time period and give notice of the date, time, and location of the hearing to all parties and the guardian ad litem of the child. If, despite the requirements of this division and division (D) of section 2151.417 of the Revised Code, the court neither approves and journalizes the proposed change nor conducts a hearing, the agency may implement the proposed change not earlier than fifteen days after it is submitted to the court.

(F) The director of job and family services may adopt rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code for procedures and standard forms for conducting administrative reviews pursuant to this section.

(G) The juvenile court that receives the written summary of the administrative review, upon determining, either from the written summary, case plan, or otherwise, that the custody or care
arrangement is not in the best interest of the child, may terminate the custody of an agency and place the child in the custody of another institution or association certified by the department of job and family services under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code.

**Sec. 2151.4115.** (A) As used in sections 2151.4116 to 2151.4122 of the Revised Code:

(1) "Kinship caregiver" has the same meaning as used in section 5101.85 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Search technology" means any locate-and-research tool, search engine, electronic database, or social media search tool available to a public children services agency or a private child placing agency.

**Sec. 2151.4116.** A public children services agency or private child placing agency shall make intensive efforts to identify and engage an appropriate and willing kinship caregiver for the care of a child who is in one of following:

(A) Temporary custody of the agency;

(B) A planned permanent living arrangement with the agency.

**Sec. 2151.4117.** (A) At every court hearing regarding a child described in section 2151.4116 of the Revised Code, the court shall determine whether the public children services agency or private child placing agency has continued intensive efforts to identify and engage appropriate and willing kinship caregivers for the child.

(B) At each hearing the court shall:

(1) Review the placement of the child to determine if the child is receiving care in the home of a kinship caregiver;
(2) Review the efforts of the agency since the previous hearing to place the child with a kinship caregiver in accordance with section 2151.33 of the Revised Code, including efforts to utilize search technology to find biological family members for the child;

(3) Review any previous court order issued under section 2151.4118 of the Revised Code to determine if the order should continue based on the child's current placement situation.

Sec. 2151.4118. A court may issue an order that determines, with respect to a child described in section 2151.4116 of the Revised Code who is not receiving care in the home of a kinship caregiver, that the continuation of the child's current placement is in the child's best interest and that intensive efforts to identify and engage an appropriate and willing kinship caregiver for the child are unnecessary if the court makes the findings in section 2151.4119 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 2151.4119. A court may issue an order under section 2151.4118 of the Revised Code if it finds all of the following:

(A) The child has been living in a stable home environment with the child's current caregivers for the past twelve consecutive months.

(B) The current caregivers have expressed interest in providing permanency for the child.

(C) The removal of the child from the current caregivers would be detrimental to the child's emotional well-being.

Sec. 2151.4120. If a court makes the findings under section 2151.4119 of the Revised Code, the court and public children services agency or private child placing agency may consider the child's current caregiver as having a kin relationship with the
child and at an equal standing to other kin in regards to permanency.

**Sec. 2151.4121.** If a relative who received the required notice pursuant to section 2151.33 of the Revised Code fails within six months from the date of receipt to demonstrate interest in and willingness to provide a permanent home for a child, a court may excuse the public children services agency or private child placing agency from considering such relative for placement if the court has issued an order under section 2151.4119 of the Revised Code.

**Sec. 2151.4122.** Nothing in sections 2151.4115 to 2151.4121 of the Revised Code shall be construed to prevent a public children services agency or private child placement agency from continuing to search or consider kinship caregivers.

**Sec. 2151.451.** (A) The juvenile court of the county in which either of the following applies regarding an emancipated young adult described under division (A)(1) of section 5101.141 of the Revised Code resides shall have, may exercise jurisdiction over the emancipated young adult for purposes of sections 2151.45 to 2151.455 of the Revised Code:

(1) The county in which the emancipated young adult resides;

(2) The county in which the emancipated young adult resided when the custody, arrangement, or care and placement described in division (A)(3)(a) of section 5101.141 of the Revised Code terminated.

(B) A juvenile court, on its own motion or the motion of any party, may transfer a proceeding under these sections 2151.45 to 2151.455 of the Revised Code to a juvenile court with jurisdiction as provided in this section.
Sec. 2151.452. A juvenile court shall do both of the following regarding an emancipated young adult described under division (A)(1) of section 5101.1411 of the Revised Code:

(A) Not later than one hundred eighty days after the voluntary participation agreement becomes effective, make a determination as to whether the emancipated young adult's best interest is served by continuing the care and placement with the department of job and family services or its representative. An emancipated young adult shall not be eligible for continued care and placement if the court finds it is not in the emancipated young adult's best interest.

(B) Not later than twelve months after the effective date that of the voluntary participation agreement is signed, and annually at least once every twelve months thereafter, make a determination as to whether that department or its representative has made reasonable efforts have been made to finalize a permanency plan to prepare the emancipated young adult for independence.

Sec. 2151.453. If any determination required under division (B) of section 2151.452 of the Revised Code is not timely made, the federal payments for foster care under division (A)(1) of section 5101.1411 of the Revised Code for the emancipated young adult shall be suspended. The payments shall resume upon a subsequent determination that reasonable efforts have been made to prepare the emancipated young adult for independence, but only if both of the following apply:

(A) The emancipated young adult complies with division (A)(1) of section 5101.1411 of the Revised Code.

(B) There has been a timely determination of best interest under division (A) of section 2151.452 of the Revised Code.
Sec. 2743.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "State" means the state of Ohio, including, but not limited to, the general assembly, the supreme court, the offices of all elected state officers, and all departments, boards, offices, commissions, agencies, institutions, and other instrumentalities of the state. "State" does not include political subdivisions.

(B) "Political subdivisions" means municipal corporations, townships, counties, school districts, and all other bodies corporate and politic responsible for governmental activities only in geographic areas smaller than that of the state to which the sovereign immunity of the state attaches.

(C) "Claim for an award of reparations" or "claim" means a claim for an award of reparations made under sections 2743.51 to 2743.72 of the Revised Code.

(D) "Award of reparations" or "award" means an award made under sections 2743.51 to 2743.72 of the Revised Code.

(E)(1) "Public duty" includes, but is not limited to, any statutory, regulatory, or assumed duty concerning any action or omission of the state involving any of the following:

(a) Permitting, certifying, licensing, inspecting, investigating, supervising, regulating, auditing, monitoring, law enforcement, or emergency response activity, or compromising claims;

(b) Supervising, rehabilitating, or liquidating corporations or other business entities.

(2) "Public duty" does not include any action of the state under circumstances in which a special relationship can be established between the state and an injured party as provided in division (A)(3) of section 2743.02 of the Revised Code.
Sec. 2743.02. (A)(1) The state hereby waives its immunity from liability, except as provided for the office of the state fire marshal in division (G)(1) of section 9.60 and division (B) of section 3737.221 of the Revised Code and subject to division (H) of this section, and consents to be sued, and have its liability determined, in the court of claims created in this chapter in accordance with the same rules of law applicable to suits between private parties, except that the determination of liability is subject to the limitations set forth in this chapter and, in the case of state universities or colleges, in section 3345.40 of the Revised Code, and except as provided in division (A)(2) or (3) of this section. To the extent that the state has previously consented to be sued, this chapter has no applicability.

Except in the case of a civil action filed by the state, filing a civil action in the court of claims results in a complete waiver of any cause of action, based on the same act or omission, that the filing party has against any officer or employee, as defined in section 109.36 of the Revised Code. The waiver shall be void if the court determines that the act or omission was manifestly outside the scope of the officer's or employee's office or employment or that the officer or employee acted with malicious purpose, in bad faith, or in a wanton or reckless manner.

(2) If a claimant proves in the court of claims that an officer or employee, as defined in section 109.36 of the Revised Code, would have personal liability for the officer's or employee's acts or omissions but for the fact that the officer or employee has personal immunity under section 9.86 of the Revised Code, the state shall be held liable in the court of claims in any action that is timely filed pursuant to section 2743.16 of the Revised Code and that is based upon the acts or omissions.
(3) (a) Except as provided in division (A)(3)(b) of this section, the state is immune from liability in any civil action or proceeding involving the performance or nonperformance of a public duty, including the performance or nonperformance of a public duty that is owed by the state in relation to any action of an individual who is committed to the custody of the state.

(b) The state immunity provided in division (A)(3)(a) of this section does not apply to any action of the state under circumstances in which a special relationship can be established between the state and an injured party. A special relationship under this division is demonstrated if all of the following elements exist:

(i) An assumption by the state, by means of promises or actions, of an affirmative duty to act on behalf of the party who was allegedly injured;

(ii) Knowledge on the part of the state's agents that inaction of the state could lead to harm;

(iii) Some form of direct contact between the state's agents and the injured party;

(iv) The injured party's justifiable reliance on the state's affirmative undertaking.

(B) The state hereby waives the immunity from liability of all hospitals owned or operated by one or more political subdivisions and consents for them to be sued, and to have their liability determined, in the court of common pleas, in accordance with the same rules of law applicable to suits between private parties, subject to the limitations set forth in this chapter. This division is also applicable to hospitals owned or operated by political subdivisions that have been determined by the supreme court to be subject to suit prior to July 28, 1975.

(C) Any hospital, as defined in section 2305.113 of the
Revised Code, may purchase liability insurance covering its operations and activities and its agents, employees, nurses, interns, residents, staff, and members of the governing board and committees, and, whether or not such insurance is purchased, may, to the extent that its governing board considers appropriate, indemnify or agree to indemnify and hold harmless any such person against expense, including attorney's fees, damage, loss, or other liability arising out of, or claimed to have arisen out of, the death, disease, or injury of any person as a result of the negligence, malpractice, or other action or inaction of the indemnified person while acting within the scope of the indemnified person's duties or engaged in activities at the request or direction, or for the benefit, of the hospital. Any hospital electing to indemnify those persons, or to agree to so indemnify, shall reserve any funds that are necessary, in the exercise of sound and prudent actuarial judgment, to cover the potential expense, fees, damage, loss, or other liability. The superintendent of insurance may recommend, or, if the hospital requests the superintendent to do so, the superintendent shall recommend, a specific amount for any period that, in the superintendent's opinion, represents such a judgment. This authority is in addition to any authorization otherwise provided or permitted by law.

(D) Recoveries against the state shall be reduced by the aggregate of insurance proceeds, disability award, or other collateral recovery received by that the claimant receives or is entitled to. This division does not apply to civil actions in the court of claims against a state university or college under the circumstances described in section 3345.40 of the Revised Code. The collateral benefits provisions of division (B)(2) of that section apply under those circumstances.

(E) The only defendant in original actions in the court of
claims is the state. The state may file a third-party complaint or counterclaim in any civil action, except a civil action for ten thousand dollars or less, that is filed in the court of claims.

(F) A civil action against an officer or employee, as defined in section 109.36 of the Revised Code, that alleges that the officer's or employee's conduct was manifestly outside the scope of the officer's or employee's employment or official responsibilities, or that the officer or employee acted with malicious purpose, in bad faith, or in a wanton or reckless manner shall first be filed against the state in the court of claims that has exclusive, original jurisdiction to determine, initially, whether the officer or employee is entitled to personal immunity under section 9.86 of the Revised Code and whether the courts of common pleas have jurisdiction over the civil action. The officer or employee may participate in the immunity determination proceeding before the court of claims to determine whether the officer or employee is entitled to personal immunity under section 9.86 of the Revised Code.

The filing of a claim against an officer or employee under this division tolls the running of the applicable statute of limitations until the court of claims determines whether the officer or employee is entitled to personal immunity under section 9.86 of the Revised Code.

(G) If a claim lies against an officer or employee who is a member of the Ohio national guard, and the officer or employee was, at the time of the act or omission complained of, subject to the "Federal Tort Claims Act," 60 Stat. 842 (1946), 28 U.S.C. 2671, et seq., the Federal Tort Claims Act is the exclusive remedy of the claimant and the state has no liability under this section.

(H) If an inmate of a state correctional institution has a claim against the state for the loss of or damage to property and the amount claimed does not exceed three hundred dollars, before
commencing an action against the state in the court of claims, the
inmate shall file a claim for the loss or damage under the rules
adopted by the director of rehabilitation and correction pursuant
to this division. The inmate shall file the claim within the time
allowed for commencement of a civil action under section 2743.16
of the Revised Code. If the state admits or compromises the claim,
the director shall make payment from a fund designated by the
director for that purpose. If the state denies the claim or does
not compromise the claim at least sixty days prior to expiration
of the time allowed for commencement of a civil action based upon
the loss or damage under section 2743.16 of the Revised Code, the
inmate may commence an action in the court of claims under this
chapter to recover damages for the loss or damage.

The director of rehabilitation and correction shall adopt
rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to implement
this division.

Sec. 2743.15. (A) The director or other administrative chief,
or the governing body, of any department, board, office,
commission, agency, institution, or other instrumentality of the
state, with:

(1) With the approval of the attorney general and the court
of claims, may settle or compromise any civil action against the
state insofar as the department, board, office, commission,
agency, institution, or other instrumentality is named as a
defendant;

(2) Shall notify the office of risk management in the
department of administrative services of any settlement or
compromise to allow for the proper reservation of funds.

(B) The acceptance by the claimant of any such compromise or
settlement shall be final and conclusive on the claimant and is a
complete release of the civil action against the state insofar as
the particular department, board, office, commission, agency, institution, or other instrumentality is named, or could be named, as a defendant. A compromise or settlement that requires the payment of money by the state may be implemented and enforced, insofar as the payment of money is concerned, only through the procedure specified in section 2743.19 of the Revised Code, which shall be commenced by the attorney general forwarding a clerk's certified copy of the settlement instrument to the director of budget and management. A copy of the settlement instrument of actions involving the office of risk management in the department of administrative services shall be forwarded to the office of risk management for payment via the risk management reserve fund created in section 9.823 of the Revised Code.

No interest of any kind, including any kind set forth in sections 2743.18 and 2743.19 of the Revised Code, is allowed on any compromise or settlement of any civil action against the state under this section.

The authority of the department of administrative services to compromise claims does not extend to other statutory and agency programs with direct settlement authority, including activities by the department of transportation, inmate property actions described in division (H) of section 2743.02 of the Revised Code, and wrongful imprisonment actions provided for in section 2743.48 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 2743.16. (A) Subject to division (B) of this section, civil actions against the state permitted by sections 2743.01 to 2743.20 of the Revised Code shall be commenced no later than two years after the date of accrual of the cause of action or within any shorter period that is applicable to similar suits between private parties.

(B) If a person suffers injury, death, or loss to person or
property from the operation of an automobile, truck, motor vehicle with auxiliary equipment, self-propelling equipment or trailer, aircraft, or watercraft by an officer or employee of the state while engaged in the course of his employment or official responsibilities for the state, as contemplated in sections 9.821 to 9.83 of the Revised Code, the person or the representative of that person or of the estate of that person shall attempt, prior to the commencement of an action based upon that injury, death, or loss, to have the claim based upon that injury, death, or loss compromised by the state office of risk management in the department of administrative services or satisfied by the state's liability insurance. No action for any such claim shall be filed in the court of claims until the person, the representative of that person, or the estate of the person asserting the claim has complied with this division. Any compromise by the office of risk management shall be paid from the risk management reserve fund created in section 9.823 of the Revised Code. The acceptance by the claimant of any such compromise or settlement shall be final and conclusive on the person or representative of the person or the person's estate and is a complete release against the state insofar as the particular department, board, office, commission, agency, institution, or other instrumentality is named, or could be named, as a defendant and results in a complete waiver of any cause of action, based on the same act or omission, that the person or representative of the person or the person's estate has against any officer or employee, as defined in section 109.36 of the Revised Code.

If the state, upon a request of the person or of his or his estate's the representative of the person or the person's estate to compromise such a claim, does not compromise the claim within a reasonable time after the request is made and at least sixty days prior to the expiration of the applicable period of limitations for commencement of an action based upon the injury, death, or
loss, or if the amount of the claim is in excess of the state's liability insurance coverage, the person or his or his estate's representative of the person or the person's estate may commence an action in the court of claims under this chapter to recover the claim or the unpaid amount of the claim from the state. Neither the person nor his or his estate's the representative of the person or the person's estate shall commence an action against the officer or employee to recover damages for the injury, death, or loss until after the person or his or his estate's the representative commences the action in the court of claims against the state and the action in that court is terminated. If the court of claims determines that the state is not liable for the injury, death, or loss caused by the officer's or employee's operation of the automobile, truck, motor vehicle with auxiliary equipment, self-propelling equipment or trailer, aircraft, or watercraft, the person or his or his estate's the representative of the person or the person's estate is not prohibited by this division from commencing an action against the officer or employee to recover the claim or the unpaid amount of the claim based upon the injury, death, or loss. Nothing in this division shall affect the immunity of any state officer or employee pursuant to section 9.86 of the Revised Code.

If a person or his or his estate's representative attempts, pursuant to this division, to have a claim compromised by the state or satisfied by the state's liability insurance, and if the state determines not to compromise the claim, the state's liability insurance will not cover the claim, or the claim is in excess of the state's liability insurance coverage, then the state shall so notify the person or his or his estate's representative in writing. The notice shall be provided as soon as possible after the state determines not to compromise the claim or it is determined that the state's liability insurance will not cover either the claim or the entire claim.
(C) All summaries, reports, and records received and maintained by the office of risk management in the department of administrative services in connection with claims against the state are not public records, shall be held in confidence, shall not be released, and shall not be subject to discovery or introduction in evidence in any federal or state civil action.

(D)(1) The period of limitations prescribed by division (A) of this section shall be tolled pursuant to section 2305.16 of the Revised Code.

(2) If a person suffers injury, death, or loss to person or property from the operation of an automobile, truck, motor vehicle with auxiliary equipment, self-propelling equipment or trailer, aircraft, or watercraft by an officer or employee of the state while engaged in the course of his employment or official responsibilities for the state contemplated by sections 9.82 to 9.83 of the Revised Code, if the person or his or his estate's the representative of the person or the person's estate is required by division (B) of this section to attempt to have the claim based upon the injury, death, or loss compromised by the state or satisfied by the state's liability insurance prior to commencing an action based upon the injury, death, or loss, and if the person or his or his estate's the representative of the person or the person's estate complies with that division prior to the expiration of the applicable period of limitations prescribed by division (A) of this section for the commencement of an action in the court of claims based upon that injury, death, or loss, the period of time commencing with the submission of the claim to the state for the purposes of compromise or liability insurance satisfaction and ending with the state's compromise of the claim, the satisfaction of the claim by the state's liability insurance, or the provision of the written notice described in division (B) of this section shall not be computed as any part of the period

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within which an action based upon that injury, death, or loss must be brought.

(3) If a person or his or his estate's the representative of a person or a person's estate commences an action to recover a claim, or the unpaid amount of a claim, against the state in the court of claims and that claim arises out of the operation of an automobile, truck, motor vehicle with auxiliary equipment, self-propelling equipment or trailer, aircraft, or watercraft by an officer or employee of the state while engaged in the course of his employment or official responsibilities for the state an injury, death, or loss contemplated by sections 9.82 to 9.83 of the Revised Code, the statute of limitations on the claim against the officer or employee shall not run during any time when the action against the state is pending in the court of claims.

Sec. 2743.19. (A) In rendering a judgment against the state, the court of claims shall determine and specify in the judgment the department, office, commission, board, agency, institution, or other instrumentality of the state against which a determination of liability has been made. The court of claims shall award compensation for fees to a prevailing party in an action under this chapter in accordance with section 2335.39 of the Revised Code.

(B) No execution shall issue against the state or any department, board, office, commission, agency, institution, or other instrumentality of the state upon any judgment for the payment of money.

(C) Judgments shall be accomplished only through the following procedure, which may be enforced by writ of mandamus directed to the appropriate official:

(1) The clerk of the court of claims shall forward a certified copy of the judgment to the director of budget and
management and the attorney general or the officer who signed the investigative report for the department, office, commission, board, agency, institution, or other instrumentality of the state against which a determination of liability has been made. If the judgment requires payment from the risk management reserve fund created in section 9.823 of the Revised Code, a final signed copy of the judgment shall be forwarded to the office of risk management in the department of administrative services for payment.

(2) The expense of a judgment paid, plus interest at the same rate that is applicable to judgments rendered against private parties to a suit as specified in section 1343.03 of the Revised Code and for the number of days determined pursuant to division (B)(1) or (2) of section 2743.18 of the Revised Code, shall be charged by the director of budget and management against available unencumbered moneys in the appropriations to whichever state departments, boards, offices, commissions, agencies, institutions, or other instrumentalities are named in the judgment. The director of budget and management shall have sole discretion to determine whether or not unencumbered moneys in a particular appropriation are available for satisfaction of a judgment.

(3) The director of budget and management, upon receipt of the certified copy of the judgment from the clerk of the court of claims pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, shall provide for payment of the judgment creditor in the amount of the judgment certified by the clerk of the court of claims, plus interest.

(4) If the director of budget and management determines that sufficient unencumbered moneys do not exist in the particular appropriations to pay the judgment and interest, the director may make application for payment of the judgment and interest out of the emergency purposes account or another appropriation for emergencies or contingencies.
(5) If moneys in the emergency purposes account or another appropriation for emergencies or contingencies are not used to pay the judgment and interest, the director of budget and management shall request the general assembly to make an appropriation sufficient to pay the judgment and interest, and no payment shall be made until the appropriation has been made. The appropriate state department, board, office, commission, agency, institution, or other instrumentality shall make this appropriation request during the current biennium and during each succeeding biennium until a sufficient appropriation is made.

(6) If the judgment is against any department, board, office, commission, agency, institution, or other instrumentality of the state whose funds are not handled by the director of budget and management, the instrumentality against which the judgment is made, within sixty days after the date of the judgment, shall pay the judgment creditor in the amount of the judgment plus interest at the same rate that is applicable to judgments rendered against private parties to a suit as specified in section 1343.03 of the Revised Code and for the number of days determined pursuant to division (B)(1) or (2) of section 2743.18 of the Revised Code.

(D) No judgment shall be forwarded by the clerk of the court of claims to the director of budget and management until all appeals have been determined and all rights to appeal have been exhausted, except as otherwise provided in this section. If a party to a civil action against the state appeals from only a portion of a judgment and if a remaining portion provides for the payment of money by the state, a certified copy of the judgment and a copy of the notice of appeal shall be forwarded to the director, and that part of the judgment calling for the payment of money by the state and not a subject of the appeal shall be processed for payment as described in this section.
Sec. 2903.213. (A) Except when the complaint involves a person who is a family or household member as defined in section 2919.25 of the Revised Code, upon the filing of a complaint that alleges a violation of section 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.21, 2903.211, 2903.22, or 2911.211 of the Revised Code, a violation of a municipal ordinance substantially similar to section 2903.13, 2903.21, 2903.211, 2903.22, or 2911.211 of the Revised Code, or the commission of a sexually oriented offense, the complainant, the alleged victim, or a family or household member of an alleged victim may file a motion that requests the issuance of a protection order as a pretrial condition of release of the alleged offender, in addition to any bail set under Criminal Rule 46. The motion shall be filed with the clerk of the court that has jurisdiction of the case at any time after the filing of the complaint. If the complaint involves a person who is a family or household member, the complainant, the alleged victim, or the family or household member may file a motion for a temporary protection order pursuant to section 2919.26 of the Revised Code.

(B) A motion for a protection order under this section shall be prepared on a form that is provided by the clerk of the court, and the form shall be substantially as follows:

"Motion for Protection Order

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Name and address of court

State of Ohio

v.

No. ............

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Name of Defendant

(Name of person), moves the court to issue a protection order containing terms designed to ensure the safety and protection of the complainant or the alleged victim in the above-captioned case,
in relation to the named defendant, pursuant to its authority to
issue a protection order under section 2903.213 of the Revised
Code.

A complaint, a copy of which has been attached to this
motion, has been filed in this court charging the named defendant
with a violation of section 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.21,
2903.211, 2903.22, or 2911.211 of the Revised Code, a violation of
a municipal ordinance substantially similar to section 2903.13,
2903.21, 2903.211, 2903.22, or 2911.211 of the Revised Code, or
the commission of a sexually oriented offense.

I understand that I must appear before the court, at a time
set by the court not later than the next day that the court is in
session after the filing of this motion, for a hearing on the
motion, and that any protection order granted pursuant to this
motion is a pretrial condition of release and is effective only
until the disposition of the criminal proceeding arising out of
the attached complaint or until the issuance under section
2903.214 of the Revised Code of a protection order arising out of
the same activities as those that were the basis of the attached
complaint.

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Signature of person

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Address of person

(C)(1) As soon as possible after the filing of a motion that
requests the issuance of a protection order under this section,
but not later than the next day that the court is in session after
the filing of the motion, the court shall conduct a hearing to
determine whether to issue the order. The person who requested the
order shall appear before the court and provide the court with the
information that it requests concerning the basis of the motion.
If the court finds that the safety and protection of the complainant or the alleged victim may be impaired by the continued presence of the alleged offender, the court may issue a protection order under this section, as a pretrial condition of release, that contains terms designed to ensure the safety and protection of the complainant or the alleged victim, including a requirement that the alleged offender refrain from entering the residence, school, business, or place of employment of the complainant or the alleged victim. The court may include within a protection order issued under this section a term requiring that the alleged offender not remove, damage, hide, harm, or dispose of any companion animal owned or possessed by the complainant or the alleged victim, and may include within the order a term authorizing the complainant or the alleged victim to remove a companion animal owned by the complainant or the alleged victim from the possession of the alleged offender.

(2)(a) If the court issues a protection order under this section that includes a requirement that the alleged offender refrain from entering the residence, school, business, or place of employment of the complainant or the alleged victim, the order shall clearly state that the order cannot be waived or nullified by an invitation to the alleged offender from the complainant, the alleged victim, or a family or household member to enter the residence, school, business, or place of employment or by the alleged offender's entry into one of those places otherwise upon the consent of the complainant, the alleged victim, or a family or household member.

(b) Division (C)(2)(a) of this section does not limit any discretion of a court to determine that an alleged offender charged with a violation of section 2919.27 of the Revised Code, with a violation of a municipal ordinance substantially equivalent to that section, or with contempt of court, which charge is based
on an alleged violation of a protection order issued under this section, did not commit the violation or was not in contempt of court.

(D)(1) Except when the complaint involves a person who is a family or household member as defined in section 2919.25 of the Revised Code, upon the filing of a complaint that alleges a violation specified in division (A) of this section, the court, upon its own motion, may issue a protection order under this section as a pretrial condition of release of the alleged offender if it finds that the safety and protection of the complainant or the alleged victim may be impaired by the continued presence of the alleged offender.

(2) If the court issues a protection order under this section as an ex parte order, it shall conduct, as soon as possible after the issuance of the order but not later than the next day that the court is in session after its issuance, a hearing to determine whether the order should remain in effect, be modified, or be revoked. The hearing shall be conducted under the standards set forth in division (C) of this section.

(3) If a municipal court or a county court issues a protection order under this section and if, subsequent to the issuance of the order, the alleged offender who is the subject of the order is bound over to the court of common pleas for prosecution of a felony arising out of the same activities as those that were the basis of the complaint upon which the order is based, notwithstanding the fact that the order was issued by a municipal court or county court, the order shall remain in effect, as though it were an order of the court of common pleas, while the charges against the alleged offender are pending in the court of common pleas, for the period of time described in division (E)(2) of this section, and the court of common pleas has exclusive jurisdiction to modify the order issued by the municipal court or
county court. This division applies when the alleged offender is bound over to the court of common pleas as a result of the person waiving a preliminary hearing on the felony charge, as a result of the municipal court or county court having determined at a preliminary hearing that there is probable cause to believe that the felony has been committed and that the alleged offender committed it, as a result of the alleged offender having been indicted for the felony, or in any other manner.

(E) A protection order that is issued as a pretrial condition of release under this section:

1. Is in addition to, but shall not be construed as a part of, any bail set under Criminal Rule 46;

2. Is effective only until the disposition, by the court that issued the order or, in the circumstances described in division (D)(3) of this section, by the court of common pleas to which the alleged offender is bound over for prosecution, of the criminal proceeding arising out of the complaint upon which the order is based or until the issuance under section 2903.214 of the Revised Code of a protection order arising out of the same activities as those that were the basis of the complaint filed under this section;

3. Shall not be construed as a finding that the alleged offender committed the alleged offense and shall not be introduced as evidence of the commission of the offense at the trial of the alleged offender on the complaint upon which the order is based.

(F) A person who meets the criteria for bail under Criminal Rule 46 and who, if required to do so pursuant to that rule, executes or posts bond or deposits cash or securities as bail, shall not be held in custody pending a hearing before the court on a motion requesting a protection order under this section.

(G)(1) A copy of a protection order that is issued under this
section shall be issued by the court to the complainant, to the alleged victim, to the person who requested the order, to the defendant, and to all law enforcement agencies that have jurisdiction to enforce the order. The protection order shall be transmitted by the clerk of the court to the appropriate law enforcement agency for entry into the protection order database of the national crime information center (NCIC) maintained by the federal bureau of investigation. The court shall direct that a copy of the order be delivered to the defendant on the same day that the order is entered. If a municipal court or a county court issues a protection order under this section and if, subsequent to the issuance of the order, the defendant who is the subject of the order is bound over to the court of common pleas for prosecution as described in division (D)(3) of this section, the municipal court or county court shall direct that a copy of the order be delivered to the court of common pleas to which the defendant is bound over. If the court that issued the order, or the court of common pleas if the defendant is bound over to that court for prosecution, terminates or cancels the order, the clerk of the court shall cause the delivery of notice of the termination or cancellation to the same persons and entities that were delivered a copy of the order and the court shall issue the removal order described in this division to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

The court that issued the order shall file with the clerk of the court each protection order issued pursuant to this section and the clerk shall transmit the order to the appropriate law enforcement agency to be entered into the law enforcement automated data system created by section 5503.10 of the Revised Code, and known as LEADS, by the close of the next business day after the day on which the court issues the order. Upon the termination or cancellation of the order, the court that issued the order, or the court of common pleas if the defendant is bound
over to that court for prosecution, shall order the appropriate law enforcement agency to remove the order from the LEADS database by the close of the next business day after the day on which the termination or cancellation of the order occurred and shall ensure that the order is terminated, cleared, or canceled in the protection order database of the national crime information center (NCIC) maintained by the federal bureau of investigation.

(2) All law enforcement agencies shall establish and maintain an index for the protection orders delivered to the agencies pursuant to division (G)(1) of this section. With respect to each order delivered, each agency shall note on the index the date and time of the agency's receipt of the order.

(3) Regardless of whether the petitioner has registered the protection order in the county in which the officer's agency has jurisdiction, any officer of a law enforcement agency shall enforce a protection order issued pursuant to this section in accordance with the provisions of the order.

(H) Upon a violation of a protection order issued pursuant to this section, the court may issue another protection order under this section, as a pretrial condition of release, that modifies the terms of the order that was violated.

(I)(1) Subject to division (I)(2) of this section and regardless of whether a protection order is issued or a consent agreement is approved by a court of another county or by a court of another state, no court or unit of state or local government shall charge the movant any fee, cost, deposit, or money in connection with the filing of a motion pursuant to this section, in connection with the filing, issuance, registration, modification, enforcement, dismissal, withdrawal, or service of a protection order, consent agreement, or witness subpoena or for obtaining certified copies of a protection order or consent agreement.
Regardless of whether a protection order is issued or a consent agreement is approved pursuant to this section, if the defendant is convicted the court may assess costs against the defendant in connection with the filing, issuance, registration, modification, enforcement, dismissal, withdrawal, or service of a protection order, consent agreement, or witness subpoena or for obtaining a certified copy of a protection order or consent agreement.

As used in this section:

1. "Sexually oriented offense" has the same meaning as in section 2950.01 of the Revised Code.

2. "Companion animal" has the same meaning as in section 959.131 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 2903.214. (A) As used in this section:

1. "Court" means the court of common pleas of the county in which the person to be protected by the protection order resides.

2. "Victim advocate" means a person who provides support and assistance for a person who files a petition under this section.

3. "Family or household member" has the same meaning as in section 3113.31 of the Revised Code.

4. "Protection order issued by a court of another state" has the same meaning as in section 2919.27 of the Revised Code.

5. "Sexually oriented offense" has the same meaning as in section 2950.01 of the Revised Code.

6. "Electronic monitoring" has the same meaning as in section 2929.01 of the Revised Code.

7. "Companion animal" has the same meaning as in section 959.131 of the Revised Code.

(B) The court has jurisdiction over all proceedings under
this section.

(C) A person may seek relief under this section for the person, or any parent or adult household member may seek relief under this section on behalf of any other family or household member, by filing a petition with the court. The petition shall contain or state all of the following:

(1) An allegation that the respondent is eighteen years of age or older and engaged in a violation of section 2903.211 of the Revised Code against the person to be protected by the protection order or committed a sexually oriented offense against the person to be protected by the protection order, including a description of the nature and extent of the violation;

(2) If the petitioner seeks relief in the form of electronic monitoring of the respondent, an allegation that at any time preceding the filing of the petition the respondent engaged in conduct that would cause a reasonable person to believe that the health, welfare, or safety of the person to be protected was at risk, a description of the nature and extent of that conduct, and an allegation that the respondent presents a continuing danger to the person to be protected;

(3) A request for relief under this section.

(D)(1) If a person who files a petition pursuant to this section requests an ex parte order, the court shall hold an ex parte hearing as soon as possible after the petition is filed, but not later than the next day that the court is in session after the petition is filed. The court, for good cause shown at the ex parte hearing, may enter any temporary orders, with or without bond, that the court finds necessary for the safety and protection of the person to be protected by the order. Immediate and present danger to the person to be protected by the protection order constitutes good cause for purposes of this section. Immediate and
present danger includes, but is not limited to, situations in which the respondent has threatened the person to be protected by the protection order with bodily harm or in which the respondent previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a violation of section 2903.211 of the Revised Code or a sexually oriented offense against the person to be protected by the protection order.

(2)(a) If the court, after an ex parte hearing, issues a protection order described in division (E) of this section, the court shall schedule a full hearing for a date that is within ten court days after the ex parte hearing. The court shall give the respondent notice of, and an opportunity to be heard at, the full hearing. The court shall hold the full hearing on the date scheduled under this division unless the court grants a continuance of the hearing in accordance with this division. Under any of the following circumstances or for any of the following reasons, the court may grant a continuance of the full hearing to a reasonable time determined by the court:

(i) Prior to the date scheduled for the full hearing under this division, the respondent has not been served with the petition filed pursuant to this section and notice of the full hearing.

(ii) The parties consent to the continuance.

(iii) The continuance is needed to allow a party to obtain counsel.

(iv) The continuance is needed for other good cause.

(b) An ex parte order issued under this section does not expire because of a failure to serve notice of the full hearing upon the respondent before the date set for the full hearing under division (D)(2)(a) of this section or because the court grants a continuance under that division.
(3) If a person who files a petition pursuant to this section does not request an ex parte order, or if a person requests an ex parte order but the court does not issue an ex parte order after an ex parte hearing, the court shall proceed as in a normal civil action and grant a full hearing on the matter.

(E)(1)(a) After an ex parte or full hearing, the court may issue any protection order, with or without bond, that contains terms designed to ensure the safety and protection of the person to be protected by the protection order, including, but not limited to, a requirement that the respondent refrain from entering the residence, school, business, or place of employment of the petitioner or family or household member. If the court includes a requirement that the respondent refrain from entering the residence, school, business, or place of employment of the petitioner or family or household member in the order, it also shall include in the order provisions of the type described in division (E)(5) of this section. The court may include within a protection order issued under this section a term requiring that the respondent not remove, damage, hide, harm, or dispose of any companion animal owned or possessed by the person to be protected by the order, and may include within the order a term authorizing the person to be protected by the order to remove a companion animal owned by the person to be protected by the order from the possession of the respondent.

(b) After a full hearing, if the court considering a petition that includes an allegation of the type described in division (C)(2) of this section, or the court upon its own motion, finds upon clear and convincing evidence that the petitioner reasonably believed that the respondent's conduct at any time preceding the filing of the petition endangered the health, welfare, or safety of the person to be protected and that the respondent presents a continuing danger to the person to be protected, the court may
order that the respondent be electronically monitored for a period of time and under the terms and conditions that the court determines are appropriate. Electronic monitoring shall be in addition to any other relief granted to the petitioner.

(2) (a) Any protection order issued pursuant to this section shall be valid until a date certain but not later than five years from the date of its issuance.

(b) Any protection order issued pursuant to this section may be renewed in the same manner as the original order was issued.

(3) A court may not issue a protection order that requires a petitioner to do or to refrain from doing an act that the court may require a respondent to do or to refrain from doing under division (E)(1) of this section unless all of the following apply:

(a) The respondent files a separate petition for a protection order in accordance with this section.

(b) The petitioner is served with notice of the respondent's petition at least forty-eight hours before the court holds a hearing with respect to the respondent's petition, or the petitioner waives the right to receive this notice.

(c) If the petitioner has requested an ex parte order pursuant to division (D) of this section, the court does not delay any hearing required by that division beyond the time specified in that division in order to consolidate the hearing with a hearing on the petition filed by the respondent.

(d) After a full hearing at which the respondent presents evidence in support of the request for a protection order and the petitioner is afforded an opportunity to defend against that evidence, the court determines that the petitioner has committed a violation of section 2903.211 of the Revised Code against the person to be protected by the protection order issued pursuant to division (E)(3) of this section, has committed a sexually oriented...
offense against the person to be protected by the protection order issued pursuant to division (E)(3) of this section, or has violated a protection order issued pursuant to section 2903.213 of the Revised Code relative to the person to be protected by the protection order issued pursuant to division (E)(3) of this section.

(4) No protection order issued pursuant to this section shall in any manner affect title to any real property.

(5)(a) If the court issues a protection order under this section that includes a requirement that the alleged offender refrain from entering the residence, school, business, or place of employment of the petitioner or a family or household member, the order shall clearly state that the order cannot be waived or nullified by an invitation to the alleged offender from the complainant to enter the residence, school, business, or place of employment or by the alleged offender's entry into one of those places otherwise upon the consent of the petitioner or family or household member.

(b) Division (E)(5)(a) of this section does not limit any discretion of a court to determine that an alleged offender charged with a violation of section 2919.27 of the Revised Code, with a violation of a municipal ordinance substantially equivalent to that section, or with contempt of court, which charge is based on an alleged violation of a protection order issued under this section, did not commit the violation or was not in contempt of court.

(F)(1) The court shall cause the delivery of a copy of any protection order that is issued under this section to the petitioner, to the respondent, and to all law enforcement agencies that have jurisdiction to enforce the order. The protection order shall be transmitted by the clerk of the court to the appropriate law enforcement agency for entry into the protection order
The court shall direct that a copy of the order be delivered to the respondent on the same day that the order is entered. If the court terminates or cancels the order, the clerk of the court shall cause the delivery of notice of the termination or cancellation to the same persons and entities that were delivered a copy of the order and the court shall issue the removal order described in this division to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

The court shall file with the clerk of the court each protection order issued pursuant to this section and the clerk shall transmit the order to the appropriate law enforcement agency to be entered into the law enforcement automated data system created by section 5503.10 of the Revised Code, and known as LEADS, by the close of the next business day after the day on which the court issues the order. Upon the termination or cancellation of the order, the court shall order the appropriate law enforcement agency to remove the order from the LEADS database by the close of the next business day after the day on which the termination or cancellation of the order occurred and shall ensure that the order is terminated, cleared, or canceled in the protection order database of the national crime information center (NCIC) maintained by the federal bureau of investigation.

(2) Upon the issuance of a protection order under this section, the court shall provide the parties to the order with the following notice orally or by form:

"NOTICE

As a result of this order, it may be unlawful for you to possess or purchase a firearm, including a rifle, pistol, or revolver, or ammunition pursuant to federal law under 18 U.S.C. 922(g)(8) for the duration of this order. If you have any questions whether this law makes it illegal for you to possess or
purchase a firearm or ammunition, you should consult an attorney."

(3) All law enforcement agencies shall establish and maintain an index for the protection orders delivered to the agencies pursuant to division (F)(1) of this section. With respect to each order delivered, each agency shall note on the index the date and time that it received the order.

(4) Regardless of whether the petitioner has registered the protection order in the county in which the officer's agency has jurisdiction pursuant to division (M) of this section, any officer of a law enforcement agency shall enforce a protection order issued pursuant to this section by any court in this state in accordance with the provisions of the order, including removing the respondent from the premises, if appropriate.

(G)(1) Any proceeding under this section shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules of Civil Procedure, except that a protection order may be obtained under this section with or without bond. An order issued under this section, other than an ex parte order, that grants a protection order, or that refuses to grant a protection order, is a final, appealable order. The remedies and procedures provided in this section are in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other available civil or criminal remedies.

(2) If as provided in division (G)(1) of this section an order issued under this section, other than an ex parte order, refuses to grant a protection order, the court, on its own motion, shall order that the ex parte order issued under this section and all of the records pertaining to that ex parte order be sealed after either of the following occurs:

(a) No party has exercised the right to appeal pursuant to Rule 4 of the Rules of Appellate Procedure.

(b) All appellate rights have been exhausted.
(H) The filing of proceedings under this section does not excuse a person from filing any report or giving any notice required by section 2151.421 of the Revised Code or by any other law.

(I) Any law enforcement agency that investigates an alleged violation of section 2903.211 of the Revised Code or an alleged commission of a sexually oriented offense shall provide information to the victim and the family or household members of the victim regarding the relief available under this section and section 2903.213 of the Revised Code.

(J)(1) Subject to division (J)(2) of this section and regardless of whether a protection order is issued or a consent agreement is approved by a court of another county or by a court of another state, no court or unit of state or local government shall charge the petitioner any fee, cost, deposit, or money in connection with the filing of a petition pursuant to this section, in connection with the filing, issuance, registration, modification, enforcement, dismissal, withdrawal, or service of a protection order, consent agreement, or witness subpoena or for obtaining a certified copy of a protection order or consent agreement.

(2) Regardless of whether a protection order is issued or a consent agreement is approved pursuant to this section, the court may assess costs against the respondent in connection with the filing, issuance, registration, modification, enforcement, dismissal, withdrawal, or service of a protection order, consent agreement, or witness subpoena or for obtaining a certified copy of a protection order or consent agreement.

(K)(1) A person who violates a protection order issued under this section is subject to the following sanctions:

(a) Criminal prosecution for a violation of section 2919.27
of the Revised Code, if the violation of the protection order constitutes a violation of that section;

(b) Punishment for contempt of court.

(2) The punishment of a person for contempt of court for violation of a protection order issued under this section does not bar criminal prosecution of the person for a violation of section 2919.27 of the Revised Code. However, a person punished for contempt of court is entitled to credit for the punishment imposed upon conviction of a violation of that section, and a person convicted of a violation of that section shall not subsequently be punished for contempt of court arising out of the same activity.

(L) In all stages of a proceeding under this section, a petitioner may be accompanied by a victim advocate.

(M)(1) A petitioner who obtains a protection order under this section or a protection order under section 2903.213 of the Revised Code may provide notice of the issuance or approval of the order to the judicial and law enforcement officials in any county other than the county in which the order is issued by registering that order in the other county pursuant to division (M)(2) of this section and filing a copy of the registered order with a law enforcement agency in the other county in accordance with that division. A person who obtains a protection order issued by a court of another state may provide notice of the issuance of the order to the judicial and law enforcement officials in any county of this state by registering the order in that county pursuant to section 2919.272 of the Revised Code and filing a copy of the registered order with a law enforcement agency in that county.

(2) A petitioner may register a protection order issued pursuant to this section or section 2903.213 of the Revised Code in a county other than the county in which the court that issued the order is located in the following manner:
(a) The petitioner shall obtain a certified copy of the order from the clerk of the court that issued the order and present that certified copy to the clerk of the court of common pleas or the clerk of a municipal court or county court in the county in which the order is to be registered.

(b) Upon accepting the certified copy of the order for registration, the clerk of the court of common pleas, municipal court, or county court shall place an endorsement of registration on the order and give the petitioner a copy of the order that bears that proof of registration.

(3) The clerk of each court of common pleas, municipal court, or county court shall maintain a registry of certified copies of protection orders that have been issued by courts in other counties pursuant to this section or section 2903.213 of the Revised Code and that have been registered with the clerk.

(N)(1) If the court orders electronic monitoring of the respondent under this section, the court shall direct the sheriff's office or any other appropriate law enforcement agency to install the electronic monitoring device and to monitor the respondent. Unless the court determines that the respondent is indigent, the court shall order the respondent to pay the cost of the installation and monitoring of the electronic monitoring device. If the court determines that the respondent is indigent and subject to the maximum amount allowable to be paid in any year from the fund and the rules promulgated by the attorney general under division (N)(2) of this section, the cost of the installation and monitoring of the electronic monitoring device may be paid out of funds from the reparations fund created pursuant to section 2743.191 of the Revised Code. The total amount of costs for the installation and monitoring of electronic monitoring devices paid pursuant to this division and sections 2151.34 and 2919.27 of the Revised Code from the reparations fund
shall not exceed three hundred thousand dollars per year.

(2) The attorney general may promulgate rules pursuant to section 111.15 of the Revised Code to govern payments made from the reparations fund pursuant to this division and sections 2151.34 and 2919.27 of the Revised Code. The rules may include reasonable limits on the total cost paid pursuant to this division and sections 2151.34 and 2919.27 of the Revised Code per respondent, the amount of the three hundred thousand dollars allocated to each county, and how invoices may be submitted by a county, court, or other entity.

Sec. 2919.26. (A)(1) Upon the filing of a complaint that alleges a violation of section 2909.06, 2909.07, 2911.12, or 2911.211 of the Revised Code if the alleged victim of the violation was a family or household member at the time of the violation, a violation of a municipal ordinance that is substantially similar to any of those sections if the alleged victim of the violation was a family or household member at the time of the violation, any offense of violence if the alleged victim of the offense was a family or household member at the time of the commission of the offense, or any sexually oriented offense if the alleged victim of the offense was a family or household member at the time of the commission of the offense, the complainant, the alleged victim, or a family or household member of an alleged victim may file, or, if in an emergency the alleged victim is unable to file, a person who made an arrest for the alleged violation or offense under section 2935.03 of the Revised Code may file on behalf of the alleged victim, a motion that requests the issuance of a temporary protection order as a pretrial condition of release of the alleged offender, in addition to any bail set under Criminal Rule 46. The motion shall be filed with the clerk of the court that has jurisdiction of the case at any time after the filing of the complaint.
(2) For purposes of section 2930.09 of the Revised Code, all stages of a proceeding arising out of a complaint alleging the commission of a violation, offense of violence, or sexually oriented offense described in division (A)(1) of this section, including all proceedings on a motion for a temporary protection order, are critical stages of the case, and a victim may be accompanied by a victim advocate or another person to provide support to the victim as provided in that section.

(B) The motion shall be prepared on a form that is provided by the clerk of the court, which form shall be substantially as follows:

"MOTION FOR TEMPORARY PROTECTION ORDER

.......................... Court

Name and address of court

State of Ohio

v.

No. ...........

.................................

Name of Defendant

(name of person), moves the court to issue a temporary protection order containing terms designed to ensure the safety and protection of the complainant, alleged victim, and other family or household members, in relation to the named defendant, pursuant to its authority to issue such an order under section 2919.26 of the Revised Code.

A complaint, a copy of which has been attached to this motion, has been filed in this court charging the named defendant with ................. (name of the specified violation, the offense of violence, or sexually oriented offense charged) in circumstances in which the victim was a family or household member in violation of (section of the Revised Code designating the specified violation, offense of violence, or sexually oriented offense charged)
offense charged), or charging the named defendant with a violation of a municipal ordinance that is substantially similar to

............... (section of the Revised Code designating the specified violation, offense of violence, or sexually oriented offense charged) involving a family or household member.

I understand that I must appear before the court, at a time set by the court within twenty-four hours after the filing of this motion, for a hearing on the motion or that, if I am unable to appear because of hospitalization or a medical condition resulting from the offense alleged in the complaint, a person who can provide information about my need for a temporary protection order must appear before the court in lieu of my appearing in court. I understand that any temporary protection order granted pursuant to this motion is a pretrial condition of release and is effective only until the disposition of the criminal proceeding arising out of the attached complaint, or the issuance of a civil protection order or the approval of a consent agreement, arising out of the same activities as those that were the basis of the complaint, under section 3113.31 of the Revised Code.

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Signature of person

(or signature of the arresting officer who filed the motion on behalf of the alleged victim)

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Address of person (or office address of the arresting officer who filed the motion on behalf of the alleged victim)"

(C)(1) As soon as possible after the filing of a motion that requests the issuance of a temporary protection order, but not later than twenty-four hours after the filing of the motion, the court shall conduct a hearing to determine whether to issue the order. The person who requested the order shall appear before the
court and provide the court with the information that it requests
centering the basis of the motion. If the person who requested
the order is unable to appear and if the court finds that the
failure to appear is because of the person's hospitalization or
medical condition resulting from the offense alleged in the
complaint, another person who is able to provide the court with
the information it requests may appear in lieu of the person who
requested the order. If the court finds that the safety and
protection of the complainant, alleged victim, or any other family
or household member of the alleged victim may be impaired by the
continued presence of the alleged offender, the court may issue a
temporary protection order, as a pretrial condition of release,
that contains terms designed to ensure the safety and protection
of the complainant, alleged victim, or the family or household
member, including a requirement that the alleged offender refrain
from entering the residence, school, business, or place of
employment of the complainant, alleged victim, or the family or
household member. The court may include within a protection order
issued under this section a term requiring that the alleged
offender not remove, damage, hide, harm, or dispose of any
companion animal owned or possessed by the complainant, alleged
victim, or any other family or household member of the alleged
victim, and may include within the order a term authorizing the
complainant, alleged victim, or other family or household member
of the alleged victim to remove a companion animal owned by the
complainant, alleged victim, or other family or household member
from the possession of the alleged offender.

(2)(a) If the court issues a temporary protection order that
includes a requirement that the alleged offender refrain from
entering the residence, school, business, or place of employment
of the complainant, the alleged victim, or the family or household
member, the order shall state clearly that the order cannot be
waived or nullified by an invitation to the alleged offender from
the complainant, alleged victim, or family or household member to enter the residence, school, business, or place of employment or by the alleged offender's entry into one of those places otherwise upon the consent of the complainant, alleged victim, or family or household member.

(b) Division (C)(2)(a) of this section does not limit any discretion of a court to determine that an alleged offender charged with a violation of section 2919.27 of the Revised Code, with a violation of a municipal ordinance substantially equivalent to that section, or with contempt of court, which charge is based on an alleged violation of a temporary protection order issued under this section, did not commit the violation or was not in contempt of court.

(D)(1) Upon the filing of a complaint that alleges a violation of section 2909.06, 2909.07, 2911.12, or 2911.211 of the Revised Code if the alleged victim of the violation was a family or household member at the time of the violation, a violation of a municipal ordinance that is substantially similar to any of those sections if the alleged victim of the violation was a family or household member at the time of the violation, any offense of violence if the alleged victim of the offense was a family or household member at the time of the commission of the offense, or any sexually oriented offense if the alleged victim of the offense was a family or household member at the time of the commission of the offense, the court, upon its own motion, may issue a temporary protection order as a pretrial condition of release if it finds that the safety and protection of the complainant, alleged victim, or other family or household member of the alleged offender may be impaired by the continued presence of the alleged offender.

(2) If the court issues a temporary protection order under this section as an ex parte order, it shall conduct, as soon as possible after the issuance of the order, a hearing in the
presence of the alleged offender not later than the next day on which the court is scheduled to conduct business after the day on which the alleged offender was arrested or at the time of the appearance of the alleged offender pursuant to summons to determine whether the order should remain in effect, be modified, or be revoked. The hearing shall be conducted under the standards set forth in division (C) of this section.

(3) An order issued under this section shall contain only those terms authorized in orders issued under division (C) of this section.

(4) If a municipal court or a county court issues a temporary protection order under this section and if, subsequent to the issuance of the order, the alleged offender who is the subject of the order is bound over to the court of common pleas for prosecution of a felony arising out of the same activities as those that were the basis of the complaint upon which the order is based, notwithstanding the fact that the order was issued by a municipal court or county court, the order shall remain in effect, as though it were an order of the court of common pleas, while the charges against the alleged offender are pending in the court of common pleas, for the period of time described in division (E)(2) of this section, and the court of common pleas has exclusive jurisdiction to modify the order issued by the municipal court or county court. This division applies when the alleged offender is bound over to the court of common pleas as a result of the person waiving a preliminary hearing on the felony charge, as a result of the municipal court or county court having determined at a preliminary hearing that there is probable cause to believe that the felony has been committed and that the alleged offender committed it, as a result of the alleged offender having been indicted for the felony, or in any other manner.

(E) A temporary protection order that is issued as a pretrial
condition of release under this section:

(1) Is in addition to, but shall not be construed as a part of, any bail set under Criminal Rule 46;

(2) Is effective only until the occurrence of either of the following:

(a) The disposition, by the court that issued the order or, in the circumstances described in division (D)(4) of this section, by the court of common pleas to which the alleged offender is bound over for prosecution, of the criminal proceeding arising out of the complaint upon which the order is based;

(b) The issuance of a protection order or the approval of a consent agreement, arising out of the same activities as those that were the basis of the complaint upon which the order is based, under section 3113.31 of the Revised Code.

(3) Shall not be construed as a finding that the alleged offender committed the alleged offense, and shall not be introduced as evidence of the commission of the offense at the trial of the alleged offender on the complaint upon which the order is based.

(F) A person who meets the criteria for bail under Criminal Rule 46 and who, if required to do so pursuant to that rule, executes or posts bond or deposits cash or securities as bail, shall not be held in custody pending a hearing before the court on a motion requesting a temporary protection order.

(G)(1) A copy of any temporary protection order that is issued under this section shall be issued by the court to the complainant, to the alleged victim, to the person who requested the order, to the defendant, and to all law enforcement agencies that have jurisdiction to enforce the order. The protection order shall be transmitted by the clerk of the court to the appropriate law enforcement agency for entry into the protection order.
database of the national crime information center (NCIC) maintained by the federal bureau of investigation. The court shall direct that a copy of the order be delivered to the defendant on the same day that the order is entered. If a municipal court or a county court issues a temporary protection order under this section and if, subsequent to the issuance of the order, the defendant who is the subject of the order is bound over to the court of common pleas for prosecution as described in division (D)(4) of this section, the municipal court or county court shall direct that a copy of the order be delivered to the court of common pleas to which the defendant is bound over. If the court that issued the order, or the court of common pleas if the defendant is bound over to that court for prosecution, terminates or cancels the order, the clerk of the court shall cause the delivery of notice of the termination or cancellation to the same persons and entities that were issued or delivered a copy of the order and the court shall issue the removal order described in this division to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

The court that issued the order shall file with the clerk of the court each protection order issued pursuant to this section and the clerk shall transmit the order to the appropriate law enforcement agency to be entered into the law enforcement automated data system created by section 5503.10 of the Revised Code, and known as LEADS, by the close of the next business day after the day on which the court issues the order. Upon the termination or cancellation of the order, the court that issued the order, or the court of common pleas if the defendant is bound over to that court for prosecution, shall order the appropriate law enforcement agency to remove the order from the LEADS database by the close of the next business day after the day on which the termination or cancellation of the order occurred and shall ensure that the order is terminated, cleared, or canceled in the protection order database of the national crime information center.
(NCIC) maintained by the federal bureau of investigation.

(2) Upon the issuance of a protection order under this section, the court shall provide the parties to the order with the following notice orally or by form:

"NOTICE

As a result of this protection order, it may be unlawful for you to possess or purchase a firearm, including a rifle, pistol, or revolver, or ammunition pursuant to federal law under 18 U.S.C. 922(g)(8) for the duration of this order. If you have any questions whether this law makes it illegal for you to possess or purchase a firearm or ammunition, you should consult an attorney."

(3) All law enforcement agencies shall establish and maintain an index for the temporary protection orders delivered to the agencies pursuant to division (G)(1) of this section. With respect to each order delivered, each agency shall note on the index, the date and time of the receipt of the order by the agency.

(4) A complainant, alleged victim, or other person who obtains a temporary protection order under this section may provide notice of the issuance of the temporary protection order to the judicial and law enforcement officials in any county other than the county in which the order is issued by registering that order in the other county in accordance with division (N) of section 3113.31 of the Revised Code and filing a copy of the registered protection order with a law enforcement agency in the other county in accordance with that division.

(5) Any officer of a law enforcement agency shall enforce a temporary protection order issued by any court in this state in accordance with the provisions of the order, including removing the defendant from the premises, regardless of whether the order is registered in the county in which the officer's agency has jurisdiction as authorized by division (G)(4) of this section.
Upon a violation of a temporary protection order, the court may issue another temporary protection order, as a pretrial condition of release, that modifies the terms of the order that was violated.

(I)(1) As used in divisions (I)(1) and (2) of this section, "defendant" means a person who is alleged in a complaint to have committed a violation, offense of violence, or sexually oriented offense of the type described in division (A) of this section.

(2) If a complaint is filed that alleges that a person committed a violation, offense of violence, or sexually oriented offense of the type described in division (A) of this section, the court may not issue a temporary protection order under this section that requires the complainant, the alleged victim, or another family or household member of the defendant to do or refrain from doing an act that the court may require the defendant to do or refrain from doing under a temporary protection order unless both of the following apply:

(a) The defendant has filed a separate complaint that alleges that the complainant, alleged victim, or other family or household member in question who would be required under the order to do or refrain from doing the act committed a violation or offense of violence of the type described in division (A) of this section.

(b) The court determines that both the complainant, alleged victim, or other family or household member in question who would be required under the order to do or refrain from doing the act and the defendant acted primarily as aggressors, that neither the complainant, alleged victim, or other family or household member in question who would be required under the order to do or refrain from doing the act nor the defendant acted primarily in self-defense, and, in accordance with the standards and criteria of this section as applied in relation to the separate complaint filed by the defendant, that it should issue the order to require...
the complainant, alleged victim, or other family or household
member in question to do or refrain from doing the act.

(J)(1) Subject to division (J)(2) of this section and
regardless of whether a protection order is issued or a consent
agreement is approved by a court of another county or a court of
another state, no court or unit of state or local government shall
charge the movant any fee, cost, deposit, or money in connection
with the filing of a motion pursuant to this section, in
connection with the filing, issuance, registration, modification,
enforcement, dismissal, withdrawal, or service of a protection
order, consent agreement, or witness subpoena or for obtaining a
certified copy of a protection order or consent agreement.

(2) Regardless of whether a protection order is issued or a
consent agreement is approved pursuant to this section, if the
defendant is convicted the court may assess costs against the
defendant in connection with the filing, issuance, registration,
modification, enforcement, dismissal, withdrawal, or service of a
protection order, consent agreement, or witness subpoena or for
obtaining a certified copy of a protection order or consent
agreement.

(K) As used in this section:

(1) "Companion animal" has the same meaning as in section
959.131 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Sexually oriented offense" has the same meaning as in
section 2950.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Victim advocate" means a person who provides support and
assistance for a victim of an offense during court proceedings.

Sec. 2923.13. (A) Unless relieved from disability under
operation of law or legal process, no person shall knowingly
acquire, have, carry, or use any firearm or dangerous ordnance, if
any of the following apply:

(1) The person is a fugitive from justice.

(2) The person is under indictment for or has been convicted of any felony offense of violence or has been adjudicated a delinquent child for the commission of an offense that, if committed by an adult, would have been a felony offense of violence.

(3) The person is under indictment for or has been convicted of any felony offense involving the illegal possession, use, sale, administration, distribution, or trafficking in any drug of abuse or has been adjudicated a delinquent child for the commission of an offense that, if committed by an adult, would have been a felony offense involving the illegal possession, use, sale, administration, distribution, or trafficking in any drug of abuse.

(4) The person is drug dependent, in danger of drug dependence, or a chronic alcoholic.

(5) The person is under adjudication of mental incompetence, has been adjudicated as a mental defective, has been committed to a mental institution, has been found by a court to be a mentally ill person subject to court order, or is an involuntary patient other than one who is a patient only for purposes of observation. As used in this division, "mentally ill person subject to court order" and "patient" have the same meanings as in section 5122.01 of the Revised Code.

(B)(1) Whoever violates this section is guilty of having weapons while under disability and shall be punished as provided in division (B)(2) or (3) of this section.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in this division, a violation of division (A)(1), (3), (4), or (5) of this section is a felony of the third degree. If the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a violation of division (A)(1),
(2), (3), (4), or (5) of this section, a violation of division (A)(1), (3), (4), or (5) of this section is a felony of the second degree.

(3) Except as otherwise provided in this division, a violation of division (A)(2) of this section is a felony of the second degree. If the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a violation of division (A)(1), (2), (3), (4), or (5) of this section, a violation of division (A)(2) of this section is a felony of the third degree.

(C) For the purposes of this section, "under operation of law or legal process" shall not itself include mere completion, termination, or expiration of a sentence imposed as a result of a criminal conviction.

Sec. 2923.20. (A) No person shall do any of the following:

(1) Recklessly sell, lend, give, or furnish any firearm to any person prohibited by section 2923.13 or 2923.15 of the Revised Code from acquiring or using any firearm, or recklessly sell, lend, give, or furnish any dangerous ordnance to any person prohibited by section 2923.13, 2923.15, or 2923.17 of the Revised Code from acquiring or using any dangerous ordnance;

(2) Possess any firearm or dangerous ordnance with purpose to dispose of it in violation of division (A) of this section;

(3) Except as otherwise provided in division (B) of this section, knowingly solicit, persuade, encourage, or entice a federally licensed firearms dealer or private seller to transfer a firearm or ammunition to any person in a manner prohibited by state or federal law;

(4) Except as otherwise provided in division (B) of this section, with an intent to deceive, knowingly provide materially false information to a federally licensed firearms dealer or
(5) Except as otherwise provided in division (B) of this section, knowingly procure, solicit, persuade, encourage, or entice a person to act in violation of division (A)(3) or (4) of this section;

(6) Manufacture, possess for sale, sell, or furnish to any person other than a law enforcement agency for authorized use in police work, any brass knuckles, cestus, billy, blackjack, sandbag, switchblade knife, springblade knife, gravity knife, or similar weapon;

(7) When transferring any dangerous ordnance to another, negligently fail to require the transferee to exhibit such identification, license, or permit showing the transferee to be authorized to acquire dangerous ordnance pursuant to section 2923.17 of the Revised Code, or negligently fail to take a complete record of the transaction and forthwith forward a copy of that record to the sheriff of the county or safety director or police chief of the municipality where the transaction takes place;

(8) Knowingly fail to report to law enforcement authorities forthwith the loss or theft of any firearm or dangerous ordnance in the person's possession or under the person's control.

(B) Divisions (A)(3), (4), and (5) of this section do not apply to any of the following:

(1) A law enforcement officer who is acting within the scope of the officer's duties;

(2) A person who is acting in accordance with directions given by a law enforcement officer described in division (B)(1) of this section.

(C) Whoever violates this section is guilty of unlawful
transactions in weapons. A violation of division (A)(1) or (2) of this section is a felony of the fourth degree. A violation of division (A)(3), (4), or (5) of this section is a felony of the third degree. A violation of division (A)(6) or (7) of this section is a misdemeanor of the second degree. A violation of division (A)(8) of this section is a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.

(D) As used in this section:

(1) "Ammunition" has the same meaning as in section 2305.401 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Federally licensed firearms dealer" has the same meaning as in section 5502.63 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Materially false information" means information regarding the transfer of a firearm or ammunition that portrays an illegal transaction as legal or a legal transaction as illegal.

(4) "Private seller" means a person who sells, offers for sale, or transfers a firearm or ammunition and who is not a federally licensed firearms dealer.

Sec. 2923.21. (A) No person shall do any of the following:

(1) Sell any firearm to a person who is under eighteen years of age;

(2) Subject to division (B) of this section, sell any handgun to a person who is under twenty-one years of age;

(3) Furnish any firearm to a person who is under eighteen years of age or, subject to division (B) of this section, furnish any handgun to a person who is under twenty-one years of age, except for lawful hunting, sporting, or educational purposes, including, but not limited to, instruction in firearms or handgun safety, care, handling, or marksmanship under the supervision or control of a responsible adult;
(4) Sell or furnish a firearm to a person who is eighteen years of age or older if the seller or furnisher knows, or has reason to know, that the person is purchasing or receiving the firearm for the purpose of selling the firearm in violation of division (A)(1) of this section to a person who is under eighteen years of age or for the purpose of furnishing the firearm in violation of division (A)(3) of this section to a person who is under eighteen years of age;

(5) Sell or furnish a handgun to a person who is twenty-one years of age or older if the seller or furnisher knows, or has reason to know, that the person is purchasing or receiving the handgun for the purpose of selling the handgun in violation of division (A)(2) of this section to a person who is under twenty-one years of age or for the purpose of furnishing the handgun in violation of division (A)(3) of this section to a person who is under twenty-one years of age;

(6) Purchase or attempt to purchase any firearm with the intent to sell the firearm in violation of division (A)(1) of this section to a person who is under eighteen years of age or with the intent to furnish the firearm in violation of division (A)(3) of this section to a person who is under eighteen years of age;

(7) Purchase or attempt to purchase any handgun with the intent to sell the handgun in violation of division (A)(2) of this section to a person who is under twenty-one years of age or with the intent to furnish the handgun in violation of division (A)(3) of this section to a person who is under twenty-one years of age.

(B) Divisions (A)(1), (A)(2) and (A)(3) of this section do not apply to the sale or furnishing of a handgun to a person eighteen years of age or older and under twenty-one years of age if the person eighteen years of age or older and under twenty-one years of age is a law enforcement officer who is properly appointed or employed as a law enforcement officer and has
received firearms training approved by the Ohio peace officer training council or equivalent firearms training. Divisions (A)(1) and (2) of this section do not apply to the sale or furnishing of a handgun to an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States who has received firearms training that meets or exceeds the training requirements described in division (G)(1) of section 2923.125 of the Revised Code.

(C) Whoever violates this section is guilty of improperly furnishing firearms to a minor, a felony of the fifth third degree.

Sec. 2927.02. (A) As used in this section and sections 2927.021 and 2927.022, and sections 2927.025 to 2927.0210 of the Revised Code:

(1) "Age verification" means a service provided by an independent third party (other than a manufacturer, producer, distributor, wholesaler, or retailer of cigarettes, other tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or papers used to roll cigarettes) that compares information available from a commercially available database, or aggregate of databases, that regularly are used by government and businesses for the purpose of age and identity verification to personal information provided during an internet sale or other remote method of sale to establish that the purchaser is twenty-one years of age or older.

(2)(a) "Alternative nicotine product" means, subject to division (A)(2)(b) of this section, an electronic smoking device, vapor product, or any other product or device that consists of or contains nicotine that can be ingested into the body by any means, including, but not limited to, chewing, smoking, absorbing, dissolving, or inhaling.

(b) "Alternative nicotine product" does not include any of the following:
(i) Any cigarette or other tobacco product;

(ii) Any product that is a "drug" as that term is defined in 21 U.S.C. 321(g)(1);

(iii) Any product that is a "device" as that term is defined in 21 U.S.C. 321(h);

(iv) Any product that is a "combination product" as described in 21 U.S.C. 353(g).

(3) "Cigarette" includes clove cigarettes and hand-rolled cigarettes.

(4) "Distribute" means to furnish, give, or provide cigarettes, other tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or papers used to roll cigarettes to the ultimate consumer of the cigarettes, other tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or papers used to roll cigarettes.

(5) "Electronic smoking device" means any device that can be used to deliver aerosolized or vaporized nicotine or any other substance to the person inhaling from the device including an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic hookah, vaping pen, or electronic pipe. "Electronic smoking device" includes any component, part, or accessory of such a device, whether or not sold separately, and includes any substance intended to be aerosolized or vaporized during the use of the device. "Electronic smoking device" does not include any product that is a drug, device, or combination product, as those terms are defined or described in 21 U.S.C. 321 and 353(g).

(6) "Proof of age" means a driver's license, a commercial driver's license, a military identification card, a passport, or an identification card issued under sections 4507.50 to 4507.52 of the Revised Code that shows that a person is eighteen years of age or older.
(7) "Tobacco product" means any product that is made or derived from tobacco or that contains any form of nicotine, if it is intended for human consumption or is likely to be consumed, whether smoked, heated, chewed, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, or ingested by any other means, including, but not limited to, a cigarette, an electronic smoking device, a cigar, pipe tobacco, chewing tobacco, snuff, or snus. "Tobacco product" also means any component or accessory used in the consumption of a tobacco product, such as filters, rolling papers, pipes, blunt or hemp wraps, and liquids used in electronic smoking devices, whether or not they contain nicotine. "Tobacco product" does not include any product that is a drug, device, or combination product, as those terms are defined or described in 21 U.S.C. 321 and 353(g).

(8) "Vapor product" means a product, other than a cigarette or other tobacco product as defined in Chapter 5743. of the Revised Code, that contains or is made or derived from nicotine and that is intended and marketed for human consumption, including by smoking, inhaling, snorting, or sniffing. "Vapor product" includes any component, part, or additive that is intended for use in an electronic smoking device, a mechanical heating element, battery, or electronic circuit and is used to deliver the product. "Vapor product" does not include any product that is a drug, device, or combination product, as those terms are defined or described in 21 U.S.C. 321 and 353(g). "Vapor product" includes any product containing nicotine, regardless of concentration.

(9) "Vending machine" has the same meaning as "coin machine" in section 2913.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) No manufacturer, producer, distributor, wholesaler, or retailer of cigarettes, other tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or papers used to roll cigarettes, no agent, employee, or representative of a manufacturer, producer, distributor, wholesaler, or retailer of cigarettes, other tobacco
products, alternative nicotine products, or papers used to roll cigarettes, and no other person shall do any of the following:

(1) Give, sell, or otherwise distribute cigarettes, other tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or papers used to roll cigarettes to any person under twenty-one years of age;

(2) Give away, sell, or distribute cigarettes, other tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or papers used to roll cigarettes in any place that does not have posted in a conspicuous place a legibly printed sign in letters at least one-half inch high stating that giving, selling, or otherwise distributing cigarettes, other tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or papers used to roll cigarettes to a person under twenty-one years of age is prohibited by law;

(3) Knowingly furnish any false information regarding the name, age, or other identification of any person under twenty-one years of age with purpose to obtain cigarettes, other tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or papers used to roll cigarettes for that person;

(4) Manufacture, sell, or distribute in this state any pack or other container of cigarettes containing fewer than twenty cigarettes or any package of roll-your-own tobacco containing less than six-tenths of one ounce of tobacco;

(5) Sell cigarettes or alternative nicotine products in a smaller quantity than that placed in the pack or other container by the manufacturer;

(6) Give, sell, or otherwise distribute alternative nicotine products, papers used to roll cigarettes, or tobacco products other than cigarettes over the internet or through another remote method without age verification;

(7) Allow an employee under eighteen years of age to sell any tobacco product.
(C) No person shall sell or offer to sell cigarettes, other tobacco products, or alternative nicotine products by or from a vending machine, except in the following locations:

1. An area within a factory, business, office, or other place not open to the general public;

2. An area to which persons under twenty-one years of age are not generally permitted access;

3. Any other place not identified in division (C)(1) or (2) of this section, upon all of the following conditions:
   
   a. The vending machine is located within the immediate vicinity, plain view, and control of the person who owns or operates the place, or an employee of that person, so that all purchases from the vending machine will be readily observed by the person who owns or operates the place or an employee of that person. For the purpose of this section, a vending machine located in any unmonitored area, including an unmonitored coatroom, restroom, hallway, or outer waiting area, shall not be considered located within the immediate vicinity, plain view, and control of the person who owns or operates the place, or an employee of that person.

   b. The vending machine is inaccessible to the public when the place is closed.

   c. A clearly visible notice is posted in the area where the vending machine is located that states the following in letters that are legibly printed and at least one-half inch high:

"It is illegal for any person under the age of 21 to purchase tobacco or alternative nicotine products."

(D) The following are affirmative defenses to a charge under division (B)(1) of this section:
(1) The person under twenty-one years of age was accompanied by a parent, spouse who is twenty-one years of age or older, or legal guardian of the person under twenty-one years of age.

(2) The person who gave, sold, or distributed cigarettes, other tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or papers used to roll cigarettes to a person under twenty-one years of age under division (B)(1) of this section is a parent, spouse who is twenty-one years of age or older, or legal guardian of the person under twenty-one years of age.

(E)(1) It is not a violation of division (B)(1) or (2) of this section for a person to give or otherwise distribute to a person under twenty-one years of age cigarettes, other tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or papers used to roll cigarettes while the person under twenty-one years of age is participating in a research protocol if all of the following apply:

   (a) The parent, guardian, or legal custodian of the person under twenty-one years of age has consented in writing to the person under twenty-one years of age participating in the research protocol.

   (b) An institutional human subjects protection review board, or an equivalent entity, has approved the research protocol.

   (c) The person under twenty-one years of age is participating in the research protocol at the facility or location specified in the research protocol.

(2) It is not a violation of division (B)(1) or (2) of this section for an employer to permit an employee eighteen, nineteen, or twenty years of age to sell a tobacco product.

(F)(1) Whoever violates division (B)(1), (2), (4), (5), or (6), or (7) or (C) of this section is guilty of illegal
distribution of cigarettes, other tobacco products, or alternative nicotine products. Except as otherwise provided in this division, illegal distribution of cigarettes, other tobacco products, or alternative nicotine products is a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If the offender previously has been convicted of a violation of division (B)(1), (2), (4), (5), or (6), or (7) or (C) of this section, illegal distribution of cigarettes, other tobacco products, or alternative nicotine products is a misdemeanor of the third degree.

(2) Whoever violates division (B)(3) of this section is guilty of permitting a person under twenty-one years of age to use cigarettes, other tobacco products, or alternative nicotine products. Except as otherwise provided in this division, permitting a person under twenty-one years of age to use cigarettes, other tobacco products, or alternative nicotine products is a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If the offender previously has been convicted of a violation of division (B)(3) of this section, permitting a person under twenty-one years of age to use cigarettes, other tobacco products, or alternative nicotine products is a misdemeanor of the third degree.

(G) Any cigarettes, other tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or papers used to roll cigarettes that are given, sold, or otherwise distributed to a person under twenty-one years of age in violation of this section and that are used, possessed, purchased, or received by a person under twenty-one years of age in violation of section 2151.87 of the Revised Code are subject to seizure and forfeiture as contraband under Chapter 2981. of the Revised Code.

Sec. 2927.025. (A) On and after the effective date of this section, a person who wishes to sell, offer for sale, or possess with intent to sell a vapor product in this state shall obtain a
A vapor product certificate of dealer registration shall allow the sale of vapor products at such place of business.

(C) A holder of a vapor product certificate of dealer registration shall post such certificate of dealer registration in a prominent location adjacent to vapor products offered for sale.

(D) For the purposes of this section, "person" means each owner of a business organization, or such owner's authorized designee, provided each affiliate of a business organization that is under common control or ownership constitutes a separate person and "person" includes a manufacturer, producer, distributor, wholesaler, or retailer of cigarettes, other tobacco products, or alternative nicotine products.

**Sec. 2927.026.** (A)(1) On or after the effective date of this section, any person desiring a vapor product certificate of dealer registration or a renewal of such a certificate shall make a sworn application for it to the department of health in a form prescribed by the department in rule.

(2) The application shall include the name, address, telephone number and electronic mail address of the applicant and the location of the place of business that is to be operated under such certificate of dealer registration. An applicant for a vapor product certificate of dealer registration shall pay to the department a nonrefundable application fee of one hundred dollars and the annual fee described in division (H) of this section. A renewal application is not subject to the one-hundred-dollar
application fee.

(B) The department may require that an applicant submit documents sufficient to establish that state and local building, fire, and zoning requirements will be met at the location of any vapor product sale.

(C) The department may, at its discretion, conduct an investigation to determine whether a certificate of dealer registration should be issued to an applicant.

(D) The department shall issue or deny an application for a vapor product certificate of dealer registration within sixty days after the application is submitted. The department shall issue the certificate unless the department finds any of the following:

(1) The applicant has willfully made a materially false statement in such application or in any other application made to the department;

(2) The applicant has neglected to pay any taxes due to the state;

(3) The applicant failed to provide documentation required under division (B) of this section;

(4) The applicant, during the three years prior to the date of application, has been convicted of or pleaded guilty or no contest to violating either of the following:

(a) Division (B) or (C) of section 2927.02 of the Revised Code;

(b) Division (B)(2) of section 2927.021 of the Revised Code.

(5) The department determines that an applicant should not be issued a license pursuant to an investigation conducted under division (C) of this section.

(E) A certificate of dealer registration issued under this section is effective for one year and may be renewed upon payment
of the annual fee described in division (H) of this section.

(F) The department of health may, at its discretion, suspend or revoke a certificate of dealer registration.

(G) Any person aggrieved by a denial of an application, or the refusal to renew, suspension, or revocation of a certificate of dealer registration may appeal in a manner prescribed by the department of health in rule.

(H) The annual fee for a vapor product certificate of dealer registration shall be five hundred dollars, paid to the department of health.

Sec. 2927.027. A vapor product certificate of dealer registration does not constitute property, is not subject to attachment and execution, and is not alienable.

Sec. 2927.028. (A) The department of health may renew a vapor product certificate of dealer registration issued under section 2927.026 of the Revised Code that has expired if the applicant pays to the department any fines imposed by the department pursuant to section 2927.029 of the Revised Code and the annual fee described in division (H) of section 2927.026 of the Revised Code.

(B) Any vapor product certificate of dealer registration subject to administrative or court proceedings shall not be eligible for renewal under this section.

Sec. 2927.029. (A) No person shall knowingly sell, offer for sale, or possess with intent to sell a vapor product from a place of business that does not have a valid certificate of dealer registration.

(B)(1) Except as provided in division (B)(2) of this section, whoever violates division (A) of this section shall be fined by
the department of health not more than one thousand dollars.

(2) Whoever violates division (A) of this section shall be fined one hundred dollars if both of the following apply:

(a) The offender was a person whose vapor product certificate of dealer registration for the place where the violation occurred has expired.

(b) The offender's violation occurred not more than ninety days from the date of expiration.

(C) The department of health may waive all or any part of such fine if it is proven to the department's satisfaction that the failure to obtain or renew such certificate of dealer registration or failure to display the certificate was due to reasonable cause.

Sec. 2927.0210. All fees and fines paid under sections 2927.025 to 2927.0210 of the Revised Code shall be paid directly to the department of health, to be deposited in the tobacco use prevention fund created in section 3701.841 of the Revised Code to be used for administration of sections 2927.025 to 2927.0210 of the Revised Code or for tobacco and nicotine prevention or cessation interventions.

Sec. 2929.14. (A) Except as provided in division (B)(1), (B)(2), (B)(3), (B)(4), (B)(5), (B)(6), (B)(7), (B)(8), (B)(9), (B)(10), (B)(11), (E), (G), (H), (J), or (K) of this section or in division (D)(6) of section 2919.25 of the Revised Code and except in relation to an offense for which a sentence of death or life imprisonment is to be imposed, if the court imposing a sentence upon an offender for a felony elects or is required to impose a prison term on the offender pursuant to this chapter, the court shall impose a prison term that shall be one of the following:

(1)(a) For a felony of the first degree committed on or after
the effective date of this amendment, the prison term shall be an indefinite prison term with a stated minimum term selected by the court of three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, or eleven years and a maximum term that is determined pursuant to section 2929.144 of the Revised Code, except that if the section that criminalizes the conduct constituting the felony specifies a different minimum term or penalty for the offense, the specific language of that section shall control in determining the minimum term or otherwise sentencing the offender but the minimum term or sentence imposed under that specific language shall be considered for purposes of the Revised Code as if it had been imposed under this division.

(b) For a felony of the first degree committed prior to the effective date of this amendment, the prison term shall be a definite prison term of three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, or eleven years.

(2) (a) For a felony of the second degree committed on or after the effective date of this amendment, the prison term shall be an indefinite prison term with a stated minimum term selected by the court of two, three, four, five, six, seven, or eight years and a maximum term that is determined pursuant to section 2929.144 of the Revised Code, except that if the section that criminalizes the conduct constituting the felony specifies a different minimum term or penalty for the offense, the specific language of that section shall control in determining the minimum term or otherwise sentencing the offender but the minimum term or sentence imposed under that specific language shall be considered for purposes of the Revised Code as if it had been imposed under this division.

(b) For a felony of the second degree committed prior to the effective date of this amendment, the prison term shall be a definite term of two, three, four, five, six, seven, or eight years.
(3) (a) For a felony of the third degree that is a violation of section 2903.06, 2903.08, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, or 3795.04 of the Revised Code or that is a violation of section 2911.02 or 2911.12 of the Revised Code if the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty in two or more separate proceedings to two or more violations of section 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, or 2911.12 of the Revised Code, the prison term shall be a definite term of twelve, eighteen, twenty-four, thirty, thirty-six, forty-two, forty-eight, fifty-four, or sixty months.

(b) For a felony of the third degree that is not an offense for which division (A)(3)(a) of this section applies, the prison term shall be a definite term of nine, twelve, eighteen, twenty-four, thirty, or thirty-six months.

(4) For a felony of the fourth degree, the prison term shall be a definite term of six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, or eighteen months.

(5) For a felony of the fifth degree, the prison term shall be a definite term of six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, or twelve months.

(B)(1)(a) Except as provided in division (B)(1)(e) of this section, if an offender who is convicted of or pleads guilty to a felony also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.141, 2941.144, or 2941.145 of the Revised Code, the court shall impose on the offender one of the following prison terms:

(i) A prison term of six years if the specification is of the type described in division (A) of section 2941.144 of the Revised Code that charges the offender with having a firearm that is an automatic firearm or that was equipped with a firearm muffler or
suppressor on or about the offender's person or under the
offender's control while committing the offense;

(ii) A prison term of three years, four years, or five years
if the specification is of the type described in division (A) of
section 2941.145 of the Revised Code that charges the offender
with having a firearm on or about the offender's person or under
the offender's control while committing the offense and displaying
the firearm, brandishing the firearm, indicating that the offender
possessed the firearm, or using it to facilitate the offense
provided that the prison term imposed under this division shall be
three years if the offender also is sentenced to a consecutive
additional prison term under division (B)(2)(a), (b), or (K) of
this section after having been convicted of or pleading guilty to
a specification of the type described in section 2941.149 of the
Revised Code that the offender is a repeat violent offender or a
specification of the type described in section 2941.1424 of the
Revised Code that the offender is a violent career criminal and a
firearm was present or involved in the offender's felony in a
manner specified in that section;

(iii) A prison term of one year if the specification is of
the type described in division (A) of section 2941.141 of the
Revised Code that charges the offender with having a firearm on or
about the offender's person or under the offender's control while
committing the offense;

(iv) A prison term of nine years if the specification is of
the type described in division (D) of section 2941.144 of the
Revised Code that charges the offender with having a firearm that
is an automatic firearm or that was equipped with a firearm
muffler or suppressor on or about the offender's person or under
the offender's control while committing the offense and specifies
that the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded
guilty to a specification of the type described in section
(v) A prison term of fifty-four months, sixty-six months, or seventy-eight months if the specification is of the type described in division (D) of section 2941.145 of the Revised Code that charges the offender with having a firearm on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the offense and displaying the firearm, brandishing the firearm, indicating that the offender possessed the firearm, or using the firearm to facilitate the offense and that the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.141, 2941.144, 2941.145, 2941.146, or 2941.1412 of the Revised Code, provided that the prison term imposed under this division shall be fifty-four months if the offender also is sentenced to a consecutive additional prison term under division (B)(2)(a), (b), or (K) of this section after having been convicted of or pleading guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.149 of the Revised Code that the offender is a repeat violent offender or a specification of the type described in section 2941.1424 of the Revised Code that the offender is a violent career criminal and a firearm was present or involved in the offender's felony in a manner specified in that section;

(vi) A prison term of eighteen months if the specification is of the type described in division (D) of section 2941.141 of the Revised Code that charges the offender with having a firearm on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the offense and that the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.141, 2941.144, 2941.145, 2941.146, or 2941.1412 of the Revised Code.

(b) If a court imposes a prison term on an offender under
division (B)(1)(a) of this section, the prison term shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2967.19, section 2929.20, section 2967.193, or any other provision of Chapter 2967. or Chapter 5120. of the Revised Code. Except as provided in division (B)(1)(g) of this section, a court shall not impose more than one prison term on an offender under division (B)(1)(a) of this section for felonies committed as part of the same act or transaction.

(c)(i) Except as provided in division (B)(1)(e) of this section, if an offender who is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violation of section 2923.161 of the Revised Code or to a felony that includes, as an essential element, purposely or knowingly causing or attempting to cause the death of or physical harm to another, also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in division (A) of section 2941.146 of the Revised Code that charges the offender with committing the offense by discharging a firearm from a motor vehicle other than a manufactured home, the court, after imposing a prison term on the offender for the violation of section 2923.161 of the Revised Code or for the other felony offense under division (A), (B)(2), or (B)(3) of this section, shall impose an additional prison term of five years upon the offender that shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20, section 2967.19, section 2967.193, or any other provision of Chapter 2967. or Chapter 5120. of the Revised Code.

(ii) Except as provided in division (B)(1)(e) of this section, if an offender who is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violation of section 2923.161 of the Revised Code or to a felony that includes, as an essential element, purposely or knowingly causing or attempting to cause the death of or physical harm to another, also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in division (C) of section 2941.146 of the Revised Code that charges the offender with committing the offense by discharging a firearm from a motor vehicle other than a manufactured home, the court, after imposing a prison term on the offender for the violation of section 2923.161 of the Revised Code or for the other felony offense under division (A), (B)(2), or (B)(3) of this section, shall impose an additional prison term of five years upon the offender that shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20, section 2967.19, section 2967.193, or any other provision of Chapter 2967. or Chapter 5120. of the Revised Code.
manufactured home and that the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.141, 2941.144, 2941.145, 2941.146, or 2941.1412 of the Revised Code, the court, after imposing a prison term on the offender for the violation of section 2923.161 of the Revised Code or for the other felony offense under division (A), (B)(2), or (3) of this section, shall impose an additional prison term of ninety months upon the offender that shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20, 2967.19, 2967.193, or any other provision of Chapter 2967. or Chapter 5120. of the Revised Code.

(iii) A court shall not impose more than one additional prison term on an offender under division (B)(1)(c) of this section for felonies committed as part of the same act or transaction. If a court imposes an additional prison term on an offender under division (B)(1)(c) of this section relative to an offense, the court also shall impose a prison term under division (B)(1)(a) of this section relative to the same offense, provided the criteria specified in that division for imposing an additional prison term are satisfied relative to the offender and the offense.

(d) If an offender who is convicted of or pleads guilty to an offense of violence that is a felony also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.1411 of the Revised Code that charges the offender with wearing or carrying body armor while committing the felony offense of violence, the court shall impose on the offender an additional prison term of two years. The prison term so imposed, subject to divisions (C) to (I) of section 2967.19 of the Revised Code, shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20, section 2967.19, section 2967.193, or any other provision of Chapter 2967. or Chapter 5120. of the Revised Code. A court shall not impose more than one prison term on an offender under division (B)(1)(d) of
this section for felonies committed as part of the same act or
transaction. If a court imposes an additional prison term under
division (B)(1)(a) or (c) of this section, the court is not
precluded from imposing an additional prison term under division
(B)(1)(d) of this section.

(e) The court shall not impose any of the prison terms
described in division (B)(1)(a) of this section or any of the
additional prison terms described in division (B)(1)(c) of this
section upon an offender for a violation of section 2923.12 or
2923.123 of the Revised Code. The court shall not impose any of
the prison terms described in division (B)(1)(a) or (b) of this
section upon an offender for a violation of section 2923.122 that
involves a deadly weapon that is a firearm other than a dangerous
ordnance, section 2923.16, or section 2923.121 of the Revised
Code. The court shall not impose any of the prison terms described
in division (B)(1)(a) of this section or any of the additional
prison terms described in division (B)(1)(c) of this section upon
an offender for a violation of section 2923.13 of the Revised Code
unless all of the following apply:

(i) The offender previously has been convicted of aggravated
murder, murder, or any felony of the first or second degree.

(ii) Less than five years have passed since the offender was
released from prison or post-release control, whichever is later,
for the prior offense.

(f)(i) If an offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to a
felony that includes, as an essential element, causing or
attempting to cause the death of or physical harm to another and
also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the
type described in division (A) of section 2941.1412 of the Revised
Code that charges the offender with committing the offense by
discharging a firearm at a peace officer as defined in section
2935.01 of the Revised Code or a corrections officer, as defined
in section 2941.1412 of the Revised Code, the court, after imposing a prison term on the offender for the felony offense under division (A), (B)(2), or (B)(3) of this section, shall impose an additional prison term of seven years upon the offender that shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20, section 2967.19, section 2967.193, or any other provision of Chapter 2967. or Chapter 5120. of the Revised Code.

(ii) If an offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to a felony that includes, as an essential element, causing or attempting to cause the death of or physical harm to another and also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in division (B) of section 2941.1412 of the Revised Code that charges the offender with committing the offense by discharging a firearm at a peace officer, as defined in section 2935.01 of the Revised Code, or a corrections officer, as defined in section 2941.1412 of the Revised Code, and that the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.141, 2941.144, 2941.145, 2941.146, or 2941.1412 of the Revised Code, the court, after imposing a prison term on the offender for the felony offense under division (A), (B)(2), or (3) of this section, shall impose an additional prison term of one hundred twenty-six months upon the offender that shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20, 2967.19, 2967.193, or any other provision of Chapter 2967. or 5120. of the Revised Code.

(iii) If an offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to two or more felonies that include, as an essential element, causing or attempting to cause the death or physical harm to another and also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described under division (B)(1)(f) of this section in connection with two or more of the felonies of which the offender is convicted or to which the offender pleads guilty, the sentencing
court shall impose on the offender the prison term specified under division (B)(1)(f) of this section for each of two of the specifications of which the offender is convicted or to which the offender pleads guilty and, in its discretion, also may impose on the offender the prison term specified under that division for any or all of the remaining specifications. If a court imposes an additional prison term on an offender under division (B)(1)(f) of this section relative to an offense, the court shall not impose a prison term under division (B)(1)(a) or (c) of this section relative to the same offense.

(g) If an offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to two or more felonies, if one or more of those felonies are aggravated murder, murder, attempted aggravated murder, attempted murder, aggravated robbery, felonious assault, or rape, and if the offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described under division (B)(1)(a) of this section in connection with two or more of the felonies, the sentencing court shall impose on the offender the prison term specified under division (B)(1)(a) of this section for each of the two most serious specifications of which the offender is convicted or to which the offender pleads guilty and, in its discretion, also may impose on the offender the prison term specified under that division for any or all of the remaining specifications.

(2)(a) If division (B)(2)(b) of this section does not apply, the court may impose on an offender, in addition to the longest prison term authorized or required for the offense or, for offenses for which division (A)(1)(a) or (2)(a) of this section applies, in addition to the longest minimum prison term authorized or required for the offense, an additional definite prison term of one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, or ten years if all of the following criteria are met:

(i) The offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to a
specification of the type described in section 2941.149 of the Revised Code that the offender is a repeat violent offender.

(ii) The offense of which the offender currently is convicted or to which the offender currently pleads guilty is aggravated murder and the court does not impose a sentence of death or life imprisonment without parole, murder, terrorism and the court does not impose a sentence of life imprisonment without parole, any felony of the first degree that is an offense of violence and the court does not impose a sentence of life imprisonment without parole, any felony of the second degree that is an offense of violence and the trier of fact finds that the offense involved an attempt to cause or a threat to cause serious physical harm to a person or resulted in serious physical harm to a person.

(iii) The court imposes the longest prison term for the offense or the longest minimum prison term for the offense, whichever is applicable, that is not life imprisonment without parole.

(iv) The court finds that the prison terms imposed pursuant to division (B)(2)(a)(iii) of this section and, if applicable, division (B)(1) or (3) of this section are inadequate to punish the offender and protect the public from future crime, because the applicable factors under section 2929.12 of the Revised Code indicating a greater likelihood of recidivism outweigh the applicable factors under that section indicating a lesser likelihood of recidivism.

(v) The court finds that the prison terms imposed pursuant to division (B)(2)(a)(iii) of this section and, if applicable, division (B)(1) or (3) of this section are demeaning to the seriousness of the offense, because one or more of the factors under section 2929.12 of the Revised Code indicating that the offender's conduct is more serious than conduct normally constituting the offense are present, and they outweigh the
applicable factors under that section indicating that the offender's conduct is less serious than conduct normally constituting the offense.

(b) The court shall impose on an offender the longest prison term authorized or required for the offense or, for offenses for which division (A)(1)(a) or (2)(a) of this section applies, the longest minimum prison term authorized or required for the offense, and shall impose on the offender an additional definite prison term of one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, or ten years if all of the following criteria are met:

(i) The offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.149 of the Revised Code that the offender is a repeat violent offender.

(ii) The offender within the preceding twenty years has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to three or more offenses described in division (CC)(1) of section 2929.01 of the Revised Code, including all offenses described in that division of which the offender is convicted or to which the offender pleads guilty in the current prosecution and all offenses described in that division of which the offender previously has been convicted or to which the offender previously pleaded guilty, whether prosecuted together or separately.

(iii) The offense or offenses of which the offender currently is convicted or to which the offender currently pleads guilty is aggravated murder and the court does not impose a sentence of death or life imprisonment without parole, murder, terrorism and the court does not impose a sentence of life imprisonment without parole, any felony of the first degree that is an offense of violence and the court does not impose a sentence of life imprisonment without parole, or any felony of the second degree that is an offense of violence and the trier of fact finds that the offense involved an attempt to cause or a threat to cause
serious physical harm to a person or resulted in serious physical harm to a person.

(c) For purposes of division (B)(2)(b) of this section, two or more offenses committed at the same time or as part of the same act or event shall be considered one offense, and that one offense shall be the offense with the greatest penalty.

(d) A sentence imposed under division (B)(2)(a) or (b) of this section shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20, section 2967.19, or section 2967.193, or any other provision of Chapter 2967. or Chapter 5120. of the Revised Code. The offender shall serve an additional prison term imposed under division (B)(2)(a) or (b) of this section consecutively to and prior to the prison term imposed for the underlying offense.

(e) When imposing a sentence pursuant to division (B)(2)(a) or (b) of this section, the court shall state its findings explaining the imposed sentence.

(3) Except when an offender commits a violation of section 2903.01 or 2907.02 of the Revised Code and the penalty imposed for the violation is life imprisonment or commits a violation of section 2903.02 of the Revised Code, if the offender commits a violation of section 2925.03 or 2925.11 of the Revised Code and that section classifies the offender as a major drug offender, if the offender commits a violation of section 2925.05 of the Revised Code and division (E)(1) of that section classifies the offender as a major drug offender, if the offender commits a felony violation of section 2925.02, 2925.04, 2925.05, 2925.36, 3719.07, 3719.08, 3719.16, 3719.161, 4729.37, or 4729.61, division (C) or (D) of section 3719.172, division (E) of section 4729.51, or division (J) of section 4729.54 of the Revised Code that includes the sale, offer to sell, or possession of a schedule I or II controlled substance, with the exception of marihuana, and the court imposing sentence upon the offender finds that the offender
is guilty of a specification of the type described in division (A)
of section 2941.1410 of the Revised Code charging that the
offender is a major drug offender, if the court imposing sentence
upon an offender for a felony finds that the offender is guilty of
corrupt activity with the most serious offense in the pattern of
corrupt activity being a felony of the first degree, or if the
offender is guilty of an attempted violation of section 2907.02 of
the Revised Code and, had the offender completed the violation of
section 2907.02 of the Revised Code that was attempted, the
offender would have been subject to a sentence of life
imprisonment or life imprisonment without parole for the violation
of section 2907.02 of the Revised Code, the court shall impose
upon the offender for the felony violation a mandatory prison term
determined as described in this division that, subject to
divisions (C) to (I) of section 2967.19 of the Revised Code,
cannot be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20, section 2967.19, or
any other provision of Chapter 2967. or 5120. of the Revised Code.
The mandatory prison term shall be the maximum definite prison
term prescribed in division (A)(1)(b) of this section for a felony
of the first degree, except that for offenses for which division
(A)(1)(a) of this section applies, the mandatory prison term shall
be the longest minimum prison term prescribed in that division for
the offense.

(4) If the offender is being sentenced for a third or fourth
degree felony OVI offense under division (G)(2) of section 2929.13
of the Revised Code, the sentencing court shall impose upon the
offender a mandatory prison term in accordance with that division.
In addition to the mandatory prison term, if the offender is being
sentenced for a fourth degree felony OVI offense, the court,
notwithstanding division (A)(4) of this section, may sentence the
offender to a definite prison term of not less than six months and
not more than thirty months, and if the offender is being
sentenced for a third degree felony OVI offense, the sentencing
court may sentence the offender to an additional prison term of any duration specified in division (A)(3) of this section. In either case, the additional prison term imposed shall be reduced by the sixty or one hundred twenty days imposed upon the offender as the mandatory prison term. The total of the additional prison term imposed under division (B)(4) of this section plus the sixty or one hundred twenty days imposed as the mandatory prison term shall equal a definite term in the range of six months to thirty months for a fourth degree felony OVI offense and shall equal one of the authorized prison terms specified in division (A)(3) of this section for a third degree felony OVI offense. If the court imposes an additional prison term under division (B)(4) of this section, the offender shall serve the additional prison term after the offender has served the mandatory prison term required for the offense. In addition to the mandatory prison term or mandatory and additional prison term imposed as described in division (B)(4) of this section, the court also may sentence the offender to a community control sanction under section 2929.16 or 2929.17 of the Revised Code, but the offender shall serve all of the prison terms so imposed prior to serving the community control sanction.

If the offender is being sentenced for a fourth degree felony OVI offense under division (G)(1) of section 2929.13 of the Revised Code and the court imposes a mandatory term of local incarceration, the court may impose a prison term as described in division (A)(1) of that section.

(5) If an offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violation of division (A)(1) or (2) of section 2903.06 of the Revised Code and also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.1414 of the Revised Code that charges that the victim of the offense is a peace officer, as defined in section 2935.01 of the Revised Code, or an investigator of the bureau of criminal identification and
investigation, as defined in section 2903.11 of the Revised Code, the court shall impose on the offender a prison term of five years. If a court imposes a prison term on an offender under division (B)(5) of this section, the prison term, subject to divisions (C) to (I) of section 2967.19 of the Revised Code, shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20, section 2967.19, section 2967.193, or any other provision of Chapter 2967. or Chapter 5120. of the Revised Code. A court shall not impose more than one prison term on an offender under division (B)(5) of this section for felonies committed as part of the same act.

(6) If an offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violation of division (A)(1) or (2) of section 2903.06 of the Revised Code and also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.1415 of the Revised Code that charges that the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to three or more violations of division (A) or (B) of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code or an equivalent offense, as defined in section 2941.1415 of the Revised Code, or three or more violations of any combination of those divisions and offenses, the court shall impose on the offender a prison term of three years. If a court imposes a prison term on an offender under division (B)(6) of this section, the prison term, subject to divisions (C) to (I) of section 2967.19 of the Revised Code, shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20, section 2967.19, section 2967.193, or any other provision of Chapter 2967. or Chapter 5120. of the Revised Code. A court shall not impose more than one prison term on an offender under division (B)(6) of this section for felonies committed as part of the same act.

(7)(a) If an offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to a felony violation of section 2905.01, 2905.02, 2907.21, 2907.22, or 2923.32, division (A)(1) or (2) of section 2907.323 involving a minor, or division (B)(1), (2), (3), (4), or (5) of section
2919.22 of the Revised Code and also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.1422 of the Revised Code that charges that the offender knowingly committed the offense in furtherance of human trafficking, the court shall impose on the offender a mandatory prison term that is one of the following:

(i) If the offense is a felony of the first degree, a definite prison term of not less than five years and not greater than eleven years, except that if the offense is a felony of the first degree committed on or after the effective date of this amendment, the court shall impose as the minimum prison term a mandatory term of not less than five years and not greater than eleven years;

(ii) If the offense is a felony of the second or third degree, a definite prison term of not less than three years and not greater than the maximum prison term allowed for the offense by division (A)(2)(b) or (3) of this section, except that if the offense is a felony of the second degree committed on or after the effective date of this amendment, the court shall impose as the minimum prison term a mandatory term of not less than three years and not greater than eight years;

(iii) If the offense is a felony of the fourth or fifth degree, a definite prison term that is the maximum prison term allowed for the offense by division (A) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code.

(b) Subject to divisions (C) to (I) of section 2967.19 of the Revised Code, the prison term imposed under division (B)(7)(a) of this section shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20, section 2967.19, section 2967.193, or any other provision of Chapter 2967. of the Revised Code. A court shall not impose more than one prison term on an offender under division (B)(7)(a) of this section for felonies committed as part of the same act,
scheme, or plan.

(8) If an offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to a felony violation of section 2903.11, 2903.12, or 2903.13 of the Revised Code and also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.1423 of the Revised Code that charges that the victim of the violation was a woman whom the offender knew was pregnant at the time of the violation, notwithstanding the range prescribed in division (A) of this section as the definite prison term or minimum prison term for felonies of the same degree as the violation, the court shall impose on the offender a mandatory prison term that is either a definite prison term of six months or one of the prison terms prescribed in division (A) of this section for felonies of the same degree as the violation, except that if the violation is a felony of the first or second degree committed on or after the effective date of this amendment, the court shall impose as the minimum prison term under division (A)(1)(a) or (2)(a) of this section a mandatory term that is one of the terms prescribed in that division, whichever is applicable, for the offense.

(9)(a) If an offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violation of division (A)(1) or (2) of section 2903.11 of the Revised Code and also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.1425 of the Revised Code, the court shall impose on the offender a mandatory prison term of six years if either of the following applies:

(i) The violation is a violation of division (A)(1) of section 2903.11 of the Revised Code and the specification charges that the offender used an accelerant in committing the violation and the serious physical harm to another or to another's unborn caused by the violation resulted in a permanent, serious disfigurement or permanent, substantial incapacity;

(ii) The violation is a violation of division (A)(2) of section 2903.11 of the Revised Code and the specification charges that the offender caused the death of a human being at the time of the violation.
section 2903.11 of the Revised Code and the specification charges that the offender used an accelerant in committing the violation, that the violation caused physical harm to another or to another's unborn, and that the physical harm resulted in a permanent, serious disfigurement or permanent, substantial incapacity.

(b) If a court imposes a prison term on an offender under division (B)(9)(a) of this section, the prison term shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20, section 2967.19, section 2967.193, or any other provision of Chapter 2967. or Chapter 5120. of the Revised Code. A court shall not impose more than one prison term on an offender under division (B)(9) of this section for felonies committed as part of the same act.

(c) The provisions of divisions (B)(9) and (C)(6) of this section and of division (D)(2) of section 2903.11, division (F)(20) of section 2929.13, and section 2941.1425 of the Revised Code shall be known as "Judy's Law."

(10) If an offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violation of division (A) of section 2903.11 of the Revised Code and also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.1426 of the Revised Code that charges that the victim of the offense suffered permanent disabling harm as a result of the offense and that the victim was under ten years of age at the time of the offense, regardless of whether the offender knew the age of the victim, the court shall impose upon the offender an additional definite prison term of six years. A prison term imposed on an offender under division (B)(10) of this section shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20, section 2967.193, or any other provision of Chapter 2967. or Chapter 5120. of the Revised Code. If a court imposes an additional prison term on an offender under this division relative to a violation of division (A) of section 2903.11 of the Revised Code, the court shall not impose any other additional prison term.
on the offender relative to the same offense.

(11) If an offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to a felony violation of section 2925.03 or 2925.05 of the Revised Code or a felony violation of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code for which division (C)(11) of that section applies in determining the sentence for the violation, if the drug involved in the violation is a fentanyl-related compound or a compound, mixture, preparation, or substance containing a fentanyl-related compound, and if the offender also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in division (B) of section 2941.1410 of the Revised Code that charges that the offender is a major drug offender, in addition to any other penalty imposed for the violation, the court shall impose on the offender a mandatory prison term of three, four, five, six, seven, or eight years. If a court imposes a prison term on an offender under division (B)(11) of this section, the prison term, subject to divisions (C) to (I) of section 2967.19 of the Revised Code, shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20, 2967.19, or 2967.193, or any other provision of Chapter 2967. or 5120. of the Revised Code. A court shall not impose more than one prison term on an offender under division (B)(11) of this section for felonies committed as part of the same act.

(C)(1)(a) Subject to division (C)(1)(b) of this section, if a mandatory prison term is imposed upon an offender pursuant to division (B)(1)(a) of this section for having a firearm on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing a felony, if a mandatory prison term is imposed upon an offender pursuant to division (B)(1)(c) of this section for committing a felony specified in that division by discharging a firearm from a motor vehicle, or if both types of mandatory prison terms are imposed, the offender shall serve any mandatory prison term imposed under either division consecutively to any other

mandatory prison term imposed under either division or under division (B)(1)(d) of this section, consecutively to and prior to any prison term imposed for the underlying felony pursuant to division (A), (B)(2), or (B)(3) of this section or any other section of the Revised Code, and consecutively to any other prison term or mandatory prison term previously or subsequently imposed upon the offender.

(b) If a mandatory prison term is imposed upon an offender pursuant to division (B)(1)(d) of this section for wearing or carrying body armor while committing an offense of violence that is a felony, the offender shall serve the mandatory term so imposed consecutively to any other mandatory prison term imposed under that division or under division (B)(1)(a) or (c) of this section, consecutively to and prior to any prison term imposed for the underlying felony under division (A), (B)(2), or (B)(3) of this section or any other section of the Revised Code, and consecutively to any other prison term or mandatory prison term previously or subsequently imposed upon the offender.

(c) If a mandatory prison term is imposed upon an offender pursuant to division (B)(1)(f) of this section, the offender shall serve the mandatory prison term so imposed consecutively to and prior to any prison term imposed for the underlying felony under division (A), (B)(2), or (B)(3) of this section or any other section of the Revised Code, and consecutively to any other prison term or mandatory prison term previously or subsequently imposed upon the offender.

(d) If a mandatory prison term is imposed upon an offender pursuant to division (B)(7) or (8) of this section, the offender shall serve the mandatory prison term so imposed consecutively to any other mandatory prison term imposed under that division or under any other provision of law and consecutively to any other prison term or mandatory prison term previously or subsequently imposed upon the offender.
imposed upon the offender.

(e) If a mandatory prison term is imposed upon an offender pursuant to division (B)(11) of this section, the offender shall serve the mandatory prison term consecutively to any other mandatory prison term imposed under that division, consecutively to and prior to any prison term imposed for the underlying felony, and consecutively to any other prison term or mandatory prison term previously or subsequently imposed upon the offender.

(2) If an offender who is an inmate in a jail, prison, or other residential detention facility violates section 2917.02, 2917.03, or 2921.35 of the Revised Code or division (A)(1) or (2) of section 2921.34 of the Revised Code, if an offender who is under detention at a detention facility commits a felony violation of section 2923.131 of the Revised Code, or if an offender who is an inmate in a jail, prison, or other residential detention facility or is under detention at a detention facility commits another felony while the offender is an escapee in violation of division (A)(1) or (2) of section 2921.34 of the Revised Code, any prison term imposed upon the offender for one of those violations shall be served by the offender consecutively to the prison term or term of imprisonment the offender was serving when the offender committed that offense and to any other prison term previously or subsequently imposed upon the offender.

(3) If a prison term is imposed for a violation of division (B) of section 2911.01 of the Revised Code, a violation of division (A) of section 2913.02 of the Revised Code in which the stolen property is a firearm or dangerous ordnance, or a felony violation of division (B) of section 2921.331 of the Revised Code, the offender shall serve that prison term consecutively to any other prison term or mandatory prison term previously or subsequently imposed upon the offender.

(4) If multiple prison terms are imposed on an offender for
convictions of multiple offenses, the court may require the offender to serve the prison terms consecutively if the court finds that the consecutive service is necessary to protect the public from future crime or to punish the offender and that consecutive sentences are not disproportionate to the seriousness of the offender's conduct and to the danger the offender poses to the public, and if the court also finds any of the following:

(a) The offender committed one or more of the multiple offenses while the offender was awaiting trial or sentencing, was under a sanction imposed pursuant to section 2929.16, 2929.17, or 2929.18 of the Revised Code, or was under post-release control for a prior offense.

(b) At least two of the multiple offenses were committed as part of one or more courses of conduct, and the harm caused by two or more of the multiple offenses so committed was so great or unusual that no single prison term for any of the offenses committed as part of any of the courses of conduct adequately reflects the seriousness of the offender's conduct.

(c) The offender's history of criminal conduct demonstrates that consecutive sentences are necessary to protect the public from future crime by the offender.

(5) If a mandatory prison term is imposed upon an offender pursuant to division (B)(5) or (6) of this section, the offender shall serve the mandatory prison term consecutively to and prior to any prison term imposed for the underlying violation of division (A)(1) or (2) of section 2903.06 of the Revised Code pursuant to division (A) of this section or section 2929.142 of the Revised Code. If a mandatory prison term is imposed upon an offender pursuant to division (B)(5) of this section, and if a mandatory prison term also is imposed upon the offender pursuant to division (B)(6) of this section in relation to the same violation, the offender shall serve the mandatory prison term
imposed pursuant to division (B)(5) of this section consecutively to and prior to the mandatory prison term imposed pursuant to division (B)(6) of this section and consecutively to and prior to any prison term imposed for the underlying violation of division (A)(1) or (2) of section 2903.06 of the Revised Code pursuant to division (A) of this section or section 2929.142 of the Revised Code.

(6) If a mandatory prison term is imposed on an offender pursuant to division (B)(9) of this section, the offender shall serve the mandatory prison term consecutively to and prior to any prison term imposed for the underlying violation of division (A)(1) or (2) of section 2903.11 of the Revised Code and consecutively to and prior to any other prison term or mandatory prison term previously or subsequently imposed on the offender.

(7) If a mandatory prison term is imposed on an offender pursuant to division (B)(10) of this section, the offender shall serve that mandatory prison term consecutively to and prior to any prison term imposed for the underlying felonious assault. Except as otherwise provided in division (C) of this section, any other prison term or mandatory prison term previously or subsequently imposed upon the offender may be served concurrently with, or consecutively to, the prison term imposed pursuant to division (B)(10) of this section.

(8) Any prison term imposed for a violation of section 2903.04 of the Revised Code that is based on a violation of section 2925.03 or 2925.11 of the Revised Code or on a violation of section 2925.05 of the Revised Code that is not funding of marihuana trafficking shall run consecutively to any prison term imposed for the violation of section 2925.03 or 2925.11 of the Revised Code or for the violation of section 2925.05 of the Revised Code that is not funding of marihuana trafficking.

(9) When consecutive prison terms are imposed pursuant to
division (C)(1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), or (8) or division (H)(1) or (2) of this section, subject to division (C)(10) of this section, the term to be served is the aggregate of all of the terms so imposed.

(10) When a court sentences an offender to a non-life felony indefinite prison term, any definite prison term or mandatory definite prison term previously or subsequently imposed on the offender in addition to that indefinite sentence that is required to be served consecutively to that indefinite sentence shall be served prior to the indefinite sentence.

(11) If a court is sentencing an offender for a felony of the first or second degree, if division (A)(1)(a) or (2)(a) of this section applies with respect to the sentencing for the offense, and if the court is required under the Revised Code section that sets forth the offense or any other Revised Code provision to impose a mandatory prison term for the offense, the court shall impose the required mandatory prison term as the minimum term imposed under division (A)(1)(a) or (2)(a) of this section, whichever is applicable.

(D)(1) If a court imposes a prison term, other than a term of life imprisonment, for a felony of the first degree, for a felony of the second degree, for a felony sex offense, or for a felony of the third degree that is an offense of violence and that is not a felony sex offense, it shall include in the sentence a requirement that the offender be subject to a period of post-release control after the offender's release from imprisonment, in accordance with section 2967.28 of the Revised Code. If a court imposes a sentence including a prison term of a type described in this division on or after July 11, 2006, the failure of a court to include a post-release control requirement in the sentence pursuant to this division does not negate, limit, or otherwise affect the mandatory period of post-release control that is required for the offender
under division (B) of section 2967.28 of the Revised Code. Section 2929.191 of the Revised Code applies if, prior to July 11, 2006, a court imposed a sentence including a prison term of a type described in this division and failed to include in the sentence pursuant to this division a statement regarding post-release control.

(2) If a court imposes a prison term for a felony of the third, fourth, or fifth degree that is not subject to division (D)(1) of this section, it shall include in the sentence a requirement that the offender be subject to a period of post-release control after the offender's release from imprisonment, in accordance with that division, if the parole board determines that a period of post-release control is necessary. Section 2929.191 of the Revised Code applies if, prior to July 11, 2006, a court imposed a sentence including a prison term of a type described in this division and failed to include in the sentence pursuant to this division a statement regarding post-release control.

(E) The court shall impose sentence upon the offender in accordance with section 2971.03 of the Revised Code, and Chapter 2971. of the Revised Code applies regarding the prison term or term of life imprisonment without parole imposed upon the offender and the service of that term of imprisonment if any of the following apply:

(1) A person is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violent sex offense or a designated homicide, assault, or kidnapping offense, and, in relation to that offense, the offender is adjudicated a sexually violent predator.

(2) A person is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violation of division (A)(1)(b) of section 2907.02 of the Revised Code committed on or after January 2, 2007, and either the court does not impose a sentence of life without parole when authorized.
pursuant to division (B) of section 2907.02 of the Revised Code, or division (B) of section 2907.02 of the Revised Code provides that the court shall not sentence the offender pursuant to section 2971.03 of the Revised Code.

(3) A person is convicted of or pleads guilty to attempted rape committed on or after January 2, 2007, and a specification of the type described in section 2941.1418, 2941.1419, or 2941.1420 of the Revised Code.

(4) A person is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violation of section 2905.01 of the Revised Code committed on or after January 1, 2008, and that section requires the court to sentence the offender pursuant to section 2971.03 of the Revised Code.

(5) A person is convicted of or pleads guilty to aggravated murder committed on or after January 1, 2008, and division (A)(2)(b)(ii) of section 2929.022, division (A)(1)(e), (C)(1)(a)(v), (C)(2)(a)(ii), (D)(2)(b), (D)(3)(a)(iv), or (E)(1)(d) of section 2929.03, or division (A) or (B) of section 2929.06 of the Revised Code requires the court to sentence the offender pursuant to division (B)(3) of section 2971.03 of the Revised Code.

(6) A person is convicted of or pleads guilty to murder committed on or after January 1, 2008, and division (B)(2) of section 2929.02 of the Revised Code requires the court to sentence the offender pursuant to section 2971.03 of the Revised Code.

(F) If a person who has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a felony is sentenced to a prison term or term of imprisonment under this section, sections 2929.02 to 2929.06 of the Revised Code, section 2929.142 of the Revised Code, section 2971.03 of the Revised Code, or any other provision of law, section 5120.163 of the Revised Code applies regarding the person while the person is confined in a state correctional institution.
(G) If an offender who is convicted of or pleads guilty to a felony that is an offense of violence also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.142 of the Revised Code that charges the offender with having committed the felony while participating in a criminal gang, the court shall impose upon the offender an additional prison term of one, two, or three years.

(H)(1) If an offender who is convicted of or pleads guilty to aggravated murder, murder, or a felony of the first, second, or third degree that is an offense of violence also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.143 of the Revised Code that charges the offender with having committed the offense in a school safety zone or towards a person in a school safety zone, the court shall impose upon the offender an additional prison term of two years. The offender shall serve the additional two years consecutively to and prior to the prison term imposed for the underlying offense.

(2)(a) If an offender is convicted of or pleads guilty to a felony violation of section 2907.22, 2907.24, 2907.241, or 2907.25 of the Revised Code and to a specification of the type described in section 2941.1421 of the Revised Code and if the court imposes a prison term on the offender for the felony violation, the court may impose upon the offender an additional prison term as follows:

(i) Subject to division (H)(2)(a)(ii) of this section, an additional prison term of one, two, three, four, five, or six months;

(ii) If the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to one or more felony or misdemeanor violations of section 2907.22, 2907.23, 2907.24, 2907.241, or 2907.25 of the Revised Code and also was convicted of or pleaded guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.1421 of the Revised Code regarding one or more of those violations, an
additional prison term of one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, or twelve months.

(b) In lieu of imposing an additional prison term under division (H)(2)(a) of this section, the court may directly impose on the offender a sanction that requires the offender to wear a real-time processing, continual tracking electronic monitoring device during the period of time specified by the court. The period of time specified by the court shall equal the duration of an additional prison term that the court could have imposed upon the offender under division (H)(2)(a) of this section. A sanction imposed under this division shall commence on the date specified by the court, provided that the sanction shall not commence until after the offender has served the prison term imposed for the felony violation of section 2907.22, 2907.24, 2907.241, or 2907.25 of the Revised Code and any residential sanction imposed for the violation under section 2929.16 of the Revised Code. A sanction imposed under this division shall be considered to be a community control sanction for purposes of section 2929.15 of the Revised Code, and all provisions of the Revised Code that pertain to community control sanctions shall apply to a sanction imposed under this division, except to the extent that they would by their nature be clearly inapplicable. The offender shall pay all costs associated with a sanction imposed under this division, including the cost of the use of the monitoring device.

(I) At the time of sentencing, the court may recommend the offender for placement in a program of shock incarceration under section 5120.031 of the Revised Code or for placement in an intensive program prison under section 5120.032 of the Revised Code, disapprove placement of the offender in a program of shock incarceration or an intensive program prison of that nature, or make no recommendation on placement of the offender. In no case shall the department of rehabilitation and correction place the
offender in a program or prison of that nature unless the department determines as specified in section 5120.031 or 5120.032 of the Revised Code, whichever is applicable, that the offender is eligible for the placement.

If the court disapproves placement of the offender in a program or prison of that nature, the department of rehabilitation and correction shall not place the offender in any program of shock incarceration or intensive program prison.

If the court recommends placement of the offender in a program of shock incarceration or in an intensive program prison, and if the offender is subsequently placed in the recommended program or prison, the department shall notify the court of the placement and shall include with the notice a brief description of the placement.

If the court recommends placement of the offender in a program of shock incarceration or in an intensive program prison and the department does not subsequently place the offender in the recommended program or prison, the department shall send a notice to the court indicating why the offender was not placed in the recommended program or prison.

If the court does not make a recommendation under this division with respect to an offender and if the department determines as specified in section 5120.031 or 5120.032 of the Revised Code, whichever is applicable, that the offender is eligible for placement in a program or prison of that nature, the department shall screen the offender and determine if there is an available program of shock incarceration or an intensive program prison for which the offender is suited. If there is an available program of shock incarceration or an intensive program prison for which the offender is suited, the department shall notify the court of the proposed placement of the offender as specified in section 5120.031 or 5120.032 of the Revised Code and shall include...
with the notice a brief description of the placement. The court shall have ten days from receipt of the notice to disapprove the placement.

(J) If a person is convicted of or pleads guilty to aggravated vehicular homicide in violation of division (A)(1) of section 2903.06 of the Revised Code and division (B)(2)(c) of that section applies, the person shall be sentenced pursuant to section 2929.142 of the Revised Code.

(K)(1) The court shall impose an additional mandatory prison term of two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, or eleven years on an offender who is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violent felony offense if the offender also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a specification of the type described in section 2941.1424 of the Revised Code that charges that the offender is a violent career criminal and had a firearm on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the presently charged violent felony offense and displayed or brandished the firearm, indicated that the offender possessed a firearm, or used the firearm to facilitate the offense. The offender shall serve the prison term imposed under this division consecutively to and prior to the prison term imposed for the underlying offense. The prison term shall not be reduced pursuant to section 2929.20 or 2967.19 or any other provision of Chapter 2967. or 5120. of the Revised Code. A court may not impose more than one sentence under division (B)(2)(a) of this section and this division for acts committed as part of the same act or transaction.

(2) As used in division (K)(1) of this section, "violent career criminal" and "violent felony offense" have the same meanings as in section 2923.132 of the Revised Code.
felony the court is not required to impose a prison term, a mandatory prison term, or a term of life imprisonment upon the offender, the court may directly impose a sentence that consists of one or more community control sanctions authorized pursuant to section 2929.16, 2929.17, or 2929.18 of the Revised Code. If the court is sentencing an offender for a fourth degree felony OVI offense under division (G)(1) of section 2929.13 of the Revised Code, in addition to the mandatory term of local incarceration imposed under that division and the mandatory fine required by division (B)(3) of section 2929.18 of the Revised Code, the court may impose upon the offender a community control sanction or combination of community control sanctions in accordance with sections 2929.16 and 2929.17 of the Revised Code. If the court is sentencing an offender for a third or fourth degree felony OVI offense under division (G)(2) of section 2929.13 of the Revised Code, in addition to the mandatory prison term or mandatory prison term and additional prison term imposed under that division, the court also may impose upon the offender a community control sanction or combination of community control sanctions under section 2929.16 or 2929.17 of the Revised Code, but the offender shall serve all of the prison terms so imposed prior to serving the community control sanction.

The duration of all community control sanctions imposed on an offender under this division shall not exceed five years for any felony of the first, second, or third degree or any felony sex offense, three years for any felony of the fourth degree that is not a felony sex offense, or one year for any felony of the fifth degree that is not a felony sex offense. If the offender absconds or otherwise leaves the jurisdiction of the court in which the offender resides without obtaining permission from the court or the offender's probation officer to leave the jurisdiction of the court, or if the offender is confined in any institution for the
commission of any offense while under a community control sanction, the period of the community control sanction ceases to run until the offender is brought before the court for its further action. If the court sentences the offender to one or more nonresidential sanctions under section 2929.17 of the Revised Code, the court shall impose as a condition of the nonresidential sanctions that, during the period of the sanctions, the offender must abide by the law and must not leave the state without the permission of the court or the offender's probation officer. The court may impose any other conditions of release under a community control sanction that the court considers appropriate, including, but not limited to, requiring that the offender not ingest or be injected with a drug of abuse and submit to random drug testing as provided in division (D) of this section to determine whether the offender ingested or was injected with a drug of abuse and requiring that the results of the drug test indicate that the offender did not ingest or was not injected with a drug of abuse.

As used in this division, "felony sex offense" means a violation of a section contained in Chapter 2907. of the Revised Code that is a felony.

(2)(a) If a court sentences an offender to any community control sanction or combination of community control sanctions authorized pursuant to section 2929.16, 2929.17, or 2929.18 of the Revised Code, the court shall place the offender under the general control and supervision of a department of probation in the county that serves the court for purposes of reporting to the court a violation of any condition of the sanctions, any condition of release under a community control sanction imposed by the court, a violation of law, or the departure of the offender from this state without the permission of the court or the offender's probation officer. Alternatively, if the offender resides in another county and a county department of probation has been established in that county, the court may place the offender under the general control and supervision of the county department of probation.
county or that county is served by a multicounty probation department established under section 2301.27 of the Revised Code, the court may request the court of common pleas of that county to receive the offender into the general control and supervision of that county or multicounty department of probation for purposes of reporting to the court a violation of any condition of the sanctions, any condition of release under a community control sanction imposed by the court, a violation of law, or the departure of the offender from this state without the permission of the court or the offender's probation officer, subject to the jurisdiction of the trial judge over and with respect to the person of the offender, and to the rules governing that department of probation.

If there is no department of probation in the county that serves the court, the court shall place the offender, regardless of the offender's county of residence, under the general control and supervision of the adult parole authority or an entity authorized under division (B) of section 2301.27 of the Revised Code to provide probation and supervisory services to counties for purposes of reporting to the court a violation of any of the sanctions, any condition of release under a community control sanction imposed by the court, a violation of law, or the departure of the offender from this state without the permission of the court or the offender's probation officer.

(b) If the court imposing sentence on an offender sentences the offender to any community control sanction or combination of community control sanctions authorized pursuant to section 2929.16, 2929.17, or 2929.18 of the Revised Code, and if the offender violates any condition of the sanctions, violates any condition of release under a community control sanction imposed by the court, violates any law, or departs the state without the permission of the court or the offender's probation officer, the
public or private person or entity that operates or administers the sanction or the program or activity that comprises the sanction shall report the violation or departure directly to the sentencing court, or shall report the violation or departure to the county or multicounty department of probation with general control and supervision over the offender under division (A)(2)(a) of this section or the officer of that department who supervises the offender, or, if there is no such department with general control and supervision over the offender under that division, to the adult parole authority or an entity authorized under division (B) of section 2301.27 of the Revised Code to provide probation and supervisory services to the county. If the public or private person or entity that operates or administers the sanction or the program or activity that comprises the sanction reports the violation or departure to the county or multicounty department of probation, the adult parole authority, or any other entity providing probation and supervisory services to the county, the department's, authority's, or other entity's officers may treat the offender as if the offender were on probation and in violation of the probation, and shall report the violation of the condition of the sanction, any condition of release under a community control sanction imposed by the court, the violation of law, or the departure from the state without the required permission to the sentencing court.

(3) If an offender who is eligible for community control sanctions under this section admits to being drug addicted or the court has reason to believe that the offender is drug addicted, and if the offense for which the offender is being sentenced was related to the addiction, the court may require that the offender be assessed by a properly credentialed professional within a specified period of time and shall require the professional to file a written assessment of the offender with the court. If a court imposes treatment and recovery support services as a
community control sanction, the court shall direct the level and type of treatment and recovery support services after consideration of the written assessment, if available at the time of sentencing, and recommendations of the professional and other treatment and recovery support services providers.

(4) If an assessment completed pursuant to division (A)(3) of this section indicates that the offender is addicted to drugs or alcohol, the court may include in any community control sanction imposed for a violation of section 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.04, 2925.05, 2925.06, 2925.11, 2925.13, 2925.22, 2925.23, 2925.36, or 2925.37 of the Revised Code a requirement that the offender participate in alcohol and drug addiction services and recovery supports certified under section 5119.36 of the Revised Code or offered by a properly credentialed community addiction services provider.

(B)(1) If the conditions of a community control sanction imposed for a felony are violated or if the offender violates a law or leaves the state without the permission of the court or the offender's probation officer, the sentencing court may impose on the violator one or more of the following penalties:

(a) A longer time under the same sanction if the total time under the sanctions does not exceed the five-year limit for the felony for which the community control sanction was imposed that is specified in division (A) of this section;

(b) A more restrictive sanction under section 2929.16, 2929.17, or 2929.18 of the Revised Code, including but not limited to, a new term in a community-based correctional facility, halfway house, or jail pursuant to division (A)(6) of section 2929.16 of the Revised Code;

(c) A prison term on the offender pursuant to section 2929.14 of the Revised Code and division (B)(3) of this section, provided
that a prison term imposed under this division is subject to the following limitations, as applicable:

(i) If the prison term is imposed for any technical violation of the conditions of a community control sanction imposed for a felony of the fifth degree, the prison term shall not exceed ninety days, provided that if the remaining period of community control at the time of the violation or the remaining period of the suspended prison sentence at that time is less than ninety days, the prison term shall not exceed the length of the remaining period of community control or the remaining period of the suspended prison sentence. If the court imposes a prison term as described in this division, division (B)(2)(b) of this section applies.

(ii) If the prison term is imposed for any technical violation of the conditions of a community control sanction imposed for a felony of the fourth degree that is not an offense of violence and is not a sexually oriented offense, the prison term shall not exceed one hundred eighty days, provided that if the remaining period of the community control at the time of the violation or the remaining period of the suspended prison sentence at that time is less than one hundred eighty days, the prison term shall not exceed the length of the remaining period of community control or the remaining period of the suspended prison sentence. If the court imposes a prison term as described in this division, division (B)(2)(b) of this section applies.

(2)(a) If an offender was acting pursuant to division (B)(2)(b) of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code and in so doing violated the conditions of a community control sanction based on a minor drug possession offense, as defined in section 2925.11 of the Revised Code, the sentencing court may consider the offender's conduct in seeking or obtaining medical assistance for another in good faith or for self or may consider the offender being the
subject of another person seeking or obtaining medical assistance in accordance with that division as a mitigating factor before imposing any of the penalties described in division (B)(1) of this section.

(b) If a court imposes a prison term on an offender under division (B)(1)(c)(i) or (ii) of this section for a technical violation of the conditions of a community control sanction, one of the following is applicable with respect to the time that the offender spends in prison under the term:

(i) Subject to division (B)(2)(b)(ii) of this section, it shall be credited against the offender's community control sanction that was being served at the time of the violation, and the remaining time under that community control sanction shall be reduced by the time that the offender spends in prison under the prison term. The offender upon release from the prison term shall continue serving the remaining time under the community control sanction, as reduced under this division.

(ii) If the offender at the time of the violation was serving a community control sanction as part of a suspended prison sentence, it shall be credited against the offender's community control sanction that was being served at the time of the violation and against the suspended prison sentence, and the remaining time under that community control sanction and under the suspended prison sentence shall be reduced by the time that the offender spends in prison under the prison term. The offender upon release from the prison term shall continue serving the remaining time under the community control sanction, as reduced under this division.

(c) A court is not limited in the number of times it may sentence an offender to a prison term under division (B)(1)(c) of this section for a violation of the conditions of a community control sanction or for a violation of a law or leaving the state.
without the permission of the court or the offender's probation officer. If an offender who is under a community control sanction violates the conditions of the sanction or violates a law or leaves the state without the permission of the court or the offender's probation officer, is sentenced to a prison term for the violation or conduct, is released from the term after serving it, and subsequently violates the conditions of the sanction or violates a law or leaves the state without the permission of the court or the offender's probation officer, the court may impose a new prison term sanction on the offender under division (B)(1)(c) of this section for the subsequent violation or conduct.

(3) The prison term, if any, imposed on a violator pursuant to this division and division (B)(1) of this section shall be within the range of prison terms described in this division and shall not exceed the prison term from the range of terms specified in the notice provided to the offender at the sentencing hearing pursuant to division (B)(2) of section 2929.19 of the Revised Code. The court may reduce the longer period of time that the offender is required to spend under the longer sanction, the more restrictive sanction, or a prison term imposed pursuant to division (B)(1) of this section by the time the offender successfully spent under the sanction that was initially imposed. Except as otherwise specified in this division, the prison term imposed under this division and division (B)(1) of this section shall be within the range of prison terms available as a definite term for the offense for which the sanction that was violated was imposed. If the offense for which the sanction that was violated was imposed is a felony of the first or second degree committed on or after March 22, 2019, the prison term so imposed under this division shall be within the range of prison terms available as a minimum term for the offense under division (A)(1)(a) or (2)(a) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code.
(C) If an offender, for a significant period of time, fulfills the conditions of a sanction imposed pursuant to section 2929.16, 2929.17, or 2929.18 of the Revised Code in an exemplary manner, the court may reduce the period of time under the sanction or impose a less restrictive sanction, but the court shall not permit the offender to violate any law or permit the offender to leave the state without the permission of the court or the offender's probation officer.

(D)(1) If a court under division (A)(1) of this section imposes a condition of release under a community control sanction that requires the offender to submit to random drug testing, the department of probation, the adult parole authority, or any other entity that has general control and supervision of the offender under division (A)(2)(a) of this section may cause the offender to submit to random drug testing performed by a laboratory or entity that has entered into a contract with any of the governmental entities or officers authorized to enter into a contract with that laboratory or entity under section 341.26, 753.33, or 5120.63 of the Revised Code.

(2) If no laboratory or entity described in division (D)(1) of this section has entered into a contract as specified in that division, the department of probation, the adult parole authority, or any other entity that has general control and supervision of the offender under division (A)(2)(a) of this section shall cause the offender to submit to random drug testing performed by a reputable public laboratory to determine whether the individual who is the subject of the drug test ingested or was injected with a drug of abuse.

(3) A laboratory or entity that has entered into a contract pursuant to section 341.26, 753.33, or 5120.63 of the Revised Code shall perform the random drug tests under division (D)(1) of this section in accordance with the applicable standards that are
included in the terms of that contract. A public laboratory shall perform the random drug tests under division (D)(2) of this section in accordance with the standards set forth in the policies and procedures established by the department of rehabilitation and correction pursuant to section 5120.63 of the Revised Code. An offender who is required under division (A)(1) of this section to submit to random drug testing as a condition of release under a community control sanction and whose test results indicate that the offender ingested or was injected with a drug of abuse shall pay the fee for the drug test if the department of probation, the adult parole authority, or any other entity that has general control and supervision of the offender requires payment of a fee.

A laboratory or entity that performs the random drug testing on an offender under division (D)(1) or (2) of this section shall transmit the results of the drug test to the appropriate department of probation, the adult parole authority, or any other entity that has general control and supervision of the offender under division (A)(2)(a) of this section.

(E) As used in this section, "technical violation" means a violation of the conditions of a community control sanction imposed for a felony of the fifth degree, or for a felony of the fourth degree that is not an offense of violence and is not a sexually oriented offense, and to which neither of the following applies:

(1) The violation consists of a new criminal offense that is a felony or that is a misdemeanor other than a minor misdemeanor, and the violation is committed while under the community control sanction.

(2) The violation consists of or includes the offender's articulated or demonstrated refusal to participate in the community control sanction imposed on the offender or any of its conditions, and the refusal demonstrates to the court that the
offender has abandoned the objects of the community control
sanction or condition.

Sec. 2929.19. (A) The court shall hold a sentencing hearing
before imposing a sentence under this chapter upon an offender who
was convicted of or pleaded guilty to a felony and before
resentencing an offender who was convicted of or pleaded guilty to
a felony and whose case was remanded pursuant to section 2953.07
or 2953.08 of the Revised Code. At the hearing, the offender, the
prosecuting attorney, the victim or the victim's representative in
accordance with section 2930.14 of the Revised Code, and, with the
approval of the court, any other person may present information
relevant to the imposition of sentence in the case. The court
shall inform the offender of the verdict of the jury or finding of
the court and ask the offender whether the offender has anything
to say as to why sentence should not be imposed upon the offender.

(B)(1) At the sentencing hearing, the court, before imposing
sentence, shall consider the record, any information presented at
the hearing by any person pursuant to division (A) of this
section, and, if one was prepared, the presentence investigation
report made pursuant to section 2951.03 of the Revised Code or
Criminal Rule 32.2, and any victim impact statement made pursuant
to section 2947.051 of the Revised Code.

(2) Subject to division (B)(3) of this section, if the
sentencing court determines at the sentencing hearing that a
prison term is necessary or required, the court shall do all of
the following:

(a) Impose a stated prison term and, if the court imposes a
mandatory prison term, notify the offender that the prison term is
a mandatory prison term;

(b) In addition to any other information, include in the
sentencing entry the name and section reference to the offense or

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offenses, the sentence or sentences imposed and whether the sentence or sentences contain mandatory prison terms, if sentences are imposed for multiple counts whether the sentences are to be served concurrently or consecutively, and the name and section reference of any specification or specifications for which sentence is imposed and the sentence or sentences imposed for the specification or specifications;

(c) If the prison term is a non-life felony indefinite prison term, notify the offender of all of the following:

(i) That it is rebuttably presumed that the offender will be released from service of the sentence on the expiration of the minimum prison term imposed as part of the sentence or on the offender's presumptive earned early release date, as defined in section 2967.271 of the Revised Code, whichever is earlier;

(ii) That the department of rehabilitation and correction may rebut the presumption described in division (B)(2)(c)(i) of this section if, at a hearing held under section 2967.271 of the Revised Code, the department makes specified determinations regarding the offender's conduct while confined, the offender's rehabilitation, the offender's threat to society, the offender's restrictive housing, if any, while confined, and the offender's security classification;

(iii) That, as described in division (B)(2)(c)(ii) of this section, the department at the hearing makes the specified determinations and rebuts the presumption, the department may maintain the offender's incarceration after the expiration of that minimum term or after that presumptive earned early release date for the length of time the department determines to be reasonable, subject to the limitation specified in section 2967.271 of the Revised Code;

(iv) That the department may make the specified
determinations and maintain the offender's incarceration under the provisions described in divisions (B)(2)(c)(i) and (ii) of this section more than one time, subject to the limitation specified in section 2967.271 of the Revised Code;

(v) That if the offender has not been released prior to the expiration of the offender's maximum prison term imposed as part of the sentence, the offender must be released upon the expiration of that term.

(d) Notify the offender that the offender will be supervised under section 2967.28 of the Revised Code after the offender leaves prison if the offender is being sentenced, other than to a sentence of life imprisonment, for a felony of the first degree or second degree, for a felony sex offense, or for a felony of the third degree that is an offense of violence and is not a felony sex offense. This division applies with respect to all prison terms imposed for an offense of a type described in this division, including a non-life felony indefinite prison term and including a term imposed for any offense of a type described in this division that is a risk reduction sentence, as defined in section 2967.28 of the Revised Code. If a court imposes a sentence including a prison term of a type described in division (B)(2)(d) of this section on or after July 11, 2006, the failure of a court to notify the offender pursuant to division (B)(2)(d) of this section that the offender will be supervised under section 2967.28 of the Revised Code after the offender leaves prison or to include in the judgment of conviction entered on the journal a statement to that effect does not negate, limit, or otherwise affect the mandatory period of supervision that is required for the offender under division (B) of section 2967.28 of the Revised Code. Section 2929.191 of the Revised Code applies if, prior to July 11, 2006, a court imposed a sentence including a prison term of a type described in division (B)(2)(d) of this section and failed to
notify the offender pursuant to division (B)(2)(d) of this section regarding post-release control or to include in the judgment of conviction entered on the journal or in the sentence a statement regarding post-release control.

(e) Notify the offender that the offender may be supervised under section 2967.28 of the Revised Code after the offender leaves prison if the offender is being sentenced for a felony of the third, fourth, or fifth degree that is not subject to division (B)(2)(d) of this section. This division applies with respect to all prison terms imposed for an offense of a type described in this division, including a term imposed for any such offense that is a risk reduction sentence, as defined in section 2967.28 of the Revised Code. Section 2929.191 of the Revised Code applies if, prior to July 11, 2006, a court imposed a sentence including a prison term of a type described in division (B)(2)(e) of this section and failed to notify the offender pursuant to division (B)(2)(e) of this section regarding post-release control or to include in the judgment of conviction entered on the journal or in the sentence a statement regarding post-release control.

(f) Notify the offender that, if a period of supervision is imposed following the offender's release from prison, as described in division (B)(2)(d) or (e) of this section, and if the offender violates that supervision or a condition of post-release control imposed under division (B) of section 2967.131 of the Revised Code, the parole board may impose a prison term, as part of the sentence, of up to one-half of the definite prison term originally imposed upon the offender as the offender's stated prison term or up to one-half of the minimum prison term originally imposed upon the offender as part of the offender's stated non-life felony indefinite prison term. If a court imposes a sentence including a prison term on or after July 11, 2006, the failure of a court to notify the offender pursuant to division (B)(2)(f) of this section
that the parole board may impose a prison term as described in division (B)(2)(f) of this section for a violation of that supervision or a condition of post-release control imposed under division (B) of section 2967.131 of the Revised Code or to include in the judgment of conviction entered on the journal a statement to that effect does not negate, limit, or otherwise affect the authority of the parole board to so impose a prison term for a violation of that nature if, pursuant to division (D)(1) of section 2967.28 of the Revised Code, the parole board notifies the offender prior to the offender's release of the board's authority to so impose a prison term. Section 2929.191 of the Revised Code applies if, prior to July 11, 2006, a court imposed a sentence including a prison term and failed to notify the offender pursuant to division (B)(2)(f) of this section regarding the possibility of the parole board imposing a prison term for a violation of supervision or a condition of post-release control.

(g)(i) Determine, notify the offender of, and include in the sentencing entry the total number of days, including the sentencing date but excluding conveyance time, that the offender has been confined for any reason arising out of the offense for which the offender is being sentenced and by which the department of rehabilitation and correction must reduce the definite prison term imposed on the offender as the offender's stated prison term or, if the offense is an offense for which a non-life felony indefinite prison term is imposed under division (A)(1)(a) or (2)(a) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code, the minimum and maximum prison terms imposed on the offender as part of that non-life felony indefinite prison term, under section 2967.191 of the Revised Code. The court's calculation shall not include the number of days, if any, that the offender served in the custody of the department of rehabilitation and correction arising out of any prior offense for which the prisoner was convicted and sentenced.
(ii) In making a determination under division (B)(2)(g)(i) of this section, the court shall consider the arguments of the parties and conduct a hearing if one is requested.

(iii) The sentencing court retains continuing jurisdiction to correct any error not previously raised at sentencing in making a determination under division (B)(2)(g)(i) of this section. The offender may, at any time after sentencing, file a motion in the sentencing court to correct any error made in making a determination under division (B)(2)(g)(i) of this section, and the court may in its discretion grant or deny that motion. If the court changes the number of days in its determination or redetermination, the court shall cause the entry granting that change to be delivered to the department of rehabilitation and correction without delay. Sections 2931.15 and 2953.21 of the Revised Code do not apply to a motion made under this section.

(iv) An inaccurate determination under division (B)(2)(g)(i) of this section is not grounds for setting aside the offender's conviction or sentence and does not otherwise render the sentence void or voidable.

(v) The department of rehabilitation and correction shall rely upon the latest journal entry of the court in determining the total days of local confinement for purposes of division (B)(2)(f)(i), (B)(2)(g)(i) to (iii) of this section and section 2967.191 of the Revised Code.

(3)(a) The court shall include in the offender's sentence a statement that the offender is a tier III sex offender/child-victim offender, and the court shall comply with the requirements of section 2950.03 of the Revised Code if any of the following apply:

(i) The offender is being sentenced for a violent sex offense or designated homicide, assault, or kidnapping offense that the
offender committed on or after January 1, 1997, and the offender
is adjudicated a sexually violent predator in relation to that
offense.

(ii) The offender is being sentenced for a sexually oriented
offense that the offender committed on or after January 1, 1997,
and the offender is a tier III sex offender/child-victim offender
relative to that offense.

(iii) The offender is being sentenced on or after July 31,
2003, for a child-victim oriented offense, and the offender is a
tier III sex offender/child-victim offender relative to that
offense.

(iv) The offender is being sentenced under section 2971.03 of
the Revised Code for a violation of division (A)(1)(b) of section
2907.02 of the Revised Code committed on or after January 2, 2007.

(v) The offender is sentenced to a term of life without
parole under division (B) of section 2907.02 of the Revised Code.

(vi) The offender is being sentenced for attempted rape
committed on or after January 2, 2007, and a specification of the
type described in section 2941.1418, 2941.1419, or 2941.1420 of
the Revised Code.

(vii) The offender is being sentenced under division
(B)(3)(a), (b), (c), or (d) of section 2971.03 of the Revised Code
for an offense described in those divisions committed on or after
January 1, 2008.

(b) Additionally, if any criterion set forth in divisions
(B)(3)(a)(i) to (vii) of this section is satisfied, in the
circumstances described in division (E) of section 2929.14 of the
Revised Code, the court shall impose sentence on the offender as
described in that division.

(4) If the sentencing court determines at the sentencing
hearing that a community control sanction should be imposed and the court is not prohibited from imposing a community control sanction, the court shall impose a community control sanction. The court shall notify the offender that, if the conditions of the sanction are violated, if the offender commits a violation of any law, or if the offender leaves this state without the permission of the court or the offender's probation officer, the court may impose a longer time under the same sanction, may impose a more restrictive sanction, or may impose a prison term on the offender and shall indicate the specific range from which the prison term that may be imposed as a sanction for the violation, as selected by the court from which shall be the range of prison terms for the offense that is specified pursuant to section 2929.14 of the Revised Code and as described in section 2929.15 of the Revised Code.

(5) Before imposing a financial sanction under section 2929.18 of the Revised Code or a fine under section 2929.32 of the Revised Code, the court shall consider the offender's present and future ability to pay the amount of the sanction or fine.

(6) If the sentencing court sentences the offender to a sanction of confinement pursuant to section 2929.14 or 2929.16 of the Revised Code that is to be served in a local detention facility, as defined in section 2929.36 of the Revised Code, and if the local detention facility is covered by a policy adopted pursuant to section 307.93, 341.14, 341.19, 341.21, 341.23, 753.02, 753.04, 753.16, 2301.56, or 2947.19 of the Revised Code and section 2929.37 of the Revised Code, both of the following apply:

(a) The court shall specify both of the following as part of the sentence:

(i) If the offender is presented with an itemized bill pursuant to section 2929.37 of the Revised Code for payment of the
costs of confinement, the offender is required to pay the bill in accordance with that section.

(ii) If the offender does not dispute the bill described in division (B)(6)(a)(i) of this section and does not pay the bill by the times specified in section 2929.37 of the Revised Code, the clerk of the court may issue a certificate of judgment against the offender as described in that section.

(b) The sentence automatically includes any certificate of judgment issued as described in division (B)(6)(a)(ii) of this section.

(7) The failure of the court to notify the offender that a prison term is a mandatory prison term pursuant to division (B)(2)(a) of this section or to include in the sentencing entry any information required by division (B)(2)(b) of this section does not affect the validity of the imposed sentence or sentences. If the sentencing court notifies the offender at the sentencing hearing that a prison term is mandatory but the sentencing entry does not specify that the prison term is mandatory, the court may complete a corrected journal entry and send copies of the corrected entry to the offender and the department of rehabilitation and correction, or, at the request of the state, the court shall complete a corrected journal entry and send copies of the corrected entry to the offender and department of rehabilitation and correction.

(C)(1) If the offender is being sentenced for a fourth degree felony OVI offense under division (G)(1) of section 2929.13 of the Revised Code, the court shall impose the mandatory term of local incarceration in accordance with that division, shall impose a mandatory fine in accordance with division (B)(3) of section 2929.18 of the Revised Code, and, in addition, may impose additional sanctions as specified in sections 2929.15, 2929.16, 2929.17, and 2929.18 of the Revised Code. The court shall not
impose a prison term on the offender except that the court may 16306
impose a prison term upon the offender as provided in division 16307
(A)(1) of section 2929.13 of the Revised Code. 16308

(2) If the offender is being sentenced for a third or fourth 16309
degree felony OVI offense under division (G)(2) of section 2929.13 16310
of the Revised Code, the court shall impose the mandatory prison 16311
term in accordance with that division, shall impose a mandatory 16312
fine in accordance with division (B)(3) of section 2929.18 of the 16313
Revised Code, and, in addition, may impose an additional prison 16314
term as specified in section 2929.14 of the Revised Code. In 16315
addition to the mandatory prison term or mandatory prison term and 16316
additional prison term the court imposes, the court also may 16317
impose a community control sanction on the offender, but the 16318
offender shall serve all of the prison terms so imposed prior to 16319
serving the community control sanction.

(D) The sentencing court, pursuant to division (I)(1) of 16320
section 2929.14 of the Revised Code, may recommend placement of 16321
the offender in a program of shock incarceration under section 16322
5120.031 of the Revised Code or an intensive program prison under 16323
section 5120.032 of the Revised Code, disapprove placement of the 16324
offender in a program or prison of that nature, or make no 16325
recommendation. If the court recommends or disapproves placement, 16326
it shall make a finding that gives its reasons for its recommendation or disapproval.

**Sec. 2929.20.** (A) As used in this section:

(1)(a) Except as provided in division (A)(1)(b) of this 16331
section, "eligible offender" means any person who, on or after 16332
April 7, 2009, is serving a stated prison term that includes one 16333
or more nonmandatory prison terms.

(b) "Eligible offender" does not include any person who, on 16334
or after April 7, 2009, is serving a stated prison term for any of 16335
the following criminal offenses that was a felony and was committed while the person held a public office in this state:

   (i) A violation of section 2921.02, 2921.03, 2921.05, 2921.31, 2921.32, 2921.41, 2921.42, or 2923.32 of the Revised Code;

   (ii) A violation of section 2913.42, 2921.04, 2921.11, or 2921.12 of the Revised Code, when the conduct constituting the violation was related to the duties of the offender's public office or to the offender's actions as a public official holding that public office;

   (iii) A violation of an existing or former municipal ordinance or law of this or any other state or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any violation listed in division (A)(1)(b)(i) of this section;

   (iv) A violation of an existing or former municipal ordinance or law of this or any other state or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any violation listed in division (A)(1)(b)(ii) of this section, when the conduct constituting the violation was related to the duties of the offender's public office or to the offender's actions as a public official holding that public office;

   (v) A conspiracy to commit, attempt to commit, or complicity in committing any offense listed in division (A)(1)(b)(i) or described in division (A)(1)(b)(iii) of this section;

   (vi) A conspiracy to commit, attempt to commit, or complicity in committing any offense listed in division (A)(1)(b)(ii) or described in division (A)(1)(b)(iv) of this section, if the conduct constituting the offense that was the subject of the conspiracy, that would have constituted the offense attempted, or constituting the offense in which the offender was complicit was or would have been related to the duties of the offender's public office.
office or to the offender's actions as a public official holding that public office.

(2) "Nonmandatory prison term" means a prison term that is not a mandatory prison term.

(3) "Public office" means any elected federal, state, or local government office in this state.

(4) "Victim's representative" has the same meaning as in section 2930.01 of the Revised Code.

(5) "Imminent danger of death," "medically incapacitated," and "terminal illness" have the same meanings as in section 2967.05 of the Revised Code.

(6) "Aggregated nonmandatory prison term or terms" means the aggregate of the following:

(a) All nonmandatory definite prison terms;

(b) With respect to any non-life felony indefinite prison term, all nonmandatory minimum prison terms imposed as part of the non-life felony indefinite prison term or terms.

(7) "Felony sex offense" means a violation of a section contained in Chapter 2907. of the Revised Code that is a felony.

(B) On the motion of an eligible offender or upon its own motion, the sentencing court may reduce the eligible offender's aggregated nonmandatory prison term or terms through a judicial release under this section.

(C) An eligible offender may file a motion for judicial release with the sentencing court within the following applicable periods:

(1) If the aggregated nonmandatory prison term or terms is less than two years, the eligible offender may file the motion at any time after the offender is delivered to a state correctional institution or, if the prison term includes a mandatory prison
term or terms, at any time after the expiration of all mandatory
prison terms.

(2) If the aggregated nonmandatory prison term or terms is at
least two years but less than five years, the eligible offender
may file the motion not earlier than one hundred eighty days after
the offender is delivered to a state correctional institution or,
if the prison term includes a mandatory prison term or terms, not
earlier than one hundred eighty days after the expiration of all
mandatory prison terms.

(3) If the aggregated nonmandatory prison term or terms is
five years, the eligible offender may file the motion not earlier
than the date on which the eligible offender has served four years
of the offender's stated prison term or, if the prison term
includes a mandatory prison term or terms, not earlier than four
years after the expiration of all mandatory prison terms.

(4) If the aggregated nonmandatory prison term or terms is
more than five years but not more than ten years, the eligible
offender may file the motion not earlier than the date on which
the eligible offender has served five years of the offender's
stated prison term or, if the prison term includes a mandatory
prison term or terms, not earlier than five years after the
expiration of all mandatory prison terms.

(5) If the aggregated nonmandatory prison term or terms is
more than ten years, the eligible offender may file the motion not
earlier than the later of the date on which the offender has
served one-half of the offender's stated prison term or the date
specified in division (C)(4) of this section.

(D) Upon receipt of a timely motion for judicial release
filed by an eligible offender under division (C) of this section
or upon the sentencing court's own motion made within the
appropriate time specified in that division, the court may deny
the motion without a hearing or schedule a hearing on the motion. The court shall not grant the motion without a hearing. If a court denies a motion without a hearing, the court later may consider judicial release for that eligible offender on a subsequent motion filed by that eligible offender unless the court denies the motion with prejudice. If a court denies a motion with prejudice, the court may later consider judicial release on its own motion. If a court denies a motion after a hearing, the court shall not consider a subsequent motion for that eligible offender. The court shall hold only one hearing for any eligible offender.

A hearing under this section shall be conducted in open court not less than thirty or more than sixty days after the motion is filed, provided that the court may delay the hearing for one hundred eighty additional days. If the court holds a hearing, the court shall enter a ruling on the motion within ten days after the hearing. If the court denies the motion without a hearing, the court shall enter its ruling on the motion within sixty days after the motion is filed.

(E) If a court schedules a hearing under division (D) of this section, the court shall notify the eligible offender and the head of the state correctional institution in which the eligible offender is confined prior to the hearing. The head of the state correctional institution immediately shall notify the appropriate person at the department of rehabilitation and correction of the hearing, and the department within twenty-four hours after receipt of the notice, shall post on the database it maintains pursuant to section 5120.66 of the Revised Code the offender's name and all of the information specified in division (A)(1)(c)(i) of that section. If the court schedules a hearing for judicial release, the court promptly shall give notice of the hearing to the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the eligible offender was indicted. Upon receipt of the notice from the court, the
prosecuting attorney shall do whichever of the following is applicable:

(1) Subject to division (E)(2) of this section, notify the victim of the offense or the victim's representative pursuant to division (B) of section 2930.16 of the Revised Code;

(2) If the offense was an offense of violence that is a felony of the first, second, or third degree, except as otherwise provided in this division, notify the victim or the victim's representative of the hearing regardless of whether the victim or victim's representative has requested the notification. The notice of the hearing shall not be given under this division to a victim or victim's representative if the victim or victim's representative has requested pursuant to division (B)(2) of section 2930.03 of the Revised Code that the victim or the victim's representative not be provided the notice. If notice is to be provided to a victim or victim's representative under this division, the prosecuting attorney may give the notice by any reasonable means, including regular mail, telephone, and electronic mail, in accordance with division (D)(1) of section 2930.16 of the Revised Code. If the notice is based on an offense committed prior to March 22, 2013, the notice also shall include the opt-out information described in division (D)(1) of section 2930.16 of the Revised Code. The prosecuting attorney, in accordance with division (D)(2) of section 2930.16 of the Revised Code, shall keep a record of all attempts to provide the notice, and of all notices provided, under this division. Division (E)(2) of this section, and the notice-related provisions of division (K) of this section, division (D)(1) of section 2930.16, division (H) of section 2967.12, division (E)(1)(b) of section 2967.19, division (A)(3)(b) of section 2967.26, division (D)(1) of section 2967.28, and division (A)(2) of section 5149.101 of the Revised Code enacted in the act in which division (E)(2) of this section.
was enacted, shall be known as "Roberta's Law."

(F) Upon an offender's successful completion of rehabilitative activities, the head of the state correctional institution may notify the sentencing court of the successful completion of the activities.

(G) Prior to the date of the hearing on a motion for judicial release under this section, the head of the state correctional institution in which the eligible offender is confined shall send to the court an institutional summary report on the eligible offender's conduct in the institution and in any institution from which the eligible offender may have been transferred. Upon the request of the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the eligible offender was indicted or of any law enforcement agency, the head of the state correctional institution, at the same time the person sends the institutional summary report to the court, also shall send a copy of the report to the requesting prosecuting attorney and law enforcement agencies. The institutional summary report shall cover the eligible offender's participation in school, vocational training, work, treatment, and other rehabilitative activities and any disciplinary action taken against the eligible offender. The report shall be made part of the record of the hearing. A presentence investigation report is not required for judicial release.

(H) If the court grants a hearing on a motion for judicial release under this section, the eligible offender shall attend the hearing if ordered to do so by the court. Upon receipt of a copy of the journal entry containing the order, the head of the state correctional institution in which the eligible offender is incarcerated shall deliver the eligible offender to the sheriff of the county in which the hearing is to be held. The sheriff shall convey the eligible offender to and from the hearing.

(I) At the hearing on a motion for judicial release under
this section, the court shall afford the eligible offender and the eligible offender's attorney an opportunity to present written and, if present, oral information relevant to the motion. The court shall afford a similar opportunity to the prosecuting attorney, the victim or the victim's representative, and any other person the court determines is likely to present additional relevant information. The court shall consider any statement of a victim made pursuant to section 2930.14 or 2930.17 of the Revised Code, any victim impact statement prepared pursuant to section 2947.051 of the Revised Code, and any report made under division (G) of this section. The court may consider any written statement of any person submitted to the court pursuant to division (L) of this section. After ruling on the motion, the court shall notify the victim of the ruling in accordance with sections 2930.03 and 2930.16 of the Revised Code.

(J)(1) A court shall not grant a judicial release under this section to an eligible offender who is imprisoned for a felony of the first or second degree, or to an eligible offender who committed an offense under Chapter 2925. or 3719. of the Revised Code and for whom there was a presumption under section 2929.13 of the Revised Code in favor of a prison term, unless the court, with reference to factors under section 2929.12 of the Revised Code, finds both of the following:

(a) That a sanction other than a prison term would adequately punish the offender and protect the public from future criminal violations by the eligible offender because the applicable factors indicating a lesser likelihood of recidivism outweigh the applicable factors indicating a greater likelihood of recidivism;

(b) That a sanction other than a prison term would not demean the seriousness of the offense because factors indicating that the eligible offender's conduct in committing the offense was less serious than conduct normally constituting the offense outweigh
factors indicating that the eligible offender's conduct was more serious than conduct normally constituting the offense.

(2) A court that grants a judicial release to an eligible offender under division (J)(1) of this section shall specify on the record both findings required in that division and also shall list all the factors described in that division that were presented at the hearing.

(K) If the court grants a motion for judicial release under this section, the court shall order the release of the eligible offender, shall place the eligible offender under an appropriate community control sanction, under appropriate conditions, and under the supervision of the department of probation serving the court and shall reserve the right to reimpose the sentence that it reduced if the offender violates the sanction. If the court reimposes the reduced sentence, it may do so either concurrently with, or consecutive to, any new sentence imposed upon the eligible offender as a result of the violation that is a new offense. Except as provided in division (R)(2) of this section, the period of community control shall be no longer than five years if the most serious offense from which the judicial release is granted is a felony of the first, second, or third degree or a felony sex offense, no longer than three years if the most serious offense from which judicial release is granted is a felony of the fourth degree that is not a felony sex offense, and no longer than two years if the most serious offense from which the judicial release is granted is a felony of the fifth degree that is not a felony sex offense. The court, in its discretion, may reduce the period of community control by the amount of time the eligible offender spent in jail or prison for the offense and in prison. If the court made any findings pursuant to division (J)(1) of this section, the court shall serve a copy of the findings upon counsel for the parties within fifteen days after the date on which the
court grants the motion for judicial release.

If the court grants a motion for judicial release, the court shall notify the appropriate person at the department of rehabilitation and correction, and the department shall post notice of the release on the database it maintains pursuant to section 5120.66 of the Revised Code. The court also shall notify the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the eligible offender was indicted that the motion has been granted. Unless the victim or the victim's representative has requested pursuant to division (B)(2) of section 2930.03 of the Revised Code that the victim or victim's representative not be provided the notice, the prosecuting attorney shall notify the victim or the victim's representative of the judicial release in any manner, and in accordance with the same procedures, pursuant to which the prosecuting attorney is authorized to provide notice of the hearing pursuant to division (E)(2) of this section. If the notice is based on an offense committed prior to March 22, 2013, the notice to the victim or victim's representative also shall include the opt-out information described in division (D)(1) of section 2930.16 of the Revised Code.

(L) In addition to and independent of the right of a victim to make a statement pursuant to section 2930.14, 2930.17, or 2946.051 of the Revised Code and any right of a person to present written information or make a statement pursuant to division (I) of this section, any person may submit to the court, at any time prior to the hearing on the offender's motion for judicial release, a written statement concerning the effects of the offender's crime or crimes, the circumstances surrounding the crime or crimes, the manner in which the crime or crimes were perpetrated, and the person's opinion as to whether the offender should be released.

(M) The changes to this section that are made on September
30, 2011, apply to any judicial release decision made on or after September 30, 2011, for any eligible offender.

(N) Notwithstanding the eligibility requirements specified in division (A) of this section and the filing time frames specified in division (C) of this section and notwithstanding the findings required under division (J) of this section, the sentencing court, upon the court's own motion and after considering whether the release of the offender into society would create undue risk to public safety, may grant a judicial release to an offender who is not serving a life sentence at any time during the offender's imposed sentence when the director of rehabilitation and correction certifies to the sentencing court through the chief medical officer for the department of rehabilitation and correction that the offender is in imminent danger of death, is medically incapacitated, or is suffering from a terminal illness.

(O) The director of rehabilitation and correction shall not certify any offender under division (N) of this section who is serving a death sentence.

(P) A motion made by the court under division (N) of this section is subject to the notice, hearing, and other procedural requirements specified in divisions (D), (E), (G), (H), (I), (K), and (L) of this section, except for the following:

(1) The court may waive the offender's appearance at any hearing scheduled by the court if the offender's condition makes it impossible for the offender to participate meaningfully in the proceeding.

(2) The court may grant the motion without a hearing, provided that the prosecuting attorney and victim or victim's representative to whom notice of the hearing was provided under division (E) of this section indicate that they do not wish to participate in the hearing or present information relevant to the
motion.

(Q) The court may request health care records from the
department of rehabilitation and correction to verify the
certification made under division (N) of this section.

(R)(1) If the court grants judicial release under division
(N) of this section, the court shall do all of the following:

(a) Order the release of the offender;

(b) Place the offender under an appropriate community control
sanction, under appropriate conditions;

(c) Place the offender under the supervision of the
department of probation serving the court or under the supervision
of the adult parole authority.

(2) The court, in its discretion, may revoke the judicial
release if the offender violates the community control sanction
described in division (R)(1) of this section. The period of that
community control is not subject to the five-year limitation
limitations on duration described in division (K) of this section
and shall not expire earlier than the date on which all of the
offender's mandatory prison terms expire.

(S) If the health of an offender who is released under
division (N) of this section improves so that the offender is no
longer terminally ill, medically incapacitated, or in imminent
danger of death, the court shall, upon the court's own motion,
revoke the judicial release. The court shall not grant the motion
without a hearing unless the offender waives a hearing. If a
hearing is held, the court shall afford the offender and the
offender's attorney an opportunity to present written and, if the
offender or the offender's attorney is present, oral information
relevant to the motion. The court shall afford a similar
opportunity to the prosecuting attorney, the victim or the
victim's representative, and any other person the court determines
is likely to present additional relevant information. A court that grants a motion under this division shall specify its findings on the record.

**Sec. 2929.25.** (A)(1) Except as provided in sections 2929.22 and 2929.23 of the Revised Code or when a jail term is required by law, in sentencing an offender for a misdemeanor, other than a minor misdemeanor, the sentencing court may do either of the following:

(a) Directly impose a sentence that consists of one or more community control sanctions authorized by section 2929.26, 2929.27, or 2929.28 of the Revised Code. The court may impose any other conditions of release under a community control sanction that the court considers appropriate. If the court imposes a jail term upon the offender, the court may impose any community control sanction or combination of community control sanctions in addition to the jail term.

(b) Impose a jail term under section 2929.24 of the Revised Code from the range of jail terms authorized under that section for the offense, suspend all or a portion of the jail term imposed, and place the offender under a community control sanction or combination of community control sanctions authorized under section 2929.26, 2929.27, or 2929.28 of the Revised Code.

(2) The duration of all community control sanctions imposed upon an offender and in effect for an offender at any time shall not exceed five two years.

(3) At sentencing, if a court directly imposes a community control sanction or combination of community control sanctions pursuant to division (A)(1)(a) or (B) of this section, the court shall state the duration of the community control sanctions imposed and shall notify the offender that if any of the conditions of the community control sanctions are violated the
court may do any of the following:

(a) Impose a longer time under the same community control sanction if the total time under all of the offender's community control sanctions does not exceed the five-year two-year limit specified in division (A)(2) of this section;

(b) Impose a more restrictive community control sanction under section 2929.26, 2929.27, or 2929.28 of the Revised Code, but the court is not required to impose any particular sanction or sanctions;

(c) Impose a definite jail term from the range of jail terms authorized for the offense under section 2929.24 of the Revised Code.

(B) If a court sentences an offender to any community control sanction or combination of community control sanctions pursuant to division (A)(1)(a) of this section, the sentencing court retains jurisdiction over the offender and the period of community control for the duration of the period of community control. Upon the motion of either party or on the court's own motion, the court, in the court's sole discretion and as the circumstances warrant, may modify the community control sanctions or conditions of release previously imposed, substitute a community control sanction or condition of release for another community control sanction or condition of release previously imposed, or impose an additional community control sanction or condition of release.

(C)(1) If a court sentences an offender to any community control sanction or combination of community control sanctions authorized under section 2929.26, 2929.27, or 2929.28 of the Revised Code, the court shall place the offender under the general control and supervision of the court or of a department of probation in the jurisdiction that serves the court for purposes of reporting to the court a violation of any of the conditions of the offender's community control sanctions.
the sanctions imposed. If the offender resides in another jurisdiction and a department of probation has been established to serve the municipal court or county court in that jurisdiction, the sentencing court may request the municipal court or the county court to receive the offender into the general control and supervision of that department of probation for purposes of reporting to the sentencing court a violation of any of the conditions of the sanctions imposed. The sentencing court retains jurisdiction over any offender whom it sentences for the duration of the sanction or sanctions imposed.

(2) The sentencing court shall require as a condition of any community control sanction that the offender abide by the law and not leave the state without the permission of the court or the offender's probation officer. In the interests of doing justice, rehabilitating the offender, and ensuring the offender's good behavior, the court may impose additional requirements on the offender. The offender's compliance with the additional requirements also shall be a condition of the community control sanction imposed upon the offender.

(D)(1) If the court imposing sentence upon an offender sentences the offender to any community control sanction or combination of community control sanctions authorized under section 2929.26, 2929.27, or 2929.28 of the Revised Code, and if the offender violates any of the conditions of the sanctions, the public or private person or entity that supervises or administers the program or activity that comprises the sanction shall report the violation directly to the sentencing court or to the department of probation or probation officer with general control and supervision over the offender. If the public or private person or entity reports the violation to the department of probation or probation officer, the department or officer shall report the violation to the sentencing court.
(2) If an offender violates any condition of a community control sanction, the sentencing court may impose upon the violator one or more of the following penalties:

(a) A longer time under the same community control sanction if the total time under all of the community control sanctions imposed on the violator does not exceed the five-year two-year limit specified in division (A)(2) of this section;

(b) A more restrictive community control sanction;

(c) A combination of community control sanctions, including a jail term.

(3) If an offender was acting pursuant to division (B)(2)(b) of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code and in so doing violated the conditions of a community control sanction based on a minor drug possession offense, as defined in section 2925.11 of the Revised Code, the sentencing court may consider the offender's conduct in seeking or obtaining medical assistance for another in good faith or for self or may consider the offender being the subject of another person seeking or obtaining medical assistance in accordance with that division as a mitigating factor before imposing any of the penalties described in division (D)(2) of this section.

(4) If the court imposes a jail term upon a violator pursuant to division (D)(2) of this section, the total time spent in jail for the misdemeanor offense and the violation of a condition of the community control sanction shall not exceed the maximum jail term available for the offense for which the sanction that was violated was imposed. The court may reduce the longer period of time that the violator is required to spend under the longer sanction or the more restrictive sanction imposed under division (D)(2) of this section by all or part of the time the violator successfully spent under the sanction that was initially
imposed.

(E) Except as otherwise provided in this division, if an offender, for a significant period of time, fulfills the conditions of a community control sanction imposed pursuant to section 2929.26, 2929.27, or 2929.28 of the Revised Code in an exemplary manner, the court may reduce the period of time under the community control sanction or impose a less restrictive community control sanction. Fulfilling the conditions of a community control sanction does not relieve the offender of a duty to make restitution under section 2929.28 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 2935.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Magistrate" has the same meaning as in section 2931.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) "Peace officer" includes, except as provided in section 2935.081 of the Revised Code, a sheriff; deputy sheriff; marshal; deputy marshal; member of the organized police department of any municipal corporation, including a member of the organized police department of a municipal corporation in an adjoining state serving in Ohio under a contract pursuant to section 737.04 of the Revised Code; member of a police force employed by a metropolitan housing authority under division (D) of section 3735.31 of the Revised Code; member of a police force employed by a regional transit authority under division (Y) of section 306.05 of the Revised Code; state university law enforcement officer appointed under section 3345.04 of the Revised Code; enforcement agent of the department of public safety designated under section 5502.14 of the Revised Code; employee of the department of taxation to whom investigation powers have been delegated under section 5743.45 of the Revised Code; employee of the department of natural resources who is a natural resources law enforcement staff officer designated pursuant to section 1501.013 of the Revised Code, a
forest-fire investigator appointed pursuant to section 1503.09 of the Revised Code, a natural resources officer appointed pursuant to section 1501.24 of the Revised Code, or a wildlife officer designated pursuant to section 1531.13 of the Revised Code; individual designated to perform law enforcement duties under section 511.232, 1545.13, or 6101.75 of the Revised Code; veterans' home police officer appointed under section 5907.02 of the Revised Code; special police officer employed by a port authority under section 4582.04 or 4582.28 of the Revised Code; police constable of any township; police officer of a township or joint police district; a special police officer employed by a municipal corporation at a municipal airport, or other municipal air navigation facility, that has scheduled operations, as defined in section 119.3 of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations, 14 C.F.R. 119.3, as amended, and that is required to be under a security program and is governed by aviation security rules of the transportation security administration of the United States department of transportation as provided in Parts 1542. and 1544. of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as amended; the house of representatives sergeant at arms if the house of representatives sergeant at arms has arrest authority pursuant to division (E)(1) of section 101.311 of the Revised Code; an assistant house of representatives sergeant at arms; the senate sergeant at arms; an assistant senate sergeant at arms; officer or employee of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation established pursuant to section 109.51 of the Revised Code who has been awarded a certificate by the executive director of the Ohio peace officer training commission attesting to the officer's or employee's satisfactory completion of an approved state, county, municipal, or department of natural resources peace officer basic training program and who is providing assistance upon request to a law enforcement officer or emergency assistance to a peace officer pursuant to section 109.54.
or 109.541 of the Revised Code; a state fire marshal law

enforcement officer described in division (A)(23) of section

109.71 of the Revised Code; and, for the purpose of arrests within

those areas, for the purposes of Chapter 5503. of the Revised

Code, and the filing of and service of process relating to those

offenses witnessed or investigated by them, the superintendent and

troopers of the state highway patrol.

(C) "Prosecutor" includes the county prosecuting attorney and

any assistant prosecutor designated to assist the county

prosecuting attorney, and, in the case of courts inferior to

courts of common pleas, includes the village solicitor, city
director of law, or similar chief legal officer of a municipal

corporation, any such officer's assistants, or any attorney

designated by the prosecuting attorney of the county to appear for

the prosecution of a given case.

(D) "Offense," except where the context specifically

indicates otherwise, includes felonies, misdemeanors, and

violations of ordinances of municipal corporations and other

public bodies authorized by law to adopt penal regulations.

(E) "Tier one offense" means a violation of section 2903.01,

2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.06, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.21,

2903.211, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.32, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04,

2907.05, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2909.02, 2909.03, 2909.24,

2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2919.25, 2921.34, 2923.161, 2950.04,

2950.041, 2950.05, or 2950.06 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 2935.10. (A) Upon the filing of an affidavit or

complaint as provided by section 2935.09 of the Revised Code, if

it charges the commission of a felony, such judge, clerk, or

magistrate, unless the judge, clerk, or magistrate has reason

to believe that it was not filed in good faith, or the claim is

not meritorious, shall forthwith issue a warrant for the arrest of
the person charged in the affidavit, and directed to a peace officer; otherwise the judge, clerk, or magistrate shall forthwith refer the matter to the prosecuting attorney or other attorney charged by law with prosecution for investigation prior to the issuance of warrant.

(B) If the offense charged is a misdemeanor or violation of a municipal ordinance, such judge, clerk, or magistrate may:

(1) Issue a warrant for the arrest of such person, directed to any officer named in section 2935.03 of the Revised Code but in cases of ordinance violation only to a police officer or marshal or deputy marshal of the municipal corporation;

(2) Issue summons, to be served by a peace officer, bailiff, or court constable, commanding the person against whom the affidavit or complaint was filed to appear forthwith, or at a fixed time in the future, before such court or magistrate. Such summons shall be served in the same manner as in civil cases.

(C) If the affidavit is filed by, or the complaint is filed pursuant to an affidavit executed by, a peace officer who has, at his discretion, at the time of commission of the alleged offense, notified the person to appear before the court or magistrate at a specific time set by such officer, no process need be issued unless the defendant fails to appear at the scheduled time.

(D) Any person charged with a misdemeanor or violation of a municipal ordinance may give bail as provided in sections 2937.22 to 2937.46 of the Revised Code, for his appearance, regardless of whether a warrant, summons, or notice to appear has been issued.

(E) Any warrant, summons, or any notice issued by the peace officer shall state the substance of the charge against the person arrested or directed to appear.
(F) When the offense charged is a misdemeanor, and the warrant or summons issued pursuant to this section is not served within two years of the date of issue, a judge or magistrate may order such warrant or summons withdrawn and the case closed, when it does not appear that the ends of justice require keeping the case open.

(G)(1) Any warrant issued for a tier one offense shall be entered, by the law enforcement agency requesting the warrant and within forty-eight hours of receipt of the warrant, into the law enforcement automated data system created by section 5503.10 of the Revised Code, and known as LEADS, and the appropriate database of the national crime information center (NCIC) maintained by the federal bureau of investigation.

(2) All warrants issued for tier one offenses shall be entered, by the law enforcement agency that receives the warrant with a full extradition radius as defined by the Ohio LEADS administrator, into the law enforcement automated data system created by section 5503.10 of the Revised Code, and known as LEADS.

Sec. 2941.141. (A) Imposition of a one-year mandatory prison term upon an offender under division (B)(1)(a)(iii) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code is precluded unless the indictment, count in the indictment, or information charging the offense specifies that the offender had a firearm on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the offense. The specification shall be stated at the end of the body of the indictment, count, or information, and shall be in substantially the following form:

"SPECIFICATION (or, SPECIFICATION TO THE FIRST COUNT). The Grand Jurors (or insert the person's or the prosecuting attorney's name when appropriate) further find and specify that (set forth
that the offender had a firearm on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the offense.)"

(B) Imposition of a one-year mandatory prison term upon on an offender under division (B)(1)(a)(iii) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code is precluded if a court imposes an eighteen-month, three-year, four-year, fifty-four-month, five-year, six-year, seventy-eight month, or nine-year mandatory prison term on the offender under division (B)(1)(a)(i), (ii), (iv), (v), or (vi) of that section relative to the same felony.  

(C) The specification described in division (A) of this section may be used in a delinquent child proceeding in the manner and for the purpose described in section 2152.17 of the Revised Code.

(D) Imposition of an eighteen-month mandatory prison term upon on an offender under division (B)(1)(a)(vi) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code is precluded unless the indictment, count in the indictment, or information charging the offense specifies that the offender had a firearm on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the offense and that the offender previously had been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a firearm specification of the type described in section 2941.141, 2941.144, 2941.145, 2941.146, or 2941.1412 of the Revised Code. The specification shall be stated at the end of the body of the indictment, count, or information, and shall be in substantially the following form:

"SPECIFICATION (or, SPECIFICATION TO THE FIRST COUNT). The Grand Jurors (or insert the person's or prosecuting attorney's name when appropriate) further find and specify that (set forth that the offender had a firearm on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the offense and that the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a firearm specification of the type described in section .
2941.141, 2941.144, 2941.145, 2941.146, or 2941.1412 of the Revised Code.)"

(E) Imposition of an eighteen-month mandatory prison term upon an offender under division (B)(1)(a)(vi) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code is precluded if the court imposes a one-year, three-year, four-year, fifty-four-month, five-year, sixty-six month, six-year, seventy-eight month, or nine-year mandatory prison term on the offender under division (B)(1)(a)(i), (ii), (iii), (iv), or (v) of that section relative to the same felony.

(F) As used in this section, "firearm" has the same meaning as in section 2923.11 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 2941.144. (A) Imposition of a six-year mandatory prison term upon an offender under division (B)(1)(a)(i) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code is precluded unless the indictment, count in the indictment, or information charging the offense specifies that the offender had a firearm that is an automatic firearm or that was equipped with a firearm muffler or suppressor on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the offense. The specification shall be stated at the end of the body of the indictment, count, or information and shall be stated in substantially the following form:

"SPECIFICATION (or, SPECIFICATION TO THE FIRST COUNT). The Grand Jurors (or insert the person's or the prosecuting attorney's name when appropriate) further find and specify that (set forth that the offender had a firearm that is an automatic firearm or that was equipped with a firearm muffler or suppressor on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the offense)."

(B) Imposition of a six-year mandatory prison term upon an offender under division (B)(1)(a)(i) of section 2929.14 of the
Revised Code is precluded if a court imposes a one-year, eighteen-month, three-year, four-year, fifty-four-month, five-year, sixty-six month, seventy-eight month, or nine-year mandatory prison term on the offender under division (B)(1)(a)(ii), (iii), (iv), (v), or (vi) of that section relative to the same felony.

(C) The specification described in division (A) of this section may be used in a delinquent child proceeding in the manner and for the purpose described in section 2152.17 of the Revised Code.

(D) Imposition of a nine-year mandatory prison term upon an offender under division (B)(1)(a)(iv) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code is precluded unless the indictment, count in the indictment, or information charging the offense specifies that the offender had a firearm that is an automatic firearm or that was equipped with a firearm muffler or suppressor on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the offense and that the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a firearm specification of the type described in section 2941.141, 2941.144, 2941.145, 2941.146, or 2941.1412 of the Revised Code. The specification shall be stated at the end of the body of the indictment, count, or information, and shall be in substantially the following form:

"SPECIFICATION (or, SPECIFICATION TO THE FIRST COUNT). The Grand Jurors (or insert the person's or the prosecuting attorney's name when appropriate) further find and specify that (set forth that the offender had a firearm that is an automatic firearm or that was equipped with a firearm muffler or suppressor on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the offense and that the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a firearm specification of the type described in section 2941.141, 2941.144, 2941.145, 2941.146, or 2941.1412 of the Revised Code. The specification shall be stated at the end of the body of the indictment, count, or information, and shall be in substantially the following form:"

"SPECIFICATION (or, SPECIFICATION TO THE FIRST COUNT). The Grand Jurors (or insert the person's or the prosecuting attorney's name when appropriate) further find and specify that (set forth
or 2941.1412 of the Revised Code.

(E) Imposition of a nine-year mandatory prison term upon an offender under division (B)(1)(a)(iv) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code is precluded if the court imposes a one-year, eighteen-month, three-year, four-year, fifty-four-month, or five-year, sixty-six month, six-year, or seventy-eight month mandatory prison term on the offender under division (B)(1)(a)(i), (ii), (iii), (v), or (vi) of that section relative to the same felony.

(F) As used in this section, "firearm" and "automatic firearm" have the same meanings as in section 2923.11 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 2941.145. (A) Imposition of a three-year, four-year, or five-year mandatory prison term upon an offender under division (B)(1)(a)(ii) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code is precluded unless the indictment, count in the indictment, or information charging the offense specifies that the offender had a firearm on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the offense and displayed the firearm, brandished the firearm, indicated that the offender possessed the firearm, or used it to facilitate the offense. The specification shall be stated at the end of the body of the indictment, count, or information, and shall be stated in substantially the following form:

"SPECIFICATION (or, SPECIFICATION TO THE FIRST COUNT). The Grand Jurors (or insert the person's or the prosecuting attorney's name when appropriate) further find and specify that (set forth that the offender had a firearm on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the offense and displayed the firearm, brandished the firearm, indicated that the offender possessed the firearm, or used it to facilitate the
offense)."

(B) Imposition of a three-year, four-year, or five-year mandatory prison term upon an offender under division (B)(1)(a)(ii) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code is precluded if a court imposes a one-year, eighteen-month, six-year, fifty-four-month, sixty-six month, six-year, seventy-eight month, or nine-year mandatory prison term on the offender under division (B)(1)(a)(i), (iii), (iv), (v), or (vi) of that section relative to the same felony.

(C) The specification described in division (A) of this section may be used in a delinquent child proceeding in the manner and for the purpose described in section 2152.17 of the Revised Code.

(D) Imposition of a mandatory prison term of fifty-four months, sixty-six months, or seventy-eight months on an offender under division (B)(1)(a)(v) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code is precluded unless the indictment, count in the indictment, or information charging the offense specifies that the offender had a firearm on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the offense and displayed the firearm, brandished the firearm, indicated that the offender possessed a firearm, or used the firearm to facilitate the offense and that the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a firearm specification of the type described in section 2941.141, 2941.144, 2941.145, 2941.146, or 2941.1412 of the Revised Code. The specification shall be stated at the end of the body of the indictment, count, or information, and shall be in substantially the following form:

"SPECIFICATION (or, SPECIFICATION TO THE FIRST COUNT). The Grand Jurors (or insert the person's or the prosecuting attorney's name when appropriate) further find and specify that (set forth that the offender had a firearm on or about the offender's person
or under the offender's control while committing the offense and displayed
the firearm, brandished the firearm, indicated that the offender possessed
a firearm, or used the firearm to facilitate the offense and that the offender
previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a firearm specification
of the type described in section 2941.141, 2941.144, 2941.145, 2941.146, or
2941.1412 of the Revised Code.

(E) Imposition of a mandatory prison term of fifty-four months upon,
sixty-six months, or seventy-eight months on an offender under division
(B)(1)(a)(v) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code is precluded if the
court imposes a one-year, eighteen-month, three-year, four-year, five-year, six-year,
or nine-year mandatory prison term on the offender under division
(B)(1)(a)(i), (ii), (iii), (iv), or (vi) of that section relative to the same felony.

(F) As used in this section, "firearm" has the same meaning as in section 2923.11 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 2941.145. (A) Imposition of a three-year, four-year, or five-year
mandatory prison term upon on an offender under division (B)(1)(a)(ii) of
section 2929.14 of the Revised Code is precluded unless the indictment,
count in the indictment, or information charging the offense specifies
that the offender had a firearm on or about the offender's person or under
the offender's control while committing the offense and displayed the
firearm, brandished the firearm, indicated that the offender possessed
the firearm, or used it to facilitate the offense. The specification shall be
stated at the end of the body of the indictment, count, or information, and
shall be stated in substantially the following form:

"SPECIFICATION (or, SPECIFICATION TO THE FIRST COUNT). The
Grand Jurors (or insert the person's or the prosecuting attorney's
name when appropriate) further find and specify that (set forth
that the offender had a firearm on or about the offender's person
or under the offender's control while committing the offense and
displayed the firearm, brandished the firearm, indicated that the
offender possessed the firearm, or used it to facilitate the
offense)."

(B) Imposition of a three-year, four-year, or five-year
mandatory prison term upon on an offender under division
(B)(1)(a)(ii) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code is precluded
if a court imposes a one-year, eighteen-month, six-year,
fifty-four-month, sixty-six month, six-year, seventy-eight month,
or nine-year mandatory prison term on the offender under division
(B)(1)(a)(i), (iii), (iv), (v), or (vi) of that section relative
to the same felony.

(C) The specification described in division (A) of this
section may be used in a delinquent child proceeding in the manner
and for the purpose described in section 2152.17 of the Revised
Code.

(D) Imposition of a mandatory prison term of fifty-four
months upon, sixty-six months, or seventy-eight months on an
offender under division (B)(1)(a)(v) of section 2929.14 of the
Revised Code is precluded unless the indictment, count in the
indictment, or information charging the offense specifies that the
offender had a firearm on or about the offender's person or under
the offender's control while committing the offense and displayed
the firearm, brandished the firearm, indicated that the offender
possessed a firearm, or used the firearm to facilitate the offense
and that the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded
guilty to a firearm specification of the type described in section
2941.141, 2941.144, 2941.145, 2941.146, or 2941.1412 of the
Revised Code. The specification shall be stated at the end of the
body of the indictment, count, or information, and shall be in
substantially the following form:

"SPECIFICATION (or, SPECIFICATION TO THE FIRST COUNT). The Grand Jurors (or insert the person's or the prosecuting attorney's name when appropriate) further find and specify that (set forth that the offender had a firearm on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the offense and displayed the firearm, brandished the firearm, indicated that the offender possessed a firearm, or used the firearm to facilitate the offense and that the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a firearm specification of the type described in section 2941.141, 2941.144, 2941.145, 2941.146, or 2941.1412 of the Revised Code.)"

(E) Imposition of a mandatory prison term of fifty-four months upon, sixty-six months, or seventy-eight months on an offender under division (B)(1)(a)(v) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code is precluded if the court imposes a one-year, eighteen-month, three-year, four-year, five-year, six-year, or nine-year mandatory prison term on the offender under division (B)(1)(a)(i), (ii), (iii), (iv), or (vi) of that section relative to the same felony.

(F) As used in this section, "firearm" has the same meaning as in section 2923.11 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 2945.403. (A)(1) Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised Code to the contrary, if, on or after the effective date of this section, an individual is found by a court to be incompetent to stand trial or not guilty by reason of insanity under procedures described in sections 2945.38 to 2945.402 of the Revised Code, the judge who made the determination shall notify the office of the attorney general, on the form described in division (C) of this section, of the identity of the individual. The notification shall be transmitted by the judge not later than
seven days after the adjudication or commitment.

(2) If a judge provides a notice to the attorney general under division (A)(1) of this section regarding an individual and if the individual subsequently is found to be competent under section 2945.38 of the Revised Code, is discharged under section 2945.39 of the Revised Code, is discharged under section 2945.40 of the Revised Code, or has a final termination of commitment under section 2945.401 of the Revised Code, the judge shall notify the office of the attorney general, on the form described in division (C) of this section, of the identity of the individual and of the finding, discharge, or final termination. The notification shall be transmitted by the judge not later than seven days after the finding, discharge, or final termination.

(B)(1) Upon receipt of any notice under division (A)(1) of this section with respect to a person, the attorney general shall enter the information in the notice into the law enforcement automated data system created by section 5503.10 of the Revised Code, and known as LEADS, by the close of the next business day after the day on which the notice is received.

(2) Upon receipt of any notice under division (A)(2) of this section with respect to a person, the attorney general shall take all steps necessary to ensure that the information in the notice previously received under division (A)(1) of this section with respect to the person is removed from LEADS by the close of the next business day after the day on which the notice is received and that it is terminated, cleared, or canceled in the database of the national crime information center (NCIC) maintained by the federal bureau of investigation in which it is maintained.

(C) The attorney general, by rule adopted under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall prescribe and make available to all judges forms to be used by them for the purpose of making the
notifications required by divisions (A)(1) and (2) of this section.

Sec. 2953.25. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Collateral sanction" means a penalty, disability, or disadvantage that is related to employment or occupational licensing, however denominated, as a result of the individual's conviction of or plea of guilty to an offense and that applies by operation of law in this state whether or not the penalty, disability, or disadvantage is included in the sentence or judgment imposed.

"Collateral sanction" does not include imprisonment, probation, parole, supervised release, forfeiture, restitution, fine, assessment, or costs of prosecution.

(2) "Decision-maker" includes, but is not limited to, the state acting through a department, agency, board, commission, or instrumentality established by the law of this state for the exercise of any function of government, a political subdivision, an educational institution, or a government contractor or subcontractor made subject to this section by contract, law, or ordinance.

(3) "Department-funded program" means a residential or nonresidential program that is not a term in a state correctional institution, that is funded in whole or part by the department of rehabilitation and correction, and that is imposed as a sanction for an offense, as part of a sanction that is imposed for an offense, or as a term or condition of any sanction that is imposed for an offense.

(4) "Designee" means the person designated by the deputy director of the division of parole and community services to perform the duties designated in division (B) of this section.
(5) "Division of parole and community services" means the division of parole and community services of the department of rehabilitation and correction.

(6) "Offense" means any felony or misdemeanor under the laws of this state.

(7) "Political subdivision" has the same meaning as in section 2969.21 of the Revised Code.

(8) "Discretionary civil impact," "licensing agency," and "mandatory civil impact" have the same meanings as in section 2961.21 of the Revised Code.

(B)(1) An individual who is subject to one or more collateral sanctions as a result of being convicted of or pleading guilty to an offense and who either has served a term in a state correctional institution for any offense or has spent time in a department-funded program for any offense may file a petition with the designee of the deputy director of the division of parole and community services for a certificate of qualification for employment.

(2) An individual who is subject to one or more collateral sanctions as a result of being convicted of or pleading guilty to an offense and who is not in a category described in division (B)(1) of this section may file for a certificate of qualification for employment by doing either of the following:

(a) In the case of an individual who resides in this state, filing a petition with the court of common pleas of the county in which the person resides or with the designee of the deputy director of the division of parole and community services;

(b) In the case of an individual who resides outside of this state, filing a petition with the court of common pleas of any county in which any conviction or plea of guilty from which the individual seeks relief was entered or with the designee of the
(3) A petition under division (B)(1) or (2) of this section shall be made on a copy of the form prescribed by the division of parole and community services under division (J) of this section, shall contain all of the information described in division (F) of this section, and, except as provided in division (B)(6) of this section, shall be accompanied by an application fee of fifty dollars.

(4)(a) Except as provided in division (B)(4)(b) of this section, an individual may file a petition under division (B)(1) or (2) of this section at any time after the expiration of whichever of the following is applicable:

(i) If the offense that resulted in the collateral sanction from which the individual seeks relief is a felony, at any time after the expiration of one year from the date of release of the individual from any period of incarceration in a state or local correctional facility that was imposed for that offense and all periods of supervision imposed after release from the period of incarceration or, if the individual was not incarcerated for that offense, at any time after the expiration of one year from the date of the individual's final release from all other sanctions imposed for that offense.

(ii) If the offense that resulted in the collateral sanction from which the individual seeks relief is a misdemeanor, at any time after the expiration of six months from the date of release of the individual from any period of incarceration in a local correctional facility that was imposed for that offense and all periods of supervision imposed after release from the period of incarceration or, if the individual was not incarcerated for that offense, at any time after the expiration of six months from the date of the final release of the individual from all sanctions imposed for that offense including any period of supervision.
(b) The department of rehabilitation and correction may establish criteria by rule adopted under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code that, if satisfied by an individual, would allow the individual to file a petition before the expiration of six months or one year from the date of final release, whichever is applicable under division (B)(4)(a) of this section.

(5)(a) A designee that receives a petition for a certificate of qualification for employment from an individual under division (B)(1) or (2) of this section shall review the petition to determine whether it is complete. If the petition is complete, the designee shall forward the petition, the application fee, and any other information the designee possesses that relates to the petition, to the court of common pleas of the county in which the individual resides if the individual submitting the petition resides in this state or, if the individual resides outside of this state, to the court of common pleas of the county in which the conviction or plea of guilty from which the individual seeks relief was entered.

(b) A court of common pleas that receives a petition for a certificate of qualification for employment from an individual under division (B)(2) of this section, or that is forwarded a petition for such a certificate under division (B)(5)(a) of this section, shall attempt to determine all other courts in this state in which the individual was convicted of or pleaded guilty to an offense other than the offense from which the individual is seeking relief. The court that receives or is forwarded the petition shall notify all other courts in this state that it determines under this division were courts in which the individual was convicted of or pleaded guilty to an offense other than the offense from which the individual is seeking relief that the individual has filed the petition and that the court may send comments regarding the possible issuance of the certificate.
A court of common pleas that receives a petition for a certificate of qualification for employment under division (B)(2) of this section shall notify the county's prosecuting attorney that the individual has filed the petition.

A court of common pleas that receives a petition for a certificate of qualification for employment under division (B)(2) of this section, or that is forwarded a petition for qualification under division (B)(5)(a) of this section may direct the clerk of court to process and record all notices required in or under this section. Except as provided in division (B)(6) of this section, the court shall pay thirty dollars of the application fee into the state treasury and twenty dollars of the application fee into the county general revenue fund.

(6) Upon receiving a petition for a certificate of qualification for employment filed by an individual under division (B)(1) or (2) of this section, a court of common pleas or the designee of the deputy director of the division of parole and community services who receives the petition may waive all or part of the fifty-dollar filing fee for an applicant who is indigent. If an application fee is partially waived, the first twenty dollars of the fee that is collected shall be paid into the county general revenue fund. Any partial fee collected in excess of twenty dollars shall be paid into the state treasury.

(C)(1) Upon receiving a petition for a certificate of qualification for employment filed by an individual under division (B)(2) of this section or being forwarded a petition for such a certificate under division (B)(5)(a) of this section, the court shall review the individual's petition, the individual's criminal history, all filings submitted by the prosecutor or by the victim in accordance with rules adopted by the division of parole and community services, the applicant's military service record, if applicable, and whether the applicant has an emotional, mental, or
physical condition that is traceable to the applicant's military
service in the armed forces of the United States and that was a
contributing factor in the commission of the offense or offenses,
and all other relevant evidence. The court may order any report,
investigation, or disclosure by the individual that the court
believes is necessary for the court to reach a decision on whether
to approve the individual's petition for a certificate of
qualification for employment.

(2) Upon receiving a petition for a certificate of
qualification for employment filed by an individual under division
(B)(2) of this section or being forwarded a petition for such a
certificate under division (B)(5)(a) of this section, except as
otherwise provided in this division, the court shall decide
whether to issue the certificate within sixty days after the court
receives or is forwarded the completed petition and all
information requested for the court to make that decision. Upon
request of the individual who filed the petition, the court may
extend the sixty-day period specified in this division.

(3) Except as provided in division (C)(5) of this section and
subject to division (C)(7) of this section, a court that receives
an individual's petition for a certificate of qualification for
employment under division (B)(2) of this section or that is
forwarded a petition for such a certificate under division
(B)(5)(a) of this section may issue a certificate of qualification
for employment, at the court's discretion, if the court finds that
the individual has established all of the following by a
preponderance of the evidence:

(a) Granting the petition will materially assist the
individual in obtaining employment or occupational licensing.

(b) The individual has a substantial need for the relief
requested in order to live a law-abiding life.
(c) Granting the petition would not pose an unreasonable risk to the safety of the public or any individual.

(4) The submission of an incomplete petition by an individual shall not be grounds for the designee or court to deny the petition.

(5) Subject to division (C)(6) of this section, an individual is rebuttably presumed to be eligible for a certificate of qualification for employment if the court that receives the individual's petition under division (B)(2) of this section or that is forwarded a petition under division (B)(5)(a) of this section finds all of the following:

(a) The application was filed after the expiration of the applicable waiting period prescribed in division (B)(4) of this section;

(b) If the offense that resulted in the collateral sanction from which the individual seeks relief is a felony, at least three years have elapsed since the date of release of the individual from any period of incarceration in a state or local correctional facility that was imposed for that offense and all periods of supervision imposed after release from the period of incarceration or, if the individual was not incarcerated for that offense, at least three years have elapsed since the date of the individual's final release from all other sanctions imposed for that offense;

(c) If the offense that resulted in the collateral sanction from which the individual seeks relief is a misdemeanor, at least one year has elapsed since the date of release of the individual from any period of incarceration in a local correctional facility that was imposed for that offense and all periods of supervision imposed after release from the period of incarceration or, if the individual was not incarcerated for that offense, at least one year has elapsed since the date of the final release of the
individual from all sanctions imposed for that offense including any period of supervision.

(6) An application that meets all of the requirements for the presumption under division (C)(5) of this section shall be denied only if the court that receives the petition finds that the evidence reviewed under division (C)(1) of this section rebuts the presumption of eligibility for issuance by establishing, by clear and convincing evidence, that the applicant has not been rehabilitated.

(7) A certificate of qualification for employment shall not create relief from any of the following collateral sanctions:

(a) Requirements imposed by Chapter 2950. of the Revised Code and rules adopted under sections 2950.13 and 2950.132 of the Revised Code;

(b) A driver's license, commercial driver's license, or probationary license suspension, cancellation, or revocation pursuant to section 4510.037, 4510.07, 4511.19, or 4511.191 of the Revised Code if the relief sought is available pursuant to section 4510.021 or division (B) of section 4510.13 of the Revised Code;

(c) Restrictions on employment as a prosecutor or law enforcement officer;

(d) The denial, ineligibility, or automatic suspension of a license that is imposed upon an individual applying for or holding a license as a health care professional under Title XLVII of the Revised Code if the individual is convicted of, pleads guilty to, is subject to a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction in this state under section 2951.041 of the Revised Code, or is subject to treatment or intervention in lieu of conviction for a violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.11, 2905.01, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.05, 2909.02, 2911.01, 2911.11, 2919.123, or 2919.124 of the Revised Code;
(e) The immediate suspension of a license, certificate, or evidence of registration that is imposed upon an individual holding a license as a health care professional under Title XLVII of the Revised Code pursuant to division (C) of section 3719.121 of the Revised Code;

(f) The denial or ineligibility for employment in a pain clinic under division (B)(4) of section 4729.552 of the Revised Code;

(g) The mandatory suspension of a license that is imposed on an individual applying for or holding a license as a health care professional under Title XLVII of the Revised Code pursuant to section 3123.43 of the Revised Code;

(h) The denial, limitation, suspension, or revocation of a license that is imposed upon an individual applying for or holding a license issued by the state board of education under Title XXXIII of the Revised Code if the individual is convicted of, pleads guilty to, or is found guilty by a jury or court of, or is subject to a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for a violation of division (B)(1), (2), (3), or (4) of section 2919.22 of the Revised Code; a violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.15, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.05, 2905.32, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.21, 2907.22, 2907.31, 2907.311, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2907.33, 2907.34, 2909.02, 2909.22, 2909.23, 2909.24, 2911.01, 2911.11, 2921.02, 2921.03, 2921.04, 2921.41, 2923.21, or 2925.02 of the Revised Code; a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996; a violation of section 2919.23 of the Revised Code that would have been a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, had the violation been committed prior to that date; felonious sexual penetration in violation of former section 2907.12 of the Revised Code;
Revised Code; or a violation of an ordinance of a municipal corporation that is substantively comparable to an offense listed in this paragraph.

(8) If a court that receives an individual's petition for a certificate of qualification for employment under division (B)(2) of this section or that is forwarded a petition for such a certificate under division (B)(5)(a) of this section denies the petition, the court shall provide written notice to the individual of the court's denial. The court may place conditions on the individual regarding the individual's filing of any subsequent petition for a certificate of qualification for employment. The written notice must notify the individual of any conditions placed on the individual's filing of a subsequent petition for a certificate of qualification for employment.

If a court of common pleas that receives an individual's petition for a certificate of qualification for employment under division (B)(2) of this section or that is forwarded a petition for such a certificate under division (B)(5)(a) of this section denies the petition, the individual may appeal the decision to the court of appeals only if the individual alleges that the denial was an abuse of discretion on the part of the court of common pleas.

(D)(1) A certificate of qualification for employment issued to an individual lifts the automatic bar of a collateral sanction, and a decision-maker shall consider on a case-by-case basis whether to grant or deny the issuance or restoration of an occupational license or an employment opportunity, notwithstanding the individual's possession of the certificate, without, however, reconsidering or rejecting any finding made by a designee or court under division (C)(3) of this section.

(2) The certificate constitutes a rebuttable presumption that the person's criminal convictions are insufficient evidence that
the person is unfit for the license, employment opportunity, or certification in question. Notwithstanding the presumption established under this division, the agency may deny the license or certification for the person if it determines that the person is unfit for issuance of the license.

(3) If an employer that has hired a person who has been issued a certificate of qualification for employment applies to a licensing agency for a license or certification and the person has a conviction or guilty plea that otherwise would bar the person's employment with the employer or licensure for the employer because of a mandatory civil impact, the agency shall give the person individualized consideration, notwithstanding the mandatory civil impact, the mandatory civil impact shall be considered for all purposes to be a discretionary civil impact, and the certificate constitutes a rebuttable presumption that the person's criminal convictions are insufficient evidence that the person is unfit for the employment, or that the employer is unfit for the license or certification, in question.

(E) A certificate of qualification for employment does not grant the individual to whom the certificate was issued relief from the mandatory civil impacts identified in division (A)(1) of section 2961.01 or division (B) of section 2961.02 of the Revised Code.

(F) A petition for a certificate of qualification for employment filed by an individual under division (B)(1) or (2) of this section shall include all of the following:

(1) The individual's name, date of birth, and social security number;

(2) All aliases of the individual and all social security numbers associated with those aliases;

(3) The individual's residence address, including the city,
county, and state of residence and zip code;

(4) The length of time that the individual has resided in the individual's current state of residence, expressed in years and months of residence;

(5) A general statement as to why the individual has filed the petition and how the certificate of qualification for employment would assist the individual;

(6) A summary of the individual's criminal history with respect to each offense that is a disqualification from employment or licensing in an occupation or profession, including the years of each conviction or plea of guilty for each of those offenses;

(7) A summary of the individual's employment history, specifying the name of, and dates of employment with, each employer;

(8) Verifiable references and endorsements;

(9) The name of one or more immediate family members of the individual, or other persons with whom the individual has a close relationship, who support the individual's reentry plan;

(10) A summary of the reason the individual believes the certificate of qualification for employment should be granted;

(11) Any other information required by rule by the department of rehabilitation and correction.

(G)(1) In a judicial or administrative proceeding alleging negligence or other fault, a certificate of qualification for employment issued to an individual under this section may be introduced as evidence of a person's due care in hiring, retaining, licensing, leasing to, admitting to a school or program, or otherwise transacting business or engaging in activity with the individual to whom the certificate of qualification for employment was issued if the person knew of the certificate at the
time of the alleged negligence or other fault.

(2) In any proceeding on a claim against an employer for negligent hiring, a certificate of qualification for employment issued to an individual under this section shall provide immunity for the employer as to the claim if the employer knew of the certificate at the time of the alleged negligence.

(3) If an employer hires an individual who has been issued a certificate of qualification for employment under this section, if the individual, after being hired, subsequently demonstrates dangerousness or is convicted of or pleads guilty to a felony, and if the employer retains the individual as an employee after the demonstration of dangerousness or the conviction or guilty plea, the employer may be held liable in a civil action that is based on or relates to the retention of the individual as an employee only if it is proved by a preponderance of the evidence that the person having hiring and firing responsibility for the employer had actual knowledge that the employee was dangerous or had been convicted of or pleaded guilty to the felony and was willful in retaining the individual as an employee after the demonstration of dangerousness or the conviction or guilty plea of which the person has actual knowledge.

(H) A certificate of qualification for employment issued under this section shall be revoked if the individual to whom the certificate of qualification for employment was issued is convicted of or pleads guilty to a felony offense committed subsequent to the issuance of the certificate of qualification for employment. The department of rehabilitation and correction shall periodically review the certificates listed in the database described in division (K) of this section to identify those that are subject to revocation under this division. Upon identifying a certificate of qualification for employment that is subject to revocation, the department shall note in the database that the
certificate has been revoked, the reason for revocation, and the effective date of revocation, which shall be the date of the conviction or plea of guilty subsequent to the issuance of the certificate.

(I) A designee's forwarding, or failure to forward, a petition for a certificate of qualification for employment to a court or a court's issuance, or failure to issue, a petition for a certificate of qualification for employment to an individual under division (B) of this section does not give rise to a claim for damages against the department of rehabilitation and correction or court.

(J) The division of parole and community services shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code for the implementation and administration of this section and shall prescribe the form for the petition to be used under division (B)(1) or (2) of this section. The form for the petition shall include places for all of the information specified in division (F) of this section.

(K) The department of rehabilitation and correction shall maintain a database that identifies granted certificates and revoked certificates and tracks the number of certificates granted and revoked, the industries, occupations, and professions with respect to which the certificates have been most applicable, and the types of employers that have accepted the certificates. The department shall annually create a report that summarizes the information maintained in the database and shall make the report available to the public on its internet web site.

Sec. 2967.04. (A) A pardon or commutation may be granted upon such conditions precedent or subsequent as the governor may impose, which conditions shall be stated in the warrant. Such pardon or commutation shall not take effect until the conditions
so imposed are accepted by the convict or prisoner so pardoned or having his a sentence commuted, and his the convict's or prisoner's acceptance is indorsed upon the warrant, signed by him the prisoner or convict, and attested by one witness. Such witness shall go before the clerk of the court of common pleas in whose office the sentence is recorded and prove the signature of the convict. The clerk shall thereupon record the warrant, indorsement, and proof in the journal of the court, which record, or a duly certified transcript thereof, shall be evidence of such pardon or commutation, the conditions thereof, and the acceptance of the conditions.

(B) An unconditional pardon relieves the person to whom it is granted of all disabilities arising out of the conviction or convictions from which it is granted. For purposes of this section, "unconditional pardon" includes a conditional pardon with respect to which all conditions have been performed or have transpired.

(C) In the case of an unconditional pardon, the governor may include as a condition of the pardon that records related to the conviction be sealed as if the records are related to an offense that is not otherwise prohibited from being sealed under section 2953.36 of the Revised Code. The governor may issue a writ for the records related to the pardoned conviction to be sealed. However, such a writ shall not seal the records required to be kept under division (E) of section 107.10 of the Revised Code and shall not have any impact on the governor's office. Other than the records required to be kept under division (E) of section 107.10 of the Revised Code, no records of the governor's office related to a pardon that have been sealed under this division are subject to public inspection unless directed by the governor. Inspection of the records or disclosure of information contained in the records may be made pursuant to division (D) of section 2953.32 of the
Revised Code or as the governor may direct. A disclosure of records sealed under a writ issued by the governor is not a criminal offense.

**Sec. 2967.17.** (A) The adult parole authority, in its discretion, may grant an administrative release to any of the following:

1. A parole violator, release violator, or releasee serving another felony sentence in a correctional institution within or without this state for the purpose of consolidation of the records or if justice would best be served;

2. A parole violator at large or release violator at large whose case has been inactive for at least ten years following the date of declaration of the parole violation or the violation of a post-release control sanction;

3. A parolee or releasee taken into custody by the immigration and naturalization service of the United States department of justice and deported from the United States.

(B)(1)(a) As used in divisions (B)(2) and (3) of this section, "position of honor, trust, or profit" has the same meaning as in section 2929.192 of the Revised Code.

(b) For purposes of divisions (B)(2) and (3) of this section, a violation of section 2923.32 of the Revised Code or any other violation or offense that includes as an element a course of conduct or the occurrence of multiple acts is "committed on or after the effective date of this amendment May 13, 2008," if the course of conduct continues, one or more of the multiple acts occurs, or the subject person's accountability for the course of conduct or for one or more of the multiple acts continues, on or after the effective date of this amendment May 13, 2008.

(2) The adult parole authority shall not grant an
administrative release except upon the concurrence of a majority of the parole board and approval of the chief of the adult parole authority. An administrative release does not restore for the person to whom it is granted the rights and privileges forfeited by conviction as provided in section 2961.01 of the Revised Code. Any person granted an administrative release under this section may subsequently apply for a commutation of sentence for the purpose of regaining the rights and privileges forfeited by conviction, except that the privilege of circulating or serving as a witness for the signing of any declaration of candidacy and petition, voter registration application, or nominating, initiative, referendum, or recall petition forfeited under section 2961.01 of the Revised Code may not be restored under this section and except that the privilege of holding a position of honor, trust, or profit may not be restored under this section to a person in the circumstances described in division (B)(3) of this section.

(3) The privilege of holding a position of honor, trust, or profit may not be restored under this section to a person who was convicted of or pleaded guilty to committing on or after the effective date of this amendment May 13, 2008, any violation or offense listed in divisions (C)(2)(c)(i) to (vi) of section 2967.16 of the Revised Code that is a felony.

Sec. 2967.19. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Deadly weapon" and "dangerous ordnance" have the same meanings as in section 2923.11 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Disqualifying prison term" means any of the following:

(a) A prison term imposed for aggravated murder, murder, voluntary manslaughter, involuntary manslaughter, felonious assault, kidnapping, rape, aggravated arson, aggravated burglary, or aggravated robbery;
(b) A prison term imposed for complicity in, an attempt to
commit, or conspiracy to commit any offense listed in division
(A)(2)(a) of this section;

(c) A prison term of life imprisonment, including any term of
life imprisonment that has parole eligibility;

(d) A prison term imposed for any felony other than carrying
a concealed weapon an essential element of which is any conduct or
failure to act expressly involving any deadly weapon or dangerous
ordnance;

(e) A prison term imposed for any violation of section
2925.03 of the Revised Code that is a felony of the first or
second degree;

(f) A prison term imposed for engaging in a pattern of
corrupt activity in violation of section 2923.32 of the Revised
Code;

(g) A prison term imposed pursuant to section 2971.03 of the
Revised Code;

(h) A prison term imposed for any sexually oriented offense.

(3) "Eligible prison term" means any prison term that is not
a disqualifying prison term and is not a restricting prison term.

(4) "Restricting prison term" means any of the following:

(a) A mandatory prison term imposed under division (B)(1)(a),
(B)(1)(c), (B)(1)(f), (B)(1)(g), (B)(2), or (B)(7) of section
2929.14 of the Revised Code for a specification of the type
described in that division;

(b) In the case of an offender who has been sentenced to a
mandatory prison term for a specification of the type described in
division (A)(4)(a) of this section, the prison term imposed for
the felony offense for which the specification was stated at the
end of the body of the indictment, count in the indictment, or
information charging the offense;

(c) A prison term imposed for trafficking in persons;

(d) A prison term imposed for any offense that is described in division (A)(4)(d)(i) of this section if division (A)(4)(d)(ii) of this section applies to the offender:

(i) The offense is a felony of the first or second degree that is an offense of violence and that is not described in division (A)(2)(a) or (b) of this section, an attempt to commit a felony of the first or second degree that is an offense of violence and that is not described in division (A)(2)(a) or (b) of this section if the attempt is a felony of the first or second degree, or an offense under an existing or former law of this state, another state, or the United States that is or was substantially equivalent to any other offense described in this division.

(ii) The offender previously was convicted of or pleaded guilty to any offense listed in division (A)(2) or (A)(4)(d)(i) of this section.

(5) "Sexually oriented offense" has the same meaning as in section 2950.01 of the Revised Code.

(6) "Stated prison term of one year or more" means a definite prison term of one year or more imposed as a stated prison term, or a minimum prison term of one year or more imposed as part of a stated prison term that is a non-life felony indefinite prison term.

(7) "Felony sex offense" means a violation of a section contained in Chapter 2907. of the Revised Code that is a felony.

(B) The director of the department of rehabilitation and correction may recommend in writing to the sentencing court that the court consider releasing from prison any offender who, on or
after September 30, 2011, is confined in a state correctional institution, who is serving a stated prison term of one year or more, and who is eligible under division (C) of this section for a release under this section. If the director wishes to recommend that the sentencing court consider releasing an offender under this section, the director shall notify the sentencing court in writing of the offender's eligibility not earlier than ninety days prior to the date on which the offender becomes eligible as described in division (C) of this section. The director's submission of the written notice constitutes a recommendation by the director that the court strongly consider release of the offender consistent with the purposes and principles of sentencing set forth in sections 2929.11 and 2929.13 of the Revised Code. Only an offender recommended by the director under division (B) of this section may be considered for early release under this section.

(C)(1) An offender serving a stated prison term of one year or more and who has commenced service of that stated prison term becomes eligible for release from prison under this section only as described in this division. An offender serving a stated prison term that includes a disqualifying prison term is not eligible for release from prison under this section. An offender serving a stated prison term that consists solely of one or more restricting prison terms is not eligible for release under this section. An offender serving a stated prison term of one year or more that includes one or more restricting prison terms and one or more eligible prison terms becomes eligible for release under this section after having fully served all restricting prison terms and having served eighty per cent of that stated prison term that remains to be served after all restricting prison terms have been fully served. An offender serving a stated prison term of one year or more that consists solely of one or more eligible prison terms becomes eligible for release under this section after having
served eighty per cent of that stated prison term. For purposes of
determining an offender's eligibility for release under this
section, if the offender's stated prison term includes consecutive
prison terms, any restricting prison terms shall be deemed served
prior to any eligible prison terms that run consecutively to the
restricting prison terms, and the eligible prison terms are deemed
to commence after all of the restricting prison terms have been
fully served.

An offender serving a stated prison term of one year or more
that includes a mandatory prison term that is not a disqualifying
prison term and is not a restricting prison term is not
automatically ineligible as a result of the offender's service of
that mandatory term for release from prison under this section,
and the offender's eligibility for release from prison under this
section is determined in accordance with this division.

(2) If an offender confined in a state correctional
institution under a stated prison term is eligible for release
under this section as described in division (C)(1) of this
section, the director of the department of rehabilitation and
correction may recommend in writing that the sentencing court
consider releasing the offender from prison under this section by
submitting to the sentencing court the written notice described in
division (B) of this section.

(D) The director shall include with any notice submitted to
the sentencing court under division (B) of this section an
institutional summary report that covers the offender's
participation while confined in a state correctional institution
in school, training, work, treatment, and other rehabilitative
activities and any disciplinary action taken against the offender
while so confined. The director shall include with the notice any
other documentation requested by the court, if available.

(E)(1) When the director submits a written notice to a
sentencing court that an offender is eligible to be considered for early release under this section, the department promptly shall provide to the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the offender was indicted a copy of the written notice, a copy of the institutional summary report, and any other information provided to the court and shall provide a copy of the institutional summary report to any law enforcement agency that requests the report. The department also promptly shall do whichever of the following is applicable:

(a) Subject to division (E)(1)(b) of this section, give written notice of the submission to any victim of the offender or victim's representative of any victim of the offender who is registered with the office of victim's services.

(b) If the offense was aggravated murder, murder, an offense of violence that is a felony of the first, second, or third degree, or an offense punished by a sentence of life imprisonment, except as otherwise provided in this division, notify the victim or the victim's representative of the filing of the petition regardless of whether the victim or victim's representative has registered with the office of victim's services. The notice of the filing of the petition shall not be given under this division to a victim or victim's representative if the victim or victim's representative has requested pursuant to division (B)(2) of section 2930.03 of the Revised Code that the victim or the victim's representative not be provided the notice. If notice is to be provided to a victim or victim's representative under this division, the department may give the notice by any reasonable means, including regular mail, telephone, and electronic mail, in accordance with division (D)(1) of section 2930.16 of the Revised Code. If the notice is based on an offense committed prior to March 22, 2013, the notice also shall include the opt-out information described in division (D)(1) of section 2930.16 of the
Revised Code. The department, in accordance with division (D)(2) of section 2930.16 of the Revised Code, shall keep a record of all attempts to provide the notice, and of all notices provided, under this division.

Division (E)(1)(b) of this section, and the notice-related provisions of divisions (E)(2) and (K) of section 2929.20, division (D)(1) of section 2930.16, division (H) of section 2967.12, division (A)(3)(b) of section 2967.26, division (D)(1) of section 2967.28, and division (A)(2) of section 5149.101 of the Revised Code enacted in the act in which division (E)(2) of this section was enacted, shall be known as "Roberta's Law."

(2) When the director submits a petition under this section, the department also promptly shall post a copy of the written notice on the database it maintains under section 5120.66 of the Revised Code and include information on where a person may send comments regarding the recommendation of early release.

The information provided to the court, the prosecutor, and the victim or victim's representative under divisions (D) and (E) of this section shall include the name and contact information of a specific department of rehabilitation and correction employee who is available to answer questions about the offender who is the subject of the written notice submitted by the director, including, but not limited to, the offender's institutional conduct and rehabilitative activities while incarcerated.

(F) Upon receipt of a written notice submitted by the director under division (B) of this section, the court either shall, on its own motion, schedule a hearing to consider releasing the offender who is the subject of the notice or shall inform the department that it will not be conducting a hearing relative to the offender. The court shall not grant an early release to an offender without holding a hearing. If a court declines to hold a hearing relative to an offender with respect to a written notice submitted by the director, the court shall inform the department in writing.
submitted by the director, the court may later consider release of that offender under this section on its own motion by scheduling a hearing for that purpose. Within thirty days after the written notice is submitted, the court shall inform the department whether or not the court is scheduling a hearing on the offender who is the subject of the notice.

(G) If the court schedules a hearing upon receiving a written notice submitted under division (B) of this section or upon its own motion under division (F) of this section, the court shall notify the head of the state correctional institution in which the offender is confined of the hearing prior to the hearing. If the court makes a journal entry ordering the offender to be conveyed to the hearing, except as otherwise provided in this division, the head of the correctional institution shall deliver the offender to the sheriff of the county in which the hearing is to be held, and the sheriff shall convey the offender to and from the hearing. Upon the court's own motion or the motion of the offender or the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the offender was indicted, the court may permit the offender to appear at the hearing by video conferencing equipment if equipment of that nature is available and compatible.

Upon receipt of notice from a court of a hearing on the release of an offender under this division, the head of the state correctional institution in which the offender is confined immediately shall notify the appropriate person at the department of rehabilitation and correction of the hearing, and the department within twenty-four hours after receipt of the notice shall post on the database it maintains pursuant to section 5120.66 of the Revised Code the offender's name and all of the information specified in division (A)(1)(c)(i) of that section. If the court schedules a hearing under this section, the court promptly shall give notice of the hearing to the prosecuting
attorney of the county in which the offender was indicted. Upon receipt of the notice from the court, the prosecuting attorney shall notify pursuant to section 2930.16 of the Revised Code any victim of the offender or the victim's representative of the hearing.

(H) If the court schedules a hearing under this section, at the hearing, the court shall afford the offender and the offender's attorney an opportunity to present written information and, if present, oral information relevant to the offender's early release. The court shall afford a similar opportunity to the prosecuting attorney, victim or victim's representative, as defined in section 2930.01 of the Revised Code, and any other person the court determines is likely to present additional relevant information. If the court pursuant to division (G) of this section permits the offender to appear at the hearing by video conferencing equipment, the offender's opportunity to present oral information shall be as a part of the video conferencing. The court shall consider any statement of a victim made under section 2930.14 or 2930.17 of the Revised Code, any victim impact statement prepared under section 2947.051 of the Revised Code, and any report and other documentation submitted by the director under division (D) of this section. After ruling on whether to grant the offender early release, the court shall notify the victim in accordance with sections 2930.03 and 2930.16 of the Revised Code.

(I) If the court grants an offender early release under this section, it shall order the release of the offender, shall place the offender under one or more appropriate community control sanctions, under appropriate conditions, and under the supervision of the department of probation that serves the court, and shall reserve the right to reimpose the sentence that it reduced and from which the offender was released if the offender violates the
sanction. The court shall not make a release under this section effective prior to the date on which the offender becomes eligible as described in division (C) of this section. If the sentence under which the offender is confined in a state correctional institution and from which the offender is being released was imposed for a felony of the first or second degree, the court shall consider ordering that the offender be monitored by means of a global positioning device. If the court reimposes the sentence that it reduced and from which the offender was released and if the violation of the sanction is a new offense, the court may order that the reimposed sentence be served either concurrently with, or consecutive to, any new sentence imposed upon the offender as a result of the violation that is a new offense. The period of all community control sanctions imposed under this division shall not exceed five years if the most serious offense from which the release is granted is a felony of the first, second, or third degree or a felony sex offense, three years if the most serious offense from which release is granted is a felony of the fourth degree that is not a felony sex offense, or two years if the most serious offense from which the release is granted is a felony of the fifth degree that is not a felony sex offense. The court, in its discretion, may reduce the period of community control sanctions imposed under this division by the amount of time the offender spent in jail or prison for the offense.

If the court grants an offender early release under this section, it shall notify the appropriate person at the department of rehabilitation and correction of the release, and the department shall post notice of the release on the database it maintains pursuant to section 5120.66 of the Revised Code.

(J) The department shall adopt under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code any rules necessary to implement this section.
Sec. 2967.28. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Monitored time" means the monitored time sanction specified in section 2929.17 and defined in section 2929.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Deadly weapon" and "dangerous ordnance" have the same meanings as in section 2923.11 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Felony sex offense" means a violation of a section contained in Chapter 2907. of the Revised Code that is a felony.

(4) "Risk reduction sentence" means a prison term imposed by a court, when the court recommends pursuant to section 2929.143 of the Revised Code that the offender serve the sentence under section 5120.036 of the Revised Code, and the offender may potentially be released from imprisonment prior to the expiration of the prison term if the offender successfully completes all assessment and treatment or programming required by the department of rehabilitation and correction under section 5120.036 of the Revised Code.

(5) "Victim's immediate family" has the same meaning as in section 2967.12 of the Revised Code.

(6) "Minor drug possession offense" has the same meaning as in section 2925.11 of the Revised Code.

(7) "Single validated risk assessment tool" means the single validated risk assessment tool selected by the department of rehabilitation and correction under section 5120.114 of the Revised Code.

(B) Each sentence to a prison term, other than a term of life imprisonment, for a felony of the first degree, for a felony of the second degree, for a felony sex offense, or for a felony of the third degree that is an offense of violence and is not a felony sex offense shall include a requirement that the offender
be subject to a period of post-release control imposed by the parole board after the offender's release from imprisonment. This division applies with respect to all prison terms of a type described in this division, including a term of any such type that is a risk reduction sentence. If a court imposes a sentence including a prison term of a type described in this division on or after July 11, 2006, the failure of a sentencing court to notify the offender pursuant to division (B)(2)(d) of section 2929.19 of the Revised Code of this requirement or to include in the judgment of conviction entered on the journal a statement that the offender's sentence includes this requirement does not negate, limit, or otherwise affect the mandatory period of supervision that is required for the offender under this division. This division applies with respect to all prison terms of a type described in this division, including a non-life felony indefinite prison term. Section 2929.191 of the Revised Code applies if, prior to July 11, 2006, a court imposed a sentence including a prison term of a type described in this division and failed to notify the offender pursuant to division (B)(2)(d) of section 2929.19 of the Revised Code regarding post-release control or to include in the judgment of conviction entered on the journal or in the sentence pursuant to division (D)(1) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code a statement regarding post-release control. Unless reduced by the parole board pursuant to division (D) of this section when authorized under that division, a period of post-release control required by this division for an offender shall be of one of the following periods:

(1) For a felony of the first degree or for a felony sex offense, five years;

(2) For a felony of the first degree that is not a felony sex offense, up to five years, but not less than two years;

(3) For a felony of the second degree that is not a felony
sex offense, up to three years, but not less than eighteen months;

(3)(4) For a felony of the third degree that is an offense of violence and is not a felony sex offense, up to three years, but not less than one year.

(C) Any sentence to a prison term for a felony of the third, fourth, or fifth degree that is not subject to division (B)(1) or (3)(4) of this section shall include a requirement that the offender be subject to a period of post-release control of up to three years after the offender's release from imprisonment, if the parole board, in accordance with division (D) of this section, determines that a period of post-release control is necessary for that offender. This division applies with respect to all prison terms of a type described in this division, including a term of any such type that is a risk reduction sentence. Section 2929.191 of the Revised Code applies if, prior to July 11, 2006, a court imposed a sentence including a prison term of a type described in this division and failed to notify the offender pursuant to division (B)(2)(e) of section 2929.19 of the Revised Code regarding post-release control or to include in the judgment of conviction entered on the journal or in the sentence pursuant to division (D)(2) of section 2929.14 of the Revised Code a statement regarding post-release control. Pursuant to an agreement entered into under section 2967.29 of the Revised Code, a court of common pleas or parole board may impose sanctions or conditions on an offender who is placed on post-release control under this division.

(D)(1) Before the prisoner is released from imprisonment, the parole board or, pursuant to an agreement under section 2967.29 of the Revised Code, the court shall impose upon a prisoner described in division (B) of this section, shall impose upon a prisoner described in division (C) of this section who is to be released before the expiration of the prisoner's stated prison
term under a risk reduction sentence, may impose upon a prisoner described in division (C) of this section who is not to be released before the expiration of the prisoner's stated prison term under a risk reduction sentence, and shall impose upon a prisoner described in division (B)(2)(b) of section 5120.031 or in division (B)(1) of section 5120.032 of the Revised Code, one or more post-release control sanctions to apply during the prisoner's period of post-release control. Whenever the board or court imposes one or more post-release control sanctions upon a prisoner, the board or court, in addition to imposing the sanctions, also shall include as a condition of the post-release control that the offender not leave the state without permission of the court or the offender's parole or probation officer and that the offender abide by the law. The board or court may impose any other conditions of release under a post-release control sanction that the board or court considers appropriate, and the conditions of release may include any community residential sanction, community nonresidential sanction, or financial sanction that the sentencing court was authorized to impose pursuant to sections 2929.16, 2929.17, and 2929.18 of the Revised Code. Prior to the release of a prisoner for whom it will impose one or more post-release control sanctions under this division, the parole board or court shall review the prisoner's criminal history, results from the single validated risk assessment tool selected by the department of rehabilitation and correction under section 5120.114 of the Revised Code, all juvenile court adjudications finding the prisoner, while a juvenile, to be a delinquent child, and the record of the prisoner's conduct while imprisoned. The parole board or court shall consider any recommendation regarding post-release control sanctions for the prisoner made by the office of victims' services. After considering those materials, the board or court shall determine, for a prisoner described in division (B) of this section, division (B)(2)(b) of section 5120.031, or...
division (B)(1) of section 5120.032 of the Revised Code and for a prisoner described in division (C) of this section who is to be released before the expiration of the prisoner's stated prison term under a risk reduction sentence, which post-release control sanction or combination of post-release control sanctions is reasonable under the circumstances or, for a prisoner described in division (C) of this section who is not to be released before the expiration of the prisoner's stated prison term under a risk reduction sentence, whether a post-release control sanction is necessary and, if so, which post-release control sanction or combination of post-release control sanctions is reasonable under the circumstances. In the case of a prisoner convicted of a felony of the fourth or fifth degree other than a felony sex offense, the board or court shall presume that monitored time is the appropriate post-release control sanction unless the board or court determines that a more restrictive sanction is warranted. A post-release control sanction imposed under this division takes effect upon the prisoner's release from imprisonment.

Regardless of whether the prisoner was sentenced to the prison term prior to, on, or after July 11, 2006, prior to the release of a prisoner for whom it will impose one or more post-release control sanctions under this division, the parole board shall notify the prisoner that, if the prisoner violates any sanction so imposed or any condition of post-release control described in division (B) of section 2967.131 of the Revised Code that is imposed on the prisoner, the parole board may impose a prison term of up to one-half of the stated prison term originally imposed upon the prisoner.

At least thirty days before the prisoner is released from imprisonment under post-release control, except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the department of rehabilitation and correction shall notify the victim and the victim's immediate
family of the date on which the prisoner will be released, the period for which the prisoner will be under post-release control supervision, and the terms and conditions of the prisoner's post-release control regardless of whether the victim or victim's immediate family has requested the notification. The notice described in this paragraph shall not be given to a victim or victim's immediate family if the victim or the victim's immediate family has requested pursuant to division (B)(2) of section 2930.03 of the Revised Code that the notice not be provided to the victim or the victim's immediate family. At least thirty days before the prisoner is released from imprisonment and regardless of whether the victim or victim's immediate family has requested that the notice described in this paragraph be provided or not be provided to the victim or the victim's immediate family, the department also shall provide notice of that nature to the prosecuting attorney in the case and the law enforcement agency that arrested the prisoner if any officer of that agency was a victim of the offense.

If the notice given under the preceding paragraph to the victim or the victim's immediate family is based on an offense committed prior to March 22, 2013, and if the department of rehabilitation and correction has not previously successfully provided any notice to the victim or the victim's immediate family under division (B), (C), or (D) of section 2930.16 of the Revised Code with respect to that offense and the offender who committed it, the notice also shall inform the victim or the victim's immediate family that the victim or the victim's immediate family may request that the victim or the victim's immediate family not be provided any further notices with respect to that offense and the offender who committed it and shall describe the procedure for making that request. The department may give the notices to which the preceding paragraph applies by any reasonable means, including regular mail, telephone, and electronic mail. If the department
attempts to provide notice to any specified person under the preceding paragraph but the attempt is unsuccessful because the department is unable to locate the specified person, is unable to provide the notice by its chosen method because it cannot determine the mailing address, electronic mail address, or telephone number at which to provide the notice, or, if the notice is sent by mail, the notice is returned, the department shall make another attempt to provide the notice to the specified person. If the second attempt is unsuccessful, the department shall make at least one more attempt to provide the notice. If the notice is based on an offense committed prior to March 22, 2013, in each attempt to provide the notice to the victim or victim's immediate family, the notice shall include the opt-out information described in this paragraph. The department, in the manner described in division (D)(2) of section 2930.16 of the Revised Code, shall keep a record of all attempts to provide the notice, and of all notices provided, under this paragraph and the preceding paragraph. The record shall be considered as if it was kept under division (D)(2) of section 2930.16 of the Revised Code. This paragraph, the preceding paragraph, and the notice-related provisions of divisions (E)(2) and (K) of section 2929.20, division (D)(1) of section 2930.16, division (H) of section 2967.12, division (E)(1)(b) of section 2967.19, division (A)(3)(b) of section 2967.26, and division (A)(2) of section 5149.101 of the Revised Code enacted in the act in which this paragraph and the preceding paragraph were enacted, shall be known as "Roberta's Law."

(2) If a prisoner who is placed on post-release control under this section is released before the expiration of the definite term that is the prisoner's stated prison term or the expiration of the minimum term that is part of the prisoner's indefinite prison term imposed under a non-life felony indefinite prison term by reason of credit earned under section 2967.193 or a reduction under division (F) of section 2967.271 of the Revised Code and if
the prisoner earned sixty or more days of credit, the adult parole
authority shall may supervise the offender with an active global
positioning system device for the first fourteen days after the
offender's release from imprisonment. This division does not
prohibit or limit the imposition of any post-release control
sanction otherwise authorized by this section.

(3) At any time after After a prisoner is released from
imprisonment and during the period of post-release control
applicable to the releasee, the adult parole authority or,
pursuant to an agreement under section 2967.29 of the Revised
Code, the court may review the releasee's behavior under the
post-release control sanctions imposed upon the releasee under
this section. The authority or court may determine, based upon the
review and in accordance with the standards established under
division (E) of this section, that a more restrictive or a less
restrictive sanction is appropriate and may impose a different
sanction. The authority also may recommend that the parole board
or court increase or reduce the duration of the period of
post-release control imposed by the court. If the authority
recommends that the board or court increase the duration of
post-release control, the board or court shall review the
releasee's behavior and may increase the duration of the period of
post-release control imposed by the court up to eight years. If
the authority recommends that the board or court reduce the
duration of control for an offense described in division (B) or
(C) of this section, the board or court shall review the
releasee's behavior and, subject to divisions (D)(3)(a) to (e) of
this section, may reduce the duration of the period of control
imposed by the court or, if the period of control was imposed for
a non-life felony indefinite prison term, reduce the duration of
or terminate the period of control imposed by the court the
releasee has satisfactorily complied with the sanctions imposed.
and if such a determination is made, the authority may recommend a
less restrictive sanction, reduce the period of post-release control, or, no sooner than the minimum period of time required under section 2967.16 of the Revised Code, recommend that the parole board or court terminate the duration of the period of post-release control. In no case shall the board or court do any of the following:

(a) Reduce the duration of the period of control imposed for a felony sex offense described in division (B)(1) of this section to a period less than the length of the definite prison term included in the stated prison term originally imposed on the offender as part of the sentence or, with respect to a stated non-life felony indefinite prison term, to a period less than the length of the minimum prison term imposed as part of that stated prison term;

(b) Consider any reduction or termination of the duration of the period of control imposed on a releasee prior to the expiration of one year after the commencement of the period of control, if the period of control was imposed for a non-life felony indefinite prison term and the releasee's minimum prison term or presumptive earned early release date under that term was extended for any length of time under division (C) or (D) of section 2967.271 of the Revised Code.

(c) Permit the releasee to leave the state without permission of the court or the releasee's parole or probation officer.

(4) The department of rehabilitation and correction shall develop factors that the parole board or court shall consider in determining under division (D)(3) of this section whether to terminate the period of control imposed on a releasee for a non-life felony indefinite prison term.

(E) The department of rehabilitation and correction, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall adopt
rules that do all of the following:

(1) Establish standards for the imposition by the parole board of post-release control sanctions under this section that are consistent with the overriding purposes and sentencing principles set forth in section 2929.11 of the Revised Code and that are appropriate to the needs of releasees;

(2) Establish standards that provide for a period of post-release control of up to three two years for all prisoners described in division (C) of this section who are to be released before the expiration of their stated prison term under a risk reduction sentence and standards by which the parole board can determine which prisoners described in division (C) of this section who are not to be released before the expiration of their stated prison term under a risk reduction sentence should be placed under a period of post-release control;

(3) Establish standards to be used by the parole board in reducing or terminating the duration of the period of post-release control imposed by the court when authorized under division (D) of this section, in imposing a more restrictive post-release control sanction than monitored time upon a prisoner convicted of a felony of the fourth or fifth degree other than a felony sex offense, or in imposing a less restrictive control sanction upon a releasee based on results from the single validated risk assessment tool and on the releasee's activities including, but not limited to, remaining free from criminal activity and from the abuse of alcohol or other drugs, successfully participating in approved rehabilitation programs, maintaining employment, and paying restitution to the victim or meeting the terms of other financial sanctions;

(4) Establish standards to be used by the adult parole authority in modifying a releasee's post-release control sanctions pursuant to division (D)(2) of this section;
(5) Establish standards to be used by the adult parole authority or parole board in imposing further sanctions under division (F) of this section on releasees who violate post-release control sanctions, including standards that do the following:
(a) Classify violations according to the degree of seriousness;
(b) Define the circumstances under which formal action by the parole board is warranted;
(c) Govern the use of evidence at violation hearings;
(d) Ensure procedural due process to an alleged violator;
(e) Prescribe nonresidential community control sanctions for most misdemeanor and technical violations;
(f) Provide procedures for the return of a releasee to imprisonment for violations of post-release control.

(F)(1) Whenever the parole board imposes one or more post-release control sanctions upon an offender under this section, the offender upon release from imprisonment shall be under the general jurisdiction of the adult parole authority and generally shall be supervised by the field services section through its staff of parole and field officers as described in section 5149.04 of the Revised Code, as if the offender had been placed on parole. If the offender upon release from imprisonment violates the post-release control sanction or any conditions described in division (A) of section 2967.131 of the Revised Code that are imposed on the offender, the public or private person or entity that operates or administers the sanction or the program or activity that comprises the sanction shall report the violation directly to the adult parole authority or to the officer of the authority who supervises the offender. The authority's officers may treat the offender as if the offender were on parole and in violation of the parole, and otherwise shall comply with this.
(2) If the adult parole authority or, pursuant to an agreement under section 2967.29 of the Revised Code, the court determines that a releasee has violated a post-release control sanction or any conditions described in division (A) of section 2967.131 of the Revised Code imposed upon the releasee and that a more restrictive sanction is appropriate, the authority or court may impose a more restrictive sanction upon the releasee, in accordance with the standards established under division (E) of this section or in accordance with the agreement made under section 2967.29 of the Revised Code, or may report the violation to the parole board for a hearing pursuant to division (F)(3) of this section. The authority or court may not, pursuant to this division, increase the duration of the releasee's post-release control or impose as a post-release control sanction a residential sanction that includes a prison term, but the authority or court may impose on the releasee any other residential sanction, nonresidential sanction, or financial sanction that the sentencing court was authorized to impose pursuant to sections 2929.16, 2929.17, and 2929.18 of the Revised Code.

(3) The parole board or, pursuant to an agreement under section 2967.29 of the Revised Code, the court may hold a hearing on any alleged violation by a releasee of a post-release control sanction or any conditions described in division (A) of section 2967.131 of the Revised Code that are imposed upon the releasee. If after the hearing the board or court finds that the releasee violated the sanction or condition, the board or court may increase the duration of the releasee's post-release control up to the maximum duration authorized by division (B) or (C) of this section or impose a more restrictive post-release control sanction. If a releasee was acting pursuant to division (B)(2)(b) of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code and in so doing violated
the conditions of a post-release control sanction based on a minor drug possession offense as defined in that section, the board or the court may consider the releasee's conduct in seeking or obtaining medical assistance for another in good faith or for self or may consider the releasee being the subject of another person seeking or obtaining medical assistance in accordance with that division as a mitigating factor before imposing any of the penalties described in this division. When appropriate, the board or court may impose as a post-release control sanction a residential sanction that includes a prison term. The board or court shall consider a prison term as a post-release control sanction imposed for a violation of post-release control when the violation involves a deadly weapon or dangerous ordnance, physical harm or attempted serious physical harm to a person, or sexual misconduct. Unless a releasee's stated prison term was reduced pursuant to section 5120.032 of the Revised Code, the period of a prison term that is imposed as a post-release control sanction under this division shall not exceed nine months, and the maximum cumulative prison term for all violations under this division shall not exceed one-half of the definite prison term that was the stated prison term originally imposed upon the offender as part of this sentence or, with respect to a stated non-life felony indefinite prison term, one-half of the minimum prison term that was imposed as part of that stated prison term originally imposed upon the offender. If a releasee's stated prison term was reduced pursuant to section 5120.032 of the Revised Code, the period of a prison term that is imposed as a post-release control sanction under this division and the maximum cumulative prison term for all violations under this division shall not exceed the period of time not served in prison under the sentence imposed by the court. The period of a prison term that is imposed as a post-release control sanction under this division shall not count as, or be credited toward, the remaining period of post-release...
control. If, during the period of the releasee's post-release control, the releasee serves as a post-release control sanction the maximum prison time available as a sanction, the post-release control shall terminate.

If an offender is imprisoned for a felony committed while under post-release control supervision and is again released on post-release control for a period of time determined by division (F)(4)(d) of this section, the maximum cumulative prison term for all violations under this division shall not exceed one-half of the total stated prison terms of the earlier felony, reduced by any prison term administratively imposed by the parole board or court, plus one-half of the total stated prison term of the new felony.

(4) Any period of post-release control shall commence upon an offender's actual release from prison. If an offender is serving an indefinite prison term or a life sentence in addition to a stated prison term, the offender shall serve the period of post-release control in the following manner:

(a) If a period of post-release control is imposed upon the offender and if the offender also is subject to a period of parole under a life sentence or an indefinite sentence, and if the period of post-release control ends prior to the period of parole, the offender shall be supervised on parole. The offender shall receive credit for post-release control supervision during the period of parole. The offender is not eligible for final release under section 2967.16 of the Revised Code until the post-release control period otherwise would have ended.

(b) If a period of post-release control is imposed upon the offender and if the offender also is subject to a period of parole under an indefinite sentence, and if the period of parole ends prior to the period of post-release control, the offender shall be supervised on post-release control. The requirements of parole
supervision shall be satisfied during the post-release control period.

(c) If an offender is subject to more than one period of post-release control, the period of post-release control for all of the sentences shall be the period of post-release control that expires last, as determined by the parole board or court. Periods of post-release control shall be served concurrently and shall not be imposed consecutively to each other.

(d) (G)(1) If an offender is simultaneously subject to a period of parole under an indefinite or life sentence and a period of post-release control, or is simultaneously subject to two periods of post-release control, the period of supervision that expires last shall determine the length and form of supervision for all the periods and the related sentences.

(2) An offender shall receive credit for post-release control supervision during the period of parole, and shall not be eligible for final release under section 2967.16 of the Revised Code until the post-release control period otherwise would have ended.

(3) If the period of parole ends prior to the end of the period of post-release control, the requirements of parole supervision shall be satisfied during the post-release control period.

(H)(1) A period of post-release control shall not be imposed consecutively to any other post-release control period.

(2) The period of post-release control for a releasee who commits a felony while under post-release control for an earlier felony shall be the longer of the period of post-release control specified for the new felony under division (B) or (C) of this section or the time remaining under the period of post-release control imposed for the earlier felony as determined by the parole board or court.
Sec. 2981.13. (A) Except as otherwise provided in this section, property ordered forfeited as contraband, proceeds, or an instrumentality pursuant to this chapter shall be disposed of, used, or sold pursuant to section 2981.12 of the Revised Code. If the property is to be sold under that section, the prosecutor shall cause notice of the proposed sale to be given in accordance with law.

(B) If the contraband or instrumentality forfeited under this chapter is sold, any moneys acquired from a sale and any proceeds forfeited under this chapter shall be applied in the following order:

(1) First, to pay costs incurred in the seizure, storage, maintenance, security, and sale of the property and in the forfeiture proceeding;

(2) Second, in a criminal forfeiture case, to satisfy any restitution ordered to the victim of the offense or, in a civil forfeiture case, to satisfy any recovery ordered for the person harmed, unless paid from other assets;

(3) Third, to pay the balance due on any security interest preserved under this chapter;

(4) Fourth, apply the remaining amounts as follows:

(a) If the forfeiture was ordered by a juvenile court, ten per cent to one or more community addiction services providers as specified in division (D) of section 2981.12 of the Revised Code;

(b) If the forfeiture was ordered in a juvenile court, ninety per cent, and if the forfeiture was ordered in a court other than a juvenile court, one hundred per cent to the law enforcement trust fund of the prosecutor and to the following fund supporting the law enforcement agency that substantially conducted the investigation:
(i) The law enforcement trust fund of the county sheriff, municipal corporation, township, or park district created under section 511.18 or 1545.01 of the Revised Code;

(ii) The state highway patrol contraband, forfeiture, and other fund;

(iii) The department of public safety investigative unit contraband, forfeiture, and other fund;

(iv) The department of taxation enforcement fund;

(v) The board of pharmacy drug law enforcement fund created by division (B)(1) of section 4729.65 of the Revised Code;

(vi) The medicaid fraud investigation and prosecution fund;

(vii) The bureau of criminal identification and investigation asset forfeiture and cost reimbursement fund created by section 109.521 of the Revised Code;

(viii) The casino control commission enforcement fund created by section 3772.36 of the Revised Code;

(ix) The auditor of state investigation and forfeiture trust fund established under section 117.54 of the Revised Code;

(x) The treasurer of state for deposit into the Ohio law enforcement training commission fund if any other state law enforcement agency substantially conducted the investigation.

In the case of property forfeited for medicaid fraud, any remaining amount shall be used by the attorney general to investigate and prosecute medicaid fraud offenses.

If the prosecutor declines to accept any of the remaining amounts, the amounts shall be applied to the fund of the agency that substantially conducted the investigation.

(c) If more than one law enforcement agency is substantially involved in the seizure of property forfeited under this chapter,
the court ordering the forfeiture shall equitably divide the
amounts, after calculating any distribution to the law enforcement
trust fund of the prosecutor pursuant to division (B)(4) of this
section, among the entities that the court determines were
substantially involved in the seizure.

(C)(1) A law enforcement trust fund shall be established by
the prosecutor of each county who intends to receive any remaining
amounts pursuant to this section, by the sheriff of each county,
by the legislative authority of each municipal corporation, by the
board of township trustees of each township that has a township
police department, township or joint police district police force,
or office of the constable, and by the board of park commissioners
of each park district created pursuant to section 511.18 or
1545.01 of the Revised Code that has a park district police force
or law enforcement department, for the purposes of this section.

There is hereby created in the state treasury the state
highway patrol contraband, forfeiture, and other fund, the
department of public safety investigative unit contraband,
forfeiture, and other fund, the medicaid fraud investigation and
prosecution fund, and the department of taxation enforcement fund,
and the peace officer training commission fund, for the purposes
of this section.

Amounts distributed to any municipal corporation, township,
or park district law enforcement trust fund shall be allocated
from the fund by the legislative authority only to the police
department of the municipal corporation, by the board of township
trustees only to the township police department, township police
district police force, or office of the constable, by the joint
district board only to the joint police district, and by
the board of park commissioners only to the park district police
force or law enforcement department.

(2)(a) No amounts shall be allocated to a fund under this
section or used by an agency unless the agency has adopted a written internal control policy that addresses the use of moneys received from the appropriate fund. The appropriate fund shall be expended only in accordance with that policy and, subject to the requirements specified in this section, only for the following purposes:

(i) To pay the costs of protracted or complex investigations or prosecutions;

(ii) To provide reasonable technical training or expertise;

(iii) To provide matching funds to obtain federal grants to aid law enforcement, in the support of DARE programs or other programs designed to educate adults or children with respect to the dangers associated with the use of drugs of abuse;

(iv) To pay the costs of emergency action taken under section 3745.13 of the Revised Code relative to the operation of an illegal methamphetamine laboratory if the forfeited property or money involved was that of a person responsible for the operation of the laboratory;

(v) For other law enforcement purposes that the superintendent of the state highway patrol, department of public safety, attorney general, auditor of state, prosecutor, county sheriff, legislative authority, department of taxation, Ohio casino control commission, board of township trustees, or board of park commissioners determines to be appropriate.

(b) The board of pharmacy drug law enforcement fund shall be expended only in accordance with the written internal control policy so adopted by the board and only in accordance with section 4729.65 of the Revised Code, except that it also may be expended to pay the costs of emergency action taken under section 3745.13 of the Revised Code relative to the operation of an illegal methamphetamine laboratory if the forfeited property or money
involved was that of a person responsible for the operation of the laboratory.

(c) A fund listed in division (B)(4)(b) of this section, other than the Medicaid fraud investigation and prosecution fund, shall not be used to meet the operating costs of the agency, office, or political subdivision that are unrelated to law enforcement.

(d) Forfeited moneys that are paid into the state treasury to be deposited into the peace officer Ohio law enforcement training commission fund pursuant to this section shall be used by the commission only to pay the costs of peace officer training.

(3) Any of the following offices or agencies that receive amounts under this section during any calendar year shall file a report with the specified entity, not later than the thirty-first day of January of the next calendar year, verifying that the moneys were expended only for the purposes authorized by this section or other relevant statute and specifying the amounts expended for each authorized purpose:

(a) Any sheriff or prosecutor shall file the report with the county auditor.

(b) Any municipal corporation police department shall file the report with the legislative authority of the municipal corporation.

(c) Any township police department, township or joint police district police force, or office of the constable shall file the report with the board of township trustees of the township.

(d) Any park district police force or law enforcement department shall file the report with the board of park commissioners of the park district.

(e) The superintendent of the state highway patrol, the
auditor of state, and the tax commissioner shall file the report with the attorney general.

(f) The executive director of the state board of pharmacy shall file the report with the attorney general, verifying that cash and forfeited proceeds paid into the board of pharmacy drug law enforcement fund were used only in accordance with section 4729.65 of the Revised Code.

(g) The peace officer training commission shall file a report with the attorney general, verifying that cash and forfeited proceeds paid into the peace officer Ohio law enforcement training commission fund pursuant to this section during the prior calendar year were used by the commission during the prior calendar year only to pay the costs of peace officer training.

(h) The executive director of the Ohio casino control commission shall file the report with the attorney general, verifying that cash and forfeited proceeds paid into the casino control commission enforcement fund were used only in accordance with section 3772.36 of the Revised Code.

(D) The written internal control policy of a county sheriff, prosecutor, municipal corporation police department, township police department, township or joint police district police force, office of the constable, or park district police force or law enforcement department shall provide that at least ten per cent of the first one hundred thousand dollars of amounts deposited during each calendar year in the agency's law enforcement trust fund under this section, and at least twenty per cent of the amounts exceeding one hundred thousand dollars that are so deposited, shall be used in connection with community preventive education programs. The manner of use shall be determined by the sheriff, prosecutor, department, police force, or office of the constable after receiving and considering advice on appropriate community preventive education programs from the county's board of alcohol,
drug addiction, and mental health services, from the county's
alcohol and drug addiction services board, or through appropriate
community dialogue.

The financial records kept under the internal control policy
shall specify the amount deposited during each calendar year in
the portion of that amount that was used pursuant to this
division, and the programs in connection with which the portion of
that amount was so used.

As used in this division, "community preventive education
programs" include, but are not limited to, DARE programs and other
programs designed to educate adults or children with respect to
the dangers associated with using drugs of abuse.

(E) Upon the sale, under this section or section 2981.12 of
the Revised Code, of any property that is required by law to be
titled or registered, the state shall issue an appropriate
certificate of title or registration to the purchaser. If the
state is vested with title and elects to retain property that is
required to be titled or registered under law, the state shall
issue an appropriate certificate of title or registration.

(F) Any failure of a law enforcement officer or agency,
prosecutor, court, or the attorney general to comply with this
section in relation to any property seized does not affect the
validity of the seizure and shall not be considered to be the
basis for suppressing any evidence resulting from the seizure,
provided the seizure itself was lawful.

(G) As used in this section, "Ohio law enforcement training
fund" means the state law enforcement training fund described in
division (C)(3)(f) of Section 6 of Article XV, Ohio Constitution.

Sec. 3107.014. (A) Except as provided in division (B) of this
section, only an individual who meets all of the following
requirements may perform the duties of an assessor under sections 3107.031, 3107.032, 3107.082, 3107.09, 3107.101, 3107.12, 5103.0324, and 5103.152 of the Revised Code:

(1) The individual must be in the employ of, appointed by, or under contract with a court, public children services agency, private child placing agency, or private noncustodial agency;

(2) The individual must be one of the following:

(a) A licensed professional clinical counselor, licensed professional counselor, independent social worker, social worker, independent marriage and family therapist, or marriage and family therapist licensed under Chapter 4757. of the Revised Code;

(b) A psychologist licensed under Chapter 4732. of the Revised Code;

(c) A student working to earn a four-year, post-secondary degree, or higher, in a social or behavior science, or both, who conducts assessor's duties under the supervision of a licensed professional clinical counselor, licensed professional counselor, independent social worker, social worker, independent marriage and family therapist, or marriage and family therapist licensed under Chapter 4757. of the Revised Code or a psychologist licensed under Chapter 4732. of the Revised Code. Beginning July 1, 2009, a student is eligible under this division only if the supervising licensed professional clinical counselor, licensed professional counselor, independent social worker, social worker, independent marriage and family therapist, marriage and family therapist, or psychologist has completed training in accordance with rules adopted under section 3107.015 of the Revised Code.

(d) A civil service employee engaging in social work without a license under Chapter 4757. of the Revised Code, as permitted by division (A)(5) of section 4757.41 of the Revised Code;

(e) A former employee of a public children services agency
who, while so employed, conducted the duties of an assessor or the duties of a PCSA caseworker as defined in section 5153.01 of the Revised Code;

(f) An employee of a court or public children services agency who is employed to conduct the duties of an assessor-

(g) A caseworker or caseworker supervisor as defined in section 5153.01 of the Revised Code;

(h) An individual with a master's degree in social work or a related field and who is currently employed, and has been employed for at least two years, in a human-services-related occupation.

(3) The individual must complete training in accordance with rules adopted under section 3107.015 of the Revised Code.

(B) An individual in the employ of, appointed by, or under contract with a court prior to September 18, 1996, to conduct adoption investigations of prospective adoptive parents may perform the duties of an assessor under sections 3107.031, 3107.032, 3107.082, 3107.09, 3107.101, 3107.12, 5103.0324, and 5103.152 of the Revised Code if the individual complies with division (A)(3) of this section regardless of whether the individual meets the requirement of division (A)(2) of this section.

(C) A court, public children services agency, private child placing agency, or private noncustodial agency may employ, appoint, or contract with an assessor in the county in which a petition for adoption is filed and in any other county or location outside this state where information needed to complete or supplement the assessor's duties may be obtained. More than one assessor may be utilized for an adoption.

(D) Not later than January 1, 2008, the department of job and family services shall develop and maintain an assessor registry. The registry shall list all individuals who are employed,
appointed by, or under contract with a court, public children services agency, private child placing agency, or private noncustodial agency and meet the requirements of an assessor as described in this section. A public children services agency, private child placing agency, private noncustodial agency, court, or any other person may contact the department to determine if an individual is listed in the assessor registry. An individual listed in the assessor registry shall immediately inform the department when that individual is no longer employed, appointed by, or under contract with a court, public children services agency, private child placing agency, or private noncustodial agency to perform the duties of an assessor as described in this section. The director of job and family services shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code necessary for the implementation, contents, and maintenance of the registry, and any sanctions related to the provision of information, or the failure to provide information, that is needed for the proper operation of the assessor registry.

Sec. 3107.03. The following persons may adopt:

(A) A husband and wife legally married couple together, at least one of whom is an adult;

(B) An unmarried adult;

(C) The unmarried minor parent of the person to be adopted;

(D) A married adult without the other spouse joining as a petitioner if any of the following apply:

   (1) The other spouse is a parent of the person to be adopted and supports the adoption;

   (2) The petitioner and the other spouse are separated under section 3103.06 or 3105.17 of the Revised Code;

   (3) The failure of the other spouse to join in the petition
or to support the adoption is found by the court to be by reason of prolonged unexplained absence, unavailability, incapacity, or circumstances that make it impossible or unreasonably difficult to obtain either the support or refusal of the other spouse.

Sec. 3107.11. (A) After the filing of a petition to adopt an adult or a minor, the court shall fix a time and place for hearing the petition. The hearing may take place at any time more than thirty days after the date on which the minor is placed in the home of the petitioner. At least twenty days before the date of hearing, notice of the filing of the petition and of the time and place of hearing shall be given by the court to all of the following:

(1) Any juvenile court, agency, or person whose consent to the adoption is required by this chapter but who has not consented;

(2) A person whose consent is not required as provided by division (A), (G), (H), or (I) of section 3107.07 of the Revised Code and has not consented;

(3) Any guardian, custodian, or other party who has temporary custody or permanent custody of the child.

Notice shall not be given to a person whose consent is not required as provided by division (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), or (J) of section 3107.07, or section 3107.071, of the Revised Code.

Second notice shall not be given to a juvenile court, agency, or person whose consent is not required as provided by division (K) of section 3107.07 of the Revised Code because the court, agency, or person failed to file an objection to the petition within fourteen days after proof was filed pursuant to division (B) of this section that a first notice was given to the court, agency, or person pursuant to division (A)(1) of this section.
(B) Upon the filing of a petition for adoption that alleges that a parent has failed without justifiable cause to provide more than de minimis contact with the minor or to provide for the maintenance and support of the minor, the clerk of courts shall send a notice to that parent with the following language in boldface type and in all capital letters:


(C) All notices required under this section shall be given as specified in the Rules of Civil Procedure. Proof of the giving of notice shall be filed with the court before the petition is heard.

Sec. 3107.15. (A) A final decree of adoption and an interlocutory order of adoption that has become final as issued by a court of this state, or a decree issued by a jurisdiction outside this state as recognized pursuant to section 3107.18 of the Revised Code, shall have the following effects as to all matters within the jurisdiction or before a court of this state, whether issued before or after May 30, 1996:
(1) **(a)** Except with respect to a spouse of the petitioner and relatives of the spouse, to relieve the biological or other legal parents of the adopted person of all parental rights and responsibilities, and to terminate all legal relationships between the adopted person and the adopted person's relatives, including the adopted person's biological or other legal parents, so that, except as provided under division (A)(1)(b) of this section, the adopted person thereafter is a stranger to the adopted person's former relatives for all purposes including inheritance and the interpretation or construction of documents, statutes, and instruments, whether executed before or after the adoption is decreed, which do not expressly include the person by name or by some designation not based on a parent and child or blood relationship;

**(b)** The legal parents of an adopted person may be notified that a sibling of the adopted person has been placed into out-of-home care. For the purposes of this division, "sibling" means a former biological sibling, former legal sibling, or any person who would have been considered a sibling if not for a termination or other disruption of parental rights.

(2) To create the relationship of parent and child between petitioner and the adopted person, as if the adopted person were a legitimate blood descendant of the petitioner, for all purposes including inheritance and applicability of statutes, documents, and instruments, whether executed before or after the adoption is decreed, and whether executed or created before or after May 30, 1996, which do not expressly exclude an adopted person from their operation or effect;

(3) Notwithstanding division (A)(2) of this section, a person who is eighteen years of age or older at the time the person is adopted, and the adopted person's lineal descendants, are not included as recipients of gifts, devises, bequests, or other
transfers of property, including transfers in trust made to a
class of persons including, but not limited to, children,
grandchildren, heirs, issue, lineal descendants, and next of kin,
for purposes of inheritance and applicability of statutes,
documents, and instruments, whether executed or created before or
after May 30, 1996, unless the document or instrument expressly
includes the adopted person by name or expressly states that it
includes a person who is eighteen years of age or older at the
time the person is adopted.

(B) Notwithstanding division (A) of this section, if a parent
of a child dies without the relationship of parent and child
having been previously terminated and a spouse of the living
parent thereafter adopts the child, the child's rights from or
through the deceased parent for all purposes, including
inheritance and applicability or construction of documents,
statutes, and instruments, are not restricted or curtailed by the
adoption.

(C) Notwithstanding division (A) of this section, if the
relationship of parent and child has not been terminated between a
parent and that parent's child and a spouse of the other parent of
the child adopts the child, a grandparent's or relative's right to
companionship or visitation pursuant to section 3109.11 of the
Revised Code is not restricted or curtailed by the adoption.

(D) An interlocutory order of adoption, while it is in force,
has the same legal effect as a final decree of adoption. If an
interlocutory order of adoption is vacated, it shall be as though
void from its issuance, and the rights, liabilities, and status of
all affected persons that have not become vested are governed
accordingly.

**Sec. 3113.31.** (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Domestic violence" means any of the following:
(a) The occurrence of one or more of the following acts against a family or household member:

   (i) Attempting to cause or recklessly causing bodily injury;

   (ii) Placing another person by the threat of force in fear of imminent serious physical harm or committing a violation of section 2903.211 or 2911.211 of the Revised Code;

   (iii) Committing any act with respect to a child that would result in the child being an abused child, as defined in section 2151.031 of the Revised Code;

   (iv) Committing a sexually oriented offense.

(b) The occurrence of one or more of the acts identified in divisions (A)(1)(a)(i) to (iv) of this section against a person with whom the respondent is or was in a dating relationship.

(2) "Court" means the domestic relations division of the court of common pleas in counties that have a domestic relations division and the court of common pleas in counties that do not have a domestic relations division, or the juvenile division of the court of common pleas of the county in which the person to be protected by a protection order issued or a consent agreement approved under this section resides if the respondent is less than eighteen years of age.

(3) "Family or household member" means any of the following:

   (a) Any of the following who is residing with or has resided with the respondent:

      (i) A spouse, a person living as a spouse, or a former spouse of the respondent;

      (ii) A parent, a foster parent, or a child of the respondent, or another person related by consanguinity or affinity to the respondent;

      (iii) A parent or a child of a spouse, person living as a
spouse, or former spouse of the respondent, or another person related by consanguinity or affinity to a spouse, person living as a spouse, or former spouse of the respondent.

(b) The natural parent of any child of whom the respondent is the other natural parent or is the putative other natural parent.

(4) "Person living as a spouse" means a person who is living or has lived with the respondent in a common law marital relationship, who otherwise is cohabiting with the respondent, or who otherwise has cohabited with the respondent within five years prior to the date of the alleged occurrence of the act in question.

(5) "Victim advocate" means a person who provides support and assistance for a person who files a petition under this section.

(6) "Sexually oriented offense" has the same meaning as in section 2950.01 of the Revised Code.

(7) "Companion animal" has the same meaning as in section 959.131 of the Revised Code.

(8) "Dating relationship" means a relationship between individuals who have, or have had, a relationship of a romantic or intimate nature. "Dating relationship" does not include a casual acquaintanceship or ordinary fraternization in a business or social context.

(9) "Person with whom the respondent is or was in a dating relationship" means an adult who, at the time of the conduct in question, is in a dating relationship with the respondent who also is an adult or who, within the twelve months preceding the conduct in question, has had a dating relationship with the respondent who also is an adult.

(B) The court has jurisdiction over all proceedings under this section. The petitioner's right to relief under this section
is not affected by the petitioner's leaving the residence or
household to avoid further domestic violence.

(C) A person may seek relief under this section on the
person's own behalf, or any parent or adult household member may
seek relief under this section on behalf of any other family or
household member, by filing a petition with the court. The
petition shall contain or state:

(1) An allegation that the respondent engaged in domestic
violence against a family or household member of the respondent or
against a person with whom the respondent is or was in a dating
relationship, including a description of the nature and extent of
the domestic violence;

(2) The relationship of the respondent to the petitioner, and
to the victim if other than the petitioner;

(3) If the petition is for protection of a person with whom
the respondent is or was in a dating relationship, the facts upon
which the court may conclude that a dating relationship existed
between the person to be protected and the respondent;

(4) A request for relief under this section.

(D)(1) If a person who files a petition pursuant to this
section requests an ex parte order, the court shall hold an ex
parte hearing on the same day that the petition is filed. The
court, for good cause shown at the ex parte hearing, may enter any
temporary orders, with or without bond, including, but not limited
to, an order described in division (E)(1)(a), (b), or (c) of this
section, that the court finds necessary to protect the family or
household member or the person with whom the respondent is or was
in a dating relationship from domestic violence. Immediate and
present danger of domestic violence to the family or household
member or to the person with whom the respondent is or was in a
dating relationship constitutes good cause for purposes of this
section. Immediate and present danger includes, but is not limited to, situations in which the respondent has threatened the family or household member or person with whom the respondent is or was in a dating relationship with bodily harm, in which the respondent has threatened the family or household member or person with whom the respondent is or was in a dating relationship with a sexually oriented offense, or in which the respondent previously has been convicted of, pleaded guilty to, or been adjudicated a delinquent child for an offense that constitutes domestic violence against the family or household member or person with whom the respondent is or was in a dating relationship.

(2) (a) If the court, after an ex parte hearing, issues an order described in division (E)(1)(b) or (c) of this section, the court shall schedule a full hearing for a date that is within seven court days after the ex parte hearing. If any other type of protection order that is authorized under division (E) of this section is issued by the court after an ex parte hearing, the court shall schedule a full hearing for a date that is within ten court days after the ex parte hearing. The court shall give the respondent notice of, and an opportunity to be heard at, the full hearing. The court shall hold the full hearing on the date scheduled under this division unless the court grants a continuance of the hearing in accordance with this division. Under any of the following circumstances or for any of the following reasons, the court may grant a continuance of the full hearing to a reasonable time determined by the court:

(i) Prior to the date scheduled for the full hearing under this division, the respondent has not been served with the petition filed pursuant to this section and notice of the full hearing.

(ii) The parties consent to the continuance.

(iii) The continuance is needed to allow a party to obtain
counsel.

(iv) The continuance is needed for other good cause.

(b) An ex parte order issued under this section does not expire because of a failure to serve notice of the full hearing upon the respondent before the date set for the full hearing under division (D)(2)(a) of this section or because the court grants a continuance under that division.

(3) If a person who files a petition pursuant to this section does not request an ex parte order, or if a person requests an ex parte order but the court does not issue an ex parte order after an ex parte hearing, the court shall proceed as in a normal civil action and grant a full hearing on the matter.

(E)(1) After an ex parte or full hearing, the court may grant any protection order, with or without bond, or approve any consent agreement to bring about a cessation of domestic violence against the family or household members or persons with whom the respondent is or was in a dating relationship. The order or agreement may:

(a) Direct the respondent to refrain from abusing or from committing sexually oriented offenses against the family or household members or persons with whom the respondent is or was in a dating relationship;

(b) With respect to a petition involving family or household members, grant possession of the residence or household to the petitioner or other family or household member, to the exclusion of the respondent, by evicting the respondent, when the residence or household is owned or leased solely by the petitioner or other family or household member, or by ordering the respondent to vacate the premises, when the residence or household is jointly owned or leased by the respondent, and the petitioner or other family or household member;
(c) With respect to a petition involving family or household members, when the respondent has a duty to support the petitioner or other family or household member living in the residence or household and the respondent is the sole owner or lessee of the residence or household, grant possession of the residence or household to the petitioner or other family or household member, to the exclusion of the respondent, by ordering the respondent to vacate the premises, or, in the case of a consent agreement, allow the respondent to provide suitable, alternative housing;

(d) With respect to a petition involving family or household members, temporarily allocate parental rights and responsibilities for the care of, or establish temporary parenting time rights with regard to, minor children, if no other court has determined, or is determining, the allocation of parental rights and responsibilities for the minor children or parenting time rights;

(e) With respect to a petition involving family or household members, require the respondent to maintain support, if the respondent customarily provides for or contributes to the support of the family or household member, or if the respondent has a duty to support the petitioner or family or household member;

(f) Require the respondent, petitioner, victim of domestic violence, or any combination of those persons, to seek counseling;

(g) Require the respondent to refrain from entering the residence, school, business, or place of employment of the petitioner or, with respect to a petition involving family or household members, a family or household member;

(h) Grant other relief that the court considers equitable and fair, including, but not limited to, ordering the respondent to permit the use of a motor vehicle by the petitioner or, with respect to a petition involving family or household members, other family or household members and the apportionment of household and
family personal property;

(i) Require that the respondent not remove, damage, hide, harm, or dispose of any companion animal owned or possessed by the petitioner;

(j) Authorize the petitioner to remove a companion animal owned by the petitioner from the possession of the respondent;

(k) Require a wireless service transfer in accordance with sections 3113.45 to 3113.459 of the Revised Code.

(2) If a protection order has been issued pursuant to this section in a prior action involving the respondent and the petitioner or, with respect to a petition involving family or household members, one or more of the family or household members or victims, the court may include in a protection order that it issues a prohibition against the respondent returning to the residence or household. If it includes a prohibition against the respondent returning to the residence or household in the order, it also shall include in the order provisions of the type described in division (E)(7) of this section. This division does not preclude the court from including in a protection order or consent agreement, in circumstances other than those described in this division, a requirement that the respondent be evicted from or vacate the residence or household or refrain from entering the residence, school, business, or place of employment of the petitioner or, with respect to a petition involving family or household members, a family or household member, and, if the court includes any requirement of that type in an order or agreement, the court also shall include in the order provisions of the type described in division (E)(7) of this section.

(3)(a) Any protection order issued or consent agreement approved under this section shall be valid until a date certain, but not later than five years from the date of its issuance or
approval, or not later than the date a respondent who is less than eighteen years of age attains nineteen years of age, unless modified or terminated as provided in division (E)(8) of this section.

(b) With respect to an order involving family or household members, subject to the limitation on the duration of an order or agreement set forth in division (E)(3)(a) of this section, any order under division (E)(1)(d) of this section shall terminate on the date that a court in an action for divorce, dissolution of marriage, or legal separation brought by the petitioner or respondent issues an order allocating parental rights and responsibilities for the care of children or on the date that a juvenile court in an action brought by the petitioner or respondent issues an order awarding legal custody of minor children. Subject to the limitation on the duration of an order or agreement set forth in division (E)(3)(a) of this section, any order under division (E)(1)(e) of this section shall terminate on the date that a court in an action for divorce, dissolution of marriage, or legal separation brought by the petitioner or respondent issues a support order or on the date that a juvenile court in an action brought by the petitioner or respondent issues a support order.

(c) Any protection order issued or consent agreement approved pursuant to this section may be renewed in the same manner as the original order or agreement was issued or approved.

(4) A court may not issue a protection order that requires a petitioner to do or to refrain from doing an act that the court may require a respondent to do or to refrain from doing under division (E)(1)(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (g), or (h) of this section unless all of the following apply:

(a) The respondent files a separate petition for a protection order in accordance with this section.
(b) The petitioner is served notice of the respondent's petition at least forty-eight hours before the court holds a hearing with respect to the respondent's petition, or the petitioner waives the right to receive this notice.

(c) If the petitioner has requested an ex parte order pursuant to division (D) of this section, the court does not delay any hearing required by that division beyond the time specified in that division in order to consolidate the hearing with a hearing on the petition filed by the respondent.

(d) After a full hearing at which the respondent presents evidence in support of the request for a protection order and the petitioner is afforded an opportunity to defend against that evidence, the court determines that the petitioner has committed an act of domestic violence or has violated a temporary protection order issued pursuant to section 2919.26 of the Revised Code, that both the petitioner and the respondent acted primarily as aggressors, and that neither the petitioner nor the respondent acted primarily in self-defense.

(5) No protection order issued or consent agreement approved under this section shall in any manner affect title to any real property.

(6)(a) With respect to an order involving family or household members, if a petitioner, or the child of a petitioner, who obtains a protection order or consent agreement pursuant to division (E)(1) of this section or a temporary protection order pursuant to section 2919.26 of the Revised Code and is the subject of a parenting time order issued pursuant to section 3109.051 or 3109.12 of the Revised Code or a visitation or companionship order issued pursuant to section 3109.051, 3109.11, or 3109.12 of the Revised Code or division (E)(1)(d) of this section granting parenting time rights to the respondent, the court may require the public children services agency of the county in which the court
is located to provide supervision of the respondent's exercise of parenting time or visitation or companionship rights with respect to the child for a period not to exceed nine months, if the court makes the following findings of fact:

(i) The child is in danger from the respondent;

(ii) No other person or agency is available to provide the supervision.

(b) A court that requires an agency to provide supervision pursuant to division (E)(6)(a) of this section shall order the respondent to reimburse the agency for the cost of providing the supervision, if it determines that the respondent has sufficient income or resources to pay that cost.

(7)(a) If a protection order issued or consent agreement approved under this section includes a requirement that the respondent be evicted from or vacate the residence or household or refrain from entering the residence, school, business, or place of employment of the petitioner or, with respect to a petition involving family or household members, a family or household member, the order or agreement shall state clearly that the order or agreement cannot be waived or nullified by an invitation to the respondent from the petitioner or other family or household member to enter the residence, school, business, or place of employment or by the respondent's entry into one of those places otherwise upon the consent of the petitioner or other family or household member.

(b) Division (E)(7)(a) of this section does not limit any discretion of a court to determine that a respondent charged with a violation of section 2919.27 of the Revised Code, with a violation of a municipal ordinance substantially equivalent to that section, or with contempt of court, which charge is based on an alleged violation of a protection order issued or consent...
agreement approved under this section, did not commit the
violation or was not in contempt of court.

(8)(a) The court may modify or terminate as provided in
division (E)(8) of this section a protection order or consent
agreement that was issued after a full hearing under this section.
The court that issued the protection order or approved the consent
agreement shall hear a motion for modification or termination of
the protection order or consent agreement pursuant to division
(E)(8) of this section.

(b) Either the petitioner or the respondent of the original
protection order or consent agreement may bring a motion for
modification or termination of a protection order or consent
agreement that was issued or approved after a full hearing. The
court shall require notice of the motion to be made as provided by
the Rules of Civil Procedure. If the petitioner for the original
protection order or consent agreement has requested that the
petitioner's address be kept confidential, the court shall not
disclose the address to the respondent of the original protection
order or consent agreement or any other person, except as
otherwise required by law. The moving party has the burden of
proof to show, by a preponderance of the evidence, that
modification or termination of the protection order or consent
agreement is appropriate because either the protection order or
consent agreement is no longer needed or because the terms of the
original protection order or consent agreement are no longer
appropriate.

(c) In considering whether to modify or terminate a
protection order or consent agreement issued or approved under
this section, the court shall consider all relevant factors,
including, but not limited to, the following:

(i) Whether the petitioner consents to modification or
termination of the protection order or consent agreement;
(ii) Whether the petitioner fears the respondent;

(iii) The current nature of the relationship between the petitioner and the respondent;

(iv) The circumstances of the petitioner and respondent, including the relative proximity of the petitioner's and respondent's workplaces and residences and whether the petitioner and respondent have minor children together;

(v) Whether the respondent has complied with the terms and conditions of the original protection order or consent agreement;

(vi) Whether the respondent has a continuing involvement with illegal drugs or alcohol;

(vii) Whether the respondent has been convicted of, pleaded guilty to, or been adjudicated a delinquent child for an offense of violence since the issuance of the protection order or approval of the consent agreement;

(viii) Whether any other protection orders, consent agreements, restraining orders, or no contact orders have been issued against the respondent pursuant to this section, section 2919.26 of the Revised Code, any other provision of state law, or the law of any other state;

(ix) Whether the respondent has participated in any domestic violence treatment, intervention program, or other counseling addressing domestic violence and whether the respondent has completed the treatment, program, or counseling;

(x) The time that has elapsed since the protection order was issued or since the consent agreement was approved;

(xi) The age and health of the respondent;

(xii) When the last incident of abuse, threat of harm, or commission of a sexually oriented offense occurred or other relevant information concerning the safety and protection of the
petitioner or other protected parties.

(d) If a protection order or consent agreement is modified or terminated as provided in division (E)(8) of this section, the court shall issue copies of the modified or terminated order or agreement as provided in division (F) of this section. A petitioner may also provide notice of the modification or termination to the judicial and law enforcement officials in any county other than the county in which the order or agreement is modified or terminated as provided in division (N) of this section.

(e) If the respondent moves for modification or termination of a protection order or consent agreement pursuant to this section and the court denies the motion, the court may assess costs against the respondent for the filing of the motion.

(9) Any protection order issued or any consent agreement approved pursuant to this section shall include a provision that the court will automatically seal all of the records of the proceeding in which the order is issued or agreement approved on the date the respondent attains the age of nineteen years unless the petitioner provides the court with evidence that the respondent has not complied with all of the terms of the protection order or consent agreement. The protection order or consent agreement shall specify the date when the respondent attains the age of nineteen years.

(F)(1) A copy of any protection order, or consent agreement, that is issued, approved, modified, or terminated under this section shall be issued by the court to the petitioner, to the respondent, and to all law enforcement agencies that have jurisdiction to enforce the order or agreement. The protection order or consent agreement shall be transmitted by the clerk of the court to the appropriate law enforcement agency for entry into the protection order database of the national crime information.
center (NCIC) maintained by the federal bureau of investigation. The court shall direct that a copy of an order be delivered to the respondent on the same day that the order is entered. If the court terminates or cancels the order or agreement, the clerk of the court shall cause the delivery of notice of the termination or cancellation to the same persons and entities that were issued or delivered a copy of the order or agreement and the court shall issue the removal order described in this division to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

The court shall file with the clerk of the court each protection order issued and each consent agreement approved pursuant to this section and the clerk shall transmit the order to the appropriate law enforcement agency to be entered into the law enforcement automated data system created by section 5503.10 of the Revised Code, and known as LEADS, by the close of the next business day after the day on which the court issues the order or approves the agreement. Upon the termination or cancellation of the order or agreement, the court shall order the appropriate law enforcement agency to remove the order or agreement from the LEADS database by the close of the next business day after the day on which the termination or cancellation of the order or agreement occurred and shall ensure that the order or agreement is terminated, cleared, or canceled in the protection order database of the national crime information center (NCIC) maintained by the federal bureau of investigation.

(2) Upon the issuance of a protection order or the approval of a consent agreement under this section, the court shall provide the parties to the order or agreement with the following notice orally or by form:

"NOTICE

As a result of this order or consent agreement, it may be unlawful for you to possess or purchase a firearm, including a
rifle, pistol, or revolver, or ammunition pursuant to federal law under 18 U.S.C. 922(g)(8) for the duration of this order or consent agreement. If you have any questions whether this law makes it illegal for you to possess or purchase a firearm or ammunition, you should consult an attorney."

(3) All law enforcement agencies shall establish and maintain an index for the protection orders and the approved consent agreements delivered to the agencies pursuant to division (F)(1) of this section. With respect to each order and consent agreement delivered, each agency shall note on the index the date and time that it received the order or consent agreement.

(4) Regardless of whether the petitioner has registered the order or agreement in the county in which the officer's agency has jurisdiction pursuant to division (N) of this section, any officer of a law enforcement agency shall enforce a protection order issued or consent agreement approved by any court in this state in accordance with the provisions of the order or agreement, including removing the respondent from the premises, if appropriate.

(G)(1) Any proceeding under this section shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules of Civil Procedure, except that an order under this section may be obtained with or without bond. An order issued under this section, other than an ex parte order, that grants a protection order or approves a consent agreement, that refuses to grant a protection order or approve a consent agreement that modifies or terminates a protection order or consent agreement, or that refuses to modify or terminate a protection order or consent agreement, is a final, appealable order. The remedies and procedures provided in this section are in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other available civil or criminal remedies.

(2) If as provided in division (G)(1) of this section an
order issued under this section, other than an ex parte order, refuses to grant a protection order, the court, on its own motion, shall order that the ex parte order issued under this section and all of the records pertaining to that ex parte order be sealed after either of the following occurs:

(a) No party has exercised the right to appeal pursuant to Rule 4 of the Rules of Appellate Procedure.

(b) All appellate rights have been exhausted.

(H) The filing of proceedings under this section does not excuse a person from filing any report or giving any notice required by section 2151.421 of the Revised Code or by any other law. When a petition under this section alleges domestic violence against minor children, the court shall report the fact, or cause reports to be made, to a county, township, or municipal peace officer under section 2151.421 of the Revised Code.

(I) Any law enforcement agency that investigates a domestic dispute shall provide information to the family or household members involved, or the persons in the dating relationship who are involved, whichever is applicable regarding the relief available under this section and, for family or household members, section 2919.26 of the Revised Code.

(J)(1) Subject to divisions (E)(8)(e) and (J)(2) of this section and regardless of whether a protection order is issued or a consent agreement is approved by a court of another county or a court of another state, no court or unit of state or local government shall charge the petitioner any fee, cost, deposit, or money in connection with the filing of a petition pursuant to this section or in connection with the filing, issuance, registration, modification, enforcement, dismissal, withdrawal, or service of a protection order, consent agreement, or witness subpoena or for obtaining a certified copy of a protection order or consent.
agreement.

(2) Regardless of whether a protection order is issued or a consent agreement is approved pursuant to this section, the court may assess costs against the respondent in connection with the filing, issuance, registration, modification, enforcement, dismissal, withdrawal, or service of a protection order, consent agreement, or witness subpoena or for obtaining a certified copy of a protection order or consent agreement.

(K)(1) The court shall comply with Chapters 3119., 3121., 3123., and 3125. of the Revised Code when it makes or modifies an order for child support under this section.

(2) If any person required to pay child support under an order made under this section on or after April 15, 1985, or modified under this section on or after December 31, 1986, is found in contempt of court for failure to make support payments under the order, the court that makes the finding, in addition to any other penalty or remedy imposed, shall assess all court costs arising out of the contempt proceeding against the person and require the person to pay any reasonable attorney's fees of any adverse party, as determined by the court, that arose in relation to the act of contempt.

(L)(1) A person who violates a protection order issued or a consent agreement approved under this section is subject to the following sanctions:

(a) Criminal prosecution or a delinquent child proceeding for a violation of section 2919.27 of the Revised Code, if the violation of the protection order or consent agreement constitutes a violation of that section;

(b) Punishment for contempt of court.

(2) The punishment of a person for contempt of court for violation of a protection order issued or a consent agreement
approved under this section does not bar criminal prosecution of the person or a delinquent child proceeding concerning the person for a violation of section 2919.27 of the Revised Code. However, a person punished for contempt of court is entitled to credit for the punishment imposed upon conviction of or adjudication as a delinquent child for a violation of that section, and a person convicted of or adjudicated a delinquent child for a violation of that section shall not subsequently be punished for contempt of court arising out of the same activity.

(M) In all stages of a proceeding under this section, a petitioner may be accompanied by a victim advocate.

(N)(1) A petitioner who obtains a protection order or consent agreement under this section or a temporary protection order under section 2919.26 of the Revised Code may provide notice of the issuance or approval of the order or agreement to the judicial and law enforcement officials in any county other than the county in which the order is issued or the agreement is approved by registering that order or agreement in the other county pursuant to division (N)(2) of this section and filing a copy of the registered order or registered agreement with a law enforcement agency in the other county in accordance with that division. A person who obtains a protection order issued by a court of another state may provide notice of the issuance of the order to the judicial and law enforcement officials in any county of this state by registering the order in that county pursuant to section 2919.272 of the Revised Code and filing a copy of the registered order with a law enforcement agency in that county.

(2) A petitioner may register a temporary protection order, protection order, or consent agreement in a county other than the county in which the court that issued the order or approved the agreement is located in the following manner:

(a) The petitioner shall obtain a certified copy of the order
or agreement from the clerk of the court that issued the order or approved the agreement and present that certified copy to the clerk of the court of common pleas or the clerk of a municipal court or county court in the county in which the order or agreement is to be registered.

(b) Upon accepting the certified copy of the order or agreement for registration, the clerk of the court of common pleas, municipal court, or county court shall place an endorsement of registration on the order or agreement and give the petitioner a copy of the order or agreement that bears that proof of registration.

(3) The clerk of each court of common pleas, the clerk of each municipal court, and the clerk of each county court shall maintain a registry of certified copies of temporary protection orders, protection orders, or consent agreements that have been issued or approved by courts in other counties and that have been registered with the clerk.

(O) Nothing in this section prohibits the domestic relations division of a court of common pleas in counties that have a domestic relations division or a court of common pleas in counties that do not have a domestic relations division from designating a minor child as a protected party on a protection order or consent agreement.

Sec. 3119.01. (A) As used in the Revised Code, "child support enforcement agency" means a child support enforcement agency designated under former section 2301.35 of the Revised Code prior to October 1, 1997, or a private or government entity designated as a child support enforcement agency under section 307.981 of the Revised Code.

(B) As used in this chapter and Chapters 3121., 3123., and 3125. of the Revised Code:
(1) "Administrative child support order" means any order issued by a child support enforcement agency for the support of a child pursuant to section 3109.19 or 3111.81 of the Revised Code or former section 3111.211 of the Revised Code, section 3111.21 of the Revised Code as that section existed prior to January 1, 1998, or section 3111.20 or 3111.22 of the Revised Code as those sections existed prior to March 22, 2001.

(2) "Child support order" means either a court child support order or an administrative child support order.

(3) "Obligee" means the person who is entitled to receive the support payments under a support order.

(4) "Obligor" means the person who is required to pay support under a support order.

(5) "Support order" means either an administrative child support order or a court support order.

(C) As used in this chapter:

(1) "Cash medical support" means an amount ordered to be paid in a child support order toward the ordinary medical expenses incurred during a calendar year.

(2) "Child care cost" means annual out-of-pocket costs for the care and supervision of a child or children subject to the order that is related to work or employment training.

(3) "Court child support order" means any order issued by a court for the support of a child pursuant to Chapter 3115. of the Revised Code, section 2151.23, 2151.231, 2151.232, 2151.33, 2151.36, 2151.361, 2151.49, 3105.21, 3109.05, 3109.19, 3111.13, 3113.04, 3113.07, 3113.31, 3119.65, or 3119.70 of the Revised Code, or division (B) of former section 3113.21 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Court-ordered parenting time" means the amount of
parenting time a parent is to have under a parenting time order or the amount of time the children are to be in the physical custody of a parent under a shared parenting order.

(5) "Court support order" means either a court child support order or an order for the support of a spouse or former spouse issued pursuant to Chapter 3115. of the Revised Code, section 3105.18, 3105.65, or 3113.31 of the Revised Code, or division (B) of former section 3113.21 of the Revised Code.

(6) "CPI-U" means the consumer price index for all urban consumers, published by the United States department of labor, bureau of labor statistics.

(7) "Extraordinary medical expenses" means any uninsured medical expenses incurred for a child during a calendar year that exceed the total cash medical support amount owed by the parents during that year.

(8) "Federal poverty level" has the same meaning as in section 5121.30 of the Revised Code.

(9) "Income" means either of the following:

(a) For a parent who is employed to full capacity, the gross income of the parent;

(b) For a parent who is unemployed or underemployed, the sum of the gross income of the parent and any potential income of the parent.

(10) "Income share" means the percentage derived from a comparison of each parent's annual income after allowable deductions and credits as indicated on the worksheet to the total annual income of both parents.

(11) "Insurer" means any person authorized under Title XXXIX of the Revised Code to engage in the business of insurance in this state, any health insuring corporation, and any legal entity that
is self-insured and provides benefits to its employees or members.

(12) "Gross income" means, except as excluded in division (C)(12) of this section, the total of all earned and unearned income from all sources during a calendar year, whether or not the income is taxable, and includes income from salaries, wages, overtime pay, and bonuses to the extent described in division (D) of section 3119.05 of the Revised Code; commissions; royalties; tips; rents; dividends; severance pay; pensions; interest; trust income; annuities; social security benefits, including retirement, disability, and survivor benefits that are not means-tested; workers' compensation benefits; unemployment insurance benefits; disability insurance benefits; benefits that are not means-tested and that are received by and in the possession of the veteran who is the beneficiary for any service-connected disability under a program or law administered by the United States department of veterans' affairs or veterans' administration; spousal support actually received; and all other sources of income. "Gross income" includes income of members of any branch of the United States armed services or national guard, including, amounts representing base pay, basic allowance for quarters, basic allowance for subsistence, supplemental subsistence allowance, cost of living adjustment, specialty pay, variable housing allowance, and pay for training or other types of required drills; self-generated income; and potential cash flow from any source.

"Gross income" does not include any of the following:

(a) Benefits received from means-tested government administered programs, including Ohio works first; prevention, retention, and contingency; means-tested veterans' benefits; supplemental security income; supplemental nutrition assistance program; disability financial assistance; or other assistance for which eligibility is determined on the basis of income or assets;

(b) Benefits for any service-connected disability under a
program or law administered by the United States department of veterans' affairs or veterans' administration that are not means-tested, that have not been distributed to the veteran who is the beneficiary of the benefits, and that are in the possession of the United States department of veterans' affairs or veterans' administration;

(c) Child support amounts received for children who are not included in the current calculation;

(d) Amounts paid for mandatory deductions from wages such as union dues but not taxes, social security, or retirement in lieu of social security;

(e) Nonrecurring or unsustainable income or cash flow items;


(g) State kinship guardianship assistance described in section 5153.163 of the Revised Code.

(13) "Nonrecurring or unsustainable income or cash flow item" means an income or cash flow item the parent receives in any year or for any number of years not to exceed three years that the parent does not expect to continue to receive on a regular basis. "Nonrecurring or unsustainable income or cash flow item" does not include a lottery prize award that is not paid in a lump sum or any other item of income or cash flow that the parent receives or expects to receive for each year for a period of more than three years or that the parent receives and invests or otherwise uses to produce income or cash flow for a period of more than three years.

(14) "Ordinary medical expenses" includes copayments and deductibles, and uninsured medical-related costs for the children of the order.
(15) (a) "Ordinary and necessary expenses incurred in generating gross receipts" means actual cash items expended by the parent or the parent's business and includes depreciation expenses of business equipment as shown on the books of a business entity.

(b) Except as specifically included in "ordinary and necessary expenses incurred in generating gross receipts" by division (C)(15)(a) of this section, "ordinary and necessary expenses incurred in generating gross receipts" does not include depreciation expenses and other noncash items that are allowed as deductions on any federal tax return of the parent or the parent's business.

(16) "Personal earnings" means compensation paid or payable for personal services, however denominated, and includes wages, salary, commissions, bonuses, draws against commissions, profit sharing, vacation pay, or any other compensation.

(17) "Potential income" means both of the following for a parent who the court pursuant to a court support order, or a child support enforcement agency pursuant to an administrative child support order, determines is voluntarily unemployed or voluntarily underemployed:

(a) Imputed income that the court or agency determines the parent would have earned if fully employed as determined from the following criteria:

(i) The parent's prior employment experience;

(ii) The parent's education;

(iii) The parent's physical and mental disabilities, if any;

(iv) The availability of employment in the geographic area in which the parent resides;

(v) The prevailing wage and salary levels in the geographic area in which the parent resides;
(vi) The parent's special skills and training;

(vii) Whether there is evidence that the parent has the ability to earn the imputed income;

(viii) The age and special needs of the child for whom child support is being calculated under this section;

(ix) The parent's increased earning capacity because of experience;

(x) The parent's decreased earning capacity because of a felony conviction;

(xi) Any other relevant factor.

(b) Imputed income from any nonincome-producing assets of a parent, as determined from the local passbook savings rate or another appropriate rate as determined by the court or agency, not to exceed the rate of interest specified in division (A) of section 1343.03 of the Revised Code, if the income is significant.

(18) "Schedule" means the basic child support schedule created pursuant to section 3119.021 of the Revised Code.

(19) "Self-generated income" means gross receipts received by a parent from self-employment, proprietorship of a business, joint ownership of a partnership or closely held corporation, and rents minus ordinary and necessary expenses incurred by the parent in generating the gross receipts. "Self-generated income" includes expense reimbursements or in-kind payments received by a parent from self-employment, the operation of a business, or rents, including company cars, free housing, reimbursed meals, and other benefits, if the reimbursements are significant and reduce personal living expenses.

(20) "Self-sufficiency reserve" means the minimal amount necessary for an obligor to adequately subsist upon, as determined under section 3119.021 of the Revised Code.
(21) "Split parental rights and responsibilities" means a situation in which there is more than one child who is the subject of an allocation of parental rights and responsibilities and each parent is the residential parent and legal custodian of at least one of those children.

(22) "Worksheet" means the applicable worksheet created in rules adopted under section 3119.022 of the Revised Code that is used to calculate a parent's child support obligation.

**Sec. 3125.18.** A child support enforcement agency shall administer a Title IV-A program identified under division (A)(4)(c) or (g) of section 5101.80 of the Revised Code that the department of job and family services provides for the agency to administer under the department's supervision pursuant to section 5101.801 of the Revised Code.

**Sec. 3301.079.** (A)(1) The state board of education periodically shall adopt statewide academic standards with emphasis on coherence, focus, and essential knowledge and that are more challenging and demanding when compared to international standards for each of grades kindergarten through twelve in English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies.

(a) The state board shall ensure that the standards do all of the following:

(i) Include the essential academic content and skills that students are expected to know and be able to do at each grade level that will allow each student to be prepared for postsecondary instruction and the workplace for success in the twenty-first century;

(ii) Include the development of skill sets that promote information, media, and technological literacy;

(iii) Include interdisciplinary, project-based, real-world
learning opportunities;

(iv) Instill life-long learning by providing essential knowledge and skills based in the liberal arts tradition, as well as science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and career-technical education;

(v) Be clearly written, transparent, and understandable by parents, educators, and the general public.

(b) Not later than July 1, 2012, the state board shall incorporate into the social studies standards for grades four to twelve academic content regarding the original texts of the Declaration of Independence, the Northwest Ordinance, the Constitution of the United States and its amendments, with emphasis on the Bill of Rights, and the Ohio Constitution, and their original context. The state board shall revise the model curricula and achievement assessments adopted under divisions (B) and (C) of this section as necessary to reflect the additional American history and American government content. The state board shall make available a list of suggested grade-appropriate supplemental readings that place the documents prescribed by this division in their historical context, which teachers may use as a resource to assist students in reading the documents within that context.

(c) When the state board adopts or revises academic content standards in social studies, American history, American government, or science under division (A)(1) of this section, the state board shall develop such standards independently and not as part of a multistate consortium.

(2) After completing the standards required by division (A)(1) of this section, the state board shall adopt standards and model curricula for instruction in technology, financial literacy and entrepreneurship, fine arts, and foreign language for grades
kindergarten through twelve. The standards shall meet the same requirements prescribed in division (A)(1)(a) of this section.

(3) The state board shall adopt the most recent standards developed by the national association for sport and physical education for physical education in grades kindergarten through twelve or shall adopt its own standards for physical education in those grades and revise and update them periodically.

The department of education shall employ a full-time physical education coordinator to provide guidance and technical assistance to districts, community schools, and STEM schools in implementing the physical education standards adopted under this division. The superintendent of public instruction shall determine that the person employed as coordinator is qualified for the position, as demonstrated by possessing an adequate combination of education, license, and experience.

(4) Not later than December 31, 2018 one year after the effective date of this amendment, the state board shall adopt update the standards and a model curriculum for instruction in computer science in grades kindergarten through twelve, which shall include standards for introductory and advanced computer science courses in grades nine through twelve. When developing the standards and curriculum, the state board shall consider recommendations from computer science education stakeholder groups, including teachers and representatives from higher education, industry, computer science organizations in Ohio, and national computer science organizations.

Any district or school may utilize the computer science standards or model curriculum or any part thereof adopted pursuant to division (A)(4) of this section. However, no district or school shall be required to utilize all or any part of the standards or curriculum.
(5) When academic standards have been completed for any subject area required by this section, the state board shall inform all school districts, all community schools established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, all STEM schools established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, and all nonpublic schools required to administer the assessments prescribed by sections 3301.0710 and 3301.0712 of the Revised Code of the content of those standards. Additionally, upon completion of any academic standards under this section, the department shall post those standards on the department's web site.

(B)(1) The state board shall adopt a model curriculum for instruction in each subject area for which updated academic standards are required by division (A)(1) of this section and for each of grades kindergarten through twelve that is sufficient to meet the needs of students in every community. The model curriculum shall be aligned with the standards, to ensure that the academic content and skills specified for each grade level are taught to students, and shall demonstrate vertical articulation and emphasize coherence, focus, and rigor. When any model curriculum has been completed, the state board shall inform all school districts, community schools, and STEM schools of the content of that model curriculum.

(2) Not later than June 30, 2013, the state board, in consultation with any office housed in the governor's office that deals with workforce development, shall adopt model curricula for grades kindergarten through twelve that embed career connection learning strategies into regular classroom instruction.

(3) All school districts, community schools, and STEM schools may utilize the state standards and the model curriculum established by the state board, together with other relevant resources, examples, or models to ensure that students have the opportunity to attain the academic standards. Upon request, the
department shall provide technical assistance to any district, community school, or STEM school in implementing the model curriculum.

Nothing in this section requires any school district to utilize all or any part of a model curriculum developed under this section.

(C) The state board shall develop achievement assessments aligned with the academic standards and model curriculum for each of the subject areas and grade levels required by divisions (A)(1) and (B)(1) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code.

When any achievement assessment has been completed, the state board shall inform all school districts, community schools, STEM schools, and nonpublic schools required to administer the assessment of its completion, and the department shall make the achievement assessment available to the districts and schools.

(D)(1) (D)(1)(a) The state board shall adopt a diagnostic assessment aligned with the academic standards and model curriculum for each of grades kindergarten through two in reading, writing, and mathematics and for grade three in reading and writing. The diagnostic assessment shall be designed to measure student comprehension of academic content and mastery of related skills for the relevant subject area and grade level. Any

(b) Except for the kindergarten readiness assessment described in section 3301.0715 of the Revised Code, the state board shall not adopt any diagnostic assessment for grades kindergarten through three in reading that does not include a sufficient number of items related to phonological awareness, phonemic awareness, rapid naming skills, nonsense word fluency, and correspondence between sounds and letters to identify students who may need further measures to determine if the students have dyslexia, as defined in section 3319.80 of the Revised Code.
(c) For each assessment adopted under this section, the department of education shall require that the test vendor share information with the school regarding student performance on identification items related to dyslexia described under division (D)(1)(b) of this section. The department also shall require the vendor to provide a summary of such information to the department, in the manner prescribed by the department.

(d) Any diagnostic assessment shall not include components to identify gifted students. Blank copies of diagnostic assessments shall be public records.

(e) Any diagnostic assessment adopted by the state board under division (D) of this section, other than the kindergarten readiness assessment, may be used to meet the requirement to administer a tier one dyslexia screening to students under section 3323.251 of the Revised Code.

(2) When each diagnostic assessment has been completed, the state board shall inform all school districts of its completion and the department shall make the diagnostic assessment available to the districts at no cost to the district.

(3) School districts shall administer the diagnostic assessment pursuant to section 3301.0715 of the Revised Code beginning the first school year following the development of the assessment.

However, beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, both of the following shall apply:

(a) In the case of the diagnostic assessments for grades one or two in writing or mathematics or for grade three in writing, a school district shall not be required to administer any such assessment, but may do so at the discretion of the district board;

(b) In the case of any diagnostic assessment that is not for the grade levels and subject areas specified in division (D)(3)(a)
of this section, each school district shall administer the assessment in the manner prescribed by section 3301.0715 of the Revised Code.

(E) The state board shall not adopt a diagnostic or achievement assessment for any grade level or subject area other than those specified in this section.

(F) Whenever the state board or the department consults with persons for the purpose of drafting or reviewing any standards, diagnostic assessments, achievement assessments, or model curriculum required under this section, the state board or the department shall first consult with parents of students in kindergarten through twelfth grade and with active Ohio classroom teachers, other school personnel, and administrators with expertise in the appropriate subject area. Whenever practicable, the state board and department shall consult with teachers recognized as outstanding in their fields.

If the department contracts with more than one outside entity for the development of the achievement assessments required by this section, the department shall ensure the interchangeability of those assessments.

(G) Whenever the state board adopts standards or model curricula under this section, the department also shall provide information on the use of blended or digital learning in the delivery of the standards or curricula to students in accordance with division (A)(5) of this section.

(H) The fairness sensitivity review committee, established by rule of the state board of education, shall not allow any question on any achievement or diagnostic assessment developed under this section or any proficiency test prescribed by former section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to September 11, 2001, to include, be written to promote, or inquire as to
individual moral or social values or beliefs. The decision of the committee shall be final. This section does not create a private cause of action.

(I) Not later than sixty days prior to the adoption by the state board of updated academic standards under division (A)(1) of this section or updated model curricula under division (B)(1) of this section, the superintendent of public instruction shall present the academic standards or model curricula, as applicable, in person at a public hearing of the respective committees of the house of representatives and senate that consider education legislation.

(J) As used in this section:

1. "Blended learning" means the delivery of instruction in a combination of time in a supervised physical location away from home and online delivery whereby the student has some element of control over time, place, path, or pace of learning.

2. "Coherence" means a reflection of the structure of the discipline being taught.

3. "Digital learning" means learning facilitated by technology that gives students some element of control over time, place, path, or pace of learning.

4. "Focus" means limiting the number of items included in a curriculum to allow for deeper exploration of the subject matter.

5. "Vertical articulation" means key academic concepts and skills associated with mastery in particular content areas should be articulated and reinforced in a developmentally appropriate manner at each grade level so that over time students acquire a depth of knowledge and understanding in the core academic disciplines.

Sec. 3301.0714. (A) The state board of education shall adopt
rules for a statewide education management information system. The rules shall require the state board to establish guidelines for the establishment and maintenance of the system in accordance with this section and the rules adopted under this section. The guidelines shall include:

1. Standards identifying and defining the types of data in the system in accordance with divisions (B) and (C) of this section;
2. Procedures for annually collecting and reporting the data to the state board in accordance with division (D) of this section;
3. Procedures for annually compiling the data in accordance with division (G) of this section;
4. Procedures for annually reporting the data to the public in accordance with division (H) of this section;
5. Standards to provide strict safeguards to protect the confidentiality of personally identifiable student data.

(B) The guidelines adopted under this section shall require the data maintained in the education management information system to include at least the following:

1. Student participation and performance data, for each grade in each school district as a whole and for each grade in each school building in each school district, that includes:
   a. The numbers of students receiving each category of instructional service offered by the school district, such as regular education instruction, vocational education instruction, specialized instruction programs or enrichment instruction that is part of the educational curriculum, instruction for gifted students, instruction for students with disabilities, and remedial instruction. The guidelines shall require instructional services
under this division to be divided into discrete categories if an
instructional service is limited to a specific subject, a specific
type of student, or both, such as regular instructional services
in mathematics, remedial reading instructional services,
instructional services specifically for students gifted in
mathematics or some other subject area, or instructional services
for students with a specific type of disability. The categories of
instructional services required by the guidelines under this
division shall be the same as the categories of instructional
services used in determining cost units pursuant to division
(C)(3) of this section.

(b) The numbers of students receiving support or
extracurricular services for each of the support services or
extracurricular programs offered by the school district, such as
counseling services, health services, and extracurricular sports
and fine arts programs. The categories of services required by the
guidelines under this division shall be the same as the categories
of services used in determining cost units pursuant to division
(C)(4)(a) of this section.

(c) Average student grades in each subject in grades nine
through twelve;

(d) Academic achievement levels as assessed under sections
3301.0710, 3301.0711, and 3301.0712 of the Revised Code;

(e) The number of students designated as having a disabling
condition pursuant to division (C)(1) of section 3301.0711 of the
Revised Code;

(f) The numbers of students reported to the state board
pursuant to division (C)(2) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised
Code;

(g) Attendance rates and the average daily attendance for the
year. For purposes of this division, a student shall be counted as
present for any field trip that is approved by the school administration.

(h) Expulsion rates;

(i) Suspension rates;

(j) Dropout rates;

(k) Rates of retention in grade;

(l) For pupils in grades nine through twelve, the average number of carnegie units, as calculated in accordance with state board of education rules;

(m) Graduation rates, to be calculated in a manner specified by the department of education that reflects the rate at which students who were in the ninth grade three years prior to the current year complete school and that is consistent with nationally accepted reporting requirements;

(n) Results of diagnostic assessments administered to kindergarten students as required under section 3301.0715 of the Revised Code to permit a comparison of the academic readiness of kindergarten students. However, no district shall be required to report to the department the results of any diagnostic assessment administered to a kindergarten student, except for the language and reading assessment described in division (A)(2) of section 3301.0715 of the Revised Code, if the parent of that student requests the district not to report those results.

(o) Beginning on July 1, 2018, for each disciplinary action which is required to be reported under division (B)(4) of this section, districts and schools also shall include an identification of the person or persons, if any, at whom the student's violent behavior that resulted in discipline was directed. The person or persons shall be identified by the respective classification at the district or school, such as
student, teacher, or nonteaching employee, but shall not be identified by name.

Division (B)(1)(o) of this section does not apply after the date that is two years following the submission of the report required by Section 733.13 of H.B. 49 of the 132nd general assembly.

(p) The number of students earning each state diploma seal included in the system prescribed under division (A) of section 3313.6114 of the Revised Code;

(q) The number of students demonstrating competency for graduation using each option described in divisions (B)(1)(a) to (d) of section 3313.618 of the Revised Code;

(r) The number of students completing each foundational and supporting option as part of the demonstration of competency for graduation pursuant to division (B)(1)(b) of section 3313.618 of the Revised Code.

(2) Personnel and classroom enrollment data for each school district, including:

(a) The total numbers of licensed employees and nonlicensed employees and the numbers of full-time equivalent licensed employees and nonlicensed employees providing each category of instructional service, instructional support service, and administrative support service used pursuant to division (C)(3) of this section. The guidelines adopted under this section shall require these categories of data to be maintained for the school district as a whole and, wherever applicable, for each grade in the school district as a whole, for each school building as a whole, and for each grade in each school building.

(b) The total number of employees and the number of full-time equivalent employees providing each category of service used pursuant to divisions (C)(4)(a) and (b) of this section, and the
total numbers of licensed employees and nonlicensed employees and the numbers of full-time equivalent licensed employees and nonlicensed employees providing each category used pursuant to division (C)(4)(c) of this section. The guidelines adopted under this section shall require these categories of data to be maintained for the school district as a whole and, wherever applicable, for each grade in the school district as a whole, for each school building as a whole, and for each grade in each school building.

(c) The total number of regular classroom teachers teaching classes of regular education and the average number of pupils enrolled in each such class, in each of grades kindergarten through five in the district as a whole and in each school building in the school district.

(d) The number of lead teachers employed by each school district and each school building.

(3)(a) Student demographic data for each school district, including information regarding the gender ratio of the school district's pupils, the racial make-up of the school district's pupils, the number of English learners in the district, and an appropriate measure of the number of the school district's pupils who reside in economically disadvantaged households. The demographic data shall be collected in a manner to allow correlation with data collected under division (B)(1) of this section. Categories for data collected pursuant to division (B)(3) of this section shall conform, where appropriate, to standard practices of agencies of the federal government.

(b) With respect to each student entering kindergarten, whether the student previously participated in a public preschool program, a private preschool program, or a head start program, and the number of years the student participated in each of these programs.
(4) Any data required to be collected pursuant to federal law.

(C) The education management information system shall include cost accounting data for each district as a whole and for each school building in each school district. The guidelines adopted under this section shall require the cost data for each school district to be maintained in a system of mutually exclusive cost units and shall require all of the costs of each school district to be divided among the cost units. The guidelines shall require the system of mutually exclusive cost units to include at least the following:

(1) Administrative costs for the school district as a whole. The guidelines shall require the cost units under this division (C)(1) to be designed so that each of them may be compiled and reported in terms of average expenditure per pupil in formula ADM in the school district, as determined pursuant to section 3317.03 of the Revised Code.

(2) Administrative costs for each school building in the school district. The guidelines shall require the cost units under this division (C)(2) to be designed so that each of them may be compiled and reported in terms of average expenditure per full-time equivalent pupil receiving instructional or support services in each building.

(3) Instructional services costs for each category of instructional service provided directly to students and required by guidelines adopted pursuant to division (B)(1)(a) of this section. The guidelines shall require the cost units under division (C)(3) of this section to be designed so that each of them may be compiled and reported in terms of average expenditure per pupil receiving the service in the school district as a whole and average expenditure per pupil receiving the service in each building in the school district and in terms of a total cost for
each category of service and, as a breakdown of the total cost, a cost for each of the following components:

(a) The cost of each instructional services category required by guidelines adopted under division (B)(1)(a) of this section that is provided directly to students by a classroom teacher;

(b) The cost of the instructional support services, such as services provided by a speech-language pathologist, classroom aide, multimedia aide, or librarian, provided directly to students in conjunction with each instructional services category;

(c) The cost of the administrative support services related to each instructional services category, such as the cost of personnel that develop the curriculum for the instructional services category and the cost of personnel supervising or coordinating the delivery of the instructional services category.

(4) Support or extracurricular services costs for each category of service directly provided to students and required by guidelines adopted pursuant to division (B)(1)(b) of this section. The guidelines shall require the cost units under division (C)(4) of this section to be designed so that each of them may be compiled and reported in terms of average expenditure per pupil receiving the service in the school district as a whole and average expenditure per pupil receiving the service in each building in the school district and in terms of a total cost for each category of service and, as a breakdown of the total cost, a cost for each of the following components:

(a) The cost of each support or extracurricular services category required by guidelines adopted under division (B)(1)(b) of this section that is provided directly to students by a licensed employee, such as services provided by a guidance counselor or any services provided by a licensed employee under a supplemental contract;
(b) The cost of each such services category provided directly to students by a nonlicensed employee, such as janitorial services, cafeteria services, or services of a sports trainer;

(c) The cost of the administrative services related to each services category in division (C)(4)(a) or (b) of this section, such as the cost of any licensed or nonlicensed employees that develop, supervise, coordinate, or otherwise are involved in administering or aiding the delivery of each services category.

(D)(1) The guidelines adopted under this section shall require school districts to collect information about individual students, staff members, or both in connection with any data required by division (B) or (C) of this section or other reporting requirements established in the Revised Code. The guidelines may also require school districts to report information about individual staff members in connection with any data required by division (B) or (C) of this section or other reporting requirements established in the Revised Code. The guidelines shall not authorize school districts to request social security numbers of individual students. The guidelines shall prohibit the reporting under this section of a student's name, address, and social security number to the state board of education or the department of education. The guidelines shall also prohibit the reporting under this section of any personally identifiable information about any student, except for the purpose of assigning the data verification code required by division (D)(2) of this section, to any other person unless such person is employed by the school district or the information technology center operated under section 3301.075 of the Revised Code and is authorized by the district or technology center to have access to such information or is employed by an entity with which the department contracts for the scoring or the development of state assessments. The guidelines may require school districts to provide the social
security numbers of individual staff members and the county of 20246
residence for a student. Nothing in this section prohibits the 20247
state board of education or department of education from providing 20248
a student's county of residence to the department of taxation to 20249
facilitate the distribution of tax revenue.

(2)(a) The guidelines shall provide for each school district 20250
or community school to assign a data verification code that is 20251
unique on a statewide basis over time to each student whose 20252
initial Ohio enrollment is in that district or school and to 20253
report all required individual student data for that student 20254
utilizing such code. The guidelines shall also provide for 20255
assigning data verification codes to all students enrolled in 20256
districts or community schools on the effective date of the 20257
guidelines established under this section. The assignment of data 20258
verification codes for other entities, as described in division 20259
(D)(2)(d) of this section, the use of those codes, and the 20260
reporting and use of associated individual student data shall be 20261
coordinated by the department in accordance with state and federal 20262
law.

School districts shall report individual student data to the 20263
department through the information technology centers utilizing 20264
the code. The entities described in division (D)(2)(d) of this 20265
section shall report individual student data to the department in 20266
the manner prescribed by the department.

(b)(i) Except as provided in sections 3301.941, 3310.11, 20267
3310.42, 3310.63, 3313.978, and 3317.20 of the Revised Code, and 20268
in division (D)(2)(b)(ii) of this section, at no time shall the 20269
state board or the department have access to information that 20270
would enable any data verification code to be matched to 20271
personally identifiable student data.

(ii) For the purpose of making per-pupil payments to 20272
community schools under division (C) of section 3314.08 of the 20273
Revised Code, the department shall have access to information that would enable any data verification code to be matched to personally identifiable student data.

(c) Each school district and community school shall ensure that the data verification code is included in the student's records reported to any subsequent school district, community school, or state institution of higher education, as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code, in which the student enrolls. Any such subsequent district or school shall utilize the same identifier in its reporting of data under this section.

(d) The director of any state agency that administers a publicly funded program providing services to children who are younger than compulsory school age, as defined in section 3321.01 of the Revised Code, including the directors of health, job and family services, mental health and addiction services, and developmental disabilities, shall request and receive, pursuant to sections 3301.0723 and 5123.0423 of the Revised Code, a data verification code for a child who is receiving those services.

(E) The guidelines adopted under this section may require school districts to collect and report data, information, or reports other than that described in divisions (A), (B), and (C) of this section for the purpose of complying with other reporting requirements established in the Revised Code. The other data, information, or reports may be maintained in the education management information system but are not required to be compiled as part of the profile formats required under division (G) of this section or the annual statewide report required under division (H) of this section.

(F) Beginning with the school year that begins July 1, 1991, the board of education of each school district shall annually collect and report to the state board, in accordance with the guidelines established by the board, the data required pursuant to
this section. A school district may collect and report these data notwithstanding section 2151.357 or 3319.321 of the Revised Code.

(G) The state board shall, in accordance with the procedures it adopts, annually compile the data reported by each school district pursuant to division (D) of this section. The state board shall design formats for profiling each school district as a whole and each school building within each district and shall compile the data in accordance with these formats. These profile formats shall:

(1) Include all of the data gathered under this section in a manner that facilitates comparison among school districts and among school buildings within each school district;

(2) Present the data on academic achievement levels as assessed by the testing of student achievement maintained pursuant to division (B)(1)(d) of this section.

(H)(1) The state board shall, in accordance with the procedures it adopts, annually prepare a statewide report for all school districts and the general public that includes the profile of each of the school districts developed pursuant to division (G) of this section. Copies of the report shall be sent to each school district.

(2) The state board shall, in accordance with the procedures it adopts, annually prepare an individual report for each school district and the general public that includes the profiles of each of the school buildings in that school district developed pursuant to division (G) of this section. Copies of the report shall be sent to the superintendent of the district and to each member of the district board of education.

(3) Copies of the reports received from the state board under divisions (H)(1) and (2) of this section shall be made available to the general public at each school district's offices. Each
district board of education shall make copies of each report available to any person upon request and payment of a reasonable fee for the cost of reproducing the report. The board shall annually publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the school district, at least twice during the two weeks prior to the week in which the reports will first be available, a notice containing the address where the reports are available and the date on which the reports will be available.

(I) Any data that is collected or maintained pursuant to this section and that identifies an individual pupil is not a public record for the purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code.

(J) As used in this section:

(1) "School district" means any city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district and, in accordance with section 3314.17 of the Revised Code, any community school. As used in division (L) of this section, "school district" also includes any educational service center or other educational entity required to submit data using the system established under this section.

(2) "Cost" means any expenditure for operating expenses made by a school district excluding any expenditures for debt retirement except for payments made to any commercial lending institution for any loan approved pursuant to section 3313.483 of the Revised Code.

(K) Any person who removes data from the information system established under this section for the purpose of releasing it to any person not entitled under law to have access to such information is subject to section 2913.42 of the Revised Code prohibiting tampering with data.

(L)(1) In accordance with division (L)(2) of this section and the rules adopted under division (L)(10) of this section, the
department of education may sanction any school district that reports incomplete or inaccurate data, reports data that does not conform to data requirements and descriptions published by the department, fails to report data in a timely manner, or otherwise does not make a good faith effort to report data as required by this section.

(2) If the department decides to sanction a school district under this division, the department shall take the following sequential actions:

(a) Notify the district in writing that the department has determined that data has not been reported as required under this section and require the district to review its data submission and submit corrected data by a deadline established by the department. The department also may require the district to develop a corrective action plan, which shall include provisions for the district to provide mandatory staff training on data reporting procedures.

(b) Withhold up to ten per cent of the total amount of state funds due to the district for the current fiscal year and, if not previously required under division (L)(2)(a) of this section, require the district to develop a corrective action plan in accordance with that division;

(c) Withhold an additional amount of up to twenty per cent of the total amount of state funds due to the district for the current fiscal year;

(d) Direct department staff or an outside entity to investigate the district's data reporting practices and make recommendations for subsequent actions. The recommendations may include one or more of the following actions:

(i) Arrange for an audit of the district's data reporting practices by department staff or an outside entity;
(ii) Conduct a site visit and evaluation of the district;

(iii) Withhold an additional amount of up to thirty per cent of the total amount of state funds due to the district for the current fiscal year;

(iv) Continue monitoring the district's data reporting;

(v) Assign department staff to supervise the district's data management system;

(vi) Conduct an investigation to determine whether to suspend or revoke the license of any district employee in accordance with division (N) of this section;

(vii) If the district is issued a report card under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, indicate on the report card that the district has been sanctioned for failing to report data as required by this section;

(viii) If the district is issued a report card under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code and incomplete or inaccurate data submitted by the district likely caused the district to receive a higher performance rating than it deserved under that section, issue a revised report card for the district;

(ix) Any other action designed to correct the district's data reporting problems.

(3) Any time the department takes an action against a school district under division (L)(2) of this section, the department shall make a report of the circumstances that prompted the action. The department shall send a copy of the report to the district superintendent or chief administrator and maintain a copy of the report in its files.

(4) If any action taken under division (L)(2) of this section resolves a school district's data reporting problems to the department's satisfaction, the department shall not take any
further actions described by that division. If the department withheld funds from the district under that division, the department may release those funds to the district, except that if the department withheld funding under division (L)(2)(c) of this section, the department shall not release the funds withheld under division (L)(2)(b) of this section and, if the department withheld funding under division (L)(2)(d) of this section, the department shall not release the funds withheld under division (L)(2)(b) or (c) of this section.

(5) Notwithstanding anything in this section to the contrary, the department may use its own staff or an outside entity to conduct an audit of a school district's data reporting practices any time the department has reason to believe the district has not made a good faith effort to report data as required by this section. If any audit conducted by an outside entity under division (L)(2)(d)(i) or (5) of this section confirms that a district has not made a good faith effort to report data as required by this section, the district shall reimburse the department for the full cost of the audit. The department may withhold state funds due to the district for this purpose.

(6) Prior to issuing a revised report card for a school district under division (L)(2)(d)(viii) of this section, the department may hold a hearing to provide the district with an opportunity to demonstrate that it made a good faith effort to report data as required by this section. The hearing shall be conducted by a referee appointed by the department. Based on the information provided in the hearing, the referee shall recommend whether the department should issue a revised report card for the district. If the referee affirms the department's contention that the district did not make a good faith effort to report data as required by this section, the district shall bear the full cost of conducting the hearing and of issuing any revised report card.
(7) If the department determines that any inaccurate data reported under this section caused a school district to receive excess state funds in any fiscal year, the district shall reimburse the department an amount equal to the excess funds, in accordance with a payment schedule determined by the department. The department may withhold state funds due to the district for this purpose.

(8) Any school district that has funds withheld under division (L)(2) of this section may appeal the withholding in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(9) In all cases of a disagreement between the department and a school district regarding the appropriateness of an action taken under division (L)(2) of this section, the burden of proof shall be on the district to demonstrate that it made a good faith effort to report data as required by this section.

(10) The state board of education shall adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to implement division (L) of this section.

(M) No information technology center or school district shall acquire, change, or update its student administration software package to manage and report data required to be reported to the department unless it converts to a student software package that is certified by the department.

(N) The state board of education, in accordance with sections 3319.31 and 3319.311 of the Revised Code, may suspend or revoke a license as defined under division (A) of section 3319.31 of the Revised Code that has been issued to any school district employee found to have willfully reported erroneous, inaccurate, or incomplete data to the education management information system.

(O) No person shall release or maintain any information about any student in violation of this section. Whoever violates this
division is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.

(P) The department shall disaggregate the data collected under division (B)(1)(n) of this section according to the race and socioeconomic status of the students assessed.

(Q) If the department cannot compile any of the information required by division (H) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code based upon the data collected under this section, the department shall develop a plan and a reasonable timeline for the collection of any data necessary to comply with that division.

Sec. 3301.0715. (A) Except as required under division (B)(1) of section 3313.608 or as specified in division (D)(3) of section 3301.079 of the Revised Code, the board of education of each city, local, and exempted village school district shall administer each applicable diagnostic assessment developed and provided to the district in accordance with section 3301.079 of the Revised Code to the following:

(1) Any student who transfers into the district or to a different school within the district if each applicable diagnostic assessment was not administered by the district or school the student previously attended in the current school year, within thirty days after the date of transfer. If the district or school into which the student transfers cannot determine whether the student has taken any applicable diagnostic assessment in the current school year, the district or school may administer the diagnostic assessment to the student. However, if a student transfers into the district prior to the administration of the diagnostic assessments to all students under division (B) of this section, the district may administer the diagnostic assessments to that student on the date or dates determined under that division.

(2) Each kindergarten student, not earlier than the first day of July of the school year and not later than the first day of
November twentieth day of instruction of that school year. However, a board of education may administer the selected response and performance task items portion of the diagnostic assessment up to two weeks prior to the first day of the school year.

For the purpose of division (A)(2) of this section, the district shall administer the kindergarten readiness assessment provided by the department of education. In no case shall the results of the readiness assessment be used to prohibit a student from enrolling in kindergarten.

(3) Each student enrolled in first, second, or third grade.

Division (A) of this section does not apply to students with significant cognitive disabilities, as defined by the department of education.

(B) Each district board shall administer each diagnostic assessment when the board deems appropriate, provided the administration complies with section 3313.608 of the Revised Code. However, the board shall administer any diagnostic assessment at least once annually to all students in the appropriate grade level. A district board may administer any diagnostic assessment in the fall and spring of a school year to measure the amount of academic growth attributable to the instruction received by students during that school year.

(C) Any district that received a grade of "A" or "B" for the performance index score under division (A)(1)(b), (B)(1)(b), or (C)(1)(b) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code or for the value-added progress dimension under division (A)(1)(e), (B)(1)(e), or (C)(1)(e) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code for the immediately preceding school year may use different diagnostic assessments from those adopted under division (D) of section 3301.079 of the Revised Code in order to satisfy the requirements of division (A)(3) of this section.
(D) Each district board shall utilize and score any diagnostic assessment administered under division (A) of this section in accordance with rules established by the department. After the administration of any diagnostic assessment, each district shall provide a student's completed diagnostic assessment, the results of such assessment, and any other accompanying documents used during the administration of the assessment to the parent of that student, and shall include all such documents and information in any plan developed for the student under division (C) of section 3313.608 of the Revised Code. Each district shall submit to the department, in the manner the department prescribes, the results of the diagnostic assessments administered under this section, regardless of the type of assessment used under section 3313.608 of the Revised Code. The department may issue reports with respect to the data collected. The department may report school and district level kindergarten diagnostic assessment data and use diagnostic assessment data to calculate the measure prescribed by divisions (B)(1)(g) and (C)(1)(g) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code.

(E) Each district board shall provide intervention services to students whose diagnostic assessments show that they are failing to make satisfactory progress toward attaining the academic standards for their grade level.

(F) Beginning in the 2018-2019 school year, any chartered nonpublic school may elect to administer the kindergarten readiness assessment to all kindergarten students enrolled in the school. If the school so elects, the chief administrator of the school shall notify the superintendent of public instruction not later than the thirty-first day of March prior to any school year in which the school will administer the assessment. The department shall furnish the assessment to the school at no cost to the school. In administering the assessment, the school shall do all
of the following:

(1) Enter into a written agreement with the department specifying that the school will share each participating student's assessment data with the department and, that for the purpose of reporting the data to the department, each participating student will be assigned a data verification code as described in division (D)(2) of section 3301.0714 of the Revised Code;

(2) Require the assessment to be administered by a teacher certified under section 3301.071 of the Revised Code who either has completed training on administering the kindergarten readiness assessment provided by the department or has been trained by another person who has completed such training;

(3) Administer the assessment in the same manner as school districts are required to do under this section and the rules established under division (D) of this section.

(G) Beginning in the 2019-2020 school year, a school district in which less than eighty per cent of its students score at the proficient level or higher on the third-grade English language arts assessment prescribed under section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code shall establish a reading improvement plan supported by reading specialists. Prior to implementation, the plan shall be approved by the school district board of education.

Sec. 3301.23. (A) Not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section, the department of education, in consultation with the chancellor of higher education, shall establish a committee to develop a state plan for computer science education for the purposes of primary and secondary education.

(B) When developing the plan, the committee established under this section shall consider the following:

(1) Best practices and challenges associated with the
implementation of primary and secondary computer science curriculum in this state;

(2) Demographic data for students who receive instruction in computer science;

(3) Benchmarks to create a sustainable supply of teachers certified to provide instruction in computer science;

(4) Best practices to form public and private partnerships for funding, mentoring, and internships for teachers providing instruction in computer science;

(5) Requiring all students to complete a computer science course prior to high school graduation;

(6) Establishing a work-based learning pilot program that includes high schools, universities, and local industry and permits the department and the chancellor to develop pathways to align computer science education in the state with the state's workforce needs;

(7) Any other topic determined appropriate by the committee.

(C) The committee established under this section shall consist of all of the following:

(1) The superintendent of public instruction, or designee;

(2) The chancellor, or designee;

(3) Representatives of computer science education stakeholders appointed by the state superintendent, in consultation with the chancellor. Computer science education stakeholders represented on the committee shall include all of the following:

(a) Career-technical education;

(b) Teachers;

(c) Institutions of higher education;
(d) Businesses;

(e) State and national computer science organizations.

(D) Within the plan, the committee established under this section shall include all of the following:

(1) An examination of the challenges that prevent school districts from offering computer science courses;

(2) A requirement that the department of education collect any data regarding computer science courses offered by school districts and school buildings operated by school districts, including the names of the courses and whether the courses were developed using the standards and model curriculum adopted under division (A)(4) of section 3301.079 of the Revised Code, and post the collected data on its web site.

(3) Any findings the committee determines appropriate based on its consideration of the topics described in division (B) of this section.

(E) The committee shall complete the plan not later than one year after the effective date of this section and the department shall post the completed plan in a prominent location on its web site.

Sec. 3301.231. (A) The department of education, in consultation with computer science stakeholders as determined appropriate by the department, shall establish a program to provide high school students in the state with access to online computer science courses for the purposes of section 3301.232 of the Revised Code.

(B) Under the program, the department shall develop a process to solicit and review proposals from educational providers to offer online computer science courses under section 3301.232 of the Revised Code. The department shall approve a proposal only if
it meets both of the following conditions:

(1) Each course included in the proposal is high-quality, rigorous, and aligned with the standards and model curriculum adopted under division (A)(4) of section 3301.079 of the Revised Code.

(2) A student may earn high school credits that apply to the curriculum requirements prescribed under section 3313.603 of the Revised Code in each course included in the proposal.

(C) The department shall determine a method to calculate and make payments to educational providers who enroll students in online computer science courses approved under division (B) of this section and offered to the students under section 3301.232 of the Revised Code. The method shall be deducted from the school foundation payments made to the participant's school district or, if the participant is enrolled in a community school, a STEM school, or a college-preparatory boarding school, from the payments made to that school under section 3314.08, 3326.33, or 3328.34 of the Revised Code, similar to how the department calculates and makes payments under section 3365.07 of the Revised Code for the college credit plus program, as determined by the department.

(D) The department shall adopt rules to implement this section and section 3301.232 of the Revised Code.

(E) This section and section 3301.232 of the Revised Code do not affect the college credit plus program established under Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3301.232. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Approved course" means an online computer science course included in a proposal approved by the department of education under division (B) of section 3301.231 of the Revised Code.
"Integrated course" means a general education course that incorporates computer science principles.

(B) Except as provided for in division (C) of this section, each student enrolled in a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district shall have the option to enroll in a computer science course or integrated course offered by the student's district or an approved course offered by an educational provider, as follows:

(1) For the 2022-2023 school year and each school year thereafter, a student enrolled in grade eleven or twelve shall have the option to enroll in a computer science course offered by the school district or an approved course offered by an educational provider;

(2) For the 2023-2024 school year and each school year thereafter, a student enrolled in grade nine or ten shall have the option to enroll in an age-appropriate, standalone computer science course offered by the school district or an approved course offered by an educational provider;

(3) For the 2024-2025 school year and each school year thereafter, a student enrolled in any of grades kindergarten through eight shall have the option to enroll in an age-appropriate integrated course offered by the school district.

(C) A school district shall offer computer science or integrated courses to students enrolled in the district in accordance with division (B) of this section, except that a board of education may submit to the superintendent of public instruction a request for a waiver from that requirement with respect to students enrolled in a particular school building operated by the district board. The state superintendent shall consider each request for a waiver and either approve or disapprove the waiver based on standards adopted by the state.
board of education. For each approved waiver, the state superintendent shall specify the period of time for which the waiver shall be in effect, except that period shall not exceed five years. A district board may apply to renew a waiver.

(D) Each school district shall annually submit to the department, in a form and manner prescribed by the department, data reporting the number of students enrolled in computer science courses and the type of such courses. The type of computer science courses shall be disaggregated by course code and whether the courses are offered by the district or an educational provider.

(E) Nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting a school district from offering computer science or integrated courses to students enrolled in any of grades kindergarten through twelve.

Sec. 3301.233. (A) As used in this section, "public school" means any of the following:

(1) A city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district;

(2) A community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code;

(3) A STEM school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code.

(B) The department of education, in consultation with the chancellor of higher education, shall issue an annual report on computer science education in the state.

(C) The report shall include information regarding all of the following, as determined by the superintendent of public instruction and the chancellor:

(1) Public schools that offer computer science courses;
(2) The types of computer science courses offered by public schools;

(3) How many teachers employed by public schools hold one of the following:

(a) A valid educators license in computer science in accordance with section 3319.236 of the Revised Code;

(b) A valid license endorsement in computer technology in accordance with section 3319.236 of the Revised Code;

(c) A supplemental teaching license for teaching computer science in accordance with section 3319.236 of the Revised Code;

(d) Any other license or endorsement determined appropriate by the department, in consultation with the chancellor.

(4) The type of computer science courses, and the grade levels for those courses, taught by teachers who hold a license or endorsement described in division (C)(3) of this section;

(5) The number of undergraduate students who study computer science in institutions of higher education located in the state, disaggregated by region of the state, student demographics, and student participation in a pathway partnership in the previous five-year period, if the data is available.

(D) Information included in the report as prescribed under divisions (C)(1) to (4) of this section shall be disaggregated by all of the following:

(1) For school districts, whether each district is urban, rural, or suburban, and if any other classification determined appropriate by the department, in consultation with the chancellor, applies to the district;

(2) Region of the state;

(3) Demographic data of students enrolled in computer science courses, including race and ethnic group, gender, and whether the
students are economically disadvantaged. Such demographic data shall be reported by public school and computer science course code.

Sec. 3304.24. Each October during national disability employment awareness month, the governor shall present an award to employers who meet the criteria for having a workplace inclusive of individuals with disabilities. The opportunities for Ohioans with disabilities agency shall determine the inclusive workplace criteria to be used to recommend employers for the award.

Sec. 3311.741. (A) This section applies only to a municipal school district in existence on July 1, 2012. (B) Not later than December 1, 2012, the board of education of each municipal school district to which this section applies shall submit to the superintendent of public instruction an array of measures to be used in evaluating the performance of the district. The measures shall assess at least overall student achievement, student progress over time, the achievement and progress over time of each of the applicable categories of students described in division (F) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, and college and career readiness. The state superintendent shall approve or disapprove the measures by January 15, 2013. If the measures are disapproved, the state superintendent shall recommend modifications that will make the measures acceptable. (C) Beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, the board annually shall establish goals for improvement on each of the measures approved under division (B) of this section. The school district's performance data for the 2011-2012 school year shall be used as a baseline for determining improvement. (D) Not later than October 1, 2013, and by the first day of
October each year thereafter, the board shall issue a report describing the school district's performance for the previous school year on each of the measures approved under division (B) of this section and whether the district has met each of the improvement goals established for that year under division (C) of this section. The board shall provide the report to the governor, the superintendent of public instruction, and, in accordance with section 101.68 of the Revised Code, the general assembly.

(E) Not later than November 15, 2017, the superintendent of public instruction shall evaluate the school district's performance based on the measures approved under division (B) of this section and shall issue a report to the governor and general assembly.

Sec. 3313.48. (A) The board of education of each city, exempted village, local, and joint vocational school district shall provide for the free education of the youth of school age within the district under its jurisdiction, at such places as will be most convenient for the attendance of the largest number thereof. Each school so provided and each chartered nonpublic school shall be open for instruction with pupils in attendance, including scheduled classes, supervised activities, and approved education options but excluding lunch and breakfast periods and extracurricular activities, for not less than four hundred fifty-five hours in the case of pupils in kindergarten unless such pupils are provided all-day kindergarten, as defined in section 3321.05 of the Revised Code, in which case the pupils shall be in attendance for nine hundred ten hours; nine hundred ten hours in the case of pupils in grades one through six; and one thousand one hours in the case of pupils in grades seven through twelve in each school year, which may include all of the following:

(1) Up to the equivalent of two school days per year during
which pupils would otherwise be in attendance but are not required to attend for the purpose of individualized parent-teacher conferences and reporting periods;

(2) Up to the equivalent of two school days per year during which pupils would otherwise be in attendance but are not required to attend for professional meetings of teachers;

(3) Morning and afternoon recess periods of not more than fifteen minutes duration per period for pupils in grades kindergarten through six.

(B) Not later than thirty days prior to adopting a school calendar, the board of education of each city, exempted village, and local school district shall hold a public hearing on the school calendar, addressing topics that include, but are not limited to, the total number of hours in a school year, length of school day, and beginning and end dates of instruction.

(C) No school operated by a city, exempted village, local, or joint vocational school district shall reduce the number of hours in each school year that the school is scheduled to be open for instruction from the number of hours per year the school was open for instruction during the previous school year unless the reduction is approved by a resolution adopted by the district board of education. Any reduction so approved shall not result in fewer hours of instruction per school year than the applicable number of hours required under division (A) of this section.

(D) Prior to making any change in the hours or days in which a high school under its jurisdiction is open for instruction, the board of education of each city, exempted village, and local school district shall consider the compatibility of the proposed change with the scheduling needs of any joint vocational school district in which any of the high school's students are also enrolled. The board shall consider the impact of the proposed...
change on student access to the instructional programs offered by the joint vocational school district, incentives for students to participate in career-technical education, transportation, and the timing of graduation. The board shall provide the joint vocational school district board with advance notice of the proposed change and the two boards shall enter into a written agreement prescribing reasonable accommodations to meet the scheduling needs of the joint vocational school district prior to implementation of the change.

E. Prior to making any change in the hours or days in which a school under its jurisdiction is open for instruction, the board of education of each city, exempted village, and local school district shall consider the compatibility of the proposed change with the scheduling needs of any community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code to which the district is required to transport students under sections 3314.09 and 3327.01 of the Revised Code. The board shall consider the impact of the proposed change on student access to the instructional programs offered by the community school, transportation, and the timing of graduation. The board shall provide the sponsor, governing authority, and operator of the community school with advance notice of the proposed change, and the board and the governing authority, or operator if such authority is delegated to the operator, shall enter into a written agreement prescribing reasonable accommodations to meet the scheduling needs of the community school prior to implementation of the change.

F. Prior to making any change in the hours or days in which the schools under its jurisdiction are open for instruction, the board of education of each city, exempted village, and local school district shall consult with the chartered nonpublic schools to
which the district is required to transport students under section 3327.01 of the Revised Code and shall consider the effect of the proposed change on the schedule for transportation of those students to their nonpublic schools. The governing authority of a chartered nonpublic school shall consult with each school district board of education that transports students to the chartered nonpublic school under section 3327.01 of the Revised Code prior to making any change in the hours or days in which the nonpublic school is open for instruction.

(G) The state board of education shall not adopt or enforce any rule or standard that imposes on chartered nonpublic schools the procedural requirements imposed on school districts by divisions (B), (C), (D), and (E) of this section.

Sec. 3313.488. (A) Within fifteen days after the date the state board of education issues an order under section 3313.487 of the Revised Code making a school district subject to this section, the district's board of education shall prepare a fiscal statement of expenses and expenditures for the remainder of the current fiscal year. The fiscal statement shall be submitted to the superintendent of public instruction and shall set forth all revenues to be received by the district during the remainder of the fiscal year and their sources, the expenses to be incurred by the district during the remainder of the fiscal year, the outstanding and unpaid expenses at the time the fiscal statement is prepared and the date or dates by which such expenses must be paid, and such other information as the superintendent requires to enable the superintendent to ensure that during the remainder of the fiscal year, the district will not incur any expenses that will further impair its ability to operate an instructional program that meets or exceeds the minimum standards of the state board of education and requirements of the Revised Code during the current and ensuing fiscal years with the revenue available to it.
from existing revenue sources. The fiscal statement shall be presented in such detail and form as the superintendent prescribes. Beginning the tenth day after the fiscal statement is submitted and for the remainder of the fiscal year, the board shall not make any expenditure of money, make any employment, purchase, or rental contract, give any order involving the expenditure of money, or increase any wage or salary schedule unless the superintendent of public instruction has approved the fiscal statement in writing and the expenditure, contract, order, or schedule has been approved in writing by the superintendent as being in conformity with the fiscal statement.

Any contract or expenditure made, order given, or schedule adopted or put into effect without the written approval of the superintendent of public instruction is void, and no warrant shall be issued in payment of any amount due thereon.

(B) A board of education subject to division (A) of this section shall prepare a fiscal statement of expenses and expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year. The fiscal statement shall be submitted to the superintendent of public instruction and shall set forth all revenues to be received by the district during such year and their source, the expenses to be incurred by the district during such year, the outstanding and unpaid expenses on the first day of such fiscal year, the date or dates by which such expenses must be paid, and such other information as the superintendent requires to enable the superintendent to ensure that during such year, the district will not incur any expenses that will further impair its ability to operate an instructional program that meets or exceeds the minimum standards of the state board of education and requirements of the Revised Code during such year with the revenue available to it from existing revenue sources. The fiscal statement shall be presented at the time and in such detail and form as the superintendent prescribes. During
the fiscal year following the year in which a board of education first becomes subject to division (A) of this section it shall not make any expenditure of money, make any employment, purchase, or rental contract, give any order involving the expenditure of money, or increase any wage or salary schedule unless the superintendent of public instruction has approved the fiscal statement submitted under this division in writing and has approved the expenditure, contract, order, or schedule in writing as being in conformity with the fiscal statement.

Any contract or expenditure made, order given, or schedule adopted or put into effect without the written approval of the superintendent of public instruction is void, and no warrant shall be issued in payment of any amount due thereon.

(C) The state board of education shall examine any fiscal statement presented to and approved by the superintendent of public instruction under division (B) of this section and shall determine whether the data set forth in the fiscal statement are factual and based upon assumptions that in its judgment are reasonable expectations consistent with acceptable governmental budget and accounting practices. If the state board so determines and finds that the revenues and expenditures in the fiscal statement are in balance for the fiscal year and the fiscal statement will enable the district to operate during such year without interrupting its school calendar, it shall certify its determination and finding to the district at least thirty days prior to the beginning of the fiscal year, and the district shall thereupon cease to be subject to this section. If the state board does not make such a determination and finding, the board of education and school district are subject to this division and division (B) of this section in the ensuing fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter until the state board makes a determination, finding, and certification under this division.
(D) Any officer, employee, or other person who knowingly expends or authorizes the expenditure of any public funds or knowingly authorizes or executes any contract, order, or schedule contrary to division (A) or (B) of this section or who knowingly expends or authorizes the expenditure of any public funds on any such void contract, order, or schedule is jointly and severally liable in person and upon any official bond that the officer, employee, or other person has given to such school district to the extent of any payments on the void claim, not to exceed twenty thousand dollars. The attorney general at the written request of the superintendent of public instruction shall enforce this liability by civil action brought in any court of appropriate jurisdiction in the name of and on behalf of the school district.

(E) During each month that a board of education is subject to division (A), (B), or (C) of this section, the superintendent of public instruction shall submit a report to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate on the financial condition of the school district. The report shall contain the date by which the superintendent anticipates the district will cease to be subject to such divisions, the district's plans for becoming exempt from such section, and such other information the superintendent determines appropriate or the speaker of the house of representatives or president of the senate requests.

In addition to the other reports required under this division, on the thirty-first day of each school district fiscal year following a fiscal year in which a school district first becomes subject to this section, the superintendent shall submit a written report to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate. The report shall include recommendations to the general assembly for strengthening the financial condition of school districts based upon the experiences
of the superintendent and the state board in exercising their
powers under this section and sections 3313.483 and 3313.487 of
the Revised Code.

(F) This section does not apply to a school district declared
to be under a fiscal emergency pursuant to division (B) of section
3316.03 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3313.60. Notwithstanding division (D) of section 3311.52
of the Revised Code, divisions (A) to (E) of this section do not
apply to any cooperative education school district established
pursuant to divisions (A) to (C) of section 3311.52 of the Revised
Code.

(A) The board of education of each city, exempted village,
and local school district and the board of each cooperative
education school district established, pursuant to section
3311.521 of the Revised Code, shall prescribe a curriculum for all
schools under its control. Except as provided in division (E) of
this section, in any such curriculum there shall be included the
study of the following subjects:

(1) The language arts, including reading, writing, spelling,
oral and written English, and literature;

(2) Geography, the history of the United States and of Ohio,
and national, state, and local government in the United States,
including a balanced presentation of the relevant contributions to
society of men and women of African, Mexican, Puerto Rican, and
American Indian descent as well as other ethnic and racial groups
in Ohio and the United States;

(3) Mathematics;

(4) Natural science, including instruction in the
conservation of natural resources;

(5) Health education, which shall include instruction in:
(a) The nutritive value of foods, including natural and organically produced foods, the relation of nutrition to health, and the use and effects of food additives;

(b) The harmful effects of and legal restrictions against the use of drugs of abuse, alcoholic beverages, and tobacco, including electronic smoking devices;

(c) Venereal disease education, except that upon written request of the student's parent or guardian, a student shall be excused from taking instruction in venereal disease education;

(d) In grades kindergarten through six, instruction in personal safety and assault prevention, except that upon written request of the student's parent or guardian, a student shall be excused from taking instruction in personal safety and assault prevention;

(e) In grades seven through twelve, age-appropriate instruction in dating violence prevention education, which shall include instruction in recognizing dating violence warning signs and characteristics of healthy relationships.

In order to assist school districts in developing a dating violence prevention education curriculum, the department of education shall provide on its web site links to free curricula addressing dating violence prevention.

If the parent or legal guardian of a student less than eighteen years of age submits to the principal of the student's school a written request to examine the dating violence prevention instruction materials used at that school, the principal, within a reasonable period of time after the request is made, shall allow the parent or guardian to examine those materials at that school.

(f) Prescription opioid abuse prevention, with an emphasis on the prescription drug epidemic and the connection between prescription opioid abuse and addiction to other drugs, such as
(g) The process of making an anatomical gift under Chapter 2108. of the Revised Code, with an emphasis on the life-saving and life-enhancing effects of organ and tissue donation.

(6) Physical education;

(7) The fine arts, including music;

(8) First aid, including a training program in cardiopulmonary resuscitation, which shall comply with section 3313.6021 of the Revised Code when offered in any of grades nine through twelve, safety, and fire prevention. However, upon written request of the student's parent or guardian, a student shall be excused from taking instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

(B) Except as provided in division (E) of this section, every school or school district shall include in the requirements for promotion from the eighth grade to the ninth grade one year's course of study of American history. A board may waive this requirement for academically accelerated students who, in accordance with procedures adopted by the board, are able to demonstrate mastery of essential concepts and skills of the eighth grade American history course of study.

(C) As specified in divisions (B)(6) and (C)(6) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code, except as provided in division (E) of this section, every high school shall include in the requirements for graduation from any curriculum one-half unit each of American history and government.

(D) Except as provided in division (E) of this section, basic instruction or demonstrated mastery in geography, United States history, the government of the United States, the government of the state of Ohio, local government in Ohio, the Declaration of Independence, the United States Constitution, and the Constitution of the state of Ohio shall be required before pupils may
participate in courses involving the study of social problems, economics, foreign affairs, United Nations, world government, socialism, and communism.

(E) For each cooperative education school district established pursuant to section 3311.521 of the Revised Code and each city, exempted village, and local school district that has territory within such a cooperative district, the curriculum adopted pursuant to divisions (A) to (D) of this section shall only include the study of the subjects that apply to the grades operated by each such school district. The curricula for such schools, when combined, shall provide to each student of these districts all of the subjects required under divisions (A) to (D) of this section.

(F) The board of education of any cooperative education school district established pursuant to divisions (A) to (C) of section 3311.52 of the Revised Code shall prescribe a curriculum for the subject areas and grade levels offered in any school under its control.

(G) Upon the request of any parent or legal guardian of a student, the board of education of any school district shall permit the parent or guardian to promptly examine, with respect to the parent's or guardian's own child:

(1) Any survey or questionnaire, prior to its administration to the child;

(2) Any textbook, workbook, software, video, or other instructional materials being used by the district in connection with the instruction of the child;

(3) Any completed and graded test taken or survey or questionnaire filled out by the child;

(4) Copies of the statewide academic standards and each model curriculum developed pursuant to section 3301.079 of the Revised
Code, which copies shall be available at all times during school
hours in each district school building.

Sec. 3313.603. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "One unit" means a minimum of one hundred twenty hours of
course instruction, except that for a laboratory course, "one
unit" means a minimum of one hundred fifty hours of course
instruction.

(2) "One-half unit" means a minimum of sixty hours of course
instruction, except that for physical education courses, "one-half
unit" means a minimum of one hundred twenty hours of course
instruction.

(B) Beginning September 15, 2001, except as required in
division (C) of this section and division (C) of section 3313.614
of the Revised Code, the requirements for graduation from every
high school shall include twenty units earned in grades nine
through twelve and shall be distributed as follows:

(1) English language arts, four units;
(2) Health, one-half unit;
(3) Mathematics, three units;
(4) Physical education, one-half unit;
(5) Science, two units until September 15, 2003, and three
units thereafter, which at all times shall include both of the
following:

(a) Biological sciences, one unit;
(b) Physical sciences, one unit.
(6) History and government, one unit, which shall comply with
division (M) of this section and shall include both of the
following:
(a) American history, one-half unit;

(b) American government, one-half unit.

(7) Social studies, two units.

Beginning with students who enter ninth grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2017, the two units of instruction prescribed by division (B)(7) of this section shall include at least one-half unit of instruction in the study of world history and civilizations.

(8) Elective units, seven units until September 15, 2003, and six units thereafter.

Each student's electives shall include at least one unit, or two half units, chosen from among the areas of business/technology, fine arts, and/or foreign language.

(C) Beginning with students who enter ninth grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2010, except as provided in divisions (D) to (F) of this section, the requirements for graduation from every public and chartered nonpublic high school shall include twenty units that are designed to prepare students for the workforce and college. The units shall be distributed as follows:

(1) English language arts, four units;

(2) Health, one-half unit, which shall include instruction in nutrition and the benefits of nutritious foods and physical activity for overall health;

(3) Mathematics, four units, which shall include one unit of algebra II or the equivalent of algebra II, or one unit of advanced computer science as described in the standards adopted pursuant to division (A)(4) of section 3301.079 of the Revised Code. However, students who enter ninth grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2015, and who are pursuing a career-technical
instructional track shall not be required to take algebra II or advanced computer science, and instead may complete a career-based pathway mathematics course approved by the department of education as an alternative.

For students who choose to take advanced computer science in lieu of algebra II under division (C)(3) of this section, the school shall communicate to those students that some institutions of higher education may require algebra II for the purpose of college admission. Also, the parent, guardian, or legal custodian of each student who chooses to take advanced computer science in lieu of algebra II shall sign and submit to the school a document containing a statement acknowledging that not taking algebra II may have an adverse effect on college admission decisions.

(4) Physical education, one-half unit;

(5) Science, three units with inquiry-based laboratory experience that engages students in asking valid scientific questions and gathering and analyzing information, which shall include the following, or their equivalent:

(a) Physical sciences, one unit;

(b) Life sciences, one unit;

(c) Advanced study in one or more of the following sciences, one unit:

   (i) Chemistry, physics, or other physical science;

   (ii) Advanced biology or other life science;

   (iii) Astronomy, physical geology, or other earth or space science;

   (iv) Computer science.

No student shall substitute a computer science course for a life sciences or biology course under division (C)(5) of this section.
(6) History and government, one unit, which shall comply with division (M) of this section and shall include both of the following:

(a) American history, one-half unit;

(b) American government, one-half unit.

(7) Social studies, two units.

Each school shall integrate the study of economics and financial literacy, as expressed in the social studies academic content standards adopted by the state board of education under division (A)(1) of section 3301.079 of the Revised Code and the academic content standards for financial literacy and entrepreneurship adopted under division (A)(2) of that section, into one or more existing social studies credits required under division (C)(7) of this section, or into the content of another class, so that every high school student receives instruction in those concepts. In developing the curriculum required by this paragraph, schools shall use available public-private partnerships and resources and materials that exist in business, industry, and through the centers for economics education at institutions of higher education in the state.

Beginning with students who enter ninth grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2017, the two units of instruction prescribed by division (C)(7) of this section shall include at least one-half unit of instruction in the study of world history and civilizations.

(8) Five units consisting of one or any combination of foreign language, fine arts, business, career-technical education, family and consumer sciences, technology which may include computer science, agricultural education, a junior reserve officer training corps (JROTC) program approved by the congress of the United States under title 10 of the United States Code, or English
language arts, mathematics, science, or social studies courses not otherwise required under division (C) of this section.

Ohioans must be prepared to apply increased knowledge and skills in the workplace and to adapt their knowledge and skills quickly to meet the rapidly changing conditions of the twenty-first century. National studies indicate that all high school graduates need the same academic foundation, regardless of the opportunities they pursue after graduation. The goal of Ohio's system of elementary and secondary education is to prepare all students for and seamlessly connect all students to success in life beyond high school graduation, regardless of whether the next step is entering the workforce, beginning an apprenticeship, engaging in post-secondary training, serving in the military, or pursuing a college degree.

The requirements for graduation prescribed in division (C) of this section are the standard expectation for all students entering ninth grade for the first time at a public or chartered nonpublic high school on or after July 1, 2010. A student may satisfy this expectation through a variety of methods, including, but not limited to, integrated, applied, career-technical, and traditional coursework.

Stronger coordination between high schools and institutions of higher education is necessary to prepare students for more challenging academic endeavors and to lessen the need for academic remediation in college, thereby reducing the costs of higher education for Ohio's students, families, and the state. The state board and the chancellor of higher education shall develop policies to ensure that only in rare instances will students who complete the requirements for graduation prescribed in division (C) of this section require academic remediation after high school.

School districts, community schools, and chartered nonpublic
schools shall integrate technology into learning experiences across the curriculum in order to maximize efficiency, enhance learning, and prepare students for success in the technology-driven twenty-first century. Districts and schools shall use distance and web-based course delivery as a method of providing or augmenting all instruction required under this division, including laboratory experience in science. Districts and schools shall utilize technology access and electronic learning opportunities provided by the broadcast educational media commission, chancellor, the Ohio learning network, education technology centers, public television stations, and other public and private providers.

(D) Except as provided in division (E) of this section, a student who enters ninth grade on or after July 1, 2010, and before July 1, 2016, may qualify for graduation from a public or chartered nonpublic high school even though the student has not completed the requirements for graduation prescribed in division (C) of this section if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

(1) During the student's third year of attending high school, as determined by the school, the student and the student's parent, guardian, or custodian sign and file with the school a written statement asserting the parent's, guardian's, or custodian's consent to the student's graduating without completing the requirements for graduation prescribed in division (C) of this section and acknowledging that one consequence of not completing those requirements is ineligibility to enroll in most state universities in Ohio without further coursework.

(2) The student and parent, guardian, or custodian fulfill any procedural requirements the school stipulates to ensure the student's and parent's, guardian's, or custodian's informed consent and to facilitate orderly filing of statements under
division (D)(1) of this section. Annually, each district or school shall notify the department of the number of students who choose to qualify for graduation under division (D) of this section and the number of students who complete the student's success plan and graduate from high school.

(3) The student and the student's parent, guardian, or custodian and a representative of the student's high school jointly develop a student success plan for the student in the manner described in division (C)(1) of section 3313.6020 of the Revised Code that specifies the student matriculating to a two-year degree program, acquiring a business and industry-recognized credential, or entering an apprenticeship.

(4) The student's high school provides counseling and support for the student related to the plan developed under division (D)(3) of this section during the remainder of the student's high school experience.

(5)(a) Except as provided in division (D)(5)(b) of this section, the student successfully completes, at a minimum, the curriculum prescribed in division (B) of this section.

(b) Beginning with students who enter ninth grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2014, a student shall be required to complete successfully, at the minimum, the curriculum prescribed in division (B) of this section, except as follows:

(i) Mathematics, four units, one unit which shall be one of the following:

(I) Probability and statistics;

(II) Computer science;

(III) Applied mathematics or quantitative reasoning;

(IV) Any other course approved by the department using standards established by the superintendent not later than October

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(ii) Elective units, five units;

(iii) Science, three units as prescribed by division (B) of this section which shall include inquiry-based laboratory experience that engages students in asking valid scientific questions and gathering and analyzing information.

The department, in collaboration with the chancellor, shall analyze student performance data to determine if there are mitigating factors that warrant extending the exception permitted by division (D) of this section to high school classes beyond those entering ninth grade before July 1, 2016. The department shall submit its findings and any recommendations not later than December 1, 2015, to the speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives, the president and minority leader of the senate, the chairpersons and ranking minority members of the standing committees of the house of representatives and the senate that consider education legislation, the state board of education, and the superintendent of public instruction.

(E) Each school district and chartered nonpublic school retains the authority to require an even more challenging minimum curriculum for high school graduation than specified in division (B) or (C) of this section. A school district board of education, through the adoption of a resolution, or the governing authority of a chartered nonpublic school may stipulate any of the following:

(1) A minimum high school curriculum that requires more than twenty units of academic credit to graduate;

(2) An exception to the district's or school's minimum high school curriculum that is comparable to the exception provided in division (D) of this section but with additional requirements, which may include a requirement that the student successfully
complete more than the minimum curriculum prescribed in division (B) of this section;

(3) That no exception comparable to that provided in division (D) of this section is available.

If a school district or chartered nonpublic school requires a foreign language as an additional graduation requirement under division (E) of this section, a student may apply one unit of instruction in computer coding to satisfy one unit of foreign language. If a student applies more than one computer coding course to satisfy the foreign language requirement, the courses shall be sequential and progressively more difficult.

(F) A student enrolled in a dropout prevention and recovery program, which program has received a waiver from the department, may qualify for graduation from high school by successfully completing a competency-based instructional program administered by the dropout prevention and recovery program in lieu of completing the requirements for graduation prescribed in division (C) of this section. The department shall grant a waiver to a dropout prevention and recovery program, within sixty days after the program applies for the waiver, if the program meets all of the following conditions:

(1) The program serves only students not younger than sixteen years of age and not older than twenty-one years of age.

(2) The program enrolls students who, at the time of their initial enrollment, either, or both, are at least one grade level behind their cohort age groups or experience crises that significantly interfere with their academic progress such that they are prevented from continuing their traditional programs.

(3) The program requires students to attain at least the applicable score designated for each of the assessments prescribed under division (B) (1) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code or,
to the extent prescribed by rule of the state board under division (D)(5) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code, division (B)(2) of that section.

(4) The program develops a student success plan for the student in the manner described in division (C)(1) of section 3313.6020 of the Revised Code that specifies the student's matriculating to a two-year degree program, acquiring a business and industry-recognized credential, or entering an apprenticeship.

(5) The program provides counseling and support for the student related to the plan developed under division (F)(4) of this section during the remainder of the student's high school experience.

(6) The program requires the student and the student's parent, guardian, or custodian to sign and file, in accordance with procedural requirements stipulated by the program, a written statement asserting the parent's, guardian's, or custodian's consent to the student's graduating without completing the requirements for graduation prescribed in division (C) of this section and acknowledging that one consequence of not completing those requirements is ineligibility to enroll in most state universities in Ohio without further coursework.

(7) Prior to receiving the waiver, the program has submitted to the department an instructional plan that demonstrates how the academic content standards adopted by the state board under section 3301.079 of the Revised Code will be taught and assessed.

(8) Prior to receiving the waiver, the program has submitted to the department a policy on career advising that satisfies the requirements of section 3313.6020 of the Revised Code, with an emphasis on how every student will receive career advising.

(9) Prior to receiving the waiver, the program has submitted to the department a written agreement outlining the future
cooperation between the program and any combination of local job training, postsecondary education, nonprofit, and health and social service organizations to provide services for students in the program and their families.

Divisions (F)(8) and (9) of this section apply only to waivers granted on or after July 1, 2015.

If the department does not act either to grant the waiver or to reject the program application for the waiver within sixty days as required under this section, the waiver shall be considered to be granted.

(G) Every high school may permit students below the ninth grade to take advanced work. If a high school so permits, it shall award high school credit for successful completion of the advanced work and shall count such advanced work toward the graduation requirements of division (B) or (C) of this section if the advanced work was both:

(1) Taught by a person who possesses a license or certificate issued under section 3301.071, 3319.22, or 3319.222 of the Revised Code that is valid for teaching high school;

(2) Designated by the board of education of the city, local, or exempted village school district, the board of the cooperative education school district, or the governing authority of the chartered nonpublic school as meeting the high school curriculum requirements.

Each high school shall record on the student's high school transcript all high school credit awarded under division (G) of this section. In addition, if the student completed a seventh- or eighth-grade fine arts course described in division (K) of this section and the course qualified for high school credit under that division, the high school shall record that course on the student's high school transcript.
(H) The department shall make its individual academic career plan available through its Ohio career information system web site for districts and schools to use as a tool for communicating with and providing guidance to students and families in selecting high school courses.

(I) A school district or chartered nonpublic school may integrate academic content in a subject area for which the state board has adopted standards under section 3301.079 of the Revised Code into a course in a different subject area, including a career-technical education course, in accordance with guidance for integrated coursework developed by the department. Upon successful completion of an integrated course, a student may receive credit for both subject areas that were integrated into the course. Units earned for subject area content delivered through integrated academic and career-technical instruction are eligible to meet the graduation requirements of division (B) or (C) of this section.

For purposes of meeting graduation requirements, if an end-of-course examination has been prescribed under section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code for the subject area delivered through integrated instruction, the school district or school may administer the related subject area examinations upon the student's completion of the integrated course.

Nothing in division (I) of this section shall be construed to excuse any school district, chartered nonpublic school, or student from any requirement in the Revised Code related to curriculum, assessments, or the awarding of a high school diploma.

(J)(1) The state board, in consultation with the chancellor, shall adopt a statewide plan implementing methods for students to earn units of high school credit based on a demonstration of subject area competency, instead of or in combination with completing hours of classroom instruction. The state board shall adopt the plan not later than March 31, 2009, and commence phasing
in the plan during the 2009-2010 school year. The plan shall include a standard method for recording demonstrated proficiency on high school transcripts. Each school district and community school shall comply with the state board's plan adopted under this division and award units of high school credit in accordance with the plan. The state board may adopt existing methods for earning high school credit based on a demonstration of subject area competency as necessary prior to the 2009-2010 school year.

(2) Not later than December 31, 2015, the state board shall update the statewide plan adopted pursuant to division (J)(1) of this section to also include methods for students enrolled in seventh and eighth grade to meet curriculum requirements based on a demonstration of subject area competency, instead of or in combination with completing hours of classroom instruction. Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, each school district and community school also shall comply with the updated plan adopted pursuant to this division and permit students enrolled in seventh and eighth grade to meet curriculum requirements based on subject area competency in accordance with the plan.

(3) Not later than December 31, 2017, the department shall develop a framework for school districts and community schools to use in granting units of high school credit to students who demonstrate subject area competency through work-based learning experiences, internships, or cooperative education. Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, each district and community school shall comply with the framework. Each district and community school also shall review any policy it has adopted regarding the demonstration of subject area competency to identify ways to incorporate work-based learning experiences, internships, and cooperative education into the policy in order to increase student engagement and opportunities to earn units of high school credit.

(K) This division does not apply to students who qualify for...
graduation from high school under division (D) or (F) of this section, or to students pursuing a career-technical instructional track as determined by the school district board of education or the chartered nonpublic school's governing authority. Nevertheless, the general assembly encourages such students to consider enrolling in a fine arts course as an elective.

Beginning with students who enter ninth grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2010, each student enrolled in a public or chartered nonpublic high school shall complete two semesters or the equivalent of fine arts to graduate from high school. The coursework may be completed in any of grades seven to twelve. Each student who completes a fine arts course in grade seven or eight may elect to count that course toward the five units of electives required for graduation under division (C)(8) of this section, if the course satisfied the requirements of division (G) of this section. In that case, the high school shall award the student high school credit for the course and count the course toward the five units required under division (C)(8) of this section. If the course in grade seven or eight did not satisfy the requirements of division (G) of this section, the high school shall not award the student high school credit for the course but shall count the course toward the two semesters or the equivalent of fine arts required by this division.

(L) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this section, the board of education of each school district and the governing authority of each chartered nonpublic school may adopt a policy to excuse from the high school physical education requirement each student who, during high school, has participated in interscholastic athletics, marching band, show choir, or cheerleading for at least two full seasons or in the junior reserve officer training corps for at least two full school years. If the board or authority adopts such a policy, the board or
authority shall not require the student to complete any physical education course as a condition to graduate. However, the student shall be required to complete one-half unit, consisting of at least sixty hours of instruction, in another course of study. In the case of a student who has participated in the junior reserve officer training corps for at least two full school years, credit received for that participation may be used to satisfy the requirement to complete one-half unit in another course of study.

(M) It is important that high school students learn and understand United States history and the governments of both the United States and the state of Ohio. Therefore, beginning with students who enter ninth grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2012, the study of American history and American government required by divisions (B)(6) and (C)(6) of this section shall include the study of all of the following documents:

(1) The Declaration of Independence;

(2) The Northwest Ordinance;

(3) The Constitution of the United States with emphasis on the Bill of Rights;

(4) The Ohio Constitution.

The study of each of the documents prescribed in divisions (M)(1) to (4) of this section shall include study of that document in its original context.

The study of American history and government required by divisions (B)(6) and (C)(6) of this section shall include the historical evidence of the role of documents such as the Federalist Papers and the Anti-Federalist Papers to firmly establish the historical background leading to the establishment of the provisions of the Constitution and Bill of Rights.

(N) A student may apply one unit of instruction in computer
science to satisfy one unit of mathematics or one unit of science under division (C) of this section as the student chooses, regardless of the field of certification of the teacher who teaches the course, so long as that teacher meets the licensure requirements prescribed by section 3319.236 of the Revised Code and, prior to teaching the course, completes a professional development program determined to be appropriate by the district board.

If a student applies more than one computer science course to satisfy curriculum requirements under that division, the courses shall be sequential and progressively more difficult or cover different subject areas within computer science.

Sec. 3313.608. (A)(1) Beginning with students who enter third grade in the school year that starts July 1, 2009, and until June 30, 2013, unless the student is excused under division (C) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code from taking the assessment described in this section, for any student who does not attain at least the equivalent level of achievement designated under division (A)(3) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code on the assessment prescribed under that section to measure skill in English language arts expected at the end of third grade, each school district, in accordance with the policy adopted under section 3313.609 of the Revised Code, shall do one of the following:

(a) Promote the student to fourth grade if the student's principal and reading teacher agree that other evaluations of the student's skill in reading demonstrate that the student is academically prepared to be promoted to fourth grade;

(b) Promote the student to fourth grade but provide the student with intensive intervention services in fourth grade;

(c) Retain the student in third grade.
(2) Beginning with students who enter third grade in the 2013-2014 school year, unless the student is excused under division (C) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code from taking the assessment described in this section, no school district shall promote to fourth grade any student who does not attain at least the equivalent level of achievement designated under division (A)(3) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code on the assessment prescribed under that section to measure skill in English language arts expected at the end of third grade, unless one of the following applies:

(a) The student is an English learner who has been enrolled in United States schools for less than three full school years and has had less than three years of instruction in an English as a second language program.

(b) The student is a child with a disability entitled to special education and related services under Chapter 3323. of the Revised Code and the student's individualized education program exempts the student from retention under this division.

(c) The student demonstrates an acceptable level of performance on an alternative standardized reading assessment as determined by the department of education.

(d) All of the following apply:

(i) The student is a child with a disability entitled to special education and related services under Chapter 3323. of the Revised Code.

(ii) The student has taken the third grade English language arts achievement assessment prescribed under section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code.

(iii) The student's individualized education program or plan under section 504 of the "Rehabilitation Act of 1973," 87 Stat. 355, 29 U.S.C. 794, as amended, shows that the student has
received intensive remediation in reading for two school years but still demonstrates a deficiency in reading.

(iv) The student previously was retained in any of grades kindergarten to three.

(e)(i) The student received intensive remediation for reading for two school years but still demonstrates a deficiency in reading and was previously retained in any of grades kindergarten to three.

(ii) A student who is promoted under division (A)(2)(e)(i) of this section shall continue to receive intensive reading instruction in grade four. The instruction shall include an altered instructional day that includes specialized diagnostic information and specific research-based reading strategies for the student that have been successful in improving reading among low-performing readers.

(B)(1)(a) Beginning in the 2012-2013 school year, to assist students in meeting the third grade guarantee established by this section, each school district board of education shall adopt policies and procedures with which it annually shall assess the reading skills of each student, except those students with significant cognitive disabilities or other disabilities as authorized by the department on a case-by-case basis, enrolled in kindergarten to third grade and shall identify students who are reading below their grade level. The reading skills assessment shall be completed by the thirtieth day of September for students in grades one to three, and by the twentieth day of instruction of the school year for students in kindergarten. Each district shall use the diagnostic assessment to measure reading ability for the appropriate grade level adopted under section 3301.079 of the Revised Code, or a comparable tool approved by the department of education, to identify such students.
(b) The policies and procedures shall require the students' classroom teachers to be involved in the assessment and the identification of students reading below grade level. The assessment may be administered electronically using live, two-way video and audio connections whereby the teacher administering the assessment may be in a separate location from the student.

(c) Except for the kindergarten readiness assessment described in section 3301.0715 of the Revised Code, any comparable tool approved by the department for grades kindergarten through three shall include a sufficient number of items related to phonological awareness, phonemic awareness, rapid naming skills, nonsense word fluency, and correspondence between sounds and letters to identify students who may need further measures to determine if the students have dyslexia, as defined in section 3319.80 of the Revised Code.

(d) For each comparable tool approved under this section, the department shall require that the test vendor share information with the school regarding student performance on identification items related to dyslexia as described under division (B)(1)(c) of this section. The department also shall require the vendor to provide a summary of such information to the department, in the manner prescribed by the department.

(2) For each student identified by the diagnostic assessment prescribed under this section as having reading skills below grade level, the district shall do both of the following:

(a) Provide to the student's parent or guardian, in writing, all of the following:

(i) Notification that the student has been identified as having a substantial deficiency in reading;

(ii) A description of the current services that are provided to the student;
(iii) A description of the proposed supplemental instructional services and supports that will be provided to the student that are designed to remediate the identified areas of reading deficiency;

(iv) Notification that if the student attains a score in the range designated under division (A)(3) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code on the assessment prescribed under that section to measure skill in English language arts expected at the end of third grade, the student shall be retained unless the student is exempt under division (A) of this section. The notification shall specify that the assessment under section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code is not the sole determinant of promotion and that additional evaluations and assessments are available to the student to assist parents and the district in knowing when a student is reading at or above grade level and ready for promotion.

(b) Provide intensive reading instruction services and regular diagnostic assessments to the student immediately following identification of a reading deficiency until the development of the reading improvement and monitoring plan required by division (C) of this section. These intervention services shall include research-based reading strategies that have been shown to be successful in improving reading among low-performing readers and instruction targeted at the student's identified reading deficiencies.

(3) For each student retained under division (A) of this section, the district shall do all of the following:

(a) Provide intense remediation services until the student is able to read at grade level. The remediation services shall include intensive interventions in reading that address the areas of deficiencies identified under this section including, but not limited to, not less than ninety minutes of reading instruction per day, and may include any of the following:
(i) Small group instruction;

(ii) Reduced teacher-student ratios;

(iii) More frequent progress monitoring;

(iv) Tutoring or mentoring;

(v) Transition classes containing third and fourth grade students;

(vi) Extended school day, week, or year;

(vii) Summer reading camps.

(b) Establish a policy for the mid-year promotion of a student retained under division (A) of this section who demonstrates that the student is reading at or above grade level;

(c) Provide each student with a teacher who satisfies one or more of the criteria set forth in division (H) of this section.

The district shall offer the option for students to receive applicable services from one or more providers other than the district. Providers shall be screened and approved by the district or the department of education. If the student participates in the remediation services and demonstrates reading proficiency in accordance with standards adopted by the department prior to the start of fourth grade, the district shall promote the student to that grade.

(4) For each student retained under division (A) of this section who has demonstrated proficiency in a specific academic ability field, each district shall provide instruction commensurate with student achievement levels in that specific academic ability field.

As used in this division, "specific academic ability field" has the same meaning as in section 3324.01 of the Revised Code.

(5) Any tool approved by the department under division (B) of
this section, other than the kindergarten readiness assessment, may be used to meet the requirement to administer a tier one dyslexia screening under section 3323.251 of the Revised Code.

(C) For each student required to be provided intervention services under this section, the district shall develop a reading improvement and monitoring plan within sixty days after receiving the student's results on the diagnostic assessment or comparable tool administered under division (B)(1) of this section. The district shall involve the student's parent or guardian and classroom teacher in developing the plan. The plan shall include all of the following:

(1) Identification of the student's specific reading deficiencies;

(2) A description of the additional instructional services and support that will be provided to the student to remediate the identified reading deficiencies;

(3) Opportunities for the student's parent or guardian to be involved in the instructional services and support described in division (C)(2) of this section;

(4) A process for monitoring the extent to which the student receives the instructional services and support described in division (C)(2) of this section;

(5) A reading curriculum during regular school hours that does all of the following:

   (a) Assists students to read at grade level;

   (b) Provides scientifically based and reliable assessment;

   (c) Provides initial and ongoing analysis of each student's reading progress.

(6) A statement that if the student does not attain at least the equivalent level of achievement designated under division
(A)(3) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code on the assessment prescribed under that section to measure skill in English language arts expected by the end of third grade, the student may be retained in third grade.

Each student with a reading improvement and monitoring plan under this division who enters third grade after July 1, 2013, shall be assigned to a teacher who satisfies one or more of the criteria set forth in division (H) of this section.

The district shall report any information requested by the department about the reading improvement monitoring plans developed under this division in the manner required by the department.

(D) Each school district shall report annually to the department on its implementation and compliance with this section using guidelines prescribed by the superintendent of public instruction. The superintendent of public instruction annually shall report to the governor and general assembly the number and percentage of students in grades kindergarten through four reading below grade level based on the diagnostic assessments administered under division (B) of this section and the achievement assessments administered under divisions (A)(1)(a) and (b) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code in English language arts, aggregated by school district and building; the types of intervention services provided to students; and, if available, an evaluation of the efficacy of the intervention services provided.

(E) Any summer remediation services funded in whole or in part by the state and offered by school districts to students under this section shall meet the following conditions:

(1) The remediation methods are based on reliable educational research.

(2) The school districts conduct assessment before and after
students participate in the program to facilitate monitoring results of the remediation services.

(3) The parents of participating students are involved in programming decisions.

(F) Any intervention or remediation services required by this section shall include intensive, explicit, and systematic instruction.

(G) This section does not create a new cause of action or a substantive legal right for any person.

(H)(1) Except as provided under divisions (H)(2), (3), and (4) of this section, each student described in division (B)(3) or (C) of this section who enters third grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2013, shall be assigned a teacher who has at least one year of teaching experience and who satisfies one or more of the following criteria:

   (a) The teacher holds a reading endorsement on the teacher's license and has attained a passing score on the corresponding assessment for that endorsement, as applicable.

   (b) The teacher has completed a master's degree program with a major in reading.

   (c) The teacher was rated "most effective" for reading instruction consecutively for the most recent two years based on assessments of student growth measures developed by a vendor and that is on the list of student assessments approved by the state board under division (B)(2) of section 3319.112 of the Revised Code.

   (d) The teacher was rated "above expected value added," in reading instruction, as determined by criteria established by the department, for the most recent, consecutive two years.

   (e) The teacher has earned a passing score on a rigorous test
of principles of scientifically research-based reading instruction as approved by the state board.

(f) The teacher holds an educator license for teaching grades pre-kindergarten through three or four through nine issued on or after July 1, 2017.

(2) Notwithstanding division (H)(1) of this section, a student described in division (B)(3) or (C) of this section who enters third grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2013, may be assigned to a teacher with less than one year of teaching experience provided that the teacher meets one or more of the criteria described in divisions (H)(1)(a) to (f) of this section and that teacher is assigned a teacher mentor who meets the qualifications of division (H)(1) of this section.

(3) Notwithstanding division (H)(1) of this section, a student described in division (B)(3) or (C) of this section who enters third grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2013, but prior to July 1, 2016, may be assigned to a teacher who holds an alternative credential approved by the department or who has successfully completed training that is based on principles of scientifically research-based reading instruction that has been approved by the department. Beginning on July 1, 2014, the alternative credentials and training described in division (H)(3) of this section shall be aligned with the reading competencies adopted by the state board of education under section 3301.077 of the Revised Code.

(4) Notwithstanding division (H)(1) of this section, a student described in division (B)(3) or (C) of this section who enters third grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2013, may receive reading intervention or remediation services under this section from an individual employed as a speech-language pathologist who holds a license issued by the state speech and hearing professionals board under Chapter 4753. of the Revised
Code and a professional pupil services license as a school speech-language pathologist issued by the state board of education.

(5) A teacher, other than a student's teacher of record, may provide any services required under this section, so long as that other teacher meets the requirements of division (H) of this section and the teacher of record and the school principal agree to the assignment. Any such assignment shall be documented in the student's reading improvement and monitoring plan.

As used in this division, "teacher of record" means the classroom teacher to whom a student is assigned.

(I) Notwithstanding division (H) of this section, a teacher may teach reading to any student who is an English language learner, and has been in the United States for three years or less, or to a student who has an individualized education program developed under Chapter 3323. of the Revised Code if that teacher holds an alternative credential approved by the department or has successfully completed training that is based on principles of scientifically research-based reading instruction that has been approved by the department. Beginning on July 1, 2014, the alternative credentials and training described in this division shall be aligned with the reading competencies adopted by the state board of education under section 3301.077 of the Revised Code.

(J) If, on or after June 4, 2013, a school district or community school cannot furnish the number of teachers needed who satisfy one or more of the criteria set forth in division (H) of this section for the 2013-2014 school year, the school district or community school shall develop and submit a staffing plan by June 30, 2013. The staffing plan shall include criteria that will be used to assign a student described in division (B)(3) or (C) of this section to a teacher, credentials or training held by
teachers currently teaching at the school, and how the school district or community school will meet the requirements of this section. The school district or community school shall post the staffing plan on its web site for the applicable school year.

Not later than March 1, 2014, and on the first day of March in each year thereafter, a school district or community school that has submitted a plan under this division shall submit to the department a detailed report of the progress the district or school has made in meeting the requirements under this section.

A school district or community school may request an extension of a staffing plan beyond the 2013-2014 school year. Extension requests must be submitted to the department not later than the thirtieth day of April prior to the start of the applicable school year. The department may grant extensions valid through the 2015-2016 school year.

Until June 30, 2015, the department annually shall review all staffing plans and report to the state board not later than the thirtieth day of June of each year the progress of school districts and community schools in meeting the requirements of this section.

(K) The department of education shall designate one or more staff members to provide guidance and assistance to school districts and community schools in implementing the third grade guarantee established by this section, including any standards or requirements adopted to implement the guarantee and to provide information and support for reading instruction and achievement.

Sec. 3313.6026. (A) As used in this section, "school governing authority" means any of the following:

(1) The governing authority of a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code;
(2) The governing body of a STEM school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code;

(3) The board of trustees of a college-preparatory boarding school established under Chapter 3328. of the Revised Code;

(4) The governing authority of a chartered nonpublic school.

(B) Each school district board of education and each school governing authority that operates a high school shall enter into a data sharing agreement with the chancellor of higher education for the purposes of operating the free application for federal student aid data system established under section 3333.301 of the Revised Code. Each school district or school shall provide principals and school counselors with access to the data system to assist with efforts to support and encourage students to complete the free application for federal student aid form.

Sec. 3313.61. (A) A diploma shall be granted by the board of education of any city, exempted village, or local school district that operates a high school to any person to whom all of the following apply:

(1) The person has successfully completed the curriculum in any high school or the individualized education program developed for the person by any high school pursuant to section 3323.08 of the Revised Code, or has qualified under division (D) or (F) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code, provided that no school district shall require a student to remain in school for any specific number of semesters or other terms if the student completes the required curriculum early;

(2) Subject to section 3313.614 of the Revised Code, the person has met the assessment requirements of division (A)(2)(a) or (b) of this section, as applicable.

(a) If the person entered the ninth grade prior to July 1,
2014, the person either:

(i) Has attained at least the applicable scores designated under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code on all the assessments required by that division unless the person was excused from taking any such assessment pursuant to section 3313.532 of the Revised Code or unless division (H) or (L) of this section applies to the person;

(ii) Has satisfied the alternative conditions prescribed in section 3313.615 of the Revised Code.

(b) If the person entered the ninth grade on or after July 1, 2014, the person has met the requirement prescribed by section 3313.618 of the Revised Code, except to the extent that the person is excused from an assessment prescribed by that section pursuant to section 3313.532 of the Revised Code or division (H) or (L) of this section.

(3) The person is not eligible to receive an honors diploma granted pursuant to division (B) of this section.

Except as provided in divisions (C), (E), (J), and (L) of this section, no diploma shall be granted under this division to anyone except as provided under this division.

(B) In lieu of a diploma granted under division (A) of this section, an honors diploma shall be granted, in accordance with rules of the state board, by any such district board to anyone who accomplishes all of the following:

(1) Successfully completes the curriculum in any high school or the individualized education program developed for the person by any high school pursuant to section 3323.08 of the Revised Code;

(2) Subject to section 3313.614 of the Revised Code, has met the assessment requirements of division (B)(2)(a) or (b) of this section.
section, as applicable.

(a) If the person entered the ninth grade prior to July 1, 2014, the person either:

(i) Has attained at least the applicable scores designated under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code on all the assessments required by that division;

(ii) Has satisfied the alternative conditions prescribed in section 3313.615 of the Revised Code.

(b) If the person entered the ninth grade on or after July 1, 2014, the person has met the requirement prescribed under section 3313.618 of the Revised Code.

(3) Has met additional criteria established by the state board for the granting of such a diploma.

An honors diploma shall not be granted to a student who is subject to the requirements prescribed in division (C) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code but elects the option of division (D) or (F) of that section. Except as provided in divisions (C), (E), and (J) of this section, no honors diploma shall be granted to anyone failing to comply with this division and no more than one honors diploma shall be granted to any student under this division.

The state board shall adopt rules prescribing the granting of honors diplomas under this division. These rules may prescribe the granting of honors diplomas that recognize a student's achievement as a whole or that recognize a student's achievement in one or more specific subjects or both. The rules may prescribe the granting of an honors diploma recognizing technical expertise for a career-technical student. In any case, the rules shall designate two or more criteria for the granting of each type of honors diploma the board establishes under this division and the number of such criteria that must be met for the granting of that type of
diploma. The number of such criteria for any type of honors diploma shall be at least one less than the total number of criteria designated for that type and no one or more particular criteria shall be required of all persons who are to be granted that type of diploma.

(C) Any district board administering any of the assessments required by section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code to any person requesting to take such assessment pursuant to division (B)(8)(b) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code shall award a diploma to such person if the person attains at least the applicable scores designated under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code on all the assessments administered and if the person has previously attained the applicable scores on all the other assessments required by division (B)(1) of that section or has been exempted or excused from attaining the applicable score on any such assessment pursuant to division (H) or (L) of this section or from taking any such assessment pursuant to section 3313.532 of the Revised Code.

(D) Each diploma awarded under this section shall be signed by the president and treasurer of the issuing board, the superintendent of schools, and the principal of the high school. Each diploma shall bear the date of its issue, be in such form as the district board prescribes, and be paid for out of the district's general fund.

(E) A person who is a resident of Ohio and is eligible under state board of education minimum standards to receive a high school diploma based in whole or in part on credits earned while an inmate of a correctional institution operated by the state or any political subdivision thereof, shall be granted such diploma by the correctional institution operating the programs in which such credits were earned, and by the board of education of the school district in which the inmate resided immediately prior to
the inmate's placement in the institution. The diploma granted by the correctional institution shall be signed by the director of the institution, and by the person serving as principal of the institution's high school and shall bear the date of issue.

(F) Persons who are not residents of Ohio but who are inmates of correctional institutions operated by the state or any political subdivision thereof, and who are eligible under state board of education minimum standards to receive a high school diploma based in whole or in part on credits earned while an inmate of the correctional institution, shall be granted a diploma by the correctional institution offering the program in which the credits were earned. The diploma granted by the correctional institution shall be signed by the director of the institution and by the person serving as principal of the institution's high school and shall bear the date of issue.

(G) The state board of education shall provide by rule for the administration of the assessments required by sections 3301.0710 and 3301.0712 of the Revised Code to inmates of correctional institutions.

(H) Any person to whom all of the following apply shall be exempted from attaining the applicable score on the assessment in social studies designated under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code, any American history end-of-course examination and any American government end-of-course examination required under division (B) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code if such an exemption is prescribed by rule of the state board under division (D)(3) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code, or the test in citizenship designated under former division (B) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to September 11, 2001:

(1) The person is not a citizen of the United States;
(2) The person is not a permanent resident of the United States;

(3) The person indicates no intention to reside in the United States after the completion of high school.

(I) Notwithstanding division (D) of section 3311.19 and division (D) of section 3311.52 of the Revised Code, this section and section 3313.611 of the Revised Code do not apply to the board of education of any joint vocational school district or any cooperative education school district established pursuant to divisions (A) to (C) of section 3311.52 of the Revised Code.

(J) Upon receipt of a notice under division (D) of section 3325.08 or division (D) of section 3328.25 of the Revised Code that a student has received a diploma under either section, the board of education receiving the notice may grant a high school diploma under this section to the student, except that such board shall grant the student a diploma if the student meets the graduation requirements that the student would otherwise have had to meet to receive a diploma from the district. The diploma granted under this section shall be of the same type the notice indicates the student received under section 3325.08 or 3328.25 of the Revised Code.

(K) As used in this division, "English learner" has the same meaning as in division (C)(3) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code.

Notwithstanding division (C)(3) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code, no English learner who has not either attained the applicable scores designated under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code on all the assessments required by that division, or met the requirement prescribed by section 3313.618 of the Revised Code, shall be awarded a diploma under this section.
Any student described by division (A)(1) of this section who is subject to divisions (A)(1) to (3) of section 3313.618 of the Revised Code may be awarded a diploma without meeting the requirements prescribed by section 3313.618 of the Revised Code those divisions provided an individualized education program specifically exempts the student from meeting such requirement. This division does not negate the requirement for a student to take the assessments prescribed by section 3301.0710 or under division (B) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code, or alternate assessments required by division (C)(1) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code, for the purpose of assessing student progress as required by federal law.

Any student described by division (A)(1) of this section who is subject to division (B) of section 3313.618 of the Revised Code may be awarded a diploma without meeting the requirement prescribed by division (B)(1) of that section provided the student's individualized education program specifically exempts the student from meeting that requirement and either division (L)(2)(a) or (b) of this section applies to the student, as follows:

(a)(i) The student took an alternate assessment in mathematics and English language arts administered to the student in accordance with division (C)(1) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code and failed to attain a score established by the state board on one or both assessments.

(ii) The school district offered remedial support to the student in each subject area in which the student did not attain the established score and the student received that support.

(iii) The student retook each alternate assessment in which the student did not attain the established score and the student did not attain the established score on the retake assessment.
(b)(i) The student took the Algebra I and English language arts II end-of-course examinations and failed to attain the competency score as determined under division (B)(10) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code on one or both examinations.

(ii) The school district offered remedial support to the student in each subject area in which the student did not attain the competency score and the student received that support.

(iii) The student retook each examination in which the student did not attain the competency score and the student did not attain the competency score on the retake examination.

Sec. 3313.618. (A) In addition to the curriculum requirements specified by the board of education of a school district or governing authority of a chartered nonpublic school, each student entering ninth grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2014, but prior to July 1, 2019, shall satisfy at least one of the following conditions or the conditions prescribed under division (B) of this section in order to qualify for a high school diploma:

(1) Be remediation-free, in accordance with standards adopted under division (F) of section 3345.061 of the Revised Code, on each of the nationally standardized assessments in English, mathematics, and reading;

(2) Attain a score specified under division (B)(5)(c) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code on the end-of-course examinations prescribed under division (B) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code.

(3) Attain a score that demonstrates workforce readiness and employability on a nationally recognized job skills assessment selected by the state board of education under division (G) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code and obtain either an
industry-recognized credential or a license issued by a state agency or board for practice in a vocation that requires an examination for issuance of that license.

For the purposes of this division, the industry-recognized credentials and licenses shall be as approved under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code.

A student may choose to qualify for a high school diploma by satisfying any of the separate requirements prescribed by divisions (A)(1) to (3) of this section. If the student's school district or school does not administer the examination prescribed by one of those divisions that the student chooses to take to satisfy the requirements of this section, the school district or school may require that student to arrange for the applicable scores to be sent directly to the district or school by the company or organization that administers the examination.

(B) In addition to the curriculum requirements specified by the district board or school governing authority, each student entering ninth grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2019, shall satisfy the following conditions in order to qualify for a high school diploma:

(1) Attain a competency score as determined under division (B)(10) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code on each of the Algebra I and English language arts II end-of-course examinations prescribed under division (B)(2) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code.

School districts and chartered nonpublic schools shall offer remedial support to any student who fails to attain a competency score on one or both of the Algebra I and English language arts II end-of-course examinations.

Following the first administration of the exam, if a student
fails to attain a competency score on one or both of the Algebra I and English language arts II end-of-course examinations that student must retake the respective examination at least once.

If a student fails to attain a competency score on a retake examination, the student may demonstrate competency in the failed subject area through one of the following options:

(a) Earn course credit taken through the college credit plus program established under Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code in the failed subject area;

(b) Complete two of the following options, one of which must be foundational:

(i) Foundational options to demonstrate competency, which include earning a cumulative score of proficient or higher on three or more state technical assessments aligned with section 3313.903 of the Revised Code in a single career pathway, obtaining an industry-recognized credential, or group of credentials, approved under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code that is at least equal to the total number of points established under that section to qualify for a high school diploma, obtaining a license approved under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code that is issued by a state agency or board for practice in a vocation that requires an examination for issuance of that license, completing a pre-apprenticeship or aligned with options established under section 3313.904 of the Revised Code in the student's chosen career field, completing an apprenticeship registered with the apprenticeship council established under section 4139.02 of the Revised Code in the student's chosen career field, or providing evidence of acceptance into an apprenticeship program after high school that is restricted to participants eighteen years of age or older;

(ii) Supporting options to demonstrate competency, which
include completing two hundred fifty hours of a work-based learning experience with evidence of positive evaluations, obtaining an OhioMeansJobs-readiness seal under section 3313.6112 of the Revised Code, or attaining a workforce readiness score, as determined by the department of education, on the nationally recognized job skills assessment selected by the state board under division (G) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code.

(c) Provide evidence that the student has enlisted in a branch of the armed services of the United States as defined in section 5910.01 of the Revised Code.

(d) Be remediation-free, in accordance with standards adopted under division (F) of section 3345.061 of the Revised Code, in the failed subject area on a nationally standardized assessment prescribed under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code. For English language arts II, a student must be remediation-free in the subjects of English and reading on the nationally standardized assessment.

For Subject to division (L)(2) of section 3313.61 of the Revised Code, for any students receiving special education and related services under Chapter 3323. of the Revised Code, the individualized education program developed for the student under that chapter shall specify the manner in which the student will participate in the assessments administered under this division or an alternate assessment in accordance with division (C)(1) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code.

(2) Earn at least two of the state diploma seals prescribed under division (A) of section 3313.6114 of the Revised Code, at least one of which shall be any of the following:

(a) The state seal of biliteracy established under section 3313.6111 of the Revised Code;

(b) The OhioMeansJobs-readiness seal established under
section 3313.6112 of the Revised Code;

(c) One of the state diploma seals established under divisions (C)(1) to (7) of section 3313.6114 of the Revised Code.

(3) Provide evidence of having completed and submitted the free application for federal student aid, unless either of the following apply:

(a) The student's parent or guardian has submitted a written letter, in a manner prescribed by the department, to the district or school stating that the student will not complete and submit the free application for federal student aid.

(b) The district or school has made a record, in a manner prescribed by the department, describing circumstances that exist which make it impossible or impracticable for the student to complete the free application for federal student aid.

(C) A student who transfers into an Ohio public or chartered nonpublic high school from another state or enrolls in such a high school after receiving home instruction or attending a nonchartered, nontax-supported school in the previous school year shall meet the requirements of division (B) of this section in order to qualify for a high school diploma under that division. However, any such student who transfers or enrolls after the start of the student's twelfth grade year and fails to attain a competency score on the Algebra I or English language arts II end-of-course examination shall not be required to retake the applicable examination prior to demonstrating competency in the failed subject area under the options prescribed in divisions (B)(1)(a) to (d) of this section.

(D) A chartered nonpublic school student subject to division (L)(3)(a)(ii) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code shall be considered to have demonstrated competency for the purposes of division (B)(1) of this section if the student earns a
remediation-free score in the areas of English, mathematics, and
reading, in accordance with standards adopted under division (F)
of section 3345.061 of the Revised Code, on a nationally
standardized assessment prescribed under division (B)(1) of
section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code. No such student shall be
required to take the Algebra I or English language arts II
day-of-course examination under this section.

(E) The state board of education shall not create or require
any additional assessment for the granting of any type of high
school diploma other than as prescribed by this section. Except as
provided in sections 3313.6111, 3313.6112, and 3313.6114 of the
Revised Code, the state board or the superintendent of public
instruction shall not create any endorsement or designation that
may be affiliated with a high school diploma.

Sec. 3313.619. (A) In lieu of the requirement assessment
requirements prescribed by division (A) of section 3313.618 of the
Revised Code or the requirements to demonstrate competency and
earn diploma seals prescribed by division (B) of that section, a
chartered nonpublic school may grant a high school diploma to a
student who attains at least the designated score on an assessment
approved by the department of education under division (B) of this
section and selected by the school's governing authority. Nothing
in this section waives the requirement for a student to complete
the free application for federal student aid as required under
division (B)(3) of section 3313.618 of the Revised Code, except as
provided for in that division.

(B) For purposes of division (A) of this section, the
department shall approve assessments that meet the conditions
specified under division (C) of this section and shall designate
passing scores for each of those assessments.

(C) Each assessment approved under division (B) of this
section shall be nationally norm-referenced, have internal consistency reliability coefficients of at least "0.8," be standardized, have specific evidence of content, concurrent, or criterion validity, have evidence of norming studies in the previous ten years, have a measure of student achievement in core academic areas, and have high validity evidenced by the alignment of the assessment with nationally recognized content.

(D) Nothing in this section shall prohibit a chartered nonpublic school from granting a high school diploma to a student if the student satisfies the requirement applicable requirements prescribed by section 3313.618 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3313.6113. (A) The superintendent of public instruction, in collaboration with the governor's office of workforce transformation and representatives of business organizations, shall establish a committee to develop a list of industry-recognized credentials and licenses that may be used to qualify for a high school diploma under division (A)(3) of section 3313.618 of the Revised Code and shall be used for state report card purposes under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code. The state superintendent shall appoint the members of the committee not later than January 1, 2018.

(B) The committee shall do the following:

(1) Establish criteria for acceptable industry-recognized credentials and licenses aligned with the in-demand jobs list published by the department of job and family services;

(2) Review the list of industry-recognized credentials and licenses that was in existence on January 1, 2018, and update the list as it considers necessary;

(3) Review and update the list of industry-recognized credentials and licenses at least biennially.
Assign a point value for each industry-recognized credential and establish the total number of points for industry-recognized credentials that a student must earn to qualify for a high school diploma under sections 3313.618 and 3313.6114 of the Revised Code.

(C) For the purposes of calculating the percentage of students prescribed under divisions (B)(2)(d) and (C)(2)(e) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, the department of education shall include only those students who earn an industry-recognized credential, or group of credentials, at least equal to the total number of points established by the committee under this section to qualify for a high school diploma.

Sec. 3313.6114. (A) The state board of education shall establish a system of state diploma seals for the purposes of allowing a student to qualify for graduation under section 3313.618 of the Revised Code. State diploma seals may be attached or affixed to the high school diploma of a student enrolled in a public or chartered nonpublic school. The system of state diploma seals shall consist of all of the following:

(1) The state seal of biliteracy established under section 3313.6111 of the Revised Code;

(2) The OhioMeansJobs-readiness seal established under section 3313.6112 of the Revised Code;

(3) The state diploma seals prescribed under division (C) of this section.

(B) A school district, community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, STEM school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, college-preparatory boarding school established under Chapter 3328. of the Revised Code, or chartered nonpublic school shall attach or affix the state seals
prescribed under division (C) of this section to the diploma and transcript of a student enrolled in the district or school who meets the requirements established under that division.

(C) The state board shall establish all of the following state diploma seals:

(1) An industry-recognized credential seal. A student shall meet the requirement for this seal by earning doing either of the following:

(a) Earning an industry-recognized credential, or group of credentials, approved under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code that is aligned both of the following:

(i) At least equal to the total number of points established under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code to qualify for a high school diploma;

(ii) Aligned to a job that is determined to be in demand in this state and its regions under section 6301.11 of the Revised Code.

(b) Obtaining a license approved under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code that is issued by a state agency or board for practice in a vocation that requires an examination for issuance of that license.

(2) A college-ready seal. A student shall meet the requirement for this seal by attaining a score that is remediation-free, in accordance with standards adopted under division (F) of section 3345.061 of the Revised Code, on a nationally standardized assessment prescribed under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code.

(3) A military enlistment seal. A student shall meet the requirement for this seal by doing either of the following:

(a) Providing evidence that the student has enlisted in a
branch of the armed services of the United States as defined in section 5910.01 of the Revised Code;

(b) Participating in a junior reserve officer training program approved by the congress of the United States under title 10 of the United States Code.

(4) A citizenship seal. A student shall meet the requirement for this seal by doing any of the following:

(a) Demonstrating at least a proficient level of skill as prescribed under division (B)(5)(a) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code on both the American history and American government end-of-course examinations prescribed under division (B)(2) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code;

(b) Attaining a score level prescribed under division (B)(5)(d) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code that is at least the equivalent of a proficient level of skill in appropriate advanced placement or international baccalaureate examinations in lieu of the American history and American government end-of-course examinations;

(c) Attaining In lieu of the American history and American government end-of-course examinations, attaining a final course grade that is the equivalent of a "B" or higher in appropriate either:

(i) An American history course and an American government course that are offered by the student's high school;

(ii) Appropriate courses taken through the college credit plus program established under Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code in lieu of the American history and American government end of course examinations.

(d) In the case of a student who takes an alternate assessment in accordance with division (C)(1) of section 3301.0711
of the Revised Code, attaining a score established by the state board on the alternate assessment in social studies;

(e) In the case of a student who transfers into an Ohio public or chartered nonpublic high school from another state or who enrolls in an Ohio public or chartered nonpublic high school after receiving home instruction or attending a nonchartered, nontax-supported school in the previous school year, attaining a final course grade that is the equivalent of a "B" or higher in courses that correspond with the American history and American government end-of-course examinations and that the student completed in the state from which the student transferred or completed while receiving home instruction or attending a nonchartered, nontax-supported school. Division (C)(4)(e) of this section does not apply to any such student with respect to an American history or American government course for which an end-of-course examination is associated that the student takes after enrolling in the high school.

(5) A science seal. A student shall meet the requirement for this seal by doing any of the following:

(a) Demonstrating at least a proficient level of skill as prescribed under division (B)(5)(a) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code on the science end-of-course examination prescribed under division (B)(2) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code;

(b) Attaining a score level prescribed under division (B)(5)(d) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code that is at least the equivalent of a proficient level of skill in an appropriate advanced placement or international baccalaureate examination in lieu of the science end-of-course examination;

(c) Attaining In lieu of the science end-of-course examination, attaining a final course grade that is the equivalent of a "B" or higher in an either:
(i) A science course listed in divisions (C)(5)(c)(i) to (iii) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code that is offered by the student's high school;

(ii) An appropriate course taken through the college credit plus program established under Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code in lieu of the science end of course examination.

(d) In the case of a student who takes an alternate assessment in accordance with division (C)(1) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code, attaining a score established by the state board on the alternate assessment in science;

(e) In the case of a student who transfers into an Ohio public or chartered nonpublic high school from another state or enrolls in an Ohio public or chartered nonpublic high school after receiving home instruction or attending a nonchartered, nontax-supported school in the previous school year, attaining a final course grade that is the equivalent of a "B" or higher in a course that corresponds with the science end-of-course examination and that the student completed in the state from which the student transferred or completed while receiving home instruction or attending a nonchartered, nontax-supported school. Division (C)(5)(e) of this section does not apply to any such student who takes a science course for which an end-of-course examination is associated after enrolling in the high school.

(6) An honors diploma seal. A student shall meet the requirement for this seal by meeting the additional criteria for an honors diploma under division (B) of section 3313.61 of the Revised Code.

(7) A technology seal. A student shall meet the requirement for this seal by doing any of the following:

(a) Subject to division (B)(5)(d) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code, attaining a score level that is at least the
equivalent of a proficient level of skill in an appropriate advanced placement or international baccalaureate examination;

(b) Attaining a final course grade that is the equivalent of a "B" or higher in an appropriate course taken through the college credit plus program established under Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code;

(c) Completing a course offered through the student's district or school that meets guidelines developed by the department of education. However, a district or school shall not be required to offer a course that meets guidelines developed by the department.

(d) In the case of a student who transfers into an Ohio public or chartered nonpublic high school from another state or enrolls in an Ohio public or chartered nonpublic high school after receiving home instruction or attending a nonchartered, nontax-supported school in the previous school year, attaining a final course grade that is the equivalent of a "B" or higher in an appropriate course, as determined by the district or school, that the student completed in the state from which the student transferred or completed while receiving home instruction or attending a nonchartered, nontax-supported school.

(8) A community service seal. A student shall meet the requirement for this seal by completing a community service project that is aligned with guidelines adopted by the student's district board or school governing authority.

(9) A fine and performing arts seal. A student shall meet the requirement for this seal by demonstrating skill in the fine or performing arts according to an evaluation that is aligned with guidelines adopted by the student's district board or school governing authority.

(10) A student engagement seal. A student shall meet the
requirement for this seal by participating in extracurricular activities such as athletics, clubs, or student government to a meaningful extent, as determined by guidelines adopted by the student's district board or school governing authority.

(D)(1) Each district or school shall develop guidelines for at least one of the state seals prescribed under divisions (C)(8) to (10) of this section.

(2) For the purposes of determining whether a student who transfers to a district or school has satisfied the state diploma seal requirement under division (B)(2) of section 3313.618 of the Revised Code, each district or school shall recognize a state diploma seal prescribed under divisions (C)(8) to (10) of this section and earned by a student at another district or a different public or chartered nonpublic school regardless of whether the district or school to which the student transfers has developed guidelines under this section for that state seal.

(3) In guidelines developed for a state diploma seal prescribed under divisions (C)(8) to (10) of this section, each district or school shall include a method to give, to the extent feasible, a student who transfers into the district or school a proportional amount of credit for any progress the student was making toward earning that state seal at the school district or different public or chartered nonpublic school from which the student transfers.

(E) Each district or school shall maintain appropriate records to identify students who have met the requirements prescribed under division (C) of this section for earning the state seals established under that division.

(F) The department shall prepare and deliver to each district or school an appropriate mechanism for assigning a state diploma seal established under division (C) of this section.
(G) A student shall not be charged a fee to be assigned a state seal prescribed under division (C) of this section on the student's diploma and transcript.

Sec. 3314.013. (A) Until the sixty-first day after the effective date of this amendment May 22, 2013, no internet- or computer-based community school shall operate unless the school was open for instruction as of May 1, 2005. No entity described in division (C)(1) of section 3314.02 of the Revised Code shall enter into a contract to sponsor an internet- or computer-based community school, including a conversion school, between May 1, 2005, and the sixty-first day after the effective date of this amendment May 22, 2013, except as follows:

(1) The entity may renew a contract that the entity entered into with an internet- or computer-based community school prior to May 1, 2005, if the school was open for operation as of that date.

(2) The entity may assume sponsorship of an existing internet- or computer-based community school that was formerly sponsored by another entity and may enter into a contract with that community school in accordance with section 3314.03 of the Revised Code.

If a sponsor entered into a contract with an internet- or computer-based community school, including a conversion school, but the school was not open for operation as of May 1, 2005, the contract shall be void and the entity shall not enter into another contract with the school until the sixty-first day after the effective date of this amendment May 22, 2013.

(B)(1) Beginning on the later of July 1, 2013, or the sixty-first day after the effective date of this amendment, up to five new internet- or computer-based community schools may open each year, subject to approval of the superintendent of public instruction under division (B)(2) of this section.
(2) The superintendent of public instruction shall approve applications for new internet- or computer-based community schools from only those applicants demonstrating experience and quality.

The state board of education shall adopt rules prescribing measures to determine experience and quality of applicants in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. The measures shall include, but not be limited to, the following considerations:

(a) The sponsor's experience with online schools;
(b) The operator's experience with online schools;
(c) The sponsor's and operator's previous record for student performance;
(d) A preference for operators with previous experience in Ohio.

The state board shall adopt the rules so that they are effective not later than the sixty-first day after the effective date of this amendment May 22, 2013.

(3) The department of education shall notify any new internet- or computer-based community school governed by division (B) of this section of whether the superintendent has approved or disapproved the school's application to open for the 2013-2014 school year not later than July 1, 2013, or the sixty-first day after the effective date of this amendment, if such date occurs after July 1, 2013. Notwithstanding the dates prescribed for adoption and signing on sponsor contracts in division (D) of section 3314.02 of the Revised Code, or the date for opening a school for instruction required by division (A)(25) of section 3314.03 of the Revised Code, a new internet- or computer-based community school approved for opening for the 2013-2014 school year under division (B) of this section may open and operate in that school year regardless of whether it has complied with those
contract and opening dates. For each school year thereafter, the school shall comply with all applicable provisions of this chapter.

(C) Nothing in division (A) or (B) of this section prohibits an internet- or computer-based community school from increasing the number of grade levels it offers.

(D) Not later than July 1, 2012, the director of the governor's office of 21st century education and the superintendent of public instruction shall develop standards for the operation of internet- or computer-based community schools. The director shall submit those standards to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate for consideration of enactment by the general assembly.

Sec. 3314.016. This section applies to any entity that sponsors a community school, regardless of whether section 3314.021 or 3314.027 of the Revised Code exempts the entity from the requirement to be approved for sponsorship under divisions (A)(2) and (B)(1) of section 3314.015 of the Revised Code. The office of Ohio school sponsorship established under section 3314.029 of the Revised Code shall be rated under division (B) of this section, but divisions (A) and (C) of this section do not apply to the office.

(A) An entity that sponsors a community school shall be permitted to enter into contracts under section 3314.03 of the Revised Code to sponsor additional community schools only if the entity meets all of the following criteria:

(1) The entity is in compliance with all provisions of this chapter requiring sponsors of community schools to report data or information to the department of education.

(2) The entity is not rated as "ineffective" under division
(B)(6) of this section.

(3) Except as set forth in sections 3314.021 and 3314.027 of the Revised Code, the entity has received approval from and entered into an agreement with the department of education pursuant to section 3314.015 of the Revised Code.

(B)(1) The department shall develop and implement an evaluation system that annually rates and assigns an overall rating to each entity that sponsors a community school. The department, not later than the first day of February of each year, shall post on the department's web site the framework for the evaluation system, including technical documentation that the department intends to use to rate sponsors for the next school year. The department shall solicit public comment on the evaluation system for thirty consecutive days. Not later than the first day of April of each year, the department shall compile and post on the department's web site all public comments that were received during the public comment period. The evaluation system shall be posted on the department's web site by the fifteenth day of July of each school year. Any changes to the evaluation system after that date shall take effect the following year. The evaluation system shall be based on the following components:

(a) Academic performance of students enrolled in community schools sponsored by the same entity. The academic performance component shall be derived from the performance measures prescribed for the state report cards under section 3302.03 or 3314.017 of the Revised Code, and shall be based on the performance of the schools for the school year for which the evaluation is conducted. In addition to the academic performance for a specific school year, the academic performance component shall also include year-to-year changes in the overall sponsor portfolio. For a community school for which no graded performance measures are applicable or available, the department shall use
nonreport card performance measures specified in the contract between the community school and the sponsor under division (A)(4) of section 3314.03 of the Revised Code.

(b) Adherence by a sponsor to the quality practices prescribed by the department under division (B)(3) of this section. For a sponsor that was rated "effective" or "exemplary" on its most recent rating, the department may evaluate that sponsor's adherence to quality practices once over a period of three years. If the department elects to evaluate a sponsor once over a period of three years, the most recent rating for a sponsor's adherence to quality practices shall be used when determining an annual overall rating conducted under this section.

(c) Compliance with all applicable laws and administrative rules by an entity that sponsors a community school.

(2) In calculating an academic performance component, the department shall exclude all community schools that have been in operation for not more than two full school years and all community schools described in division (A)(4)(b) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code. However, the academic performance of the community schools described in division (A)(4)(b) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code shall be reported, but shall not be used as a factor when determining a sponsoring entity's rating under this section.

(3) The department, in consultation with entities that sponsor community schools, shall prescribe quality practices for community school sponsors and develop an instrument to measure adherence to those quality practices. The quality practices shall be based on standards developed by the national association of charter school authorizers or any other nationally organized community school organization.

(4)(a) The department may permit peer review of a sponsor's
adherence to the quality practices prescribed under division (B)(3) of this section. Peer reviewers shall be limited to individuals employed by sponsors rated "effective" or "exemplary" on the most recent ratings conducted under this section.

(b) The department shall require individuals participating in peer review under division (B)(4)(a) of this section to complete training approved or established by the department.

(c) The department may enter into an agreement with another entity to provide training to individuals conducting peer review of sponsors. Prior to entering into an agreement with an entity, the department shall review and approve of the entity's training program.

(5) Not later than July 1, 2013, the state board of education shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code prescribing standards for measuring compliance with applicable laws and rules under division (B)(1)(c) of this section.

(6) The department annually shall rate all entities that sponsor community schools as either "exemplary," "effective," "ineffective," or "poor," based on the components prescribed by division (B) of this section, where each component is weighted equally. A separate rating shall be given by the department for each component of the evaluation system.

The department shall publish the ratings between the first day of October and the fifteenth day of November.

Prior to the publication of the final ratings, the department shall designate and provide notice of a period of at least ten business days during which each sponsor may review the information used by the department to determine the sponsor's rating on the components prescribed by division (B)(1) of this section. If the sponsor believes there is an error in the department's evaluation,
the sponsor may request adjustments to the rating of any of those components based on documentation previously submitted as part of an evaluation. The sponsor shall provide to the department any necessary evidence or information to support the requested adjustments. The department shall review the evidence and information, determine whether an adjustment is valid, and promptly notify the sponsor of its determination and reasons. If any adjustments to the data could result in a change to the rating on the applicable component or to the overall rating, the department shall recalculate the ratings prior to publication.

The department shall provide training on an annual basis regarding the evaluation system prescribed under this section. The training shall, at a minimum, describe methodology, timelines, and data required for the evaluation system. The first training session shall occur not later than March 2, 2016. Beginning in 2018, the training shall be made available to each entity that sponsors a community school by the fifteenth day of July of each year and shall include guidance on any changes made to the evaluation system.

(7)(a) Entities with an overall rating of "exemplary" for at least the two consecutive most recent years in which the entity was evaluated may take advantage of the following incentives:

(i) Renewal of the written agreement with the department, not to exceed ten years, provided that the entity consents to continued evaluation of adherence to quality practices as described in division (B)(1)(b) of this section;

(ii) The ability to extend the term of the contract between the sponsoring entity and the community school beyond the term described in the written agreement with the department;

(iii) An exemption from the preliminary agreement and contract adoption and execution deadline requirements prescribed
in division (D) of section 3314.02 of the Revised Code;

(iv) An exemption from the automatic contract expiration requirement, should a new community school fail to open by the thirtieth day of September of the calendar year in which the community school contract is executed;

(v) No limit on the number of community schools the entity may sponsor;

(vi) No territorial restrictions on sponsorship.

An entity may continue to sponsor any community schools with which it entered into agreements under division (B)(7)(a)(v) or (vi) of this section while rated "exemplary," notwithstanding the fact that the entity later receives a lower overall rating.

(b) Entities with an overall rating of "exemplary" or "effective" for at least the three consecutive most recent years in which the entity was evaluated shall be evaluated by the department once every three years.

(c)(i) Entities that receive an overall rating of "ineffective" shall be prohibited from sponsoring any new or additional community schools during the time in which the sponsor is rated as "ineffective" and shall be subject to a quality improvement plan based on correcting the deficiencies that led to the "ineffective" rating, with timelines and benchmarks that have been established by the department.

(ii) Entities that receive an overall rating of "ineffective" on their three most recent ratings shall have all sponsorship authority revoked. Within thirty days after receiving its third rating of "ineffective," the entity may appeal the revocation of its sponsorship authority to the superintendent of public instruction, who shall appoint an independent hearing officer to conduct a hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. The hearing shall be conducted within thirty days after
receipt of the notice of appeal. Within forty-five days after the
hearing is completed, the state board of education shall determine
whether the revocation is appropriate based on the hearing
conducted by the independent hearing officer, and if determined
appropriate, the revocation shall be confirmed.

(d) Entities that receive an overall rating of "poor" shall
have all sponsorship authority revoked. Within thirty days after
receiving a rating of "poor," the entity may appeal the revocation
of its sponsorship authority to the superintendent of public
instruction, who shall appoint an independent hearing officer to
conduct a hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised
Code. The hearing shall be conducted within thirty days after
receipt of the notice of appeal. Within forty-five days after the
hearing is completed, the state board of education shall determine
whether the revocation is appropriate based on the hearing
conducted by the independent hearing officer, and if determined
appropriate, the revocation shall be confirmed.

(8) For the 2014-2015 school year and each school year
thereafter, student academic performance prescribed under division
(B)(1)(a) of this section shall include student academic
performance data from community schools that primarily serve
students enrolled in a dropout prevention and recovery program.

(C) If the governing authority of a community school enters
into a contract with a sponsor prior to the date on which the
sponsor is prohibited from sponsoring additional schools under
division (A) of this section and the school has not opened for
operation as of that date, that contract shall be void and the
school shall not open until the governing authority secures a new
sponsor by entering into a contract with the new sponsor under
section 3314.03 of the Revised Code. However, the department's
office of Ohio school sponsorship, established under section
3314.029 of the Revised Code, may assume the sponsorship of the
school until the earlier of the expiration of two school years or until a new sponsor is secured by the school's governing authority. A community school sponsored by the department under this division shall not be included when calculating the maximum number of directly authorized community schools permitted under division (A)(3) of section 3314.029 of the Revised Code.

(D) When an entity's authority to sponsor schools is revoked pursuant to division (B)(7)(b), (B)(7)(c) or (c)(d) of this section, the office of Ohio school sponsorship shall assume sponsorship of any schools with which the original sponsor has contracted for the remainder of that school year. The office may continue sponsoring those schools until the earlier of:

(1) The expiration of two school years from the time that sponsorship is revoked;

(2) When a new sponsor is secured by the governing authority pursuant to division (C)(1) of section 3314.02 of the Revised Code.

Any community school sponsored under this division shall not be counted for purposes of directly authorized community schools under division (A)(3) of section 3314.029 of the Revised Code.

(E) The department shall recalculate the rating for the 2017-2018 school year for each sponsor of a community school that receives recalculated ratings pursuant to division (I) of section 3314.017 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3314.017. (A) The state board of education shall prescribe by rules, adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, an academic performance rating and report card system that satisfies the requirements of this section for community schools that primarily serve students enrolled in dropout prevention and recovery programs as described in division
(A)(4)(a) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code, to be used in lieu of the system prescribed under sections 3302.03 and 3314.012 of the Revised Code beginning with the 2012-2013 school year. Each such school shall comply with the testing and reporting requirements of the system as prescribed by the state board.

(B) Nothing in this section shall at any time relieve a school from its obligations under the "No Child Left Behind Act of 2001" to make "adequate yearly progress," as both that act and that term are defined in section 3302.01 of the Revised Code, or a school's amenability to the provisions of section 3302.04 or 3302.041 of the Revised Code. The department of education shall continue to report each school's performance as required by the act and to enforce applicable sanctions under section 3302.04 or 3302.041 of the Revised Code.

(C) The rules adopted by the state board shall prescribe the following performance indicators for the rating and report card system required by this section:

(1) Graduation rate for each of the following student cohorts:

(a) The number of students who graduate in four years or less with a regular high school diploma divided by the number of students who form the adjusted cohort for the graduating class;

(b) The number of students who graduate in five years with a regular high school diploma divided by the number of students who form the adjusted cohort for the four-year graduation rate;

(c) The number of students who graduate in six years with a regular high school diploma divided by the number of students who form the adjusted cohort for the four-year graduation rate;

(d) The number of students who graduate in seven years with a regular high school diploma divided by the number of students who
form the adjusted cohort for the four-year graduation rate;

(e) The number of students who graduate in eight years with a regular high school diploma divided by the number of students who form the adjusted cohort for the four-year graduation rate.

(2) The percentage of twelfth-grade students currently enrolled in the school who have attained the designated passing score on all of the state high school achievement assessments required under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code or the cumulative performance score on the end-of-course examinations prescribed under division (B)(2) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code, whichever applies, and other students enrolled in the school, regardless of grade level, who are within three months of their twenty-second birthday and have attained the designated passing score on all of the state high school achievement assessments or the cumulative performance score on the end-of-course examinations, whichever applies, by their twenty-second birthday;

(3) Annual measurable objectives as defined in section 3302.01 of the Revised Code;

(4) Growth in student achievement in reading, or mathematics, or both as measured by separate nationally norm-referenced assessments that have developed appropriate standards for students enrolled in dropout prevention and recovery programs, adopted or approved by the state board.

(D)(1) The state board's rules shall prescribe the expected performance levels and benchmarks for each of the indicators prescribed by division (C) of this section based on the data gathered by the department under division (G) of this section. Based on a school's level of attainment or nonattainment of the expected performance levels and benchmarks for each of the indicators, the department shall rate each school in one of the
following categories:

(a) Exceeds standards;
(b) Meets standards;
(c) Does not meet standards.

(2) The state board's rules shall establish all of the following:

(a) Not later than June 30, 2013, performance levels and benchmarks for the indicators described in divisions (C)(1) to (3) of this section;
(b) Not later than December 31, 2014, both of the following:
   (i) Performance levels and benchmarks for the indicator described in division (C)(4) of this section;
   (ii) Standards for awarding a community school described in division (A)(4)(a) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code an overall designation, which shall be calculated as follows:
      (I) Thirty per cent of the score shall be based on the indicators described in division (C)(1) of this section that are applicable to the school year for which the overall designation is granted.
      (II) Thirty per cent of the score shall be based on the indicators described in division (C)(4) of this section.
      (III) Twenty per cent of the score shall be based on the indicators described in division (C)(2) of this section.
      (IV) Twenty per cent of the score shall be based on the indicators described in division (C)(3) of this section.
(3) If both of the indicators described in divisions (C)(1) and (2) of this section improve by ten per cent for two consecutive years, a school shall be rated not less than "meets standards."
The rating and the relevant performance data for each school shall be posted on the department's web site, and a copy of the rating and data shall be provided to the governing authority of the community school.

(E)(1) For the 2012-2013 school year, the department shall issue a report card including the following performance measures, but without a performance rating as described in divisions (D)(1)(a) to (c) of this section, for each community school described in division (A)(4)(a) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code:

(a) The graduation rates as described in divisions (C)(1)(a) to (c) of this section;

(b) The percentage of twelfth-grade students and other students who have attained a designated passing score on high school achievement assessments as described in division (C)(2) of this section;

(c) The statewide average for the graduation rates and assessment passage rates described in divisions (C)(1)(a) to (c) and (C)(2) of this section;

(d) Annual measurable objectives described in division (C)(3) of this section.

(2) For the 2013-2014 school year, the department shall issue a report card including the following performance measures for each community school described in division (A)(4)(a) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code:

(a) The graduation rates described in divisions (C)(1)(a) to (d) of this section, including a performance rating as described in divisions (D)(1)(a) to (c) of this section;

(b) The percentage of twelfth-grade students and other students who have attained a designated passing score on high
school achievement assessments as described in division (C)(2) of this section, including a performance rating as described in divisions (D)(1)(a) to (c) of this section;

(c) Annual measurable objectives described in division (C)(3) of this section, including a performance rating as described in divisions (D)(1)(a) to (c) of this section;

(d) Both of the following without an assigned rating:

(i) Growth in annual student achievement in reading and mathematics described in division (C)(4) of this section, if available;

(ii) Student outcome data, including postsecondary credit earned, nationally recognized career or technical certification, military enlistment, job placement, and attendance rate.

(3) Beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, and annually thereafter, the department shall issue a report card for each community school described in division (A)(4)(a) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code that includes all of the following performance measures, including a performance rating for each measure as described in divisions (D)(1)(a) to (c) of this section:

(a) The graduation rates as described in division (C)(1) of this section;

(b) The percentage of twelfth-grade students and other students who have attained a designated passing score on high school achievement assessments as described in division (C)(2) of this section;

(c) Annual measurable objectives described in division (C)(3) of this section, including a performance rating as described in divisions (D)(1)(a) to (c) of this section;

(d) Growth in annual student achievement in reading and
mathematics as described in division (C)(4) of this section;

(e) An overall performance designation for the school calculated under rules adopted under division (D)(2) of this section.

The department shall also include student outcome data, including postsecondary credit earned, nationally recognized career or technical certification, military enlistment, job placement, attendance rate, and progress on closing achievement gaps for each school. This information shall not be included in the calculation of a school's performance rating.

(F) Not later than the thirty-first day of July of each year, the department shall submit preliminary report card data for overall academic performance for each performance measure prescribed in division (E)(3) of this section for each community school to which this section applies.

(G) In developing the rating and report card system required by this section, during the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 school years, the department shall gather and analyze data as determined necessary from each community school described in division (A)(4)(a) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code. Each such school shall cooperate with the department by supplying requested data and administering required assessments, including sample assessments for purposes of measuring student achievement growth as described in division (C)(4) of this section. The department shall consult with stakeholder groups in performing its duties under this division.

The department shall also identify one or more states that have established or are in the process of establishing similar academic performance rating systems for dropout prevention and recovery programs and consult with the departments of education of those states in developing the system required by this section.
(H) Not later than December 31, 2014, the state board shall review the performance levels and benchmarks for performance indicators in the report card issued under this section and may revise them based on the data collected under division (G) of this section.

(I) For the purposes of division (F) of section 3314.351 of the Revised Code, the department shall recalculate the ratings for each school under division (E)(3) of this section for the 2017-2018 school year and calculate the ratings under that division for the 2018-2019 school year using the indicators prescribed by division (C) of this section, as it exists on and after the effective date of this amendment July 18, 2019.

(J) The state board shall coordinate a study committee consisting of one member of the Ohio senate appointed by the president of the senate, one member of the Ohio house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, one representative of the governor's office, one school district superintendent appointed by the state board, and one chief administrator of a community school appointed by the state board. This committee shall conduct a study regarding the classification, authorization, and report card ratings of community schools that primarily serve students enrolled in dropout prevention and recovery programs as described in division (A)(4)(a) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code that offer two or more of the following educational models:

(1) Blended learning, as that term is defined in section 3301.079 of the Revised Code;

(2) Portfolio learning, as defined by the members of the committee;

(3) Credit flexibility, which permits credits to be awarded based on a student's demonstration of subject area competency.
The state board, on behalf of the committee, shall submit the committee's recommendations to the general assembly in accordance with section 101.68 of the Revised Code not later than six months after the effective date of this amendment.

Sec. 3314.03. A copy of every contract entered into under this section shall be filed with the superintendent of public instruction. The department of education shall make available on its web site a copy of every approved, executed contract filed with the superintendent under this section.

(A) Each contract entered into between a sponsor and the governing authority of a community school shall specify the following:

(1) That the school shall be established as either of the following:

(a) A nonprofit corporation established under Chapter 1702. of the Revised Code, if established prior to April 8, 2003;

(b) A public benefit corporation established under Chapter 1702. of the Revised Code, if established after April 8, 2003.

(2) The education program of the school, including the school's mission, the characteristics of the students the school is expected to attract, the ages and grades of students, and the focus of the curriculum;

(3) The academic goals to be achieved and the method of measurement that will be used to determine progress toward those goals, which shall include the statewide achievement assessments;

(4) Performance standards, including but not limited to all applicable report card measures set forth in section 3302.03 or 3314.017 of the Revised Code, by which the success of the school will be evaluated by the sponsor;

(5) The admission standards of section 3314.06 of the Revised Code.
Code and, if applicable, section 3314.061 of the Revised Code;

(6)(a) Dismissal procedures;

(b) A requirement that the governing authority adopt an attendance policy that includes a procedure for automatically withdrawing a student from the school if the student without a legitimate excuse fails to participate in seventy-two consecutive hours of the learning opportunities offered to the student.

(7) The ways by which the school will achieve racial and ethnic balance reflective of the community it serves;

(8) Requirements for financial audits by the auditor of state. The contract shall require financial records of the school to be maintained in the same manner as are financial records of school districts, pursuant to rules of the auditor of state. Audits shall be conducted in accordance with section 117.10 of the Revised Code.

(9) An addendum to the contract outlining the facilities to be used that contains at least the following information:

(a) A detailed description of each facility used for instructional purposes;

(b) The annual costs associated with leasing each facility that are paid by or on behalf of the school;

(c) The annual mortgage principal and interest payments that are paid by the school;

(d) The name of the lender or landlord, identified as such, and the lender's or landlord's relationship to the operator, if any.

(10) Qualifications of teachers, including a requirement that the school's classroom teachers be licensed in accordance with sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code, except that a community school may engage noncertificated persons to teach up to
twelve hours or forty hours per week pursuant to section 3319.301 of the Revised Code.

(11) That the school will comply with the following requirements:

(a) The school will provide learning opportunities to a minimum of twenty-five students for a minimum of nine hundred twenty hours per school year.

(b) The governing authority will purchase liability insurance, or otherwise provide for the potential liability of the school.

(c) The school will be nonsectarian in its programs, admission policies, employment practices, and all other operations, and will not be operated by a sectarian school or religious institution.

(d) The school will comply with sections 9.90, 9.91, 109.65, 121.22, 149.43, 2151.357, 2151.421, 2131.19, 3301.0710, 3301.0711, 3301.0712, 3301.0715, 3301.0729, 3319.41, 3319.46, 3320.01, 3320.02, 3320.03, 3321.01, 3321.041, 3321.13, 3321.14, 3321.141, 3321.17, 3321.18, 3321.19, 3323.251, 3327.10, 4111.17, 4113.52, 5502.262, and 5705.391 and Chapters 117., 1347., 2744., 3365., 3742., 4112., 4123., 4141., and 4167. of the Revised Code as if it were a school district and will comply with section 3301.0714 of the Revised Code.
(e) The school shall comply with Chapter 102. and section 2921.42 of the Revised Code.

(f) The school will comply with sections 3313.61, 3313.611, 3313.614, 3313.617, 3313.618, and 3313.6114 of the Revised Code, except that for students who enter ninth grade for the first time before July 1, 2010, the requirement in sections 3313.61 and 3313.611 of the Revised Code that a person must successfully complete the curriculum in any high school prior to receiving a high school diploma may be met by completing the curriculum adopted by the governing authority of the community school rather than the curriculum specified in Title XXXIII of the Revised Code or any rules of the state board of education. Beginning with students who enter ninth grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2010, the requirement in sections 3313.61 and 3313.611 of the Revised Code that a person must successfully complete the curriculum of a high school prior to receiving a high school diploma shall be met by completing the requirements prescribed in division (C) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code, unless the person qualifies under division (D) or (F) of that section. Each school shall comply with the plan for awarding high school credit based on demonstration of subject area competency, and beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, with the updated plan that permits students enrolled in seventh and eighth grade to meet curriculum requirements based on subject area competency adopted by the state board of education under divisions (J)(1) and (2) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code. Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, the school shall comply with the framework for granting units of high school credit to students who demonstrate subject area competency through work-based learning experiences, internships, or cooperative education developed by the department.
under division (J)(3) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code.

(g) The school governing authority will submit within four months after the end of each school year a report of its activities and progress in meeting the goals and standards of divisions (A)(3) and (4) of this section and its financial status to the sponsor and the parents of all students enrolled in the school.

(h) The school, unless it is an internet- or computer-based community school, will comply with section 3313.801 of the Revised Code as if it were a school district.

(i) If the school is the recipient of moneys from a grant awarded under the federal race to the top program, Division (A), Title XIV, Sections 14005 and 14006 of the "American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009," Pub. L. No. 111-5, 123 Stat. 115, the school will pay teachers based upon performance in accordance with section 3317.141 and will comply with section 3319.111 of the Revised Code as if it were a school district.

(j) If the school operates a preschool program that is licensed by the department of education under sections 3301.52 to 3301.59 of the Revised Code, the school shall comply with sections 3301.50 to 3301.59 of the Revised Code and the minimum standards for preschool programs prescribed in rules adopted by the state board under section 3301.53 of the Revised Code.

(k) The school will comply with sections 3313.6021 and 3313.6023 of the Revised Code as if it were a school district unless it is either of the following:

(i) An internet- or computer-based community school;

(ii) A community school in which a majority of the enrolled students are children with disabilities as described in division (A)(4)(b) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code.
(1) The school will comply with section 3321.191 of the Revised Code, unless it is an internet- or computer-based community school that is subject to section 3314.261 of the Revised Code.

(12) Arrangements for providing health and other benefits to employees;

(13) The length of the contract, which shall begin at the beginning of an academic year. No contract shall exceed five years unless such contract has been renewed pursuant to division (E) of this section.

(14) The governing authority of the school, which shall be responsible for carrying out the provisions of the contract;

(15) A financial plan detailing an estimated school budget for each year of the period of the contract and specifying the total estimated per pupil expenditure amount for each such year.

(16) Requirements and procedures regarding the disposition of employees of the school in the event the contract is terminated or not renewed pursuant to section 3314.07 of the Revised Code;

(17) Whether the school is to be created by converting all or part of an existing public school or educational service center building or is to be a new start-up school, and if it is a converted public school or service center building, specification of any duties or responsibilities of an employer that the board of education or service center governing board that operated the school or building before conversion is delegating to the governing authority of the community school with respect to all or any specified group of employees provided the delegation is not prohibited by a collective bargaining agreement applicable to such employees;

(18) Provisions establishing procedures for resolving disputes or differences of opinion between the sponsor and the
governing authority of the community school;

(19) A provision requiring the governing authority to adopt a policy regarding the admission of students who reside outside the district in which the school is located. That policy shall comply with the admissions procedures specified in sections 3314.06 and 3314.061 of the Revised Code and, at the sole discretion of the authority, shall do one of the following:

(a) Prohibit the enrollment of students who reside outside the district in which the school is located;

(b) Permit the enrollment of students who reside in districts adjacent to the district in which the school is located;

(c) Permit the enrollment of students who reside in any other district in the state.

(20) A provision recognizing the authority of the department of education to take over the sponsorship of the school in accordance with the provisions of division (C) of section 3314.015 of the Revised Code;

(21) A provision recognizing the sponsor's authority to assume the operation of a school under the conditions specified in division (B) of section 3314.073 of the Revised Code;

(22) A provision recognizing both of the following:

(a) The authority of public health and safety officials to inspect the facilities of the school and to order the facilities closed if those officials find that the facilities are not in compliance with health and safety laws and regulations;

(b) The authority of the department of education as the community school oversight body to suspend the operation of the school under section 3314.072 of the Revised Code if the department has evidence of conditions or violations of law at the school that pose an imminent danger to the health and safety of
the school's students and employees and the sponsor refuses to take such action.

(23) A description of the learning opportunities that will be offered to students including both classroom-based and non-classroom-based learning opportunities that is in compliance with criteria for student participation established by the department under division (H)(2) of section 3314.08 of the Revised Code;

(24) The school will comply with sections 3302.04 and 3302.041 of the Revised Code, except that any action required to be taken by a school district pursuant to those sections shall be taken by the sponsor of the school. However, the sponsor shall not be required to take any action described in division (F) of section 3302.04 of the Revised Code.

(25) Beginning in the 2006-2007 school year, the school will open for operation not later than the thirtieth day of September each school year, unless the mission of the school as specified under division (A)(2) of this section is solely to serve dropouts. In its initial year of operation, if the school fails to open by the thirtieth day of September, or within one year after the adoption of the contract pursuant to division (D) of section 3314.02 of the Revised Code if the mission of the school is solely to serve dropouts, the contract shall be void.

(26) Whether the school's governing authority is planning to seek designation for the school as a STEM school equivalent under section 3326.032 of the Revised Code;

(27) That the school's attendance and participation policies will be available for public inspection;

(28) That the school's attendance and participation records shall be made available to the department of education, auditor of state, and school's sponsor to the extent permitted under and in

(29) If a school operates using the blended learning model, as defined in section 3301.079 of the Revised Code, all of the following information:

(a) An indication of what blended learning model or models will be used;

(b) A description of how student instructional needs will be determined and documented;

(c) The method to be used for determining competency, granting credit, and promoting students to a higher grade level;

(d) The school's attendance requirements, including how the school will document participation in learning opportunities;

(e) A statement describing how student progress will be monitored;

(f) A statement describing how private student data will be protected;

(g) A description of the professional development activities that will be offered to teachers.

(30) A provision requiring that all moneys the school's operator loans to the school, including facilities loans or cash flow assistance, must be accounted for, documented, and bear interest at a fair market rate;

(31) A provision requiring that, if the governing authority contracts with an attorney, accountant, or entity specializing in audits, the attorney, accountant, or entity shall be independent from the operator with which the school has contracted.

(32) A provision requiring the governing authority to adopt
an enrollment and attendance policy that requires a student's parent to notify the community school in which the student is enrolled when there is a change in the location of the parent's or student's primary residence.

(33) A provision requiring the governing authority to adopt a student residence and address verification policy for students enrolling in or attending the school.

(B) The community school shall also submit to the sponsor a comprehensive plan for the school. The plan shall specify the following:

(1) The process by which the governing authority of the school will be selected in the future;

(2) The management and administration of the school;

(3) If the community school is a currently existing public school or educational service center building, alternative arrangements for current public school students who choose not to attend the converted school and for teachers who choose not to teach in the school or building after conversion;

(4) The instructional program and educational philosophy of the school;

(5) Internal financial controls.

When submitting the plan under this division, the school shall also submit copies of all policies and procedures regarding internal financial controls adopted by the governing authority of the school.

(C) A contract entered into under section 3314.02 of the Revised Code between a sponsor and the governing authority of a community school may provide for the community school governing authority to make payments to the sponsor, which is hereby authorized to receive such payments as set forth in the contract.
between the governing authority and the sponsor. The total amount of such payments for monitoring, oversight, and technical assistance of the school shall not exceed three per cent of the total amount of payments for operating expenses that the school receives from the state.

(D) The contract shall specify the duties of the sponsor which shall be in accordance with the written agreement entered into with the department of education under division (B) of section 3314.015 of the Revised Code and shall include the following:

(1) Monitor the community school's compliance with all laws applicable to the school and with the terms of the contract;

(2) Monitor and evaluate the academic and fiscal performance and the organization and operation of the community school on at least an annual basis;

(3) Report on an annual basis the results of the evaluation conducted under division (D)(2) of this section to the department of education and to the parents of students enrolled in the community school;

(4) Provide technical assistance to the community school in complying with laws applicable to the school and terms of the contract;

(5) Take steps to intervene in the school's operation to correct problems in the school's overall performance, declare the school to be on probationary status pursuant to section 3314.073 of the Revised Code, suspend the operation of the school pursuant to section 3314.072 of the Revised Code, or terminate the contract of the school pursuant to section 3314.07 of the Revised Code as determined necessary by the sponsor;

(6) Have in place a plan of action to be undertaken in the event the community school experiences financial difficulties or
closes prior to the end of a school year.

(E) Upon the expiration of a contract entered into under this section, the sponsor of a community school may, with the approval of the governing authority of the school, renew that contract for a period of time determined by the sponsor, but not ending earlier than the end of any school year, if the sponsor finds that the school's compliance with applicable laws and terms of the contract and the school's progress in meeting the academic goals prescribed in the contract have been satisfactory. Any contract that is renewed under this division remains subject to the provisions of sections 3314.07, 3314.072, and 3314.073 of the Revised Code.

(F) If a community school fails to open for operation within one year after the contract entered into under this section is adopted pursuant to division (D) of section 3314.02 of the Revised Code or permanently closes prior to the expiration of the contract, the contract shall be void and the school shall not enter into a contract with any other sponsor. A school shall not be considered permanently closed because the operations of the school have been suspended pursuant to section 3314.072 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3314.06. The governing authority of each community school established under this chapter shall adopt admission procedures that specify the following:

(A) That, except as otherwise provided in this section, admission to the school shall be open to any individual age five to twenty-two entitled to attend school pursuant to section 3313.64 or 3313.65 of the Revised Code in a school district in the state.

Additionally, except as otherwise provided in this section, admission to the school may be open on a tuition basis to any individual age five to twenty-two who is not a resident of this
state. The school shall not receive state funds under section 3314.08 of the Revised Code for any student who is not a resident of this state.

An individual younger than five years of age may be admitted to the school in accordance with division (A)(2) of section 3321.01 of the Revised Code. The school shall receive funds for an individual admitted under that division in the manner provided under section 3314.08 of the Revised Code.

If the school operates a program that uses the Montessori method endorsed by the American Montessori society, the Montessori accreditation council for teacher education, or the association Montessori internationale as its primary method of instruction, admission to the school may be open to individuals younger than five years of age. The department of education shall pay the school an amount equal to the formula amount, as defined in section 3317.02 of the Revised Code, for each of these students younger than four years of age. However, but the school shall not receive any other funds under this chapter for those individuals. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this chapter, individuals younger than five years of age who are enrolled in a Montessori program shall be offered at least four hundred fifty-five hours of learning opportunities per school year.

If the school operates a preschool program that is licensed by the department of education under sections 3301.52 to 3301.59 of the Revised Code, admission to the school may be open to individuals who are younger than five years of age, but the school shall not receive funds under this chapter for those individuals.

(B)(1) That admission to the school may be limited to students who have attained a specific grade level or are within a specific age group; to students that meet a definition of "at-risk," as defined in the contract; to residents of a specific geographic area within the district, as defined in the contract;
or to separate groups of autistic students and nondisabled students, as authorized in section 3314.061 of the Revised Code and as defined in the contract.

(2) For purposes of division (B)(1) of this section, "at-risk" students may include those students identified as gifted students under section 3324.03 of the Revised Code.

(C) Whether enrollment is limited to students who reside in the district in which the school is located or is open to residents of other districts, as provided in the policy adopted pursuant to the contract.

(D)(1) That there will be no discrimination in the admission of students to the school on the basis of race, creed, color, disability, or sex except that:

   (a) The governing authority may do either of the following for the purpose described in division (G) of this section:

      (i) Establish a single-gender school for either sex;

      (ii) Establish single-gender schools for each sex under the same contract, provided substantially equal facilities and learning opportunities are offered for both boys and girls. Such facilities and opportunities may be offered for each sex at separate locations.

   (b) The governing authority may establish a school that simultaneously serves a group of students identified as autistic and a group of students who are not disabled, as authorized in section 3314.061 of the Revised Code. However, unless the total capacity established for the school has been filled, no student with any disability shall be denied admission on the basis of that disability.

(2) That upon admission of any student with a disability, the community school will comply with all federal and state laws.
regarding the education of students with disabilities.

(E) That the school may not limit admission to students on
the basis of intellectual ability, measures of achievement or
aptitude, or athletic ability, except that a school may limit its
enrollment to students as described in division (B) of this
section.

(F) That the community school will admit the number of
students that does not exceed the capacity of the school's
programs, classes, grade levels, or facilities.

(G) That the purpose of single-gender schools that are
established shall be to take advantage of the academic benefits
some students realize from single-gender instruction and
facilities and to offer students and parents residing in the
district the option of a single-gender education.

(H) That, except as otherwise provided under division (B) of
this section or section 3314.061 of the Revised Code, if the
number of applicants exceeds the capacity restrictions of division
(F) of this section, students shall be admitted by lot from all
those submitting applications, except preference shall be given to
students attending the school the previous year and to students
who reside in the district in which the school is located.
Preference may be given to siblings of students attending the
school the previous year. Preference also may be given to students
who are the children of full-time staff members employed by the
school, provided the total number of students receiving this
preference is less than five per cent of the school's total
enrollment.

Notwithstanding divisions (A) to (H) of this section, in the
event the racial composition of the enrollment of the community
school is violative of a federal desegregation order, the
community school shall take any and all corrective measures to
comply with the desegregation order.

**Sec. 3314.088.** (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Base per pupil amount" has the same meaning as in section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Eligible school district" has the same meaning as in division (C)(1) of section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Resident district" has the same meaning as in section 3314.08 of the Revised Code.

(B) Subject to division (E) of this section, for fiscal years 2020, 2021 and 2022, the department of education shall calculate and pay to each community school that is not an internet- or computer-based community school student wellness and success funds, on a full-time equivalency basis, for each student enrolled in the school in the immediately preceding fiscal year in an amount equal to the following:

(The base per pupil amount of the student's resident district for that fiscal year + the scaled amount of the student's resident district, if any, computed under division (B)(4) of section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code)

However, each community school shall receive a minimum payment of $25,000, $45,720, for fiscal year 2020, 2022, or $36,000, $56,160, for fiscal year 2021, 2023.

(C) Subject to division (E) of this section, for fiscal years 2020 and 2021, 2023, the department shall pay student wellness and success funds to each internet- or computer-based community school in an amount equal to $25,000, $45,720, for fiscal year 2020, 2022, or $36,000, $56,160, for fiscal year 2021, 2023.

(D) Subject to division (E) of this section, for fiscal years 2020 and 2021, 2023, the department shall pay to each community school that is not an internet- or computer-based
community school student wellness and success enhancement funds, on a full-time equivalency basis, for each student enrolled in the school in the immediately preceding fiscal year whose resident district is an eligible school district, in an amount equal to the following:

The amount paid to the student's resident district under division (C)(2) of section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code for that fiscal year / the enrolled ADM of the student's resident district for the immediately preceding fiscal year

(E) The department shall pay funds under divisions (B), (C), and (D) of this section as follows:

(1) One-half of the amount shall be paid not later than the thirty-first day of October of the fiscal year for which the payment is calculated.

(2) One-half of the amount shall be paid not later than the twenty-eighth day of February of the fiscal year for which the payment is calculated.

Upon making a payment for a fiscal year under this section, the department shall not make any reconciliations or adjustments to that payment.

(F) A community school that receives a payment under this section shall comply with section 3317.26 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3314.091. (A) A school district is not required to provide transportation for any native student enrolled in a community school if the district board of education has entered into an agreement with the community school's governing authority that designates the community school as responsible for providing or arranging for the transportation of the district's native students to and from the community school. For any such agreement to be effective, it must be certified by the superintendent of
public instruction as having met all of the following requirements:

(1) It is submitted to the department of education by a deadline which shall be established by the department.

(2) In accordance with divisions (C)(1) and (2) of this section, it specifies qualifications, such as residing a minimum distance from the school, for students to have their transportation provided or arranged.

(3) The transportation provided by the community school is subject to all provisions of the Revised Code and all rules adopted under the Revised Code pertaining to pupil transportation.

(4) The sponsor of the community school also has signed the agreement.

(B)(1) For the school year that begins on July 1, 2007, a school district is not required to provide transportation for any native student enrolled in a community school, if the community school during the previous school year transported the students enrolled in the school or arranged for the students' transportation, even if that arrangement consisted of having parents transport their children to and from the school, but did not enter into an agreement to transport or arrange for transportation for those students under division (A) of this section, and if the governing authority of the community school by July 15, 2007, submits written notification to the district board of education stating that the governing authority is accepting responsibility for providing or arranging for the transportation of the district's native students to and from the community school.

(2) Except as provided in division (B)(4) of this section, for any school year subsequent to the school year that begins on...
July 1, 2007, a school district is not required to provide transportation for any native student enrolled in a community school if the governing authority of the community school, by the thirty-first day of January of the previous school year, submits written notification to the district board of education stating that the governing authority is accepting responsibility for providing or arranging for the transportation of the district's native students to and from the community school. If the governing authority of the community school has previously accepted responsibility for providing or arranging for the transportation of a district's native students to and from the community school, under division (B)(1) or (2) of this section, and has since relinquished that responsibility under division (B)(3) of this section, the governing authority shall not accept that responsibility again unless the district board consents to the governing authority's acceptance of that responsibility.

(3) A governing authority's acceptance of responsibility under division (B)(1) or (2) of this section shall cover an entire school year, and shall remain in effect for subsequent school years unless the governing authority submits written notification to the district board that the governing authority is relinquishing the responsibility. However, a governing authority shall not relinquish responsibility for transportation before the end of a school year, and shall submit the notice relinquishing responsibility by the thirty-first day of January, in order to allow the school district reasonable time to prepare transportation for its native students enrolled in the school.

(4)(a) For any school year that begins on or after July 1, 2014, a school district is not required to provide transportation for any native student enrolled in a community school scheduled to open for operation in the current school year, if the governing authority of the community school, by the fifteenth day of April
of the previous school year, submits written notification to the district board of education stating that the governing authority is accepting responsibility for providing or arranging for the transportation of the district's native students to and from the community school.

(b) The governing authority of a community school that accepts responsibility for transporting its students under division (B)(4)(a) of this section shall comply with divisions (B)(2) and (3) of this section to renew or relinquish that authority for subsequent school years.

(C)(1) A community school governing authority that enters into an agreement under division (A) of this section, or that accepts responsibility under division (B) of this section, shall provide or arrange transportation free of any charge for each of its enrolled students who is required to be transported under section 3327.01 of the Revised Code. The governing authority shall report to the department of education the number of students transported or for whom transportation is arranged under this section in accordance with rules adopted by the state board of education.

(2) The governing authority may provide or arrange transportation for any other enrolled student who is not eligible for transportation in accordance with division (C)(1) of this section and may charge a fee for such service up to the actual cost of the service.

(3) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in division (C)(1) or (2) of this section, a community school governing authority shall provide or arrange transportation free of any charge for any disabled student enrolled in the school for whom the student's individualized education program developed under Chapter 3323. of the Revised Code specifies transportation.
(D)(1) If a school district board and a community school governing authority elect to enter into an agreement under division (A) of this section, the department of education shall make payments to the community school according to the terms of the agreement for each student actually transported under division (C)(1) of this section.

If a community school governing authority accepts transportation responsibility under division (B) of this section, the department shall make payments to the community school for each student actually transported or for whom transportation is arranged by the community school under division (C)(1) of this section, calculated as follows:

(a) For any fiscal year which the general assembly has specified that transportation payments to school districts be based on an across-the-board percentage of the district's payment for the previous school year, the per pupil payment to the community school shall be the following quotient:

(i) The total amount calculated for the school district in which the child is entitled to attend school for student transportation other than transportation of children with disabilities; divided by

(ii) The number of students included in the district's transportation ADM for the current fiscal year, as calculated under section 3317.03 of the Revised Code, plus the number of students enrolled in the community school not counted in the district's transportation ADM who are transported under division (B)(1) or (2) of this section.

(b) For any fiscal year which the general assembly has specified that the transportation payments to school districts be calculated in accordance with section 3317.0212 of the Revised Code and any rules of the state board of education implementing...
that section, the payment to the community school shall be the amount so calculated on a per rider basis that otherwise would be paid to the school district in which the student is entitled to attend school by the method of transportation the district would have used. The community school, however, is not required to use the same method to transport that student.

(c) Divisions (D)(1)(a) and (b) of this section do not apply to fiscal years 2012 and 2013. Rather, for each of those fiscal years, the per pupil payment to a community school for transporting a student shall be the total amount paid under former section 3306.12 of the Revised Code for fiscal year 2011 to the school district in which the child is entitled to attend school divided by that district's "qualifying ridership," as defined in that section for fiscal year 2011.

As used in this division "entitled to attend school" means entitled to attend school under section 3313.64 or 3313.65 of the Revised Code.

(2) The department shall deduct the payment under division (D)(1) of this section from the state education aid, as defined in section 3314.08 of the Revised Code, and, if necessary, the payment under sections 321.14 and 323.156 of the Revised Code, that is otherwise paid to the school district in which the student enrolled in the community school is entitled to attend school. The department shall include the number of the district's native students for whom payment is made to a community school under division (D)(1) of this section in the calculation of the district's transportation payment under section 3317.0212 of the Revised Code and the operating appropriations act.

(3) A community school shall be paid under division (D)(1) of this section only for students who are eligible as specified in section 3327.01 of the Revised Code and division (C)(1) of this section, and whose transportation to and from school is actually
provided, who actually utilized transportation arranged, or for whom a payment in lieu of transportation is made by the community school's governing authority. To qualify for the payments, the community school shall report to the department, in the form and manner required by the department, data on the number of students transported or whose transportation is arranged, the number of miles traveled, cost to transport, and any other information requested by the department.

(4) A community school shall use payments received under this section solely to pay the costs of providing or arranging for the transportation of students who are eligible as specified in section 3327.01 of the Revised Code and division (C)(1) of this section, which may include payments to a parent, guardian, or other person in charge of a child in lieu of transportation.

(E) Except when arranged through payment to a parent, guardian, or person in charge of a child, transportation provided or arranged for by a community school pursuant to an agreement under this section is subject to all provisions of the Revised Code, and all rules adopted under the Revised Code, pertaining to the construction, design, equipment, and operation of school buses and other vehicles transporting students to and from school. The drivers and mechanics of the vehicles are subject to all provisions of the Revised Code, and all rules adopted under the Revised Code, pertaining to drivers and mechanics of such vehicles. The community school also shall comply with sections 3313.201, 3327.09, and 3327.10 of the Revised Code, division (B) of section 3327.16 of the Revised Code and, subject to division (C)(1) of this section, sections 3327.01 and 3327.02 of the Revised Code, as if it were a school district.

Sec. 3314.101. (A) As used in this section, "license" has the same meaning as in section 3319.31 of the Revised Code.
(B) If a person who is employed by a community school established under this chapter or by an operator is arrested, summoned, or indicted for an alleged violation of an offense listed in division (C) of section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, if the person holds a license, or an offense listed in division (B)(1) of section 3319.39 of the Revised Code, if the person does not hold a license, the chief administrator of the community school in which that person works shall suspend that person from all duties that require the care, custody, or control of a child during the pendency of the criminal action against the person. If the person who is arrested, summoned, or indicted for an alleged violation of an offense listed in division (C) of section 3319.31 or division (B)(1) of section 3319.39 of the Revised Code is the chief administrator of the community school, the governing authority of the school shall suspend the chief administrator from all duties that require the care, custody, or control of a child.

(C) When a person who holds a license is suspended in accordance with this section, the chief administrator or governing authority that imposed the suspension promptly shall report the person's suspension to the department of education. The report shall include the offense for which the person was arrested, summoned, or indicted. The superintendent of public instruction, on behalf of the state board of education, shall inactivate the person's license. The inactivation shall remain in force during the pendency of the criminal action against the person. The inactivation of a license under this division does not constitute a suspension or revocation of the license by the state board under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, and the state board and the state superintendent need not provide the person with an opportunity for a hearing with respect to the inactivation. If the state board does not take action against the person's license under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, the state superintendent shall reactivate the license upon conclusion of the
criminal action against the person.

Sec. 3317.024. The following shall be distributed monthly, quarterly, or annually as may be determined by the state board of education:

(A) An amount for each island school district and each joint state school district for the operation of each high school and each elementary school maintained within such district and for capital improvements for such schools. Such amounts shall be determined on the basis of standards adopted by the state board of education. However, for fiscal years 2012 and 2013, an island district shall receive the lesser of its actual cost of operation, as certified to the department of education, or ninety-three percent of the amount the district received in state operating funding for fiscal year 2011. If an island district received no funding for fiscal year 2011, it shall receive no funding for either of fiscal year 2012 or 2013.

(B) An amount for each school district required to pay tuition for a child in an institution maintained by the department of youth services pursuant to section 3317.082 of the Revised Code, provided the child was not included in the calculation of the district's formula ADM, as that term is defined in section 3317.02 of the Revised Code, for the preceding school year.

(C) An amount for the approved cost of transporting eligible pupils with disabilities attending a special education program approved by the department of education whom it is impossible or impractical to transport by regular school bus in the course of regular route transportation provided by the school district or educational service center. No district or service center is eligible to receive a payment under this division for the cost of transporting any pupil whom it transports by regular school bus and who is included in the district's transportation ADM. The
state board of education shall establish standards and guidelines
for use by the department of education in determining the approved
cost of such transportation for each district or service center.

(D) An amount to each school district, including each
cooperative education school district, pursuant to section 3313.81
of the Revised Code to assist in providing free lunches to needy
children. The amounts shall be determined on the basis of rules
adopted by the state board of education.

(E)(1) An amount for auxiliary services to each school
district, for each pupil attending a chartered nonpublic
elementary or high school within the district that is either of
the following:

(a) A school affiliated with a religious order, sect, church,
or denomination or has a curriculum or mission that contains
religious content, religious courses, devotional exercises,
religious training, or any other religious activity;

(b) A school not described in division (E)(1)(a) of this
section that has not elected to receive funds under division
(E)(2) of this section.

(2) An amount for auxiliary services paid directly to each
chartered nonpublic school that has elected to receive funds under
division (E)(2) of this section for each pupil attending the
school. To elect to receive funds under division (E)(2) of this
section, a school, by the first day of April of each odd-numbered
year, shall notify the department and the school district in which
the school is located of the election and shall submit to the
department an affidavit certifying that the school is not
affiliated with a religious order, sect, church, or denomination
and does not have a curriculum or mission that contains religious
content, religious courses, devotional exercises, religious
training, or any other religious activity shall expend the funds
in the manner outlined in section 3317.062 of the Revised Code.

The election shall take effect the following first day of July, unless the department determines that the school meets the criteria in division (E)(1)(a) of this section. The school subsequently may rescind its election, but it may do so only in an odd-numbered year by notifying the department and the school district in which the school is located of the rescission not later than the first day of April of that year. Beginning the following first day of July after the rescission, the school shall receive funds under division (E)(1) of this section.

The amount paid under divisions (E)(1) and (2) of this section shall equal the total amount appropriated for the implementation of sections 3317.06 and 3317.062 of the Revised Code divided by the average daily membership in grades kindergarten through twelve in chartered nonpublic elementary and high schools within the state as determined as of the last day of October of each school year.

(F) An amount for each county board of developmental disabilities, distributed on the basis of standards adopted by the state board of education, for the approved cost of transportation required for children attending special education programs operated by the county board under section 3323.09 of the Revised Code;

(G) An amount to each institution defined under section 3317.082 of the Revised Code providing elementary or secondary education to children other than children receiving special education under section 3323.091 of the Revised Code. This amount for any institution in any fiscal year shall equal the total of all tuition amounts required to be paid to the institution under division (A)(1) of section 3317.082 of the Revised Code.

The state board of education or any other board of education or governing board may provide for any resident of a district or
educational service center territory any educational service for which funds are made available to the board by the United States under the authority of public law, whether such funds come directly or indirectly from the United States or any agency or department thereof or through the state or any agency, department, or political subdivision thereof.

Sec. 3317.0212. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Qualifying riders" means resident students enrolled in regular education in grades kindergarten to twelve who are provided school bus service by a school district and who live more than one mile from the school they attend, including students with dual enrollment in a joint vocational school district or a cooperative education school district, and students enrolled in a community school, STEM school, or nonpublic school.

(2) "Qualifying ridership" means the greater of the average number of qualifying riders counted in the morning or counted in the afternoon who are provided school bus service by a school district during the first full week of October that the district is in session with students in attendance.

(3) "Rider density" means the total ADM per square mile of a school district.

(4) "School bus service" means a school district's transportation of qualifying riders in any of the following types of vehicles:

(a) School buses owned or leased by the district;

(b) School buses operated by a private contractor hired by the district;

(c) School buses operated by another school district or entity with which the district has contracted, either as part of a consortium for the provision of transportation or otherwise.
(B) Not later than the fifteenth day of October each year, each city, local, and exempted village school district shall report to the department of education its qualifying ridership and any other information requested by the department. Subsequent adjustments to the reported numbers shall be made only in accordance with rules adopted by the department.

(C) The department shall calculate the statewide transportation cost per student as follows:

(1) Determine each city, local, and exempted village school district's transportation cost per student by dividing the district's total costs for school bus service in the previous fiscal year by its qualifying ridership in the previous fiscal year.

(2) After excluding districts that do not provide school bus service and the ten districts with the highest transportation costs per student and the ten districts with the lowest transportation costs per student, divide the aggregate cost for school bus service for the remaining districts in the previous fiscal year by the aggregate qualifying ridership of those districts in the previous fiscal year.

(D) The department shall calculate the statewide transportation cost per mile as follows:

(1) Determine each city, local, and exempted village school district's transportation cost per mile by dividing the district's total costs for school bus service in the previous fiscal year by its total number of miles driven for school bus service in the previous fiscal year.

(2) After excluding districts that do not provide school bus service and the ten districts with the highest transportation costs per mile and the ten districts with the lowest transportation costs per mile, divide the aggregate cost for school bus service for the remaining districts in the previous fiscal year by the aggregate number of miles driven for school bus service in the previous fiscal year.
school bus service for the remaining districts in the previous fiscal year by the aggregate miles driven for school bus service in those districts in the previous fiscal year.

(E) The department shall calculate each city, local, and exempted village school district's transportation payment as follows:

(1) Multiply the statewide transportation cost per student by the district's qualifying ridership for the current fiscal year.

(2) Multiply the statewide transportation cost per mile by the district's total number of miles driven for school bus service in the current fiscal year.

(3) Multiply the greater of the amounts calculated under divisions (E)(1) and (2) of this section by the following:

(a) For fiscal year 2018, the greater of thirty-seven and one-half per cent or the district's state share index, as defined in section 3317.02 of the Revised Code;

(b) For fiscal year 2019, the greater of twenty-five per cent or the district's state share index.

(F) In addition to funds paid under division (E) of this section, each city, local, and exempted village district shall receive in accordance with rules adopted by the state board of education a payment for students transported by means other than school bus service and whose transportation is not funded under division (C) of section 3317.024 of the Revised Code. The rules shall include provisions for school district reporting of such students.

(G)(1) For purposes of division (G) of this section, a school district's "transportation supplement percentage" means the following quotient:

\[
\frac{50 - \text{the district's rider density}}{100}
\]
If the result of the calculation for a district under division (G)(1) of this section is less than zero, the district's transportation supplement percentage shall be zero.

(2) The department shall pay each district a transportation supplement calculated according to the following formula:

\[ \text{The district's transportation supplement percentage} \times \text{the amount calculated for the district under division (E)(2) of this section} \times 0.55 \]

Sec. 3317.0219. (A) As used in this section:

(1) A district's "base per pupil amount" means the following:

(a) For a district in the highest quintile determined under division (B)(2) of this section, $250 $457, for fiscal year 2020 2022, and $360 $562, for fiscal year 2021 2023.

(b) For a district in the second highest quintile determined under division (B)(2) of this section, $200 $368, for fiscal year 2020 2022, and $290 $452, for fiscal year 2021 2023.

(c) For a district in the third highest quintile determined under division (B)(2) of this section, $110 $197, for fiscal year 2020 2022, and $155 $242, for fiscal year 2021 2023.

(d) For a district in the fourth highest quintile determined under division (B)(2) of this section, $50 $89, for fiscal year 2020 2022, and $70 $109, for fiscal year 2021 2023.

(e) For a district in the fifth highest quintile determined under division (B)(2) of this section, $20 $38, for fiscal year 2020 2022, and $30 $47, for fiscal year 2021 2023.

(2) "Base poverty percentage" for a quintile determined under division (B)(2) of this section means the poverty percentage of the district ranked lowest in that quintile.

(3) "Enrolled ADM" means, for a city, local, or exempted
village school district, the enrollment reported under division (A) of section 3317.03 of the Revised Code, as verified by the superintendent of public instruction and adjusted if so ordered under division (K) of that section, and as further adjusted by the department of education, as follows:

(a) Add the students counted under division (A)(1)(b) of section 3317.03 of the Revised Code.

(b) Subtract the students counted under divisions (A)(2)(a), (b), (d), (g), (h), (i), and (j) of section 3317.03 of the Revised Code.

(c) Subtract the students counted under division (A)(3) of section 3317.03 of the Revised Code.

(B) Subject to division (D) of this section, for fiscal years 2020 2022 and 2021 2023, the department of education shall calculate and pay student wellness and success funds to city, local, and exempted village school districts as follows:

(1) Using the most recent five-year estimates published by the United States census bureau in the 2015-2019 American community survey or its successor report, compute the poverty percentage for each district, which equals the following quotient: The number of children younger than eighteen years old residing in the district who live in a household with a family income below one hundred eighty-five per cent of the federal poverty guidelines, as defined in section 5101.46 of the Revised Code, divided by the total number of children younger than eighteen years old residing in the district.

(2) Rank all city, local, and exempted village school districts in order of poverty percentage calculated under division (B)(1) of this section, from the district with the highest percentage to the district with the lowest percentage, and group the districts into quintiles.
(3) Determine each district's enrolled ADM for the immediately preceding fiscal year. If a district's enrolled ADM for the immediately preceding fiscal year is determined to be less than five, the district's enrolled ADM, for purposes of computations under this section, shall be zero.

(4) For each district that is not in the highest quintile determined under division (B)(2) of this section, compute the district's scaled amount, which is equal to the following quotient:

\[
\frac{\text{(The district's poverty percentage computed under division (B)(1) of this section} - \text{the base poverty percentage of the district's quintile)}}{\text{(the base poverty percentage of the quintile that is the next highest quintile compared to the district's quintile} - \text{the base poverty percentage of the district's quintile)}} \times \text{(the base per pupil amount for a district in the quintile that is the next highest quintile compared to the district's quintile} - \text{the district's base per pupil amount)}
\]

(5) Compute a district's payment as follows:

(a) Subject to division (B)(5)(c) of this section, if a district is in the highest quintile determined under division (B)(2) of this section, the district's payment shall be equal to the following amount:

\[\text{The district's base per pupil amount for that fiscal year} \times \text{the district's enrolled ADM determined under division (B)(3) of this section}\]

(b) Subject to division (B)(5)(c) of this section, if a district is not in the highest quintile determined under division (B)(2) of this section, the district's payment shall be equal to the following amount:

\[\text{(The district's base per pupil amount for that fiscal year} + \text{the district's scaled amount computed under division (B)(4) of this section}\]
section for that fiscal year) X the district's enrolled ADM determined under division (B)(3) of this section.

(c) If the computation of a district's payment under division (B)(5)(a) or (b) of this section is greater than zero but less than $25,000 $45,720, for fiscal year 2020 2022, or $36,000 $56,160, for fiscal year 2021 2023, the district's payment shall be equal to $25,000 $45,720, for fiscal year 2020 2022, or $36,000 $56,160, for fiscal year 2021 2023.

If the computation of a district's payment under division (B)(5)(a) or (b) of this section is equal to zero, the district's payment shall be equal to zero.

(C)(1) As used in division (C) of this section:

(a) "Eligible school district" means a city, local, or exempted village school district that received supplemental targeted assistance funding under division (B) of section 3317.0217 of the Revised Code for fiscal year 2019.

(b) A district's "enhancement percentage for a fiscal year" means the square of the quotient of the poverty percentage calculated for the district for that fiscal year under division (B)(1) of this section divided by 0.36.

(2) Subject to division (D) of this section, for fiscal years 2020 2022 and 2021 2023, the department shall pay student wellness and success enhancement funds to each eligible city, local, and exempted village school district in an amount equal to the following product:

($50, for fiscal year 2020, or $75, for fiscal year 2021) X the district's enhancement percentage for that fiscal year X the district's enrolled ADM for the immediately preceding fiscal year.

(D) The department shall pay funds under divisions (B) and (C) of this section as follows:

(1) One-half of the amount shall be paid not later than the
thirty-first day of October of the fiscal year for which the payment is calculated.

(2) One-half of the amount shall be paid not later than the twenty-eighth day of February of the fiscal year for which the payment is calculated.

Upon making a payment for a fiscal year under this section, the department shall not make any reconciliations or adjustments to that payment.

(E) A city, local, or exempted village school district that receives a payment under this section shall comply with section 3317.26 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3317.163. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Base per pupil amount" has the same meaning as in section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Eligible school district" has the same meaning as in division (C)(1) of section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Resident district" means the city, local, or exempted village school district in which a student is entitled to attend school pursuant to section 3313.64 or 3313.65 of the Revised Code.

(B) Subject to division (D) of this section, for fiscal years 2020 2022 and 2021 2023, the department of education shall calculate and pay to each joint vocational school district student wellness and success funds, on a full-time equivalency basis, for each student enrolled in the district in the immediately preceding fiscal year in an amount equal to the following:

(The base per pupil amount of the student's resident district for that fiscal year + the scaled amount of the student's resident district, if any, computed under division (B)(4) of section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code)

However, each joint vocational school district shall receive
a minimum payment of $25,000 $45,720, for fiscal year 2020 2022, or $36,000 $56,160 for fiscal year 2021 2023.

(C) Subject to division (D) of this section, for fiscal years 2020 2022 and 2021 2023, the department shall pay to each joint vocational school district student wellness and success enhancement funds, on a full-time equivalency basis, for each student enrolled in the district in the immediately preceding fiscal year whose resident district is an eligible school district, in an amount equal to the following:

The amount paid to the student's resident district under division (C)(2) of section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code for that fiscal year / the enrolled ADM of the student's resident district for the immediately preceding fiscal year

(D) The department shall pay funds under divisions (B) and (C) of this section as follows:

(1) One-half of the amount shall be paid not later than the thirty-first day of October of the fiscal year for which the payment is calculated.

(2) One-half of the amount shall be paid not later than the twenty-eighth day of February of the fiscal year for which the payment is calculated.

Upon making a payment for a fiscal year under this section, the department shall not make any reconciliations or adjustments to that payment.

(E) A joint vocational school district that receives a payment under this section shall comply with section 3317.26 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3317.26. (A) As used in this section, "student wellness and success funds" means the following:

(1) For a city, local, or exempted village school district,
the funds received under section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code;

(2) For a joint vocational school district, the funds received under section 3317.163 of the Revised Code.

(3) For a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, the funds received under section 3314.088 of the Revised Code.

(4) For a STEM school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, the funds received under section 3326.42 of the Revised Code.

(B) In any fiscal year, a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district, community school, or STEM school shall spend the student wellness and success funds it receives for any of the following initiatives or a combination of any of the following initiatives:

(1) Mental health services, including telehealth services;

(2) Culturally appropriate, evidence-based or evidence-informed prevention education, including youth-led programming and social and emotional learning curricula to promote mental health and prevent substance use and suicide;

(3) Services for homeless youth;

(3)-(4) Services for child welfare involved youth;

(4)-(5) Community liaisons or programs that connect students to community resources, including city connects, communities in schools, and other similar programs;

(5)-(6) Physical health care services, including telehealth services;

(6) Mentoring programs;

(7) Family engagement and support services;

(8) City connects programming;
(9) Professional development regarding the provision of trauma informed care;

(10) Professional development regarding cultural competence;

(11) Student services provided prior to or after the regularly scheduled school day or any time school is not in session, including mentoring programs.

(C) Each city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational school district, community school, and STEM school that is subject to the requirements of this section shall develop a plan for utilizing the student wellness and success funds it receives in coordination with at least one both of the following community partners:

(1) Either of the following:
   (a) A board of alcohol, drug, and mental health services established under Chapter 340. of the Revised Code;
   (b) A community-based mental health treatment or prevention provider.

(2) One of the following:
   (a) An educational service center;
   (b) A county board of developmental disabilities;
   (c) A community-based mental health treatment or prevention provider;
   (d) A board of alcohol, drug, and mental health services established under Chapter 340. of the Revised Code;
   (e) A board of health of a city or general health district;
   (f) A county department of job and family services;
   (g) A nonprofit organization with experience serving children;
(h) A public hospital agency.

(D) After the end of each fiscal year, each city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district, community school, and STEM school shall submit a report to the department of education, in a manner prescribed by the department, describing the initiative or initiatives on which the district's or school's student wellness and success funds were spent during that fiscal year.

**Sec. 3319.0812.** (A) As used in this section, "license" has the same meaning as in section 3319.31 of the Revised Code.

(B) If a school district, chartered nonpublic school, or county board of developmental disabilities contracts with a public or private entity for the provision of services to the district, school, or board, any individual employed or retained by the entity to provide the services shall hold any license that the individual would be required to hold if the individual were employed directly by the district, school, or board to provide the same services. Prior to the individual commencing the provision of services, the district, school, or board shall obtain verification from the entity employing or retaining the individual that the individual holds the applicable license.

**Sec. 3319.151.** (A) As used in this section, "assessment" means an assessment administered under section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code.

(B) No person shall reveal do any of the following:

1. Reveal to any student any specific question that the person knows is part of an assessment to be administered under section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code or in any other way assist a pupil to cheat on such an assessment;

2. Obtain prior knowledge of the contents of an assessment;
(3) Use prior knowledge of the contents of an assessment to assist students in preparing for the assessment;

(4) Fail to comply with any rule adopted by the department of education regarding security protocols for an assessment.

(B)(C) On a finding by the state board of education, after investigation, that a school employee who holds a license issued under sections 3319.22 to, as defined in section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, has violated division (A) or (B) of this section, the license of such teacher shall be suspended for one year. Prior to commencing an investigation by the state board shall take any action against the employee under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code that it considers appropriate, based on the nature and extent of the violation. The state board shall give the teacher employee notice of the allegation and upon commencing an investigation and shall give the employee an opportunity to respond and present a defense prior to taking any disciplinary action.

(C)(D) (1) Violation of division (A) or (B) of this section is grounds for termination of employment of a nonteaching employee under division (C) of section 3319.081 or section 124.34 of the Revised Code.

(2) Violation of division (A) or (B) of this section is grounds for termination of a teacher contract under section 3311.82 or 3319.16 of the Revised Code.

**Sec. 3319.221.** (A) The state board of education, the department of education, any city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational school district board of education, and any other public school, as defined in section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code, shall not require a separate pupil services license issued by the state board as a credential for working in a public school, on either a permanent basis or a substitute or other temporary basis, for the following licensed professionals:
(1) A speech-language pathologist who holds a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4753. of the Revised Code;

(2) An audiologist who holds a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4753. of the Revised Code;

(3) A registered nurse who holds a bachelor's degree in nursing and a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code;

(4) A physical therapist who holds a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code;

(5) An occupational therapist who holds a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code;

(6) A physical therapy assistant who holds a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code;

(7) An occupational therapy assistant who holds a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code;

(8) A social worker who holds a currently valid license issued under Chapter 4757. of the Revised Code.

(B) A person employed by a school district or school for any of the occupations listed in divisions (A)(1) to (8) of this section shall be required to apply for and receive a registration from the department of education. The registration shall be valid for five years. As a condition of registration under this section, an individual shall be subject to a criminal records check as prescribed by section 3319.391 of the Revised Code. In the manner prescribed by the department, the individual shall submit the criminal records check to the department. The department shall use the information submitted to enroll the individual in the retained applicant fingerprint database, established under section 109.5721 of the Revised Code, in the same manner as any teacher licensed under sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code.
If the department receives notification of the arrest or conviction of an individual registered under division (B) of this section, the department shall promptly notify the employing district and may take any action authorized under sections 3319.31 and 3319.311 of the Revised Code that it considers appropriate. No district shall employ any individual under division (A) of this section if the district learns that the individual has plead guilty to, has been found guilty by a jury or court of, or has been convicted of or has a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for any of the offenses listed in division (C) of section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, or if the state board has refused to issue or revoked the individual's registration under that section.

(C) The department shall charge a registration fee of one hundred fifty dollars each for the initial registration and one hundred fifty dollars for renewal of the registration.

**Sec. 3319.227.** (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Revised Code or any rule adopted by the state board of education to the contrary, the state board shall issue a resident educator license under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code to each person who is assigned to teach in this state as a participant in the teach for America program and who satisfies the following conditions for the duration of the program:

1. Holds a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education;
2. Maintained a cumulative undergraduate grade point average of at least 2.5 out of 4.0, or its equivalent;
3. Has passed an examination prescribed by the state board in the subject area to be taught;
4. Has successfully completed the summer training institute.
operated by teach for America;

(5) Remains an active member of the teach for America
two-year support program.

(B) The state board shall issue a resident educator license
under this section for teaching in any grade level or subject area
for which a person may obtain a resident educator license under
section 3319.22 of the Revised Code. The state board shall not
adopt rules establishing any additional qualifications for the
license beyond those specified in this section.

(C) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Revised Code
or any rule adopted by the state board to the contrary, the state
board shall issue a resident educator license under section
3319.22 of the Revised Code to any applicant who has completed at
least two years of teaching in another state as a participant in
the teach for America program and meets all of the conditions of
divisions (A)(1) to (4) of this section. The state board shall
credit an applicant under this division as having completed two
years of the teacher residency program under section 3319.223 of
the Revised Code.

(D) In order to place teachers in this state, the teach for
America program shall enter into an agreement with one or more
accredited four-year public or private institutions of higher
education in the state to provide optional training of teach for
America participants for the purpose of enabling those
participants to complete an optional master's degree or an
equivalent amount of coursework. Nothing in this division shall
require any teach for America participant to complete a master's
degree as a condition of holding a license issued under this
section.

(E) The superintendent of public instruction, on behalf of
the state board, shall revoke inactivate a resident educator
license issued to a participant in the teach for America program who is assigned to teach in this state if the participant resigns or is dismissed from the program prior to completion of the two-year teach for America support program. The inactivation of a license under this division does not constitute a suspension or revocation of the license by the state board under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code and the state board and the state superintendent need not provide the person with an opportunity for a hearing with respect to the inactivation.

Sec. 3319.229. (A)(1) Notwithstanding the repeal of former section 3319.229 of the Revised Code by this act S.B. 216 of the 132nd general assembly, the state board of education shall accept applications for new, and for renewal of, professional career-technical teaching licenses through June 30, 2019, and issue them on the basis of the applications received by that date in accordance with the rules described in that former section. Except as otherwise provided in divisions (A)(2) and (3) of this section, beginning July 1, 2019, the state board shall issue career-technical workforce development educator licenses only under this section.

(2) An individual who, on July 1, 2019, holds a professional career-technical teaching license issued under the rules described in former section 3319.229 of the Revised Code, may continue to renew that license in accordance with those rules for the remainder of the individual's teaching career. However, nothing in this division shall be construed to prohibit the individual from applying to the state board for a career-technical workforce development educator license under this section.

(3) An individual who, on July 1, 2019, holds an alternative resident educator license for teaching career-technical education issued under section 3319.26 of the Revised Code may, upon the
expiration of the license, apply for a professional 
career-technical teaching license issued under the rules described 
in former section 3319.229 of the Revised Code. Such an individual 
may continue to renew the professional license in accordance with 
those rules for the remainder of the individual's teaching career. 
However, nothing in this division shall be construed to prohibit 
the individual from applying to the state board for a 
career-technical workforce development educator license under this 
section.

(B) The state board, in collaboration with the chancellor of 
higher education, shall adopt rules establishing standards and 
requirements for obtaining a two-year initial career-technical 
workforce development educator license and a five-year advanced 
career-technical workforce development educator license. Each 
license shall be valid for teaching career-technical education or 
workforce development programs in grades four through twelve. The 
rules shall require applicants for either license to have a high 
school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalence as 
awarded under section 3301.80 of the Revised Code or as recognized 
as the equivalent of such certificate under division (C) of that 
section.

(C)(1) The state board shall issue an initial 
career-technical workforce development educator license to an 
applicant upon request from the superintendent of a school 
district that has agreed to employ the applicant. In making the 
request, the superintendent shall provide documentation, in 
accordance with procedures prescribed by the department of 
education, showing that the applicant has at least five years of 
work experience, or the equivalent, in the subject area in which 
the applicant will teach. The license shall be valid for teaching 
only in the requesting district. The superintendent also shall 
provide documentation, in accordance with procedures prescribed by
the department, that the applicant is enrolled in a career-technical workforce development educator preparation program offered by an institution of higher education that has an existing teacher preparatory program in place that meets all of the following criteria:

(a) Is approved by the chancellor of higher education to provide instruction in teaching methods and principles;

(b) Provides classroom support to the license holder;

(c) Includes at least three semester hours of coursework in the teaching of reading in the subject area;

(d) Is aligned with career-technical education and workforce development competencies developed by the department;

(e) Uses a summative performance-based assessment developed by the program and aligned to the competencies described in division (C)(1)(d) of this section to evaluate the license holder's knowledge and skills;

(f) Consists of not less than twenty-four semester hours of coursework, or the equivalent.

(2) As a condition of continuing to hold the initial career-technical workforce development license, the holder of the license shall be participating in a career-technical workforce development educator preparation program described in division (C)(1) of this section.

(3) The state board shall renew an initial career-technical workforce development educator license if the supervisor of the program described in division (C)(1) of this section and the superintendent of the employing school district indicate that the applicant is making sufficient progress in both the program and the teaching position.

(D) The state board shall issue an advanced career-technical
workforce development educator license to an applicant who has successfully completed the program described in division (C)(1) of this section, as indicated by the supervisor of the program, and who demonstrates mastery of the applicable career-technical education and workforce development competencies described in division (C)(1)(d) of this section in the teaching position, as indicated by the superintendent of the employing school district.

(E) The holder of an advanced career-technical workforce development educator license shall work with a local professional development committee established under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code in meeting requirements for renewal of the license.

(F) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3319.226 of the Revised Code, the state board shall not require any applicant for an educator license for substitute teaching who holds a license issued under this section to hold a post-secondary degree in order to be issued a license under section 3319.226 of the Revised Code to work as a substitute teacher for career-technical education classes.

**Sec. 3319.236.** (A) Except as provided in division (B) of this section, a school district shall require an individual to hold a valid educator license in computer science, or have a license endorsement in computer technology and a passing score on a content examination in the area of computer science, to teach computer science courses.

(B) A school district may employ an individual, for the purpose of teaching computer science courses, who holds a valid educator license in any of grades kindergarten through twelve, provided the individual meets the requirements established by rules of the state board of education to qualify for a supplemental teaching license for teaching computer science. The rules shall require an applicant for a supplemental teaching
license to pass a content examination in the area of computer science. The rules also shall permit an individual, after at least two years of successfully teaching computer science courses under the supplemental teaching license, to advance to a standard educator license in computer science by completing a pedagogy course applicable to the grade levels in which the individual is teaching. However, the rules may exempt an individual teaching computer science from the requirement to complete a pedagogy course if the individual previously completed a pedagogy course applicable to the grade levels in which the individual is teaching.

(C) In order for an individual to teach advanced placement computer science courses, a school district shall require the individual to also complete a professional development program endorsed or provided by the organization that creates and administers national advanced placement examinations. For this purpose, the individual may complete the program at any time during the calendar year.

(D) Notwithstanding section 3301.012 of the Revised Code, as used in this section, "computer science courses" means any courses that are reported in the education management information system established under section 3301.0714 of the Revised Code as computer science courses.

Sec. 3319.31. (A) As used in this section and sections 3123.41 to 3123.50 and 3319.311 of the Revised Code, "license" means a certificate, license, or permit described in this chapter or in division (B) of section 3301.071 or in section 3301.074 of the Revised Code or a registration described in division (B) of section 3302.151 or division (B) of section 3319.221 of the Revised Code.

(B) For any of the following reasons, the state board of
education, except as provided in division (H)(I) of this section and in accordance with Chapter 119. and section 3319.311 of the Revised Code, may refuse to issue a license to an applicant; may limit a license it issues to an applicant; may suspend, revoke, or limit a license that has been issued to any person; or may revoke a license that has been issued to any person and has expired:

1. Engaging in an immoral act, incompetence, negligence, or conduct that is unbecoming to the applicant's or person's teaching profession. The state board need not consider whether there is a connection between the applicant's or person's immoral act, incompetence, negligence, or conduct and the applicant's or person's ability to perform the duties associated with the license or the position for which the license is issued;

2. A plea of guilty to, a finding of guilt by a jury or court of, or a conviction of any of the following:
   a. A felony other than a felony listed in division (C) of this section;
   b. An offense of violence other than an offense of violence listed in division (C) of this section;
   c. A theft offense, as defined in section 2913.01 of the Revised Code, other than a theft offense listed in division (C) of this section;
   d. A drug abuse offense, as defined in section 2925.01 of the Revised Code, that is not a minor misdemeanor, other than a drug abuse offense listed in division (C) of this section;
   e. An offense listed in section 3319.39 of the Revised Code other than an offense listed in division (C) of this section;
   f. A violation of an ordinance of a municipal corporation that is substantively comparable to an offense listed in divisions (B)(2)(a) to (d)-(e) of this section.
(3) A judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction under section 2951.041 of the Revised Code, for any offense listed in division (B)(2) of this section, or agreeing to participate in a pre-trial diversion program under section 2935.36 of the Revised Code, or a similar diversion program under rules of a court, for any offense listed in division (B)(2) or (C) of this section;

(4) Failure to comply with section 3314.40, 3319.313, 3326.24, 3328.19, 5126.253, or 5502.262 of the Revised Code.

(C) Upon learning of a plea of guilty to, a finding of guilt by a jury or court of, or a conviction of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for committing any of the offenses listed in this division by a person who holds a current or expired license or is an applicant for renewal of a license, the state board or the superintendent of public instruction, if the state board has delegated the duty pursuant to division (D) of this section, shall by a written order revoke the person's license or deny renewal of the license to the person. The state board or the superintendent shall revoke a license that has been issued to a person to whom this division applies and has expired in the same manner as a license that has not expired.

Revocation of a license or denial of renewal of a license under this division is effective immediately at the time and date that the board or superintendent issues the written order and is not subject to appeal in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. Revocation of a license or denial of renewal of license under this division remains in force during the pendency of an appeal by the person of the plea of guilty, finding of guilt, or conviction, or judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction that is the basis of the action taken under this division.
The state board or superintendent shall take the action required by this division for **any of the following:**

(1) A plea of guilty to, a finding of guilt by a jury or court of, or a conviction of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for a violation of division (B)(1), (2), (3), or (4) of section 2919.22 of the Revised Code; a violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.041, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.15, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.05, 2905.11, 2905.32, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.21, 2907.22, 2907.23, 2907.24, 2907.241, 2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.311, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2907.33, 2907.34, 2909.02, 2909.22, 2909.23, 2909.24, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2913.44, 2917.01, 2917.02, 2917.03, 2917.31, 2917.33, 2919.12, 2919.121, 2919.13, 2921.02, 2921.03, 2921.04, 2921.05, 2921.11, 2921.34, 2921.41, 2923.122, 2923.123, 2923.161, 2923.17, 2923.21, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.04, 2925.041, 2925.05, 2925.06, 2925.13, 2925.22, 2925.23, 2925.24, 2925.32, 2925.36, 2925.37, 2927.24, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code; a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996; a violation of section 2919.23 of the Revised Code that would have been a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, had the violation been committed prior to that date; felonious sexual penetration in violation of former section 2907.12 of the Revised Code; or a violation of an ordinance of a municipal corporation that is substantively comparable to an offense listed in this paragraph;

(2) A plea of guilty to, a finding of guilt by a jury or court of, or a conviction of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for conspiracy to commit, attempt to commit, or complicity in committing any violation listed in division (C)(1) of this section.

(D) The state board may delegate to the superintendent of
public instruction the authority to revoke a person's license or
to deny issuance or renewal of a license to a person under
division (C) or (F), or (I) of this section.

(E)(1) If the plea of guilty, finding of guilt, or conviction, or judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction that is the basis of the action taken under division (B)(2) or (C), or (I) of this section, or under the version of division (F) of section 3319.311 of the Revised Code in effect prior to September 12, 2008, is overturned on appeal, upon exhaustion of the criminal appeal, the clerk of the court that overturned the plea, finding, or conviction, or judicial finding or, if applicable, the clerk of the court that accepted an appeal from the court that overturned the plea, finding, or conviction, or judicial finding shall notify the state board that the plea, finding, or conviction, or judicial finding has been overturned. Within thirty days after receiving the notification, the state board shall initiate proceedings to reconsider the revocation or denial of the person's license in accordance with division (E)(2) of this section. In addition, the person whose license was revoked or denied may file with the state board a petition for reconsideration of the revocation or denial along with appropriate court documents.

(2) Upon receipt of a court notification or a petition and supporting court documents under division (E)(1) of this section, the state board, after offering the person an opportunity for an adjudication hearing under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall determine whether the person committed the act in question in the prior criminal action against the person that is the basis of the revocation or denial and may continue the revocation or denial, may reinstate the person's license, with or without limits, or may grant the person a new license, with or without limits. The decision of the board shall be based on grounds for revoking,
denying, suspending, or limiting a license adopted by rule under division (G) of this section and in accordance with the evidentiary standards the board employs for all other licensure hearings. The decision of the board under this division is subject to appeal under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(3) A person whose license is revoked or denied under division (C) or (I) of this section shall not apply for any license if the plea of guilty, finding of guilt, or conviction, or judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction that is the basis of the revocation or denial, upon completion of the criminal appeal, either is upheld or is overturned but the state board continues the revocation or denial under division (E)(2) of this section and that continuation is upheld on final appeal.

(F) The state board may take action under division (B) or (I)(2) or (3) of this section, and the state board or the superintendent shall take the action required under division (C) or (I)(1) of this section, on the basis of substantially comparable conduct occurring in a jurisdiction outside this state or occurring before a person applies for or receives any license.

(G) The state board may adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to carry out this section and section 3319.311 of the Revised Code.

(H) The state board shall not refuse to issue a license to an applicant because of a conviction of, a plea of guilty to, or a finding of guilt by a jury or court of an offense unless the refusal is in accordance with section 9.79 of the Revised Code. The general assembly has previously authorized the state board to refuse to issue an initial license to an applicant for an offense described in division (B) of this section, and has required the state board to refuse to issue an initial license to an applicant for an offense described in division (C) of this section.
Consistent with those directives of the general assembly, the state board has determined that the offenses described in those divisions are directly related to the duties and responsibilities of the position for which a license is issued. Therefore, in publishing the list of criminal offenses that may disqualify an applicant from obtaining an initial license, as required by division (B) of section 9.79 of the Revised Code, the state board shall include the offenses described in divisions (B)(2) and (C) of this section and shall specify that a plea of guilty, finding of guilt, conviction, or judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for any offense described in division (C) of this section shall result in automatic refusal to issue a license in accordance with division (I)(1) of this section.

(I) In determining whether to issue an initial license to an applicant, the state board shall make that determination in accordance with section 9.79 of the Revised Code, except that, notwithstanding divisions (C) and (D) of that section, all of the following shall apply:

(1) The state board shall refuse to issue an initial license to an applicant who has plead guilty to, been found guilty by a jury or court of, been convicted of, or had a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for committing any offense listed in division (C) of this section, regardless of the length of time since the applicant's plea of guilty, finding of guilt, conviction, or judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction. Refusal of a license under division (I)(1) of this section is effective immediately at the time and date that the state board or state superintendent issues the written order and is not subject to appeal in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. Refusal of a license under division (I)(1) of this section remains in force during the
pendency of an appeal by the applicant of the plea of guilty, finding of guilt, conviction, or judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction that is the basis of the action taken under this division.

(2) The state board may refuse to issue an initial license to an applicant who has plead guilty to, been found guilty by a jury or court of, been convicted of, or had a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for committing any offense listed in division (B)(2) of this section, regardless of the length of time since the applicant's plea of guilty, finding of guilt, conviction, or judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction.

(3) If an applicant has plead guilty to, been found guilty by a jury or court of, been convicted of, or had a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for multiple offenses, the state board may consider that fact in determining whether to issue the applicant a license, regardless of the length of time since the applicant's most recent plea of guilty, finding of guilt, conviction, or judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction.

Sec. 3319.311. (A)(1) The state board of education, or the superintendent of public instruction on behalf of the board, may investigate any information received about a person that reasonably appears to be a basis for action under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, including information received pursuant to section 3314.40, 3319.291, 3319.313, 3326.24, 3328.19, 5126.253, or 5153.176 of the Revised Code. Except as provided in division (A)(2) of this section, the board shall contract with the office of the Ohio attorney general to conduct any investigation of that nature. The board shall pay for the costs of the contract only from moneys in the state board of education.
licensure fund established under section 3319.51 of the Revised Code. Except as provided in division (A)(2) of this section and section 3319.319 of the Revised Code, all information received pursuant to section 3314.40, 3319.291, 3319.313, 3326.24, 3328.19, 5126.253, or 5153.176 of the Revised Code, and all information obtained during an investigation is confidential and is not a public record under section 149.43 of the Revised Code. If an investigation is conducted under this division regarding information received about a person and no action is taken against the person under this section or section 3319.31 of the Revised Code within two years of the completion of the investigation, all records of the investigation shall be expunged.

(2) In the case of a person about whom the board has learned of a plea of guilty to, finding of guilt by a jury or court of, or a conviction of, or judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for committing an offense listed in division (C) of section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, or substantially comparable conduct occurring in a jurisdiction outside this state, the board or the superintendent of public instruction need not conduct any further investigation and shall take the action required by division (C) or (F), or (I)(1) of that section. Except as provided in division (G) of this section, all information obtained by the board or the superintendent of public instruction pertaining to the action is a public record under section 149.43 of the Revised Code.

(B) The superintendent of public instruction shall review the results of each investigation of a person conducted under division (A)(1) of this section and shall determine, on behalf of the state board, whether the results warrant initiating action under division (B) or (I) of section 3319.31 of the Revised Code. The superintendent shall advise the board of such determination at a meeting of the board. Within fourteen days of the next meeting of
the board, any member of the board may ask that the question of
initiating action under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code be
placed on the board's agenda for that next meeting. Prior to
initiating that action against any person, the person's name and
any other personally identifiable information shall remain
confidential.

(C) The board shall take no action against a person under
division (B) or (I) of section 3319.31 of the Revised Code without
providing the person with written notice of the charges and with
an opportunity for a hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of
the Revised Code, unless division (I)(1) of that section applies
to the person.

(D) For purposes of an investigation under division (A)(1) of
this section or a hearing under division (C) of this section or
under division (E)(2) of section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, the
board, or the superintendent on behalf of the board, may
administer oaths, order the taking of depositions, issue
subpoenas, and compel the attendance of witnesses and the
production of books, accounts, papers, records, documents, and
testimony. The issuance of subpoenas under this division may be by
certified mail or personal delivery to the person.

(E) The superintendent, on behalf of the board, may enter
into a consent agreement with a person against whom action is
being taken under division (B) or (I) of section 3319.31 of the
Revised Code, other than a person to whom division (I)(1) of that
section applies. The board may adopt rules governing the
superintendent's action under this division.

(F) No surrender of a license shall be effective until the
board takes action to accept the surrender unless the surrender is
pursuant to a consent agreement entered into under division (E) of
this section.
(G) The name of any person who is not required to report information under section 3314.40, 3319.313, 3326.24, 3328.19, 5126.253, or 5153.176 of the Revised Code, but who in good faith provides information to the state board or superintendent of public instruction about alleged misconduct committed by a person who holds a license or has applied for issuance or renewal of a license, shall be confidential and shall not be released. Any such person shall be immune from any civil liability that otherwise might be incurred or imposed for injury, death, or loss to person or property as a result of the provision of that information.

(H)(1) No person shall knowingly make a false report to the superintendent of public instruction or the state board of education alleging misconduct by an employee of a public or chartered nonpublic school or an employee of the operator of a community school established under Chapter 3314. or a college-preparatory boarding school established under Chapter 3328. of the Revised Code.

(2)(a) In any civil action brought against a person in which it is alleged and proved that the person violated division (H)(1) of this section, the court shall award the prevailing party reasonable attorney's fees and costs that the prevailing party incurred in the civil action or as a result of the false report that was the basis of the violation.

(b) If a person is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violation of division (H)(1) of this section, if the subject of the false report that was the basis of the violation was charged with any violation of a law or ordinance as a result of the false report, and if the subject of the false report is found not to be guilty of the charges brought against the subject as a result of the false report or those charges are dismissed, the court that sentences the person for the violation of division (H)(1) of this section, as part of the sentence, shall order the person to pay
restitution to the subject of the false report, in an amount equal
to reasonable attorney's fees and costs that the subject of the
false report incurred as a result of or in relation to the
charges.

Sec. 3319.313. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Conduct unbecoming to the teaching profession" shall be as described in rules adopted by the state board of education.

(2) "Intervention in lieu of conviction" means intervention in lieu of conviction under section 2951.041 of the Revised Code.

(3) "License" has the same meaning as in section 3319.31 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Pre-trial diversion program" means a pre-trial diversion program under section 2935.36 of the Revised Code or a similar diversion program under rules of a court.

(B) The superintendent of each school district and each educational service center or the president of the district or service center board, if division (C)(1) of this section applies, and the chief administrator of each chartered nonpublic school or the president or chairperson of the governing authority of the nonpublic school, if division (C)(2) of this section applies, shall promptly submit to the superintendent of public instruction the information prescribed in division (D) of this section when any of the following conditions applies to an employee of the district, service center, or nonpublic school who holds a license issued by the state board of education:

(1) The superintendent, chief administrator, president, or chairperson knows that the employee has pleaded guilty to, has been found guilty by a jury or court of, has been convicted of, has been found to be eligible for intervention in lieu of conviction for, or has agreed to participate in a pre-trial
(2) The district board of education, service center governing board, or nonpublic school chief administrator or governing authority has initiated termination or nonrenewal proceedings against, has terminated, or has not renewed the contract of the employee because the board of education, governing board, or chief administrator has reasonably determined that the employee has committed an act that is unbecoming to the teaching profession or an offense described in division (B)(2) or (C) of section 3319.31 or division (B)(1) of section 3319.39 of the Revised Code;

(3) The employee has resigned under threat of termination or nonrenewal as described in division (B)(2) of this section;

(4) The employee has resigned because of or in the course of an investigation by the board of education, governing board, or chief administrator regarding whether the employee has committed an act that is unbecoming to the teaching profession or an offense described in division (B)(2) or (C) of section 3319.31 or division (B)(1) of section 3319.39 of the Revised Code.

(C)(1) If the employee to whom any of the conditions prescribed in divisions (B)(1) to (4) of this section applies is the superintendent or treasurer of a school district or educational service center, the president of the board of education of the school district or of the governing board of the educational service center shall make the report required under this section.

(2) If the employee to whom any of the conditions prescribed in divisions (B)(1) to (4) of this section applies is the chief administrator of a chartered nonpublic school, the president or chairperson of the governing authority of the chartered nonpublic
school shall make the report required under this section.  

(D) If a report is required under this section, the superintendent, chief administrator, president, or chairperson shall submit to the superintendent of public instruction the name and social security number of the employee about whom the information is required and a factual statement regarding any of the conditions prescribed in divisions (B)(1) to (4) of this section that applies to the employee.  

(E) A determination made by the board of education, governing board, chief administrator, or governing authority as described in division (B)(2) of this section or a termination, nonrenewal, resignation, or other separation described in divisions (B)(2) to (4) of this section does not create a presumption of the commission or lack of the commission by the employee of an act unbecoming to the teaching profession or an offense described in division (B)(2) or (C) of section 3319.31 or division (B)(1) of section 3319.39 of the Revised Code.  

(F) No individual required to submit a report under division (B) of this section shall knowingly fail to comply with that division.  

(G) An individual who provides information to the superintendent of public instruction in accordance with this section in good faith shall be immune from any civil liability that otherwise might be incurred or imposed for injury, death, or loss to person or property as a result of the provision of that information.  

Sec. 3319.316. The department of education, on behalf of the state board of education, shall be a participating public office for purposes of the retained applicant fingerprint database established under section 109.5721 of the Revised Code and shall receive notification from the bureau of criminal identification.
and investigation of the arrest or conviction of persons to whom the state board has issued a license, as defined in section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, has been issued.

**Sec. 3319.318.** (A) As used in this section:

(1) "School representative" includes all of the following:

(a) An employee of a school district, chartered nonpublic school, or county board of developmental disabilities;

(b) An employee of an entity with which a school district, chartered nonpublic school, or county board of developmental disabilities contracts for the provision of services;

(c) A member of a school district board of education, chartered nonpublic school governing body, or county board of developmental disabilities.

(2) "Student" means a child who is enrolled in a school district or chartered nonpublic school or who is receiving services from a county board of developmental disabilities.

(B) Except as provided in division (C) of this section, no school representative shall knowingly engage in any activity intended to assist another individual in obtaining employment with a school district or chartered nonpublic school, or in obtaining employment with a county board of developmental disabilities in a position responsible for providing educational services to children from six through twenty-one years of age, other than transmitting administrative and personnel files to the prospective employer, if the school representative knows or has reasonable cause to believe that the individual has committed an offense listed in Chapter 2907. of the Revised Code, or a substantially comparable offense, involving a student.

(C) Division (B) of this section shall not apply if the
information on which the knowledge or reasonable cause is based has been reported to appropriate law enforcement authorities or, if applicable, to the appropriate public children services agency under section 2151.421 of the Revised Code and one of the following conditions is met:

(1) Law enforcement authorities have investigated the alleged offense and determined that there is insufficient information to indict the individual for the alleged offense.

(2) The individual has not been indicted for the alleged offense within four years after the date the alleged offense was reported to law enforcement authorities or a public children services agency.

(3) The individual has been acquitted or otherwise exonerated of the offense.

Sec. 3319.319. The appointing or hiring officer of a school district or school located in Ohio or another state may request from the department of education any report the department has received under sections 3314.40, 3319.313, 3326.24, 3328.19, or 5126.253 of the Revised Code regarding an individual who is under consideration for employment by the district or school. If the department has received a report under any of those sections regarding the individual, the department shall provide the contents of the report to the requesting officer. Upon provision of the contents of the report to the requesting officer, the department shall notify the officer that the information provided is confidential and may not be disseminated to any other person or entity.

If the department provides the contents of a report to an appointing or hiring officer under this section, the department shall document the information provided in the record of any investigation undertaken pursuant to section 3319.311 of the Revised Code.
Revised Code based on the report. Such documentation shall include a list of the information provided, the date the information was provided, and the name and contact information of the appointing or hiring officer to whom the information was provided.

Sec. 3319.39. (A)(1) Except as provided in division (F)(2)(b) of section 109.57 of the Revised Code, the appointing or hiring officer of the board of education of a school district, the governing board of an educational service center, or of a chartered nonpublic school shall request the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation to conduct a criminal records check with respect to any applicant who has applied to the school district, educational service center, or school for employment in any position. The appointing or hiring officer shall request that the superintendent include information from the federal bureau of investigation in the criminal records check, unless all of the following apply to the applicant:

(a) The applicant is applying to be an instructor of adult education.

(b) The duties of the position for which the applicant is applying do not involve routine interaction with a child or regular responsibility for the care, custody, or control of a child or, if the duties do involve such interaction or responsibility, during any period of time in which the applicant, if hired, has such interaction or responsibility, another employee of the school district, educational service center, or chartered nonpublic school will be present in the same room with the child or, if outdoors, will be within a thirty-yard radius of the child or have visual contact with the child.

(c) The applicant presents proof that the applicant has been a resident of this state for the five-year period immediately prior to the date upon which the criminal records check is.
requested or provides evidence that within that five-year period the superintendent has requested information about the applicant from the federal bureau of investigation in a criminal records check.

(2) A person required by division (A)(1) of this section to request a criminal records check shall provide to each applicant a copy of the form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code, provide to each applicant a standard impression sheet to obtain fingerprint impressions prescribed pursuant to division (C)(2) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code, obtain the completed form and impression sheet from each applicant, and forward the completed form and impression sheet to the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation at the time the person requests a criminal records check pursuant to division (A)(1) of this section.

(3) An applicant who receives pursuant to division (A)(2) of this section a copy of the form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code and a copy of an impression sheet prescribed pursuant to division (C)(2) of that section and who is requested to complete the form and provide a set of fingerprint impressions shall complete the form or provide all the information necessary to complete the form and shall provide the impression sheet with the impressions of the applicant's fingerprints. If an applicant, upon request, fails to provide the information necessary to complete the form or fails to provide impressions of the applicant's fingerprints, the board of education of a school district, governing board of an educational service center, or governing authority of a chartered nonpublic school shall not employ that applicant for any position.

(4) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, an applicant who meets the conditions prescribed in divisions (A)(1)(a) and (b) of this section and who, within the
two-year period prior to the date of application, was the subject
of a criminal records check under this section prior to being
hired for short-term employment with the school district,
educational service center, or chartered nonpublic school to which
application is being made shall not be required to undergo a
criminal records check prior to the applicant's rehiring by that
district, service center, or school.

(B)(1) Except as provided in rules adopted by the department
of education in accordance with division (E) of this section and
as provided in division (B)(3) of this section, no board of
education of a school district, no governing board of an
educational service center, and no governing authority of a
chartered nonpublic school shall employ a person if the person
previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any of the
following:

(a) A violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03,
2903.04, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.34,
2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.05, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05,
2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.21, 2907.22, 2907.23,
2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2911.01,
2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2919.12, 2919.22, 2919.24, 2919.25,
2923.12, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.04, 2925.05,
2925.06, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code, a violation of section
2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, a
violation of section 2919.23 of the Revised Code that would have
been a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it
existed prior to July 1, 1996, had the violation been committed
prior to that date, a violation of section 2925.11 of the Revised
Code that is not a minor drug possession offense, or felonious
sexual penetration in violation of former section 2907.12 of the
Revised Code;

(b) A violation of an existing or former law of this state,
another state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any of the offenses or violations described in division (B)(1)(a) of this section.

(2) A board, governing board of an educational service center, or a governing authority of a chartered nonpublic school may employ an applicant conditionally until the criminal records check required by this section is completed and the board or governing authority receives the results of the criminal records check. If the results of the criminal records check indicate that, pursuant to division (B)(1) of this section, the applicant does not qualify for employment, the board or governing authority shall release the applicant from employment.

(3) No board and no governing authority of a chartered nonpublic school shall employ a teacher who previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any of the offenses listed in section 3319.31 of the Revised Code.

(C)(1) Each board and each governing authority of a chartered nonpublic school shall pay to the bureau of criminal identification and investigation the fee prescribed pursuant to division (C)(3) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code for each criminal records check conducted in accordance with that section upon the request pursuant to division (A)(1) of this section of the appointing or hiring officer of the board or governing authority.

(2) A board and the governing authority of a chartered nonpublic school may charge an applicant a fee for the costs it incurs in obtaining a criminal records check under this section. A fee charged under this division shall not exceed the amount of fees the board or governing authority pays under division (C)(1) of this section. If a fee is charged under this division, the board or governing authority shall notify the applicant at the time of the applicant's initial application for employment of the
amount of the fee and that, unless the fee is paid, the board or governing authority will not consider the applicant for employment.

(D) The report of any criminal records check conducted by the bureau of criminal identification and investigation in accordance with section 109.572 of the Revised Code and pursuant to a request under division (A)(1) of this section is not a public record for the purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code and shall not be made available to any person other than the applicant who is the subject of the criminal records check or the applicant's representative, the board or governing authority requesting the criminal records check or its representative, and any court, hearing officer, or other necessary individual involved in a case dealing with the denial of employment to the applicant.

(E) The department of education shall adopt rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to implement this section, including rules specifying circumstances under which the board or governing authority may hire a person who has been convicted of an offense listed in division (B)(1) or (3) of this section but who meets standards in regard to rehabilitation set by the department. Any rules adopted by the department under this division regarding the employment of a person holding a certificate, license, or permit described in this chapter or in division (B) of section 3301.071 or in section 3301.074 as defined in section 3319.31 of the Revised Code shall comply with section 9.79 of the Revised Code all provisions of that section.

The department shall amend rule 3301-83-23 of the Ohio Administrative Code that took effect August 27, 2009, and that specifies the offenses that disqualify a person for employment as a school bus or school van driver and establishes rehabilitation standards for school bus and school van drivers.

(F) Any person required by division (A)(1) of this section to
request a criminal records check shall inform each person, at the
time of the person's initial application for employment, of the
requirement to provide a set of fingerprint impressions and that a
criminal records check is required to be conducted and
satisfactorily completed in accordance with section 109.572 of the
Revised Code if the person comes under final consideration for
appointment or employment as a precondition to employment for the
school district, educational service center, or school for that
position.

(G) As used in this section:

(1) "Applicant" means a person who is under final
consideration for appointment or employment in a position with a
board of education, governing board of an educational service
center, or a chartered nonpublic school, except that "applicant"
does not include a person already employed by a board or chartered
nonpublic school who is under consideration for a different
position with such board or school.

(2) "Teacher" means a person holding an educator license or
permit issued under section 3319.22 or 3319.301 of the Revised
Code and teachers in a chartered nonpublic school.

(3) "Criminal records check" has the same meaning as in
section 109.572 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Minor drug possession offense" has the same meaning as
in section 2925.01 of the Revised Code.

(H) If the board of education of a local school district
adopts a resolution requesting the assistance of the educational
service center in which the local district has territory in
conducting criminal records checks of substitute teachers and
substitutes for other district employees under this section, the
appointing or hiring officer of such educational service center
shall serve for purposes of this section as the appointing or
hiring officer of the local board in the case of hiring substitute teachers and other substitute employees for the local district.

Sec. 3319.393. (A) Each school district and chartered nonpublic school shall include the following notice in boldface type in each employment application: "ANY PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY MAKES A FALSE STATEMENT IS GUILTY OF FALSIFICATION UNDER SECTION 2921.13 OF THE REVISED CODE, WHICH IS A MISDEMEANOR OF THE FIRST DEGREE."

(B)(1) Each district and chartered nonpublic school shall consult the "educator profile" database maintained on the web site of the department of education prior to making any hiring decision.

(2) After consulting the "educator profile" database, a district or chartered nonpublic school may further discern the employment, disciplinary, or criminal record of an applicant for employment in either or both of the following ways:

(a) Consulting the office of professional conduct within the department of education in accordance with section 3319.319 of the Revised Code to determine whether the individual has been the subject of either:

   (i) Any notice to the department under section 3314.40, 3319.313, 3326.24, 3328.19, or 5126.253 of the Revised Code;

   (ii) Any disciplinary actions conducted by the department.

(b) Consulting any prior education-related employers of the individual.

(3) A district or chartered nonpublic school may require additional background checks other than the criminal records checks authorized under sections 109.574 to 109.577 of the Revised Code or those required under section 3319.39 or 3319.391 of the Revised Code for any applicant for employment or potential
volunteer.

(C) A district or chartered nonpublic school may conditionally employ an individual pending the receipt of information sought in accordance with division (B)(2) of this section. Should that information indicate that the individual has engaged in conduct unbecoming to the teaching profession or has committed an offense that prevents, limits, or otherwise affects the applicant's employment with the district or school, the district or chartered nonpublic school may release the individual from employment.

Sec. 3319.394. (A) When a complaint is filed against an employee of a school district or chartered nonpublic school alleging misconduct by that employee, the district or school shall conduct a review of the personnel file of that employee to determine if any recorded or reported instance of related misconduct or disciplinary actions are contained in that employee's file.

(B)(1) If a school district or chartered nonpublic school receives a request for the personnel file of a current or former employee from a district or chartered nonpublic school to which the current or former employee has applied for employment, the district or chartered nonpublic school that receives the request shall send that file to the requestor within twenty business days of receiving the request for hiring purposes.

(2) If the district or school receiving the request determines that it is not possible to send the file within twenty business days, that district or school shall promptly notify the requestor and indicate the reason the information cannot be sent within that time.

Sec. 3319.40. (A) As used in this section, "license" has the
same meaning as in section 3319.31 of the Revised Code.

(B) If a person who is employed by a school district or chartered nonpublic school is arrested, summoned, or indicted for an alleged violation of an offense listed in division (C) of section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, if the person holds a license, or an offense listed in division (B)(1) of section 3319.39 of the Revised Code, if the person does not hold a license, the superintendent of the district or the chief administrative officer of the chartered nonpublic school shall suspend that person from all duties that require the care, custody, or control of a child during the pendency of the criminal action against the person. If the person who is arrested, summoned, or indicted for an alleged violation of an offense listed in division (C) of section 3319.31 or division (B)(1) of section 3319.39 of the Revised Code is a person whose duties are assigned by the district treasurer under division (B) of section 3313.31 of the Revised Code, the treasurer shall suspend the person from all duties that require the care, custody, or control of a child. If the person who is arrested, summoned, or indicted for an alleged violation of an offense listed in division (C) of section 3319.31 or division (B)(1) of section 3319.39 of the Revised Code is the superintendent or treasurer of the district, the district board shall suspend the superintendent or treasurer from all duties that require the care, custody, or control of a child. If the person who is arrested, summoned, or indicted for an alleged violation of an offense listed in division (C) of section 3319.31 or division (B)(1) of section 3319.39 of the Revised Code is the chief administrative officer of the chartered nonpublic school, the governing authority of the chartered nonpublic school shall suspend the chief administrative officer from all duties that require the care, custody, or control of a child.

(C) When a person who holds a license is suspended in...
accordance with this section, the superintendent, treasurer, board of education, chief administrative officer, or governing authority that imposed the suspension promptly shall report the person's suspension to the department of education. The report shall include the offense for which the person was arrested, summoned, or indicted. The superintendent of public instruction, on behalf of the state board of education, shall inactivate the person's license. The inactivation shall remain in force during the pendency of the criminal action against the person. The inactivation of a license under this division does not constitute a suspension or revocation of the license by the state board under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code and the state board and the state superintendent need not provide the person with an opportunity for a hearing with respect to the inactivation. If the state board does not take action against the person's license under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, the state superintendent shall reactivate the license upon conclusion of the criminal action against the person.

Sec. 3319.47. The school districts, public schools, and chartered nonpublic schools of this state may provide counseling to any victim of sexual harassment or sexually related conduct.

Sec. 3319.61. (A) The educator standards board, in consultation with the chancellor of higher education, shall do all of the following:

(1) Develop state standards for teachers and principals that reflect what teachers and principals are expected to know and be able to do at all stages of their careers. These standards shall be aligned with the statewide academic content standards for students adopted pursuant to section 3301.079 of the Revised Code, be primarily based on educator performance instead of years of experience or certain courses completed, and rely on
evidence-based factors. These standards shall also be aligned with the operating standards adopted under division (D)(3) of section 3301.07 of the Revised Code.

(a) The standards for teachers shall reflect the following additional criteria:

(i) Alignment with the interstate new teacher assessment and support consortium standards;

(ii) Differentiation among novice, experienced, and advanced teachers;

(iii) Reliance on competencies that can be measured;

(iv) Reliance on content knowledge, teaching skills, discipline-specific teaching methods, and requirements for professional development;

(v) Alignment with a career-long system of professional development and evaluation that ensures teachers receive the support and training needed to achieve the teaching standards as well as reliable feedback about how well they meet the standards;

(vi) The standards under section 3301.079 of the Revised Code, including standards on collaborative learning environments and interdisciplinary, project-based, real-world learning and differentiated instruction;

(vii) The Ohio leadership framework.

(b) The standards for principals shall be aligned with the interstate school leaders licensing consortium standards.

(2) Develop standards for school district superintendents that reflect what superintendents are expected to know and be able to do at all stages of their careers. The standards shall reflect knowledge of systems theory and effective management principles and be aligned with the buckeye association of school administrators standards and the operating standards developed.
(3) Develop standards for school district treasurers and business managers that reflect what treasurers and business managers are expected to know and be able to do at all stages of their careers. The standards shall reflect knowledge of systems theory and effective management principles and be aligned with the association of school business officials international standards and the operating standards developed under division (D)(3) of section 3301.07 of the Revised Code.

(4) Develop standards for the renewal of licenses under sections 3301.074 and 3319.22 of the Revised Code;

(5) Develop standards for educator professional development;

(6) Investigate and make recommendations for the creation, expansion, and implementation of school building and school district leadership academies;

(7) Develop standards for school counselors that reflect what school counselors are expected to know and be able to do at all stages of their careers. The standards shall reflect knowledge of academic, personal, and social counseling for students and effective principles to implement an effective school counseling program. The standards also shall reflect Ohio-specific knowledge of career counseling for students and education options that provide flexibility for earning credit, such as earning units of high school credit using the methods adopted by the state board of education under division (J) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code and earning college credit through the college credit plus program established under Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code and the career-technical education credit transfer criteria, policies, and procedures established under section 3333.162 of the Revised Code. The standards shall align with the American school counselor association's professional standards and the operating standards.
developed under division (D)(3) of section 3301.07 of the Revised Code.

The superintendent of public instruction, the chancellor of higher education, or the education standards board itself may request that the educator standards board update, review, or reconsider any standards developed under this section.

(B) The educator standards board shall incorporate indicators of cultural competency into the standards developed under division (A) of this section. For this purpose, the educator standards board shall develop a definition of cultural competency based upon content and experiences that enable educators to know, understand, and appreciate the students, families, and communities that they serve and skills for addressing cultural diversity in ways that respond equitably and appropriately to the cultural needs of individual students.

(C) In developing the standards under division (A) of this section, the educator standards board shall consider the impact of the standards on closing the achievement gap between students of different subgroups.

(D) In developing the standards under division (A) of this section, the educator standards board shall ensure both of the following:

(1) That teachers have sufficient knowledge to provide appropriate instruction for students identified as gifted pursuant to Chapter 3324. of the Revised Code and to assist in the identification of such students, and have sufficient knowledge that will enable teachers to provide learning opportunities for all children to succeed;

(2) That principals, superintendents, school treasurers, and school business managers have sufficient knowledge to provide principled, collaborative, foresighted, and data-based leadership
that will provide learning opportunities for all children to succeed.

(E) The standards for educator professional development developed under division (A)(5) of this section shall include the following:

(1) Standards for the inclusion of local professional development committees established under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code in the planning and design of professional development;

(2) Standards that address the crucial link between academic achievement and mental health issues.

(F) The educator standards board shall also perform the following functions:

(1) Monitor compliance with the standards developed under division (A) of this section and make recommendations to the state board of education for appropriate corrective action if such standards are not met;

(2) Research, develop, and recommend policies on the professions of teaching and school administration;

(3) Recommend policies to close the achievement gap between students of different subgroups;

(4) Define a "master teacher" in a manner that can be used uniformly by all school districts;

(5) Adopt criteria that a candidate for a lead professional educator license under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code who does not hold a valid certificate issued by the national board for professional teaching standards must meet to be considered a lead teacher for purposes of division (B)(4)(d) of that section. It is the intent of the general assembly that the educator standards board shall adopt multiple, equal-weighted criteria to use in
determining whether a person is a lead teacher. The criteria shall be in addition to the other standards and qualifications prescribed in division (B)(4) of section 3319.22 of the Revised Code. The criteria may include, but shall not be limited to, completion of educational levels beyond a master's degree or other professional development courses or demonstration of a leadership role in the teacher's school building or district. The board shall determine the number of criteria that a teacher shall satisfy to be recognized as a lead teacher, which shall not be the total number of criteria adopted by the board.

(6) Develop model teacher and principal evaluation instruments and processes. The models shall be based on the standards developed under division (A) of this section.

(7) Develop a method of measuring the academic improvement made by individual students during a one-year period and make recommendations for incorporating the measurement as one of multiple evaluation criteria into each of the following:

(a) Eligibility for a professional educator license, senior professional educator license, lead professional educator license, or principal license issued under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code;

(b) The Ohio teacher residency program established under section 3319.223 of the Revised Code;

(c) The model teacher and principal evaluation instruments and processes developed under division (F)(6) of this section.

(G) The educator standards board shall submit recommendations of standards developed under division (A) of this section to the state board of education not later than September 1, 2010. The state board of education shall review those recommendations at the state board's regular meeting that next succeeds the date that the recommendations are submitted to the state board. At that meeting,
the state board of education shall vote to either adopt standards based on those recommendations or request that the educator standards board reconsider its recommendations. The state board of education shall articulate reasons for requesting reconsideration of the recommendations but shall not direct the content of the recommendations. The educator standards board shall reconsider its recommendations if the state board of education so requests, may revise the recommendations, and shall resubmit the recommendations, whether revised or not, to the state board not later than two weeks prior to the state board's regular meeting that next succeeds the meeting at which the state board requested reconsideration of the initial recommendations. The state board of education shall review the recommendations as resubmitted by the educator standards board at the state board's regular meeting that next succeeds the meeting at which the state board requested reconsideration of the initial recommendations and may adopt the standards as resubmitted or, if the resubmitted standards have not addressed the state board's concerns, the state board may modify the standards prior to adopting them. The final responsibility to determine whether to adopt standards as described in division (A) of this section and the content of those standards, if adopted, belongs solely to the state board of education.

**Sec. 3319.99.** (A) Whoever violates division (A)(B)(1) of section 3319.151 of the Revised Code is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

(B) Whoever violates division (H)(1) of section 3319.311 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

(C) Whoever violates division (F) of section 3319.313 of the Revised Code shall be punished as follows:

(1) Except as otherwise provided in division (C)(2) of this section, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth
degree.

(2) The person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree if both of the following conditions apply:

(a) The employee who is the subject of the report that the person fails to submit was required to be reported for the commission or alleged commission of an act or offense involving the infliction on a child of any physical or mental wound, injury, disability, or condition of a nature that constitutes abuse or neglect of the child;

(b) During the period between the violation of division (F) of section 3319.313 of the Revised Code and the conviction of or plea of guilty by the person for that violation, the employee who is the subject of the report that the person fails to submit inflicts on any child attending a school district, educational service center, public or nonpublic school, or county board of developmental disabilities where the employee works any physical or mental wound, injury, disability, or condition of a nature that constitutes abuse or neglect of the child.

(D) Whoever violates division (B) or (D) of section 3319.317 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

Sec. 3326.02. There is hereby established the STEM committee of the department of education consisting of the following members:

(A) The superintendent of public instruction, or the superintendent's designee;

(B) The chancellor of the Ohio board of regents higher education, or the chancellor's designee;

(C) The director of development, or the director's designee;

(D) Four members of the public, two of whom shall be
appointed by the governor, one of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, and one of whom shall be appointed by the president of the senate. Members of the public shall be appointed based on their expertise in business or in STEM fields. The initial members of the committee shall be appointed under division (D) of this section not later than forty-five days after June 30, 2007.

All members of the committee appointed under division (D) of this section shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authority.

If a member listed in divisions (A) to (C) of this section elects to assign a designee to participate in committee business on the member's behalf, the member shall assign that designation to a single person for the time period in which the designation is effective.

Members of the committee shall receive no compensation for their services. The department of education shall provide administrative support for the committee.

Sec. 3326.03. (A) The STEM committee shall authorize the establishment of and award grants to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics schools based on proposals submitted to the committee.

The committee shall determine the criteria for proposals, establish procedures for the submission of proposals, accept and evaluate proposals, and choose which proposals to approve to become a STEM school. In approving proposals for STEM schools, the committee shall consider locating the designating schools in diverse geographic regions of the state so that all students have access to a STEM school.

The committee shall seek technical assistance from the Ohio
STEM learning network, or its successor, throughout the process of accepting and evaluating proposals and choosing which proposals to approve. In approving proposals for STEM schools, the committee shall consider the recommendations of the Ohio STEM learning network, or its successor.

The committee may authorize the establishment of a group of multiple STEM schools to operate from multiple facilities located in one or more school districts under the direction of a single governing body in the manner prescribed by section 3326.031 of the Revised Code. The committee shall consider the merits of each of the proposed STEM schools within a group and shall authorize each school separately. Anytime after authorizing a group of STEM schools to be under the direction of a single governing body, upon a proposal from the governing body, the committee may authorize one or more additional schools to operate as part of that group provided a proposal for each school is submitted in accordance with this section.

The STEM committee may approve one or more STEM schools to serve only students identified as gifted under Chapter 3324. of the Revised Code.

(B) Proposals may be submitted only by a partnership of public and private entities consisting of at least all of the following:

(1) A city, exempted village, or local, or joint vocational school district or an educational service center;

(2) Higher education entities;

(3) Business organizations.

A community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, a chartered nonpublic school, or both may be part of the partnership.
(C) Each proposal shall include at least the following:

(1) A statement of which of grades kindergarten through twelve will be offered by the school;

(2) Assurances that the STEM school or group of STEM schools will be under the oversight of a governing body and a description of the members of that governing body and how they will be selected;

(2)(3) Assurances that each STEM school will operate in compliance with this chapter and the provisions of the proposal as accepted by the committee and that the school will maintain the STEM education practices set forth in the proposal;

(3)(4) Evidence that each school will exhibit school-wide cultural strategies reflecting innovation, an entrepreneurial spirit, inquiry, and collaboration with individual accountability;

(5) Evidence that each school will offer a rigorous, diverse, integrated, and problem- or project-based curriculum to all students in any of grades kindergarten through twelve enrolled in the school, with the goal to prepare those all students for college post-high school learning experiences, the workforce, and citizenship, and that does all of the following:

(a) Emphasizes and supports the role of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics in promoting innovation and economic progress;

(b) Incorporates scientific inquiry and technological design Emphasizes the use of design thinking as a school-wide approach;

(c) Provides opportunities for students to engage in personalized learning;

(d) Includes the arts and humanities. If the proposal is for a STEAM school, it also shall include evidence that the curriculum will integrate arts and design into the study of science,
technology, engineering, and mathematics to foster creative
tinking, problem-solving, and new approaches to scientific
vention.

(d) Emphasizes personalized learning and teamwork skills.

(4)(6) Evidence that each school will attract school leaders
who support leadership supports the curriculum principles of
division (C)(3)-(C)(5) of this section;

(5)(7) A description of how each school's curriculum will be
was developed using the curriculum principles described in
division (C)(5) of this section and approved by a team in
accordance with section 3326.09 of the Revised Code;

(6)(8) Evidence that each school will utilize an established
capacity to capture and share knowledge for best practices and
innovative professional development with the Ohio STEM learning
network, or its successor participate in regular STEM-focused
professional development and share knowledge of best practices;

(7)(9) Evidence that each school will operate in
collaboration with a partnership that includes has established
partnerships with institutions of higher education and businesses.
If the proposal is for a STEAM school, it also shall include
evidence that this partnership will include of established
partnerships with one or more arts organizations.

(8)(10) Assurances that each school has received commitments
of sustained and verifiable fiscal and in-kind support from
regional education and business entities. If the proposal is for a
STEAM school, it also shall include assurances that the school has
received commitments of sustained and verifiable fiscal and
in-kind support from arts organizations.

(9)(11) A description of how each school's assets will be
distributed if the school closes for any reason.
(D) A STEM school that is designated under this section may submit an amended proposal to the STEM committee at any time to offer additional grade levels. Upon approval of the amended proposal by the committee, those grades may be offered by the school.

(E)(1) If a school is designated as a STEM school under this section, it shall maintain that designation for five years unless the STEM committee revokes its designation during that five-year period under division (F) of this section. At the end of that five-year period, the school shall reapply to the STEM committee in order to maintain that designation. The committee shall authorize the continuation of the school's STEM designation if the committee finds that the school is in compliance with this chapter and the provisions of its proposal and any subsequent amendments to that proposal.

If a school chooses not to reapply for designation as a STEM school under division (E)(1) of this section, the committee shall revoke the school's designation at the end of its five-year designation period.

(2) If a school reapplies for its designation as a STEM school under division (E)(1) of this section and the committee has reason to believe that it is not in compliance with this chapter or the provisions of its proposal and any subsequent amendments to that proposal, the committee shall require the school, in collaboration with the department of education and the Ohio STEM learning network or its successor, to develop a corrective action plan. The school shall implement the corrective action plan and demonstrate exemplary STEM pedagogy and practices within one year of the plan's development. If the school fails to implement the corrective action plan to the satisfaction of the committee at the end of that year, the committee shall revoke the school's designation.
(3) The department shall maintain records of the application status and designation renewal deadlines for each school that has been designated as a STEM school under this section.

(F) If the STEM committee has reason to believe that a school that is designated as a STEM school under this section is not in compliance with this chapter or the provisions of its proposal and any subsequent amendments to that proposal, it may review the school's designation prior to the end of its five-year designation period. If the committee reviews a school's designation under this division, it must require the school to develop a corrective action plan in the same manner as specified in division (E)(2) of this section and implement that plan and demonstrate exemplary STEM pedagogy and practices within one year of the plan's development. If the school fails to implement the corrective action plan to the satisfaction of the committee at the end of that year, the committee shall revoke the school's designation.

(G) If a STEM school wishes to become a STEAM school, it may change its existing proposal to include the items required under divisions (C)(3)(c)(C)(5)(d), (C)(7), and (C)(8)(C)(9), and (C)(10) of this section and submit the revised proposal to the STEM committee for approval.

(H) Notwithstanding division (B)(1) of this section, on and after the effective date of this amendment, a school operated by a joint vocational school district that was designated as a STEM school prior to that date may maintain that designation provided the school continues to comply with this chapter and all provisions of its proposal and any subsequent amendments to that proposal. However, nothing shall prohibit that school from electing to apply for distinction as a STEM program of excellence under section 3326.04 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3326.032. (A) The STEM committee may grant a designation
of STEM school equivalent to a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, to a career center, or to a chartered nonpublic school. In order to be eligible for this designation, a community school, a career center, or chartered nonpublic school shall submit a proposal that satisfies the requirements of this section.

The committee shall determine the criteria for proposals, establish procedures for the submission of proposals, accept and evaluate proposals, and choose which proposals warrant a community school, career center, or chartered nonpublic school to be designated as a STEM school equivalent.

(B) A proposal for designation as a STEM school equivalent shall include at least the following:

(1) Assurances that the community school, career center, or chartered nonpublic school submitting the proposal has a working partnership with both public and private entities, including higher education entities and business organizations. If the proposal is for a STEAM school equivalent, it also shall include evidence that this partnership includes arts organizations. A statement of which of grades kindergarten through twelve will be offered by the school;

(2) Assurances that the school or career center submitting the proposal will operate in compliance with this section and the provisions of the proposal as accepted by the committee and that the school will maintain the STEM education practices set forth in the proposal;

(3) Evidence that the school submitting the proposal will exhibit school-wide cultural strategies reflecting innovation, an entrepreneurial spirit, inquiry, and collaboration with individual accountability:
Evidence that the school or career center submitting the proposal will offer a rigorous, diverse, integrated, and problem- or project-based curriculum to all students in any of grades kindergarten through twelve enrolled in the school, with the goal to prepare these all students for college post-secondary learning experiences, the workforce, and citizenship, and that does all of the following:

(a) Emphasizes and supports the role of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics in promoting innovation and economic progress;

(b) Incorporates scientific inquiry and technological design Emphasizes the use of design thinking as a school-wide approach;

(c) Provides opportunities for students to engage in personalized learning;

(d) Includes the arts and humanities. If the proposal is for a STEAM school equivalent, it also shall include evidence that the curriculum will integrate arts and design into the study of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics to foster creative thinking, problem-solving, and new approaches to scientific invention.

(d) Emphasizes personalized learning and teamwork skills.

(4)(5) Evidence that the school or career center submitting the proposal will attract school leaders who support leadership supports the curriculum principles of division (B)(3) (B)(4) of this section;

(5)(6) A description of how each the school's or career center's curriculum will be was developed using the principles of division (B)(4) of this section and approved by a team in accordance with section 3326.09 of the Revised Code;

(6)(7) Evidence that the school or career center submitting
the proposal will utilize an established capacity to capture and share knowledge for best practices and innovative professional development; participate in regular professional development and share knowledge of best practices;

(7)(8) Evidence that the school submitting the proposal has established partnerships with institutions of higher education and businesses. If the proposal is for a STEAM school equivalent, it also shall include evidence of established partnerships with one or more arts organizations.

(9) Assurances that the school or career center submitting the proposal has received commitments of sustained and verifiable fiscal and in-kind support from regional education and business entities. If the proposal is for a STEAM school equivalent, it also shall include assurances that the school or career center has received commitments of sustained and verifiable fiscal and in-kind support from arts organizations.

(C)(1) If a school is designated as a STEM school equivalent under this section, it shall maintain that designation for five years unless the STEM committee revokes its designation during that five-year period under division (D) of this section. At the end of that five-year period, the school shall reapply to the STEM committee in order to maintain that designation. The committee shall authorize the continuation of the school's designation as a STEM school equivalent if the committee finds that the school is in compliance with this chapter and the provisions of its proposal and any subsequent amendments to that proposal.

If a school chooses not to reapply for designation as a STEM school equivalent under division (C)(1) of this section, the committee shall revoke the school's designation at the end of its five-year designation period.

(2) If a school reapplies for its designation as a STEM
school equivalent under division (C)(1) of this section and the committee has reason to believe that it is not in compliance with this chapter or the provisions of its proposal and any subsequent amendments to that proposal, the committee shall require the school, in collaboration with the department of education and the Ohio STEM learning network or its successor, to develop a corrective action plan. The school shall implement the corrective action plan and demonstrate exemplary STEM pedagogy and practices within one year of the plan's development. If the school fails to implement the corrective action plan to the satisfaction of the committee at the end of that year, the committee shall revoke the school's designation.

(3) The department shall maintain records of the application status and designation renewal deadlines for each school that has been designated as a STEM school equivalent under this section.

(D) If the STEM committee has reason to believe that a school that is designated as a STEM school equivalent under this section is not in compliance with this chapter or the provisions of its proposal and any subsequent amendments to that proposal, it may review the school's designation prior to the end of its five-year designation period. If the committee reviews a school's designation under this division, it must require the school to develop a corrective action plan in the same manner as specified in division (C)(2) of this section and implement that plan and demonstrate exemplary STEM pedagogy and practices within one year of the plan's development. If the school fails to implement the corrective action plan to the satisfaction of the committee at the end of that year, the committee shall revoke the school's designation.

(E) A community school, career center, or chartered nonpublic school that is designated as a STEM school equivalent under this section shall not be subject to the requirements of Chapter 3326.
of the Revised Code, except that the school or career center shall be subject to the requirements of this section and to the curriculum requirements of section 3326.09 of the Revised Code.

Nothing in this section, however, shall relieve a community school of the applicable requirements of Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code. Nor shall anything in this section relieve a chartered nonpublic school of any provisions of law outside of this chapter that are applicable to chartered nonpublic schools.

(2) A community school, career center, or chartered nonpublic school that is designated as a STEM school equivalent under this section shall not be eligible for operating funding under sections 3326.31 to 3326.37, 3326.39 to 3326.40, and 3326.51 of the Revised Code.

(3) A community school, career center, or chartered nonpublic school that is designated as a STEM school equivalent under this section may apply for any of the grants and additional funds described in section 3326.38 of the Revised Code for which the school or career center is eligible.

(D)(F) If a community school, a career center, or chartered nonpublic school that is designated as a STEM school equivalent under this section intends to close or intends to no longer be designated as a STEM school equivalent, it shall notify the STEM committee of that fact.

(E)(G) If a community school, a career center, or chartered nonpublic school that is designated as a STEM school equivalent wishes to be designated as a STEAM school equivalent, it may change its existing proposal to include the items required under divisions (B)(1), (B)(3)(c), (B)(4)(d), (B)(8), and (B)(7)(B)(9) of this section and submit the revised proposal to the STEM committee for approval.

(F) As used in this section, "career center" means a school
that enrolls students in any of grades nine through twelve and in which a career-technical planning district, as defined in section 3317.023 of the Revised Code, provides career-technical education services that meet standards adopted by the state board of education.

Sec. 3326.04. (A) The STEM committee shall award grants to support the operation of grant distinctions as STEM programs of excellence to serve students in any of grades kindergarten through twelve through a request for proposals to STEM programs operated by joint vocational school districts and educational service centers in accordance with this section.

(B) Proposals may be submitted by any of the following:

(1) The board of education of a city, exempted village, or local school district;

(2) The governing authority of a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code;

(3) The governing authority of a chartered nonpublic school.

(C) Each joint vocational school district or educational service center may submit a proposal to the STEM committee seeking distinction as a STEM program of excellence. The proposal shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the STEM committee that the program meets at least the following standards:

(1) Unless the program is designed to serve only students identified as gifted under Chapter 3324. of the Revised Code, the program will serve all students enrolled in the district or school in the grades for which the program is designed.

(2) The program will offer a rigorous and diverse curriculum that is based on scientific inquiry and technological design, that emphasizes personalized learning and teamwork skills, and that will expose students to advanced scientific concepts within and
outside the classroom. If the proposal is for a STEAM program of excellence, it also shall include evidence that the curriculum will integrate arts and design into the curriculum to foster creative thinking, problem-solving, and new approaches to scientific invention.

(3) Unless the program is designed to serve only students identified as gifted under Chapter 3324. of the Revised Code, the program will not limit participation of students on the basis of intellectual ability, measures of achievement, or aptitude.

(4) The program will utilize an established capacity to capture and share knowledge for best practices and innovative professional development.

(5) The program will operate in collaboration with a partnership that includes institutions of higher education and businesses. If the proposal is for a STEAM program of excellence, it also shall include evidence that this partnership includes arts organizations.

(6) The program will include teacher professional development strategies that are augmented by community and business partners. The program will provide students with the opportunity to innovate, develop an entrepreneurial spirit, engage in inquiry, and collaborate with individual accountability.

(3) The program will offer a rigorous, diverse, integrated, and problem- or project-based curriculum to students, with the goal to prepare students for post-secondary learning experiences, the workforce, and citizenship, and that does all of the following:

(a) Emphasizes and supports the role of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics in promoting innovation and economic progress;

(b) Emphasizes the use of design thinking as a school-wide
approach;

(c) Provides opportunities for students to engage in personalized learning;

(d) Includes the arts and humanities. If the proposal is for distinction as a STEAM program of excellence, it also shall include evidence that the curriculum will integrate arts and design into the study of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics to foster creative thinking, problem-solving, and new approaches to scientific invention.

(4) The district or service center leadership supports the curriculum principles of division (B)(3) of this section.

(5) The program's leaders participate in regular STEM-focused professional development and share knowledge of best practices.

(6) The program has established partnerships with institutions of higher education and businesses. If the proposal is for distinction as a STEAM program of excellence, it also shall include evidence of established partnerships with one or more arts organizations.

(7) The program has received commitments of sustained and verifiable fiscal and in-kind support from regional education and business entities. If the proposal is for distinction as a STEAM program of excellence, the program also has received commitments of sustained and verifiable fiscal and in-kind support from arts organizations.

(D) The STEM committee shall give priority to proposals for new or expanding innovative programs (C)(1). If a joint vocational school district or educational service center receives a distinction as a STEM program of excellence under this section, it shall maintain that distinction for five years unless the STEM committee revokes the distinction during that five-year period under division (E) of this section. At the end of that five-year
period, the district or service center shall reapply to the STEM 26071
committee in order to maintain that distinction. The committee 26072
shall authorize the continuation of the district's or service 26073
center's distinction as a STEM program of excellence if the 26074
committee finds that the district or service center is in 26075
compliance with this chapter and the provisions of its proposal 26076
and any subsequent amendments to that proposal.

If a joint vocational school district or educational service 26078
center chooses not to reapply for a distinction for a STEM program 26079
of excellence under division (C)(1) of this section, the committee 26080
shall revoke the district's or service center's distinction at the 26081
end of its five-year period of distinction.

(2) If a joint vocational school district or educational 26082
service center reapplies for distinction as a STEM program of 26083
excellence under division (C)(1) of this section and the committee 26084
has reason to believe that it is not in compliance with this 26085
chapter or the provisions of its proposal and any subsequent 26086
amendments to that proposal, the committee shall require the 26087
district or service center, in collaboration with the department 26088
of education and the Ohio STEM learning network or its successor, 26089
to develop a corrective action plan. The district or service 26090
center shall implement the corrective action plan and demonstrate 26091
exemplary STEM pedagogy and practices within one year of the 26092
plan's development. If the district or service center fails to 26093
implement the corrective action plan to the satisfaction of the 26094
committee at the end of that year, the committee shall revoke the 26095
district's or service center's distinction.

(3) The department shall maintain records of the application 26096
status and designation renewal deadlines for each joint vocational 26097
school district or educational service center that has received a 26098
distinction as a STEM program of excellence under this section.

(D) If the STEM committee has reason to believe that a joint 26099
vocational school district or educational service center that has received a distinction as a STEM program of excellence under this section is not in compliance with this chapter or the provisions of its proposal and any subsequent amendments to that proposal, it may review the district's or service center's distinction prior to the end of the five-year period during which that distinction is effective. If the committee reviews a district's or service center's distinction under this division, it must require the district or service center to develop a corrective action plan in the same manner as specified in division (C)(2) of this section and implement that plan and demonstrate exemplary STEM pedagogy and practices within one year of the plan's development. If the district or service center fails to implement the corrective action plan to the satisfaction of the committee at the end of that year, the committee shall revoke the district's or service center's distinction.

(E) If a joint vocational school district or educational service center that has received distinction for a STEM program of excellence instead wishes to receive a distinction for a STEAM program of excellence, it may change its existing proposal to include the items required under divisions (C)(2), (B)(3)(d), (B)(6), and (C)(5)(B)(7) of this section and submit the revised proposal to the STEM committee for approval.

Sec. 3326.07. Each science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school established under this chapter is a public school, is part of the state's program of education, may contract for any services necessary for the operation of the school, and may continue in operation for as long as the school is in compliance with the provisions of this chapter and with the proposal for its establishment as approved by the STEM committee. If the school closes for any reason, its assets shall be distributed in the manner provided in the proposal for its
establishment as required by division (C)(9)(C)(11) of section 3326.03 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3326.08. (A) The governing body of each science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school shall engage the services of administrative officers, teachers, and nonteaching employees of the STEM school necessary for the school to carry out its mission and shall oversee the operations of the school. The governing body of each STEM school shall engage the services of a chief administrative officer to serve as the school's instructional and administrative leader. The chief administrative officer shall be granted the authority to oversee the recruitment, retention, and employment of teachers and nonteaching employees.

(B) The department of education shall monitor the oversight of each STEM school exercised by the school's governing body and shall monitor the school's compliance with this chapter and with the proposal for the establishment of the school as it was approved by the STEM committee under section 3326.04 of the Revised Code. If except in the case of a STEM school that is governed and controlled by a school district in accordance with section 3326.51 of the Revised Code, if the department finds that the school is not in compliance with this chapter or with the proposal and the STEM committee has revoked the school's STEM designation under division (E)(1) or (2) or (F) of section 3326.03 of the Revised Code, the department shall consult with the STEM committee, and the committee may order the school to close on the last day of the school year in which the committee issues its order.

(C) The governing body of each STEM school shall comply with sections 121.22 and 149.43 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3326.081. (A) As used in this section, "license" has the
same meaning as in section 3319.31 of the Revised Code.

(B) If a person who is employed by a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school established under this chapter is arrested, summoned, or indicted for an alleged violation of an offense listed in division (C) of section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, if the person holds a license, or an offense listed in division (B)(1) of section 3319.39 of the Revised Code, if the person does not hold a license, the chief administrative officer of the school shall suspend that person from all duties that require the care, custody, or control of a child during the pendency of the criminal action against the person. If the person who is arrested, summoned, or indicted for an alleged violation of an offense listed in division (C) of section 3319.31 or division (B)(1) of section 3319.39 of the Revised Code is the chief administrative officer of the school, the governing body of the school shall suspend the chief administrative officer from all duties that require the care, custody, or control of a child.

(C) When a person who holds a license is suspended in accordance with this section, the chief administrative officer or governing body that imposed the suspension promptly shall report the person's suspension to the department of education. The report shall include the offense for which the person was arrested, summoned, or indicted. The superintendent of public instruction, on behalf of the state board of education, shall inactivate the person's license. The inactivation shall remain in force during the pendency of the criminal action against the person. The inactivation of a license under this division does not constitute a suspension or revocation of the license by the state board under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code and the state board and the state superintendent need not provide the person with an opportunity for a hearing with respect to the inactivation. If the state board does not take action against the person's license
under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, the state
superintendent shall reactivate the license upon conclusion of the
criminal action against the person.

Sec. 3326.11. Each science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school established under this chapter and its
governing body shall comply with sections 9.90, 9.91, 109.65,
121.22, 149.43, 2151.357, 2151.421, 2313.19, 2921.42, 2921.43,
3301.0714, 3301.0715, 3301.0729, 3301.232, 3301.948, 3313.14,
3313.15, 3313.16, 3313.18, 3313.201, 3313.26, 3313.472, 3313.48,
3313.481, 3313.482, 3313.50, 3313.539, 3313.5310, 3313.608,
3313.6012, 3313.6013, 3313.6014, 3313.6015, 3313.6020, 3313.6021,
3313.6024, 3313.6025, 3313.6026, 3313.61, 3313.611, 3313.614,
3313.615, 3313.617, 3313.618, 3313.6114, 3313.643, 3313.648,
3313.6411, 3313.66, 3313.661, 3313.662, 3313.666, 3313.667,
3313.668, 3313.669, 3313.6610, 3313.67, 3313.671, 3313.672,
3313.673, 3313.69, 3313.71, 3313.716, 3313.718, 3313.719,
3313.7112, 3313.721, 3313.80, 3313.801, 3313.814, 3313.816,
3313.817, 3313.818, 3313.86, 3313.89, 3313.96, 3319.073, 3319.077,
3319.078, 3319.0812, 3319.21, 3319.318, 3319.32, 3319.321,
3319.35, 3319.39, 3319.391, 3319.393, 3319.394, 3319.41, 3319.45,
3319.46, 3320.01, 3320.02, 3320.03, 3321.01, 3321.041, 3321.05,
3321.13, 3321.14, 3321.141, 3321.17, 3321.18, 3321.19, 3321.191,
3323.251, 3327.10, 4111.17, 4113.52, 5502.262, and 5705.391 and
Chapters 102., 117., 1347., 2744., 3307., 3309., 3365., 3742.,
4112., 4123., 4141., and 4167. of the Revised Code as if it were a
school district.

Sec. 3326.14. Each science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school and its governing body shall administer the
assessments required by sections 3301.0710, 3301.0711, and
3301.0712 of the Revised Code, as if it were a school district,
except that, notwithstanding any provision of those sections to
the contrary, any student enrolled in a grade lower than the tenth grade in a STEM school may take one or more of the Ohio graduation tests prescribed under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code on any of the dates prescribed for that assessment.

Sec. 3326.23. This section does not apply to any science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school that is governed and controlled by a school district in accordance with section 3326.51 of the Revised Code on or after the effective date of this amendment.

The governing body of each science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school annually shall provide the following assurances in writing to the department of education not later than ten business days prior to the opening of the school:

(A) That the school has a plan for providing special education and related services to students with disabilities and has demonstrated the capacity to provide those services in accordance with Chapter 3323. of the Revised Code and federal law;

(B) That the school has a plan and procedures for administering the achievement and diagnostic assessments prescribed by sections 3301.0710, 3301.0712, and 3301.0715 of the Revised Code;

(C) That school personnel have the necessary training, knowledge, and resources to properly use and submit information to all databases maintained by the department for the collection of education data, including the education management information system established under section 3301.0714 of the Revised Code;

(D) That all required information about the school has been submitted to the Ohio education directory system or any successor system;

(E) That all classroom teachers are licensed in accordance
with sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code or are
engaged to teach pursuant to section 3319.301 of the Revised Code;

(F) That the school's treasurer is in compliance with section
3326.21 of the Revised Code;

(G) That the school has complied with sections 3319.39 and
3319.391 of the Revised Code with respect to all employees and
that the school has conducted a criminal records check of each of
its governing body members;

(H) That the school holds all of the following:

(1) Proof of property ownership or a lease for the facilities
used by the school;

(2) A certificate of occupancy;

(3) Liability insurance for the school, as required by
section 3326.11 of the Revised Code;

(4) A satisfactory health and safety inspection;

(5) A satisfactory fire inspection;

(6) A valid food permit, if applicable.

(I) That the governing body has conducted a pre-opening site
visit to the school for the school year for which the assurances
are provided;

(J) That the school has designated a date it will open for
the school year for which the assurances are provided;

(K) That the school has met all of the governing body's
requirements for opening and any other requirements of the
governing body.

Sec. 3326.42. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Base per pupil amount" has the same meaning as in
section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code.
"Eligible school district" has the same meaning as in division (C)(1) of section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code.

"Resident district" has the same meaning as in section 3326.31 of the Revised Code.

Subject to division (D) of this section, for fiscal years 2020, 2022, and 2021, the department of education shall calculate and pay to each science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school student wellness and success funds, on a full-time equivalency basis, for each student enrolled in the school in the immediately preceding fiscal year in an amount equal to the following:

(The base per pupil amount of the student's resident district for that fiscal year + the scaled amount of the student's resident district, if any, computed under division (B)(4) of section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code)

However, each science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school shall receive a minimum payment of $25,000, for fiscal year 2020, or $45,720 for fiscal year 2022, or $36,000 for fiscal year 2023.

Subject to division (D) of this section, for fiscal years 2020, 2022, and 2021, the department shall pay to each science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school student wellness and success enhancement funds, on a full-time equivalency basis, for each student enrolled in the school in the immediately preceding fiscal year whose resident district is an eligible school district, in an amount equal to the following:

The amount paid to the student's resident district under division (C)(2) of section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code for that fiscal year / the enrolled ADM of the student's resident district for the immediately preceding fiscal year

The department shall pay funds under divisions (B) and
(C) of this section as follows:

(1) One-half of the amount shall be paid not later than the thirty-first day of October of the fiscal year for which the payment is calculated.

(2) One-half of the amount shall be paid not later than the twenty-eighth day of February of the fiscal year for which the payment is calculated.

Upon making a payment for a fiscal year under this section, the department shall not make any reconciliations or adjustments to that payment.

(E) A science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school that receives a payment under this section shall comply with section 3317.26 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3326.51. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Resident district" has the same meaning as in section 3326.31 of the Revised Code.

(2) "STEM school sponsoring district" means a municipal, city, local, or exempted village, or joint vocational school district that governs and controls a STEM school pursuant to this section.

(B) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary:

(1) If a proposal for a STEM school submitted under section 3326.03 of the Revised Code proposes that the governing body of the school be the board of education of a municipal, city, local, or exempted village, or joint vocational school district that is one of the partners submitting the proposal, and the STEM committee approves that proposal, that school district board shall govern and control the STEM school as one of the schools of its district.
(2) The STEM school sponsoring district shall maintain a separate accounting for the STEM school as a separate and distinct operational unit within the district's finances. The auditor of state, in the course of an annual or biennial audit of the school district serving as the STEM school sponsoring district, shall audit that school district for compliance with the financing requirements of this section.

(3) With respect to students enrolled in a STEM school whose resident district is the STEM school sponsoring district:

(a) The department of education shall make no deductions under section 3326.33 of the Revised Code from the STEM school sponsoring district's state payments.

(b) The STEM school sponsoring district shall ensure that it allocates to the STEM school funds equal to or exceeding the amount that would be calculated pursuant to division (B) of section 3313.981 of the Revised Code for the students attending the school whose resident district is the STEM school sponsoring district.

(c) The STEM school sponsoring district is responsible for providing children with disabilities with a free appropriate public education under Chapter 3323. of the Revised Code.

(d) The STEM school sponsoring district shall provide student transportation in accordance with laws and policies generally applicable to the district.

(4) With respect to students enrolled in the STEM school whose resident district is another school district, the department shall make no payments or deductions under sections 3326.31 to 3326.49 of the Revised Code. Instead, the students shall be considered as open enrollment students and the department shall make payments and deductions in accordance with section 3313.981 of the Revised Code. The STEM school sponsoring district shall
allocate the payments to the STEM school. The STEM school sponsoring district may enter into financial agreements with the students' resident districts, which agreements may provide financial support in addition to the funds received from the open enrollment calculation. The STEM school sponsoring district shall allocate all such additional funds to the STEM school.

(5) Where the department is required to make, deny, reduce, or adjust payments to a STEM school sponsoring district pursuant to this section, it shall do so in such a manner that the STEM school sponsoring district may allocate that action to the STEM school.

(6) A STEM school sponsoring district and its board may assign its district employees to the STEM school, in which case section 3326.18 of the Revised Code shall not apply. The district and board may apply any other resources of the district to the STEM school in the same manner that it applies district resources to other district schools.

(7) Provisions of this chapter requiring a STEM school and its governing body to comply with specified laws as if it were a school district and in the same manner as a board of education shall instead require such compliance by the STEM school sponsoring district and its board of education, respectively, with respect to the STEM school. Where a STEM school or its governing body is required to perform a specific duty or permitted to take a specific action under this chapter, that duty is required to be performed or that action is permitted to be taken by the STEM school sponsoring district or its board of education, respectively, with respect to the STEM school.

(8) No provision of this chapter limits the authority, as provided otherwise by law, of a school district and its board of education to levy taxes and issue bonds secured by tax revenues.
(9) The treasurer of the STEM school sponsoring district or, if the STEM school sponsoring district is a municipal school district, the chief financial officer of the district, shall have all of the respective rights, authority, exemptions, and duties otherwise conferred upon the treasurer or chief financial officer by the Revised Code.

Sec. 3327.01. Notwithstanding division (D) of section 3311.19 and division (D) of section 3311.52 of the Revised Code, this section and sections 3327.011, 3327.012, and 3327.02 of the Revised Code do not apply to any joint vocational or cooperative education school district.

In all city, local, and exempted village school districts where resident school pupils in grades kindergarten through eight live more than two miles from the school for which the state board of education prescribes minimum standards pursuant to division (D) of section 3301.07 of the Revised Code and to which they are assigned by the board of education of the district of residence or to and from the nonpublic or community school which they attend, the board of education shall provide transportation for such pupils to and from that school except as provided in section 3327.02 of the Revised Code.

In all city, local, and exempted village school districts where pupil transportation is required under a career-technical plan approved by the state board of education under section 3313.90 of the Revised Code, for any student attending a career-technical program operated by another school district, including a joint vocational school district, as prescribed under that section, the board of education of the student's district of residence shall provide transportation from the public high school operated by that district to which the student is assigned to the career-technical program.
In all city, local, and exempted village school districts, the board may provide transportation for resident school pupils in grades nine through twelve to and from the high school to which they are assigned by the board of education of the district of residence or to and from the nonpublic or community high school which they attend for which the state board of education prescribes minimum standards pursuant to division (D) of section 3301.07 of the Revised Code.

A board of education shall not be required to transport elementary or high school pupils to and from a nonpublic or community school where such transportation would require more than thirty minutes of direct travel time as measured by school bus from the public school building to which the pupils would be assigned if attending the public school designated by the district of residence.

Where it is impractical to transport a pupil by school conveyance, a board of education may offer payment, in lieu of providing such transportation in accordance with section 3327.02 of the Revised Code.

A board of education shall provide transportation to students enrolled in a community school or nonpublic school in accordance with this section on each day in which that school is open for operation with students in attendance, regardless of whether the district's own schools are open for operation with students in attendance on that day. However, a board of education shall not be required to transport elementary or high school pupils to and from a nonpublic or community school on Saturday or Sunday, unless a board of education and a nonpublic or community school have an agreement in place to do so before the first day of July of the school year in which the agreement takes effect.

In all city, local, and exempted village school districts, the board shall provide transportation for all children who are so
disabled that they are unable to walk to and from the school for which the state board of education prescribes minimum standards pursuant to division (D) of section 3301.07 of the Revised Code and which they attend. In case of dispute whether the child is able to walk to and from the school, the health commissioner shall be the judge of such ability. In all city, exempted village, and local school districts, the board shall provide transportation to and from school or special education classes for mentally disabled children in accordance with standards adopted by the state board of education.

When transportation of pupils is provided the conveyance shall be run on a time schedule that shall be adopted and put in force by the board not later than ten days after the beginning of the school term.

The cost of any transportation service authorized by this section shall be paid first out of federal funds, if any, available for the purpose of pupil transportation, and secondly out of state appropriations, in accordance with regulations adopted by the state board of education.

No transportation of any pupils shall be provided by any board of education to or from any school which in the selection of pupils, faculty members, or employees, practices discrimination against any person on the grounds of race, color, religion, or national origin.

**Sec. 3327.016.** (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Designated educational service center" means an educational service center with which the city, local, or exempted village school district has entered into a service agreement under section 3313.843 of the Revised Code or, if a district has not entered into a service agreement, the service center with the most territory in the county in which the district is located.
(2) "Eligible student" means a student entitled to transportation services from the city, local, or exempted village school district pursuant to section 3327.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) Except as provided for in division (D) of this section, each community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code or chartered nonpublic school shall establish the school's start and end times for a particular school year not later than the first day of June prior to that school year. Each community or chartered nonpublic school shall provide such start and end times to each city, local, or exempted village school district that the school expects will be responsible for providing transportation services to eligible students enrolled in the school for that school year.

(C) Except as provided for in division (D) of this section, each city, local, or exempted village school district that receives start and end times as prescribed under division (B) of this section shall use those start and end times to develop a transportation plan, including transportation routes and schedules, for eligible students who enrolled in a community or chartered nonpublic school not later than the first day of June prior to the school year described in that division. Each district shall develop and provide such transportation plan to the community or chartered nonpublic school not later than the first day of July of that school year. For any eligible student who enrolls in a community or chartered nonpublic school after the first day of June prior to that school year, a district shall develop a transportation plan, including transportation routes and schedules, for that student within fourteen calendar days of receiving a request for transportation services from the student's parent or guardian.

(D) In the event that a city, local, or exempted village school district has twenty or more community or chartered
nonpublic schools located in the district's territory, the designated educational service center shall, for the purposes of coordinating student transportation, convene a meeting with the district and all community or chartered nonpublic schools in the district's territory. The district and each community or chartered nonpublic school shall provide any information the educational service center determines is necessary for those purposes. Not later than the fifteenth day of July of the school year for which the educational service center is coordinating transportation services, the service center shall approve a transportation plan, including transportation routes and schedules, for each community or chartered nonpublic school.

(E) A student transportation plan developed under this section, including transportation routes and schedules, shall not result in an eligible student arriving to a community or chartered nonpublic school more than one hour before that school's start time, nor shall it result in that student being picked up from that school more than one hour after the school's end time.

Sec. 3327.017. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Eligible student" has the same meaning as in section 3327.016 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Mass transit system" has the same meaning as in section 4511.78 of the Revised Code.

(B) No city, local, or exempted village school district shall provide or arrange for transportation for any eligible student enrolled in any of grades kindergarten through eight in a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code or chartered nonpublic school to and from school using vehicles operated by a mass transit system, unless the district enters into an agreement with that school authorizing such transportation. An agreement under division (B) of this section
shall not be effective unless both the school district and community or chartered nonpublic school approve it.

(C) A city, local, or exempted village school district that elects to provide or arrange for transportation for any eligible student enrolled in any of grades nine through twelve in a community or chartered nonpublic school to and from school using vehicles operated by a mass transit system shall do both of the following:

(1) Enter into a contract with the mass transit system that requires that each student is transported using a vehicle operating on a route designed for transporting fare-paying passengers and students;

(2) Ensure that the student is assigned to a route that does not require the student to make more than one transfer.

Sec. 3327.02. (A) After considering each of the following factors, the board of education of a city, exempted village, or local school district, or a community school governing authority providing transportation pursuant to section 3314.091 of the Revised Code, may determine that it is impractical to transport a pupil who is eligible for transportation to and from a school under section 3327.01 of the Revised Code:

(1) The time and distance required to provide the transportation;

(2) The number of pupils to be transported;

(3) The cost of providing transportation in terms of equipment, maintenance, personnel, and administration;

(4) Whether similar or equivalent service is provided to other pupils eligible for transportation;

(5) Whether and to what extent the additional service unavoidably disrupts current transportation schedules;
(6) Whether other reimbursable types of transportation are available.

(B) Based on its consideration of the factors established in division (A) of this section, the board or governing authority may pass a resolution declaring the impracticality of transportation. The resolution shall include each pupil's name and the reason for impracticality. Such determination shall be made not later than thirty calendar days prior to the district's or school's first day of instruction, or in the case of a student who enrolls within thirty calendar days prior to the first day of instruction or on or after the first day of instruction, not later than fourteen calendar days after the student's enrollment. The determination may be made by the superintendent and formalized at the next following meeting of the board or governing authority.

The board or governing authority shall report its determination to the state board of education in a manner determined by the state board.

In addition, the board or governing authority shall issue a letter to the pupil's parent, guardian, or other person in charge of the pupil and to the state board with a detailed description of the reasons for which such determination was made.

(C) After passing the resolution declaring the impracticality of transportation, the district board or governing authority shall offer to provide payment in lieu of transportation by doing the following:

(1) In accordance with guidelines established by the department of education, informing the pupil's parent, guardian, or other person in charge of the pupil of both of the following:

(a) The resolution;

(b) The right of the pupil's parent, guardian, or other person in charge of the pupil to accept the offer of payment in
lack of transportation or to reject the offer and instead request the department to initiate mediation procedures.

(2) Issuing the pupil's parent, guardian, or other person in charge of the pupil a contract or other form on which the parent, guardian, or other person in charge of the pupil is given the option to accept or reject the board's offer of payment in lieu of transportation.

(D) If the parent, guardian, or other person in charge of the pupil accepts the offer of payment in lieu of providing transportation, the board or governing authority shall pay the parent, guardian, or other person in charge of the pupil an amount that shall be not less than the amount determined by the general assembly as the minimum for payment in lieu of transportation, and not more than the amount determined by the department of education as the average cost of pupil transportation for the previous school year. Payment may be prorated if the time period involved is only a part of the school year.

(E)(1)(a) Upon the request of a parent, guardian, or other person in charge of the pupil who rejected the payment in lieu of transportation, the department shall conduct mediation procedures. (b) If the mediation does not resolve the dispute, the state board of education shall conduct a hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. The state board may approve the payment in lieu of transportation or may order the district board of education or governing authority to provide transportation. The decision of the state board is binding in subsequent years and on future parties in interest provided the facts of the determination remain comparable.

(2) The school district or governing authority shall provide transportation for the pupil from the time the parent, guardian, or other person in charge of the pupil requests mediation until
the matter is resolved under division (E)(1)(a) or (b) of this section.

(F)(1) If the department determines that a school district board or governing authority has failed or is failing to provide transportation as required by division (E)(2) of this section or as ordered by the state board under division (E)(1)(b) of this section, the department shall order the school district board or governing authority to pay to the pupil's parent, guardian, or other person in charge of the pupil, an amount equal to the state average daily cost of transportation as determined by the state board of education for the previous year. The school district board or governing authority shall make payments on a schedule ordered by the department.

(2) If the department subsequently finds that a school district board is not in compliance with an order issued under division (F)(1) of this section and the affected pupils are enrolled in a nonpublic or community school, the department shall deduct the amount that the board is required to pay under that order from any pupil transportation payments the department makes to the school district board under section 3317.0212 of the Revised Code or other provisions of law. The department shall use the moneys so deducted to make payments to the nonpublic or community school attended by the pupil. The department shall continue to make the deductions and payments required under this division until the school district board either complies with the department's order issued under division (F)(1) of this section or begins providing transportation.

(G) A nonpublic or community school that receives payments from the department under division (F)(2) of this section shall do either of the following:

(1) Disburse the entire amount of the payments to the parent, guardian, or other person in charge of the pupil affected by the
failure of the school district of residence to provide transportation;

(2) Use the entire amount of the payments to provide acceptable transportation for the affected pupil.

**Sec. 3327.021.** The department of education shall monitor each city, local, or exempted village school district's compliance with sections 3327.01 and 3327.016 and division (B) of section 3327.017 of the Revised Code. If the department determines a consistent or prolonged period of noncompliance on the part of the school district to provide transportation as required under those sections, the department shall deduct from the district's payment for student transportation under Chapter 3317. of the Revised Code the total daily amount of that payment, as computed by the department, for each day that the district is not in compliance.

This section does not affect the authority of a school district to provide payment in lieu of transportation in accordance with section 3327.02 of the Revised Code.

**Sec. 3328.18.** (A) As used in this section, "license" has the same meaning as in section 3319.31 of the Revised Code.

(B) If a person who is employed by a college-preparatory boarding school established under this chapter or its operator is arrested, summoned, or indicted for an alleged violation of an offense listed in division (C) of section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, if the person holds a license, or an offense listed in division (B)(1) of section 3319.39 of the Revised Code, if the person does not hold a license, the chief administrator of the school in which that person works shall suspend that person from all duties that require the care, custody, or control of a child during the pendency of the criminal action against the person. If the person who is arrested, summoned, or indicted for an alleged
violation of an offense listed in division (C) of section 3319.31 or division (B)(1) of section 3319.39 of the Revised Code is the chief administrator of the school, the board of trustees of the school shall suspend the chief administrator from all duties that require the care, custody, or control of a child.

(C) When a person who holds a license is suspended in accordance with this section, the chief administrator or board that imposed the suspension promptly shall report the person's suspension to the department of education. The report shall include the offense for which the person was arrested, summoned, or indicted. The superintendent of public instruction, on behalf of the state board of education, shall inactivate the person's license. The inactivation shall remain in force during the pendency of the criminal action against the person. The inactivation of a license under this division does not constitute a suspension or revocation of the license by the state board under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code and the state board and the state superintendent need not provide the person with an opportunity for a hearing with respect to the inactivation. If the state board does not take action against the person's license under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, the state superintendent shall reactivate the license upon conclusion of the criminal action against the person.

Sec. 3328.24. A college-preparatory boarding school established under this chapter and its board of trustees shall comply with sections 102.02, 3301.0710, 3301.0711, 3301.0712, 3301.0714, 3301.0729, 3301.948, 3313.6013, 3313.6021, 3313.6024, 3313.6025, 3313.6026, 3313.617, 3313.618, 3313.6114, 3313.6411, 3313.668, 3313.669, 3313.6610, 3313.7112, 3313.721, 3313.89, 3319.073, 3319.077, 3319.078, 3319.0812, 3319.318, 3319.39, 3319.391, 3319.393, 3319.394, 3319.46, 3320.01, 3320.02, 3320.03, 3323.251, and 5502.262, and Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code as
if the school were a school district and the school's board of
trustees were a district board of education.

**Sec. 3333.049.** (A) Not later than July 1, 2016, the
chancellor of higher education shall revise the requirements for
reading endorsement programs offered by institutions of higher
education to align those requirements with the reading
competencies adopted by the state board of education under section
3301.077 of the Revised Code.

(B) Each educator preparation program approved under section
3333.048 of the Revised Code shall require each candidate for an
educator license who enters the program in the 2022-2023 academic
year, or any academic year thereafter, to receive instruction in
computer science and computational thinking, as applied to student
learning and classroom instruction, as appropriate for the grade
level and subject area of the candidate's prospective educator
license.

**Sec. 3333.0417.** (A) The chancellor of higher education may
adopt rules regarding when a state institution of higher
education, as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code, may
withhold official transcripts from a student, including when a
student owes money to the institution.

(B) In adopting rules under division (A) of this section, the
chancellor shall consider all of the following:

(1) Promoting the state's postsecondary education attainment
goals;

(2) Workforce goals;

(3) Helping adult students complete their education, whether
at the same institution or another state institution of higher
education.
Sec. 3333.301. (A) The chancellor of higher education, in collaboration with the management council of the Ohio education computer network established under section 3301.0715 of the Revised Code, shall establish a data system to track the free application for federal student aid form completion rate of public and chartered nonpublic school students in the state.

(B) The chancellor and the management council shall develop guidelines and procedures for the operation of the system.

(C) The chancellor may publish and share aggregate data regarding the free application for federal student aid, including completion counts and rates for the state and each school district, chartered nonpublic school, community school established under Chapter 3314., STEM school established under Chapter 3326., and college-preparatory boarding school established under Chapter 3328. of the Revised Code. Such data may be used for the benefit of public and chartered nonpublic schools, to increase public understanding regarding the free application for federal student aid, and to assist in encouraging student completion of the free application for federal student aid form.

Sec. 3333.61. The chancellor of higher education shall establish and administer the Ohio innovation partnership, which shall consist of the choose Ohio first scholarship program and the Ohio research scholars program. Under the programs, the chancellor, subject to approval by the controlling board, shall make awards to state universities or colleges for programs and initiatives that recruit students and scientists provide work-based learning opportunities in the fields of science, including health professions, technology, engineering, and mathematics, medicine, and dentistry to state universities or colleges, in order to enhance regional educational and economic strengths and meet the needs of the state's regional economies.
Awards may be granted for programs and initiatives to be implemented by a state university or college alone or in collaboration with other state institutions of higher education, nonpublic Ohio universities and colleges, or other public or private Ohio entities. If the chancellor makes an award to a program or initiative that is intended to be implemented by a state university or college in collaboration with other state institutions of higher education or nonpublic Ohio universities or colleges, the chancellor may provide that some portion of the award be received directly by the collaborating universities or colleges consistent with all terms of the choose Ohio innovation partnership first scholarship program.

The choose Ohio first scholarship program shall assign a number of scholarships to state universities and colleges to recruit Ohio residents as undergraduate or as provided in section 3333.66 of the Revised Code graduate, students in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, medicine, and dentistry, or in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics, medical, or dental education. The chancellor also may assign a number of choose Ohio first scholarships to state universities and colleges to recruit Ohio residents to enroll in certificate programs in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, medicine, and dentistry. Choose Ohio first scholarships shall be awarded to each participating eligible student as a grant to the state university or college the student is attending and shall be reflected on the student's tuition bill. Choose Ohio first scholarships are student-centered grants from the state to students to use to attend a university or college and are not grants from the state to universities or colleges.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this section or sections 3333.62 to 3333.69 of the Revised Code, a nonpublic four-year Ohio institution of higher education may submit a
proposal for choose Ohio first scholarships or Ohio research scholars grants. If the chancellor awards a nonpublic institution scholarships or grants, the nonpublic institution shall comply with all requirements of this section, sections 3333.62 to 3333.69 of the Revised Code, and the rules adopted under this section that apply to state universities or colleges awarded choose Ohio first scholarships or Ohio research scholars grants.

The Ohio research scholars program shall award grants to use in recruiting scientists to the faculties of state universities or colleges.

The chancellor shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to administer the programs program.

Sec. 3333.613. There is hereby created in the state treasury the choose Ohio first scholarship reserve fund to consist of such amounts designated for the purposes of the fund by the general assembly, the federal government, or other sources. As soon as possible following the end of each fiscal year, the chancellor of higher education shall certify to the director of budget and management the unencumbered balance of the general revenue fund appropriations made in the immediately preceding fiscal year for purposes of the choose Ohio first scholarship program created in section 3333.61 of the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the certification, the director of budget and management may transfer an amount not exceeding the certified amount from the general revenue fund to the choose Ohio first scholarship reserve fund. Moneys in the choose Ohio first scholarship reserve fund shall be used to pay scholarship obligations in excess of the general revenue fund appropriations made for that purpose.

The director of budget and management may transfer any unencumbered balance from the choose Ohio first scholarship reserve fund to the general revenue fund.
If it is determined that general revenue fund appropriations are insufficient to meet the obligations for the choose Ohio first scholarship in a fiscal year, the director of budget and management may transfer funds from the choose Ohio first scholarship reserve fund to the general revenue fund in order to meet those obligations. The amount transferred is hereby appropriated. If the funds transferred from the choose Ohio first scholarship reserve fund are not needed, the director of budget and management may transfer the unexpended balance from the general revenue fund back to the choose Ohio first scholarship reserve fund.

Sec. 3333.615. The primary care medical student, primary care nursing student, and primary care dental student components of the choose Ohio first scholarship program created under former sections 3333.611, 3333.612, and 3333.614 of the Revised Code as those sections existed prior to the effective date of this section are abolished on the effective date of this section.

Sec. 3333.62. The chancellor of higher education shall establish a competitive process for making awards under the choose Ohio first scholarship program and the Ohio research scholars program. The chancellor, on completion of that process, shall make a recommendation to the controlling board asking for approval of each award selected by the chancellor.

Any state university or college may apply for one or more awards under one or both programs. The state university or college shall submit a proposal and other documentation required by the chancellor, in the form and manner prescribed by the chancellor, for each award it seeks. A proposal may propose an initiative to be implemented solely by the state university or college or in collaboration with other state institutions of higher education, nonpublic Ohio universities or
colleges, or other public or nonpublic Ohio entities. A single proposal may seek an award under one or both programs.

The chancellor shall determine which proposals will receive awards each fiscal year, and the amount of each award, on the basis of the merit of each proposal, which the chancellor, subject to approval by the controlling board, shall determine based on the extent to which a proposal recruits underrepresented populations in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics or science, technology, engineering, or mathematics education, along with one or more of the following criteria:

(A) The quality of the program that is the subject of the proposal and the extent to which additional resources will enhance its quality;

(B) The extent to which the proposal is integrated with the strengths of the regional economy;

(C) The extent to which the proposal is integrated with centers of research excellence within the private sector;

(D) The amount of other institutional, public, or private resources, whether monetary or nonmonetary, that the proposal pledges to leverage;

(E) The extent to which the proposal is collaborative with other public or nonpublic Ohio institutions of higher education;

(F) The extent to which the proposal is integrated with the university's or college's mission and does not displace existing resources already committed to the mission;

(D) The extent to which the university or college has committed to, or demonstrated, an increase in total graduates within the disciplines of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics or science, technology, engineering, or mathematics education, consistent with a goal to increase the total number of
Ohio residents in the workforce who are highly qualified in these disciplines;

(G) The extent to which the proposal facilitates a more efficient utilization of existing faculty and programs;

(H)(E) The extent to which the proposal meets a statewide educational need;

(I) The demonstrated productivity or future capacity of the students or scientists to be recruited;

(J) The extent to which the proposal will create additional capacity in educational or economic areas of need;

(K) The extent to which the proposal will encourage students who received degrees in the fields of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, or medicine from two-year institutions to transfer to state universities or colleges to pursue baccalaureate degrees in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, or medicine;

(L) The extent to which the proposal encourages students enrolled in state universities to transfer into science, technology, engineering, mathematics, or medicine programs;

(M)(F) The extent to which the proposal facilitates the completion of an associate or a baccalaureate degree in a cost-effective manner, for example, by facilitating students' completing two years at a two-year institution and two years at a state university or college;

(N) The extent to which the proposal allows attendance at a state university or college of students who otherwise could not afford to attend;

(O) The extent to which other institutional, public, or private resources pledged to the proposal will be deployed to assist in sustaining students' scholarships over their academic
careers;

(P) The extent to which the proposal increases the likelihood that students will successfully complete their degree programs in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, or medicine or in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, or medical education;

(Q) The extent to which the proposal ensures that a student who is awarded a scholarship is appropriately qualified and prepared to successfully complete a degree program in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, or medicine or in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, or medical education;

(R) The extent to which the proposal will increase the number of women participating in the choose Ohio first scholarship program;

(S) (G) The extent to which the proposal encourages students to complete a certificate program at a state university or college.

Sec. 3333.63. The chancellor of higher education shall conduct at least one public meeting annually, prior to deciding awards under the choose Ohio innovation partnership first scholarship program. At the meeting, an employee of the chancellor shall summarize the proposals submitted for consideration, and each state university or college that has a proposal pending shall have the opportunity to review the summary of their proposal prepared by the chancellor's staff and answer questions or respond to concerns about the proposal raised by the chancellor's staff.

Sec. 3333.64. The chancellor of higher education shall endeavor to make awards under the choose Ohio first scholarship program and the Ohio research scholars program such that the aggregate, statewide amount of other institutional, public, and
private money pledged to the proposals program in each fiscal year equals at least one hundred per cent of the aggregate amount of the money awarded under both programs the program that year. The chancellor shall endeavor to make awards under the choose Ohio first scholarship program in such a way that at least fifty per cent of the students receiving the scholarships are involved in a co-op or internship program in a private industry or a university laboratory. All students receiving a choose Ohio first scholarship shall be involved in work-based learning through a co-op, internship, experience in a university, college, or private laboratory, or other work-based learning experience. State universities or colleges or nonpublic four-year Ohio institutions of higher education may appeal to the chancellor for a waiver of this requirement in cases where exceptional circumstances make one hundred per cent placement in a work-based learning environment impractical or significantly unachievable. The value of institutional, public, or private industry co-ops and internships shall count toward the statewide aggregate amount of other institutional, public, or private money specified in this paragraph.

The chancellor also shall endeavor to distribute awards in such a way that all regions of the state benefit from the economic development impact of the programs and shall guarantee provide that students from all regions of the state are able to participate in the scholarship program.

Sec. 3333.65. The chancellor of higher education shall require each state university or college, and any nonpublic Ohio university or college with which the state university or college is collaborating, that the controlling board approves to receive an award under the Ohio innovation partnership to enter into an agreement governing the use of the an award under the choose Ohio first scholarship program. The agreement shall contain terms the
chancellor determines to be necessary, which shall include performance measures, reporting requirements, and an obligation to fulfill pledges of other institutional, public, or nonpublic resources for the proposal.

The chancellor may require a state university or college or a nonpublic Ohio university or college that violates the terms of the agreement to repay the award plus interest at the rate required by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code to the chancellor, except that the chancellor shall not hold a state or nonpublic university or college responsible for a repayment due to a student obligation under section 3333.611 of the Revised Code, until the state or nonpublic university or college is able to obtain repayment from the student or if the state or nonpublic university or college has certified collection of the repayment to the attorney general and has sent a copy of the certification to the chancellor.

If the chancellor makes an award to a program or initiative that is intended to be implemented by a state university or college in collaboration with other state institutions of higher education or nonpublic Ohio universities or colleges, the chancellor may enter into an agreement with the collaborating universities or colleges that permits awards to be received directly by the collaborating universities or colleges consistent with the terms of the program or initiative. In that case, the chancellor shall incorporate into the agreement terms consistent with the requirements of this section.

Sec. 3333.66. (A)(1) Except as provided in divisions (A)(2), (3), and (4) of this section, in each academic year, no student who receives a choose Ohio first scholarship shall receive less than one thousand five hundred dollars or more than one-half of the highest in-state undergraduate instructional and general
fees charged by all state universities. For this purpose, if Miami university is implementing the pilot tuition restructuring plan originally recognized in Am. Sub. H.B. 95 of the 125th general assembly, that university's instructional and general fees shall be considered to be the average full-time in-state undergraduate instructional and general fee amount after taking into account the Ohio resident and Ohio leader scholarships and any other credit provided to all Ohio residents.

(2) The chancellor of higher education may authorize a state university or college or a nonpublic Ohio institution of higher education to award a choose Ohio first scholarship in an amount greater than one-half of the highest in-state undergraduate instructional and general fees charged by all state universities to either of the following:

(a) Any undergraduate student who qualifies for a scholarship and is enrolled in a program leading to a teaching profession in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, or medicine;

(b) Any graduate student who qualifies for a scholarship, if any initiatives are selected for award under division (B) of this section.

(3) The chancellor may authorize a state university or college or a nonpublic Ohio institution of higher education to award a choose Ohio first scholarship in the amount of not less than five hundred dollars but not more than one-half of the highest in-state undergraduate instructional and general fees charged by all state universities to a student enrolled in a certificate program designated as an eligible program by the chancellor.

(4) A student receiving multiple awards under division (A) of this section may not exceed the maximum permitted provided that each award is within its permitted amount for each individual.
award.

(B) The chancellor shall encourage state universities and colleges, alone or in collaboration with other state institutions of higher education, nonpublic Ohio universities and colleges, or other public or private Ohio entities, to submit proposals under the choose Ohio first scholarship program for initiatives that recruit either of the following:

(1) Ohio residents who enrolled in colleges and universities in other states or other countries to return to Ohio and enroll in state universities or colleges as graduate students in the fields of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medicine, or in the fields of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, or medical education. If such proposals are submitted and meet the chancellor's competitive criteria for awards, the chancellor, subject to approval by the controlling board, shall give at least one of the proposals preference for an award.

(2) Graduates, or undergraduates who will graduate in time to participate in the program described in this division by the subsequent school year, from an Ohio college or university who received, or will receive, a degree in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, or medicine to participate in a graduate-level teacher education masters program in one of those fields that requires the student to establish a domicile in the state and to commit to teach for a minimum of three years in a hard-to-staff school district in the state upon completion of the master's degree program. The chancellor may require a college or university to give priority to qualified candidates who graduated from a high school in this state.

"Hard-to-staff" shall be as defined by the department of education.

(C) The general assembly intends that money appropriated for
the choose Ohio first scholarship program in each fiscal year be used for scholarships in the following academic year.

Sec. 3333.68. When making an award under the choose Ohio innovation partnership first scholarship program, the chancellor of higher education, subject to approval by the controlling board, may commit to giving a state university's or college's proposal preference for future awards after the current fiscal year or fiscal biennium. A proposal's eligibility for future awards remains conditional on all of the following:

(A) Future appropriations of the general assembly;

(B) The university's or college's adherence to the agreement entered into under section 3333.65 of the Revised Code, including its fulfillment of pledges of other institutional, public, or nonpublic resources;

(C) With respect to the choose Ohio first scholarship program, a demonstration that the students receiving the scholarship are satisfied with the state universities or colleges selected by the chancellor to offer the scholarships.

The chancellor and the controlling board shall not commit to awarding any proposal for more than five fiscal years at a time. However, when a commitment for future awards expires, a state university or college may reapply the chancellor may grant a one-time extension of the award for a period not to exceed four years.

Sec. 3333.69. The chancellor of higher education shall monitor each initiative for which an award is granted under the choose Ohio innovation partnership first scholarship program to ensure the following:

(A) Fiscal accountability, so that the award is used in accordance with the agreement entered into under section 3333.65
of the Revised Code;

(B) Operating progress, so that the initiative is managed to achieve the goals stated in the proposal and in the agreement, and so that problems may be promptly identified and remedied;

(C) Desired outcomes, so that the initiative contributes to the program's goals of enhancing regional educational and economic strengths and meeting regional economic needs.

Sec. 3333.79. (A) As used in this section, "minority" has the same meaning as in section 184.17 of the Revised Code. The term also includes an individual who is economically disadvantaged.

(B) The chancellor of higher education shall conduct outreach activities in Ohio that seek to include minorities in the Ohio co-op/internship program established under section 3333.72 of the Revised Code. The outreach activities shall include the following, when appropriate:

(1) Identifying and partnering with historically black colleges and universities;

(2) Working with all institutions of higher education in the state to support minority faculty and students involved in cooperative and intern programs;

(3) Developing a plan to contact by telephone minorities and other economically disadvantaged individuals to notify them of opportunities to participate in the co-op/internship program;

(4) Identifying minority professional and trade associations and economic development assistance organizations and notifying them of the co-op/internship program;

(5) Partnering with regional technology councils to foster local efforts to support minority participation in the co-op/internship program.
To the extent possible, outreach activities described in this section shall be conducted in conjunction with the EDGE program created in section 123.152 and 122.922 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3333.80. (A) As used in this section and in section 3333.801 of the Revised Code:

(1) "At-risk student" means a primary or secondary school student living in the state who is at least thirteen years of age who meets one of the following conditions:

(a) The student is eligible for a free or reduced price lunch;

(b) The student would have an expected family contribution of zero dollars, as determined by the free application for federal student aid, in grade twelve;

(c) The student has either:

(i) Been impacted by family opioid addiction; or

(ii) Entered into recovery for opioid addiction.

The chancellor shall define terms in division (A)(1)(c) of this section as necessary to implement this section.

(2) "College credit plus program" means the college credit plus program established under Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code.

(3) "Expected family contribution" has the same meaning as in the rules adopted by the chancellor under section 3333.122 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Eligible state institution of higher education" includes a community college established under Chapter 3354. of the Revised Code, a technical college established under Chapter 3357. of the Revised Code, a state community college established under Chapter 3358. of the Revised Code, and a state university as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code.
(5) "School year" has the same meaning as in section 3313.62 of the Revised Code.


(B) The OhioCorps pilot program is hereby created to provide at-risk students with guidance to a pathway to higher education. The pilot program shall consist of mentorship programs established and administered by eligible state institutions of higher education pursuant to rules adopted under division (C) of this section and scholarships under section 3333.801 of the Revised Code. The mentorship programs shall operate in the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years. Scholarships shall be available only for those students who participate in a mentorship program for both school years in which it is available.

(C) Not later than ninety days after the effective date of this section, the chancellor shall adopt rules to administer the OhioCorps mentorship program. The rules shall include all of the following:

(1) The requirements for an OhioCorps mentorship program proposed to be established by an eligible state institution of higher education, which shall include all of the following:

(a) A service-learning component for students enrolled in an eligible state institution of higher education that allows them to mentor at-risk middle and high school students, and to help the at-risk students' parents on any of the following topics:

(i) Preparing for college and career planning;

(ii) Tutoring in reading, writing, and mathematics;
(iii) Opioid and drug education programs.

The eligible state institution shall include a plan for training enrolled students to provide such mentoring, including seminars on financial literacy, opioid addiction education best practices, career guidance, and tutor skills.

An eligible state institution may include other elements of community service within service-learning beyond mentoring opportunities.

(b) A stipend to be paid to student mentors enrolled in an eligible state institution of higher education in an amount to be determined by each institution;

(c) A plan for how eligible state institutions will partner with local providers and existing programs, such as Americorps and the Ohio commission on service and volunteerism created in section 121.40 of the Revised Code, to create training, programs, and service-learning opportunities. Local partnerships under division (C)(1)(c) of this section also shall include a community service training program to be offered by local partners for at-risk students for purposes of scholarship eligibility under division (A)(6) of section 3333.801 of the Revised Code.

(d) Criminal records checks and adherence to the recommended best practices adopted by the Ohio commission on service and volunteerism regarding volunteers with unsupervised access to children under section 121.401 of the Revised Code. A program shall not require an individual to comply with a criminal records check or any screening procedures under division (C)(1)(d) of this section if the individual has already undergone a criminal records check as part of the individual's current participation in an Americorps program or an existing program connected to the Ohio commission on service and volunteerism.

An eligible state institution of higher education also may
include in an OhioCorps mentorship program summer learning camps or programs at the eligible institutions that provide higher education experiences and college credit plus program opportunities offered in the summer specifically for at-risk students. These summer learning camps or programs may be offered in any region of the state.

(2) An application process under which an eligible state institution of higher education may apply to establish an OhioCorps mentorship program under this section, including application deadlines;

(3) A method to determine the amount of funding the chancellor will award to each eligible state institution of higher education approved to establish an OhioCorps mentorship program.

(D) The chancellor shall submit a report to the general assembly, in accordance with section 101.68 of the Revised Code, at the end of the 2020-2021 2021-2022 school year regarding the implementation and outcomes of the OhioCorps pilot program.

Sec. 3333.801. (A) The OhioCorps scholarship is hereby established for at-risk students who meet the requirements of this section. The chancellor of higher education shall award an OhioCorps scholarship to each at-risk student who does all of the following:

(1) Fully participates in the mentorship program administered by an eligible state institution of higher education under section 3333.80 of the Revised Code for as long as such program is in existence or until the student completes high school;

(2) Enrolls in an eligible state institution of higher education;

(3) Meets either of the following conditions:

(a) Demonstrates that the student's expected family
contribution would equal zero dollars, as determined by the free application for federal student aid, in grade twelve;

(b) Receives a letter which indicates that the student is in recovery for opioid addiction or impacted by family opioid addiction. The letter shall be written by a teacher, administrator, judge, case worker, police officer, healthcare professional, cleric, employee of a county department of job and family services who is a professional and who works with children and families, or another individual from a public entity approved by the chancellor. The at-risk student shall submit the letter to the student's school district or school. A school district or school in possession of the student's letter shall consider the letter to be subject to section 3319.321 of the Revised Code and shall make the letter available to the chancellor at the request of the chancellor in accordance with that section.

(4) Achieves either of the following:

(a) A score that meets remediation-free standards in mathematics, reading, or English adopted under division (F) of section 3345.061 of the Revised Code on a nationally standardized assessment that measures college and career readiness and is used for college admission;

(b) A high school cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

(5) Completes a college-preparatory curriculum in high school, as determined by the chancellor;

(6) Completes a community service training program offered by a local partner under division (C)(1)(c) of section 3333.80 of the Revised Code, and completes at least forty hours of community service for each school year the student is enrolled in high school;

(7) Participates in the college credit plus program, and
under that program completes and receives a passing grade in at least one course in each of English language arts and mathematics.

(B) The OhioCorps scholarship shall be a one-time award of one thousand dollars. However, the chancellor may adjust the amount of each scholarship awarded under this section based on availability of funds appropriated by the general assembly and remaining in the OhioCorps fund created in section 3333.802 of the Revised Code.

(C) The scholarship shall be paid to the eligible state institution of higher education in which each recipient enrolls and shall be credited by the institution to the recipient's account.

Sec. 3333.802. The OhioCorps fund is hereby created in the state treasury, to consist of such amounts designated for the purposes of the fund by the general assembly, the federal government, or other sources. The fund shall be used for the following purposes:

(A) To assist eligible state institutions of higher education to establish and administer an OhioCorps mentorship program under section 3333.80 of the Revised Code, including providing stipends for participating student mentors;

(B) Funding scholarships awarded under section 3333.801 of the Revised Code.

The fund may also be used by the chancellor of higher education to implement and administer the OhioCorps pilot program.

Sec. 3345.063. (A) As used in this section, "state university" has the same meaning as in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code.

(B) Beginning with the 2022-2023 academic year, each state
university shall recognize the successful completion of a course in advanced computer science in high school, as described in the standards adopted pursuant to division (A)(4) of section 3301.079 of the Revised Code, as a unit for admission to the university, as follows:

(1) The state university shall recognize one unit of advanced computer science as one unit toward meeting a general mathematics requirement, as determined by the university, if the student used that advanced computer science unit to meet the mathematics curriculum requirement under division (C)(3) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code.

(2) The state university shall recognize one unit of advanced computer science as one unit toward meeting a general science requirement, as determined by the university, if the student used that advanced computer science unit to meet the science curriculum requirement under division (C)(5) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code.

(3) The state university shall recognize one unit of advanced computer science as one unit toward meeting a general elective requirement, as determined by the university, if the student used the advanced computer science unit to meet the curriculum requirement under division (C)(8) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code.

(4) The state university shall recognize one unit of computer coding as one unit toward meeting a general foreign language requirement, as determined by the university, if the student used the computer coding unit to meet a school district's or school's foreign language curriculum requirement as described in division (E) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code.

(C) Each state university shall post a description of the university's recognition of advanced computer science as a core
unit for admission to the university, as described in division (B) of this section, in a prominent location on the university's website.

**Sec. 3365.01.** As used in this chapter:

(A) "Articulated credit" means post-secondary credit that is reflected on the official record of a student at an institution of higher education only upon enrollment at that institution after graduation from a secondary school.

(B) "Default ceiling amount" means one of the following amounts, whichever is applicable:

(1) For a participant enrolled in a college operating on a semester schedule, the amount calculated according to the following formula:

\[ \frac{(0.83 \times \text{formula amount})}{30} \times \text{number of enrolled credit hours} \]

(2) For a participant enrolled in a college operating on a quarter schedule, the amount calculated according to the following formula:

\[ \frac{(0.83 \times \text{formula amount})}{45} \times \text{number of enrolled credit hours} \]

(C) "Default floor amount" means twenty-five per cent of the default ceiling amount.

(D) "Eligible out-of-state college" means any institution of higher education that is located outside of Ohio and is approved by the chancellor of higher education to participate in the college credit plus program.

(E) "Fee" means any course-related fee and any other fee imposed by the college, but not included in tuition, for participation in the program established by this chapter.

(F) "Formula amount" has the same meaning as in section
3317.02 of the Revised Code.

(G) "Governing entity" means any of the following:

1. A board of education of a school district;

2. A governing authority of a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code;

3. A governing body of a STEM school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code;

4. A board of trustees of a college-preparatory boarding school established under Chapter 3328. of the Revised Code;

5. When referring to the state school for the deaf or the state school for the blind, the state board of education;

6. When referring to an institution operated by the department of youth services, the superintendent of that institution.

(H) "Home-instructed participant" means a student who has been excused from the compulsory attendance law for the purpose of home instruction under section 3321.04 of the Revised Code, and is participating in the program established by this chapter.

(I) "Maximum per participant charge amount" means one of the following amounts, whichever is applicable:

1. For a participant enrolled in a college operating on a semester schedule, the amount calculated according to the following formula:

   \[
   \text{formula amount} / 30 \times \text{number of enrolled credit hours}
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2. For a participant enrolled in a college operating on a quarter schedule, the amount calculated according to the following formula:

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   \text{formula amount} / 45
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(J) "Nonpublic secondary school" means a chartered school for which minimum standards are prescribed by the state board of education pursuant to division (D) of section 3301.07 of the Revised Code.

(K) "Number of enrolled credit hours" means the number of credit hours for a course in which a participant is enrolled during the previous term after the date on which a withdrawal from a course would have negatively affected the participant's transcripted grade, as prescribed by the college's established withdrawal policy.

(L) "Parent" has the same meaning as in section 3313.64 of the Revised Code.

(M) "Participant" means any student enrolled in a college under the program established by this chapter.

(N) "Partnering college" means a college with which a public or nonpublic secondary school has entered into an agreement in order to offer the program established by this chapter.

(O) "Partnering secondary school" means a public or nonpublic secondary school with which a college has entered into an agreement in order to offer the program established by this chapter.

(P) "Private college" means any of the following:

(1) A nonprofit institution holding a certificate of authorization pursuant to Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code;

(2) An institution holding a certificate of registration from the state board of career colleges and schools and program authorization for an associate or bachelor's degree program issued under section 3332.05 of the Revised Code;

(3) A private institution exempt from regulation under
Chapter 3332. of the Revised Code as prescribed in section 3333.046 of the Revised Code.

(Q) "Public college" means a "state institution of higher education" in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code, excluding the northeast Ohio medical university.

(R) "Public secondary school" means a school serving grades nine through twelve in a city, local, or exempted village school district, a joint vocational school district, a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, a STEM school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, a college-preparatory boarding school established under Chapter 3328. of the Revised Code, the state school for the deaf, the state school for the blind, or an institution operated by the department of youth services.

(S) "School year" has the same meaning as in section 3313.62 of the Revised Code.

(T) "Secondary grade" means any of grades nine through twelve.

(U) "Standard rate" means the amount per credit hour assessed by the college for an in-state student who is enrolled in an undergraduate course at that college, but who is not participating in the college credit plus program, as prescribed by the college's established tuition policy.

(V) "Transcripted credit" means post-secondary credit that is conferred by an institution of higher education and is reflected on a student's official record at that institution upon completion of a course.

Sec. 3365.03. (A) A student enrolled in a public or nonpublic secondary school during the student's ninth, tenth, eleventh, or twelfth grade school year; a student enrolled in a nonchartered
nonpublic secondary school in the student's ninth, tenth, 27510
eleventh, or twelfth grade school year; or a student who has been 27511
excused from the compulsory attendance law for the purpose of home 27512
instruction under section 3321.04 of the Revised Code and is the 27513
equivalent of a ninth, tenth, eleventh, or twelfth grade student, 27514
may apply to and enroll in a college under the college credit plus 27515
program.
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(1) In order for a public secondary school student to 27517
participate in the program, all of the following criteria shall be 27518
met:
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(a) The student or the student's parent shall inform the 27520
principal, or equivalent, of the student's school by the first day 27521
of April of the student's intent to participate in the program 27522
during the following school year. Any student who fails to provide 27523
the notification by the required date may not participate in the 27524
program during the following school year without the written 27525
consent of the principal, or equivalent. If a student seeks 27526
consent from the principal after failing to provide notification 27527
by the required date, the principal shall notify the department of 27528
education of the student's intent to participate within ten days 27529
of the date on which the student seeks consent. If the principal 27530
does not provide written consent, the student may appeal the 27531
principal's decision to the governing entity of the school, except 27532
for a student who is enrolled in a school district, who may appeal 27533
the decision to the district superintendent. Not later than thirty 27534
days after the notification of the appeal, the district 27535
superintendent or governing entity shall hear the appeal and shall 27536
make a decision to either grant or deny that student's 27537
participation in the program. The decision of the district 27538
superintendent or governing entity shall be final.
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(b) The student shall:
(i) Apply to a public or a participating private college, or an eligible out-of-state college participating in the program, in accordance with the college's established procedures for admission, pursuant to section 3365.05 of the Revised Code;

(ii) As a condition of eligibility, be satisfy one of the following criteria:

(I) Be remediation-free, in accordance with one of the assessments established under division (F) of section 3345.061 of the Revised Code. However, a student who scores within one standard error of measurement below the remediation-free threshold for one of those assessments shall be considered to have met this requirement if the student also either:

(I) Has a cumulative high school grade point average of at least 3.0. If the student is seeking to participate under section 3365.033 of the Revised Code, the student must have an equivalent cumulative grade point average in the applicable grade levels;

(II) Receives a recommendation from a school counselor, principal, or career technical program advisor Meet an alternative remediation-free eligibility option, as defined by the chancellor of higher education, in consultation with the superintendent of public instruction, in rules adopted under this section;

(III) Have participated in the program prior to the effective date of this amendment and qualified to participate in the program by scoring within one standard error of measurement below the remediation-free threshold for one of the assessments established under division (F) of section 3345.061 of the Revised Code and satisfying one of the conditions specified under division (A)(1)(b)(ii)(I) or (II) of this section as those divisions existed prior to the effective date of this amendment.

(iii) Meet the college's and relevant academic program's established standards for admission, enrollment, and course
placement, including course-specific capacity limitations, pursuant to section 3365.05 of the Revised Code.

(c) The student shall elect at the time of enrollment to participate under either division (A) or (B) of section 3365.06 of the Revised Code for each course under the program.

(d) The student and the student's parent shall sign a form, provided by the school, stating that they have received the counseling required under division (B) of section 3365.04 of the Revised Code and that they understand the responsibilities they must assume in the program.

(2) In order for a nonpublic secondary school student, a nonchartered nonpublic secondary school student, or a home-instructed student to participate in the program, both of the following criteria shall be met:

   (a) The student shall meet the criteria in divisions (A)(1)(b) and (c) of this section.

   (b)(i) If the student is enrolled in a nonpublic secondary school, that student shall send to the department of education a copy of the student's acceptance from a college and an application. The application shall be made on forms provided by the state board of education and shall include information about the student's proposed participation, including the school year in which the student wishes to participate; and the semesters or terms the student wishes to enroll during such year. The department shall mark each application with the date and time of receipt.

   (ii) If the student is enrolled in a nonchartered nonpublic secondary school or is home-instructed, the parent or guardian of that student shall notify the department by the first day of April prior to the school year in which the student wishes to participate.
(B) Except as provided for in division (C) of this section and in sections 3365.031 and 3365.032 of the Revised Code:

(1) No public secondary school shall prohibit a student enrolled in that school from participating in the program if that student meets all of the criteria in division (A)(1) of this section.

(2) No participating nonpublic secondary school shall prohibit a student enrolled in that school from participating in the program if the student meets all of the criteria in division (A)(2) of this section and, if the student is enrolled under division (B) of section 3365.06 of the Revised Code, the student is awarded funding from the department in accordance with rules adopted by the chancellor of higher education, in consultation with the superintendent of public instruction, pursuant to section 3365.071 of the Revised Code.

(C) For purposes of this section, during the period of an expulsion imposed by a public secondary school, a student is ineligible to apply to enroll in a college under this section, unless the student is admitted to another public secondary or participating nonpublic secondary school. If a student is enrolled in a college under this section at the time the student is expelled, the student's status for the remainder of the college term in which the expulsion is imposed shall be determined under section 3365.032 of the Revised Code.

(D) Upon a student's graduation from high school, participation in the college credit plus program shall not affect the student's eligibility at any public college for scholarships or for other benefits or opportunities that are available to first-time college students and are awarded by that college, regardless of the number of credit hours that the student completed under the program.
(E) The college to which a student applies to participate under this section shall pay for one assessment used to determine that student's eligibility under this section. However, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code, any additional assessments used to determine the student's eligibility shall be the financial responsibility of the student.

Sec. 3365.032. (A) For purposes of this section:

(1) The "expulsion of a student" or "expelling a student" means the following:

(a) For a public secondary school that is a school operated by a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district, community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, or STEM school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, the expulsion of a student or the act of expelling a student under division (B) of section 3313.66 of the Revised Code;

(b) For a public secondary school that is a college-preparatory boarding school, the expulsion of a student or the act of expelling a student in accordance with the school's bylaws adopted pursuant to section 3328.13 of the Revised Code;

(c) For a public secondary school that is the state school for the deaf or the state school for the blind, the expulsion of a student or the act of expelling a student in accordance with rules adopted by the state board of education.

(2) A "policy to deny high school credit for courses taken under the college credit plus program during an expulsion" means the following:

(a) For a publicsecondary school that is a school operated by a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school
district, community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, or STEM school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, a policy adopted under section 3313.613 of the Revised Code;

(b) For a college-preparatory boarding school established under Chapter 3328. of the Revised Code, a policy adopted in accordance with the school's bylaws adopted pursuant to section 3328.13 of the Revised Code;

(c) For the state school for the deaf or the state school for the blind, a policy adopted in accordance with any rules adopted by the state board requiring such a policy.

(B) When a public secondary school expels a student under division (B) of section 3313.66 of the Revised Code or, for a college-preparatory boarding school established under Chapter 3328. of the Revised Code, in accordance with the school's bylaws adopted pursuant to section 3328.13 of the Revised Code, the superintendent, or equivalent, shall send a written notice of the expulsion to any college in which the expelled student is enrolled under section 3365.03 of the Revised Code at the time the expulsion is imposed. The notice shall indicate the date the expulsion is scheduled to expire. The notice also shall indicate whether the school has adopted a policy under section 3313.613 of the Revised Code or, for a college-preparatory boarding school, in accordance with the school's bylaws adopted pursuant to section 3328.13 of the Revised Code to deny high school credit for courses taken under the college credit plus program during an expulsion. If the expulsion is extended under division (F) of section 3313.66 of the Revised Code or, for a college-preparatory boarding school, in accordance with the school's bylaws adopted pursuant to section 3328.13 of the Revised Code, the superintendent, or equivalent, shall notify the college of the extension.

(C) A college may withdraw its acceptance under section
3365.03 of the Revised Code of a student who is expelled from school under division (B) of section 3313.66 of the Revised Code or, for a college-preparatory boarding school, in accordance with the school's bylaws adopted pursuant to section 3328.13 of the Revised Code. As provided in section 3365.03 of the Revised Code, regardless of whether the college withdraws its acceptance of the student for the college term in which the student is expelled, the student is ineligible to enroll in a college under that section for subsequent college terms during the period of the expulsion, unless the student enrolls in another public school or a participating nonpublic school during that period.

If a college withdraws its acceptance of an expelled student who elected either option of division (A)(1) or (2) of section 3365.06 of the Revised Code, the college shall refund tuition and fees paid by the student in the same proportion that it refunds tuition and fees to students who voluntarily withdraw from the college at the same time in the term.

If a college withdraws its acceptance of an expelled student who elected the option of division (B) of section 3365.06 of the Revised Code, the public school shall not award high school credit for the college courses in which the student was enrolled at the time the college withdrew its acceptance, and any reimbursement under section 3365.07 of the Revised Code for the student's attendance prior to the withdrawal shall be the same as would be paid for a student who voluntarily withdrew from the college at the same time in the term. If the withdrawal results in the college's receiving no reimbursement, the college or secondary school may require the student to return or pay for any textbooks and materials it provided the student free of charge.

(C)(D) When a student who elected the option of division (B) of section 3365.06 of the Revised Code is expelled under division (B) of section 3313.66 of the Revised Code or, for a
college preparatory boarding school, in accordance with the school's bylaws adopted pursuant to section 3328.13 of the Revised Code from a public school that has adopted a policy under section 3313.613 of the Revised Code or, for a college preparatory boarding school, in accordance with the school's bylaws adopted pursuant to section 3328.13 of the Revised Code to deny high school credit for courses taken under the college credit plus program during an expulsion, that election is automatically revoked for all college courses in which the student is enrolled during the college term in which the expulsion is imposed. Any reimbursement under section 3365.07 of the Revised Code for the student's attendance prior to the expulsion shall be the same as would be paid for a student who voluntarily withdrew from the college at the same time in the term. If the revocation results in the college's receiving no reimbursement, the college or secondary school may require the student to return or pay for any textbooks and materials it provided the student free of charge.

Not later than five days after receiving an expulsion notice from the superintendent, or equivalent, of a public school that has adopted a policy under section 3313.613 of the Revised Code or, for a college preparatory boarding school, in accordance with the school's bylaws adopted pursuant to section 3328.13 of the Revised Code to deny high school credit for courses taken under the college credit plus program during an expulsion, the college shall send a written notice to the expelled student that the student's election of division (B) of section 3365.06 of the Revised Code is revoked. If the college elects not to withdraw its acceptance of the student, the student shall pay all applicable tuition and fees for the college courses and shall pay for any textbooks and materials that the college or secondary school provided to the student.

Sec. 3365.07. The department of education shall calculate and
pay state funds to colleges for participants in the college credit plus program under division (B) of section 3365.06 of the Revised Code pursuant to this section. For a nonpublic secondary school participant, a nonchartered nonpublic secondary school participant, or a home-instructed participant, the department shall pay state funds pursuant to this section only if that participant is awarded funding according to rules adopted by the chancellor of higher education, in consultation with the superintendent of public instruction, pursuant to section 3365.071 of the Revised Code. The program shall be the sole mechanism by which state funds are paid to colleges for students to earn transcripted credit for college courses while enrolled in both a secondary school and a college, with the exception of state funds paid to colleges according to an agreement described in division (A)(1) of section 3365.02 of the Revised Code.

(A) For each public or nonpublic secondary school participant enrolled in a public college:

(1) If no agreement has been entered into under division (A)(2) of this section, both of the following shall apply:

(a) The department shall pay to the college the applicable amount as follows:

(i) For a participant enrolled in a college course delivered on the college campus, at another location operated by the college, or online, the lesser of the default ceiling amount or the college's standard rate;

(ii) For a participant enrolled in a college course delivered at the participant's secondary school but taught by college faculty, the lesser of fifty per cent of the default ceiling amount or the college's standard rate;

(iii) For a participant enrolled in a college course
delivered at the participant's secondary school and taught by a high school teacher who has met the credential requirements established for purposes of the program in rules adopted by the chancellor, the default floor amount.

(b) The participant's secondary school shall pay for textbooks, and the college shall waive payment of all other fees related to participation in the program.

(2) The governing entity of a participant's secondary school and the college may enter into an agreement to establish an alternative payment structure for tuition, textbooks, and fees. Under such an agreement, payments for each participant made by the department shall be not less than the default floor amount, unless approved by the chancellor, and not more than either the default ceiling amount or the college's standard rate, whichever is less. The chancellor may approve an agreement that includes a payment below the default floor amount, as long as the provisions of the agreement comply with all other requirements of this chapter to ensure program quality. If no agreement is entered into under division (A)(2) of this section, both of the following shall apply:

(a) The department shall pay to the college the applicable default amounts prescribed by division (A)(1)(a) of this section, depending upon the method of delivery and instruction.

(b) In accordance with division (A)(1)(b) of this section, the participant's secondary school shall pay for textbooks, and the college shall waive payment of all other fees related to participation in the program.

(3) No participant that is enrolled in a public college shall be charged for any tuition, textbooks, or other fees related to participation in the program.

(B) For each public secondary school participant enrolled in
a private college:

(1) If no agreement has been entered into under division (B)(2) of this section, the department shall pay to the college the applicable amount calculated in the same manner as in division (A)(1)(a) of this section.

(2) The governing entity of a participant's secondary school and the college may enter into an agreement to establish an alternative payment structure for tuition, textbooks, and fees. Under such an agreement, payments shall be not less than the default floor amount, unless approved by the chancellor, and not more than either the default ceiling amount or the college's standard rate, whichever is less.

If an agreement is entered into under division (B)(2) of this section, both of the following shall apply:

(a) The department shall make a payment to the college for each participant that is equal to the default floor amount, unless approved by the chancellor to pay an amount below the default floor amount. The chancellor may approve an agreement that includes a payment below the default floor amount, as long as the provisions of the agreement comply with all other requirements of this chapter to ensure program quality.

(b) Payment for costs for the participant that exceed the amount paid by the department pursuant to division (B)(2)(a) of this section shall be negotiated by the school and the college. The agreement may include a stipulation permitting the charging of a participant.

However, under no circumstances shall:

(i) Payments for a participant made by the department under division (B)(2) of this section exceed the lesser of the default ceiling amount or the college's standard rate;
(ii) The amount charged to a participant under division (B)(2) of this section exceed the difference between the maximum per participant charge amount and the default floor amount;  

(iii) The sum of the payments made by the department for a participant and the amount charged to that participant under division (B)(2) of this section exceed the following amounts, as applicable: 

(I) For a participant enrolled in a college course delivered on the college campus, at another location operated by the college, or online, the maximum per participant charge amount;  

(II) For a participant enrolled in a college course delivered at the participant's secondary school but taught by college faculty, one hundred twenty-five dollars;  

(III) For a participant enrolled in a college course delivered at the participant's secondary school and taught by a high school teacher who has met the credential requirements established for purposes of the program in rules adopted by the chancellor, one hundred dollars.  

(iv) A participant that is identified as economically disadvantaged according to rules adopted by the department be charged under division (B)(2) of this section for any tuition, textbooks, or other fees related to participation in the program.  

(C) For each nonpublic secondary school participant enrolled in a private or eligible out-of-state college, the department shall pay to the college the applicable amount calculated in the same manner as in division (A)(1)(a) of this section. Payment for costs for the participant that exceed the amount paid by the department shall be negotiated by the governing body of the nonpublic secondary school and the college.  

However, under no circumstances shall:
(1) The payments for a participant made by the department under this division exceed the lesser of the default ceiling amount or the college's standard rate.

(2) Any nonpublic secondary school participant, who is enrolled in that secondary school with a scholarship awarded under either the educational choice scholarship pilot program, as prescribed by sections 3310.01 to 3310.17, or the pilot project scholarship program, as prescribed by sections 3313.974 to 3313.979 of the Revised Code, and who qualifies as a low-income student under either of those programs, be charged for any tuition, textbooks, or other fees related to participation in the college credit plus program.

(D) For each nonchartered nonpublic secondary school participant and each home-instructed participant enrolled in a public, private, or eligible out-of-state college, the department shall pay to the college the lesser of the default ceiling amount or the college's standard rate, if that participant is enrolled in a college course delivered on the college campus, at another location operated by the college, or online.

(E) Not later than thirty days after the end of each term, each college expecting to receive payment for the costs of a participant under this section shall notify the department of the number of enrolled credit hours for each participant.

(F) The department shall make the applicable payments under this section to each college, which provided proper notification to the department under division (E) of this section, for the number of enrolled credit hours for participants enrolled in the college under division (B) of section 3365.06 of the Revised Code. Except in cases involving incomplete participant information or a dispute of participant information, payments shall be made by the last day of January for participants who were enrolled during the fall term and by the last day of July for participants who were
enrolled during the spring term. The department shall not make any payments to a college under this section if a participant withdrew from a course prior to the date on which a withdrawal from the course would have negatively affected the participant's transcripted grade, as prescribed by the college's established withdrawal policy.

(1) Payments made for public secondary school participants under this section shall be deducted as follows:

(a) For a participant enrolled in a school district, from the school foundation payments made to the participant's school district or, if the participant is enrolled in a community school, a STEM school, or a college preparatory boarding school, from the payments made to that school under section 3314.08, 3326.33, or 3328.34 of the Revised Code. If the participant is enrolled in a joint vocational school district, a portion of the amount shall be deducted from the payments to the joint vocational school district and a portion shall be deducted from the payments to the participant's city, local, or exempted village school district in accordance with the full-time equivalency of the student's enrollment in each district.

(b) For a participant enrolled in a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, from the payments made to that school under section 3314.08 of the Revised Code;

(c) For a participant enrolled in a STEM school, from the payments made to that school under section 3326.33 of the Revised Code;

(d) For a participant enrolled in a college-preparatory boarding school, from the payments made to that school under section 3328.34 of the Revised Code;

(e) For a participant enrolled in the state school for the
deaf or the state school for the blind, from the amount paid to 27944
that school with funds appropriated by the general assembly for 27945
support of that school;
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(f) For a participant enrolled in an institution operated by 27947
the department of youth services, from the amount paid to that 27948
institution with funds appropriated by the general assembly for 27949
support of that institution. Amounts 27950

Amounts deducted under division divisions (F)(1)(a) to (f) of 27951
this section shall be calculated in accordance with rules adopted 27952
by the chancellor, in consultation with the state superintendent, 27953
pursuant to division (B) of section 3365.071 of the Revised Code 27954

(2) Payments made for nonpublic secondary school 27955
participants, nonchartered nonpublic secondary school 27956
participants, and home-instructed participants under this section 27957
shall be deducted from moneys appropriated by the general assembly 27958
for such purpose. Payments shall be allocated and distributed in 27959
accordance with rules adopted by the chancellor, in consultation 27960
with the state superintendent, pursuant to division (A) of section 27961
3365.071 of the Revised Code.

(G) Any public college that enrolls a student under division 27962
(B) of section 3365.06 of the Revised Code may include that 27963
student in the calculation used to determine its state share of 27964
instruction funds appropriated to the department of higher 27965
education by the general assembly.

Sec. 3501.302. The secretary of state may enter into 27968
agreements for the bulk purchase of election supplies in order to 27969
reduce the costs for such purchases by individual boards of 27970
elections. A board of elections desiring to participate in such 27971
purchase agreements shall file with the secretary of state a 27972
written request for inclusion. A request for inclusion shall 27973
include an agreement to be bound by such terms and conditions as 27974
the secretary of state prescribes and to make direct payments to
the vendor under each purchase agreement.

Nothing in this section prohibits a board of elections from
purchasing election supplies through the department of
administrative services under section 125.04 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3701.132. (A) As used in this section, "WIC program"
means the "special supplemental nutrition program for women,
infants, and children" established under the "Child Nutrition Act

(B) The department of health is hereby designated as the
state agency to administer the WIC program.

The director of health shall adopt rules pursuant to Chapter
119. of the Revised Code as necessary for administering the WIC
program. The rules may include civil money penalties for
violations of the rules. The rules shall require a contract the
department enters into with a WIC clinic to include provisions
requiring the clinic to promote the use of technology-based
resources, such as mobile telephone or text messaging
applications, that offer tips on having a healthy pregnancy and
healthy baby to clinic clients who are pregnant or have an infant
who is less than one year of age.

(C) In determining eligibility for services provided under
the WIC program, the department may use the application form
established under section 5163.40 of the Revised Code for the
healthy start program. The department may require applicants to
furnish their social security numbers.

(D) If the department determines that a vendor has committed
an act with respect to the WIC program that federal statutes or
regulations or state statutes or rules prohibit, the department
shall take action against the vendor in the manner required by 7
C.F.R. part 246, including imposition of a civil money penalty in accordance with 7 C.F.R. 246.12, or rules adopted under this section.

Sec. 3701.61. (A) The department of health shall establish the help me grow program as the state's evidence-based parent support program that encourages early prenatal and well-baby care, as well as provides parenting education to promote the comprehensive health and development of children. The program shall also provide home visiting services to families with a pregnant woman or an infant or toddler child under three five years of age who meet the eligibility requirements established in rules adopted under this section. Home visiting services shall be provided through evidence-based home visiting models or innovative, promising home visiting models recommended by the Ohio home visiting consortium created under section 3701.612 of the Revised Code.

(B) Families shall be referred to the appropriate home visiting services through the central intake and referral system created under section 3701.611 of the Revised Code.

(C) To the extent possible, the goals of the help me grow program shall be consistent with the goals of the federal home visiting program, as specified by the maternal and child health bureau of the health resources and services administration in the United States department of health and human services or its successor.

(D) The director of health may enter into an interagency agreement with one or more state agencies to implement the help me grow program and ensure coordination of early childhood programs.

(E) The director may distribute help me grow program funds through contracts, grants, or subsidies to entities providing services under the program.
(F) As a condition of receiving payments for home visiting services, providers shall do both of the following:

(1) Promote the use of technology-based resources, such as mobile telephone or text messaging applications, that offer tips on having a healthy pregnancy and healthy baby to families with a pregnant woman or infant who is less than one year of age;

(2) Report to the director data on the program performance indicators, specified in rules adopted under division (G) of this section, that are used to assess progress toward achieving all of the following:

(a)(1) The benchmark domains established for the federal home visiting program, including improvement in maternal and newborn health; reduction in child injuries, abuse, and neglect; improved school readiness and achievement; reduction in crime and domestic violence; and improved family economic self-sufficiency;

(b)(2) Improvement in birth outcomes and reduction in stillbirths, as that term is defined in section 3701.97 of the Revised Code;

(c)(3) Reduction in tobacco use by pregnant women, new parents, and others living in households with children.

The providers shall report the data in the format and within the time frames specified in the rules.

The director shall prepare an annual report on the data received from the providers. The director shall make the report available on the internet web site maintained by the department of health.

(G) Pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the director shall adopt rules that are necessary and proper to implement this section. The rules shall specify all of the following:
(1) Subject to division (H) of this section, eligibility requirements for home visiting services;

(2) Eligibility requirements for providers of home visiting services;

(3) Standards and procedures for the provision of program services, including data collection, program monitoring, and program evaluation;

(4) Procedures for appealing the denial of an application for program services or the termination of services;

(5) Procedures for appealing the denial of an application to become a provider of program services or the termination of the department's approval of a provider;

(6) Procedures for addressing complaints;

(7) The program performance indicators on which data must be reported by providers of home visiting services under division (F) of this section, which, to the extent possible, shall be consistent with federal reporting requirements for federally funded home visiting services;

(8) The format in which reports must be submitted under division (F) of this section and the time frames within which the reports must be submitted;

(9) Criteria for payment of approved providers of program services;

(10) Any other rules necessary to implement the program.

(H) When adopting rules required by division (G)(1) of this section, the department shall specify that families residing in the urban and rural communities specified in rules adopted under section 3701.142 of the Revised Code are to receive priority over other families for home visiting services.
Sec. 3701.613. Beginning in fiscal year 2018, the department of health shall facilitate and allocate funds for a biennial summit on home visiting programs. The purpose of each summit is to convene persons and government entities involved with the delivery of home visiting services in this state, as well as other interested persons, to do all of the following:

(A) Share the latest research on evidence-based and innovative, promising home visiting models;

(B) Discuss strategies to ensure that home visiting programs in this state use evidence-based or innovative, promising home visiting models;

(C) Discuss strategies to reduce tobacco use by families participating in home visiting programs;

(D) Present successes and challenges encountered by home visiting programs.

Sec. 3701.831. The director of health may assess the operating funds of the department to pay a share of the department's administrative costs. The assessments shall be based on a plan that the director develops and submits to the office of budget and management not later than the fifteenth day of July of the fiscal year in which the assessments are to be made. If the office of budget and management determines that the assessments proposed in the plan can be implemented with uniformity and administrative ease, it shall approve the plan within two weeks after it is submitted. Assessments shall be paid from the funds designated in the plan and credited by means of intrastate transfer voucher to the central support indirect fund which is hereby created in the state treasury. The fund shall be administered by the director of health and used to pay administrative costs of the department of health.
Sec. 3703.01. (A) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the division of industrial compliance in the department of commerce shall do all of the following:

(1) Inspect all nonresidential buildings within the meaning of section 3781.06 of the Revised Code;

(2) Condemn all unsanitary or defective plumbing that is found in connection with those places;

(3) Order changes in plumbing necessary to insure the safety of the public health.

(B)(1)(a) The division of industrial compliance, boards of health of city and general health districts, and county building departments shall not inspect plumbing or collect fees for inspecting plumbing in particular types of buildings in any municipal corporation that is certified by the board of building standards under section 3781.10 of the Revised Code to exercise enforcement authority for plumbing in those types of buildings.

(b) The division shall not inspect plumbing or collect fees for inspecting plumbing in particular types of buildings in any health district that has given the division written notice that it intends to inspect plumbing in the particular types of buildings and that either:

(i) Employs one or more plumbing inspectors, certified pursuant to division (D) of this section 3781.10 of the Revised Code, to enforce Chapters 3781. and 3791. of the Revised Code and the rules adopted pursuant to those chapters relating to plumbing in those types of buildings;

(ii) Has a contract with a board of county commissioners or another board of health, entered pursuant to division (C) of this section, that authorizes a county building department or the other board of health to inspect plumbing in the particular types of
buildings in the health district.

(c) The division shall not inspect plumbing or collect fees for inspecting plumbing in particular types of buildings in any health district where the county building department is authorized to inspect those types of buildings pursuant to a contract described in division (C)(1) of this section.

(d) The division shall not inspect plumbing or collect fees for inspecting plumbing in particular types of buildings in any health district where the board of health has entered into a contract with the board of health of another district to conduct inspections pursuant to division (C)(2) of this section.

(2) No county building department shall inspect plumbing or collect fees for inspecting plumbing in any type of building in a health district unless the department is authorized to inspect that type of building pursuant to a contract described in division (C)(1) of this section.

(3) No municipal corporation shall inspect plumbing or collect fees for inspecting plumbing in types of buildings for which it is not certified by the board of building standards under section 3781.10 of the Revised Code to exercise enforcement authority.

(4) No board of health of a health district shall inspect plumbing or collect fees for inspecting plumbing in types of buildings for which it does not have a plumbing inspector certified pursuant to division (D) of this section.

(C)(1) The board of health of a health district may enter into a contract with a board of county commissioners to authorize the county building department to inspect plumbing in buildings within the health district. The contract may designate that the department inspect either residential or nonresidential buildings, as those terms are defined in section 3781.06 of the Revised Code,
or both types of buildings, so long as the department employs or
contracts with a plumbing inspector certified pursuant to division
(D) of this section to inspect the types of buildings the contract
designates. The board of health may enter into a contract
regardless of whether the health district employs any certified
plumbing inspectors to enforce Chapters 3781. and 3791. of the
Revised Code.

(2) The board of health of a health district, regardless of
whether it employs any certified plumbing inspectors to enforce
Chapters 3781. and 3791. of the Revised Code, may enter into a
contract with the board of health of another health district to
authorize that board to inspect plumbing in buildings within the
contracting board's district. The contract may designate the
inspection of either residential or nonresidential buildings as
defined in section 3781.06 of the Revised Code, or both types of
buildings, so long as the board that performs the inspections
employs a plumbing inspector certified pursuant to division (D) of
this section to inspect the types of buildings the contract
designates.

(D) The superintendent of industrial compliance shall adopt
rules prescribing minimum qualifications based on education,
training, experience, or demonstrated ability, that the
superintendent shall use in certifying or recertifying plumbing
inspectors to do plumbing inspections for health districts and
county building departments that are authorized to perform
inspections pursuant to a contract under division (C)(1) of this
section, and for continuing education of plumbing inspectors.
Those minimum qualifications shall be related to the types of
buildings for which a person seeks certification.

(E) The superintendent may enter into reciprocal
registration, licensure, or certification agreements with other
states and other agencies of this state relative to plumbing
inspectors if both of the following apply:

(1) The requirements for registration, licensure, or certification of plumbing inspectors under the laws of the other state or laws administered by the other agency are substantially equal to the requirements the superintendent adopts under division (D) of this section for certifying plumbing inspectors.

(2) The other state or agency extends similar reciprocity to persons certified under this chapter.

(F) The superintendent may select and contract with one or more persons to do all of the following regarding examinations for certification of plumbing inspectors:

(1) Prepare, administer, score, and maintain the confidentiality of the examination;

(2) Maintain responsibility for all expenses required to comply with division (F)(1) of this section;

(3) Charge each applicant a fee for administering the examination in an amount the superintendent authorizes;

(4) Design the examination for certification of plumbing inspectors to determine an applicant's competence to inspect plumbing.

(G) Standards and methods prescribed in local plumbing regulations shall not be less than those prescribed in Chapters 3781. and 3791. of the Revised Code and the rules adopted pursuant to those chapters.

(H) (E) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the division shall make a plumbing inspection of any building or other place that there is reason to believe is in a condition to be a menace to the public health.
3703.08 of the Revised Code, the division of industrial compliance shall enforce rules governing plumbing adopted by the board of building standards under authority of sections 3781.10 and 3781.11 of the Revised Code, and register those persons engaged in or at the plumbing business.

Plans and specifications for all plumbing to be installed in or for buildings coming within such sections shall be submitted to and approved by the division before the contract for plumbing is let.

**Sec. 3709.291.** (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Combined health district" means a single city health district created under section 3709.051 of the Revised Code or a general health district created under section 3709.07 or 3709.10 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Current operating expenses," "subdivision," "taxing authority," and "fiscal officer," have the same meanings as in section 5705.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) The board of health of a combined health district may, by vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, declare by resolution that the district's revenues will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of such district, and that it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation to pay the current operating expenses of the district. Such resolution shall conform to section 5705.19 of the Revised Code, except that the increased rate may be in effect for any number of years not exceeding ten.

The resolution shall be certified and submitted in the manner provided in section 5705.25 of the Revised Code, except that it may be placed on the ballot in any election, and shall be certified to the board of elections not less than ninety days
before the election at which it will be voted upon. If the
district includes territory in more than one county, the
resolution shall be certified to the board of elections of each
county and submitted to all electors of the district.

If the majority of the electors voting on a levy under this
section vote in favor of the levy, the board of health may levy a
tax within the district at the additional rate during the
specified period for current operating expenses.

(C) When electors have approved a tax levy under this
section, the board of health of a combined health district may
anticipate a fraction of the proceeds of the levy and, from time
to time, issue anticipation notes in accordance with section
5705.191 or 5705.193 of the Revised Code.

(D) If the board of health of a combined health district
levies a tax under this section all of the following shall apply:

(1) The combined health district is a subdivision.

(2) The board is a taxing authority.

(3) The city or county treasurer of the district appointed
under section 3709.052 or 3709.10 of the Revised Code or the
custodian of funds of a district created under section 3709.07 of
the Revised Code, as applicable, is the district's fiscal officer.

(4) The board shall comply with all requirements of Chapter
5705. of the Revised Code, notwithstanding section 3709.28 of the
Revised Code.

(5) The health fund or district health fund of the combined
health district, as applicable, constitutes the general fund of
the combined district for the purpose of section 5705.09 of the
Revised Code.

Sec. 3713.02. Subject to sections 3713.021 and 3713.022 of
the Revised Code, all of the following apply:
(A) Except as provided in section 3713.05 of the Revised Code, no person shall import, manufacture, renovate, wholesale, or reupholster stuffed toys or articles of bedding, or sell or offer for sale any second-hand stuffed toy or any second-hand article of bedding, in this state without first registering to do so with the superintendent of industrial compliance in accordance with section 3713.05 of the Revised Code.

(B) No person shall manufacture, offer for sale, sell, deliver, or possess for the purpose of manufacturing, selling, or delivering, an article of bedding or a stuffed toy that is not labeled in accordance with section 3713.08 of the Revised Code.

(C) No person shall manufacture, offer for sale, sell, deliver, or possess for the purpose of manufacturing, selling, or delivering, an article of bedding or a stuffed toy that is falsely labeled.

(D) No person shall sell or offer for sale any secondhand article of bedding or any secondhand stuffed toy that has not been sanitized in accordance with section 3713.08 of the Revised Code.

(E) The possession of any article of bedding or stuffed toy in the course of business by a person required to obtain registration under this chapter, or by that person's agent or servant shall be prima-facie evidence of the person's intent to sell the article of bedding or stuffed toy.

Sec. 3717.22. (A) The following are not retail food establishments:

(1) A food service operation licensed under this chapter, including a food service operation that provides the services of a retail food establishment pursuant to an endorsement issued under section 3717.44 of the Revised Code;

(2) An entity exempt under divisions (B)(1) to (9) or (11) to
(13) of section 3717.42 of the Revised Code from the requirement to be licensed as a food service operation and an entity exempt under division (B)(10) of that section if the entity is regulated by the department of agriculture as a food processing establishment under section 3715.021 of the Revised Code;

(3) A business or that portion of a business that is regulated by the federal government or the department of agriculture as a food manufacturing or food processing business, including a business or that portion of a business regulated by the department of agriculture under Chapter 911., 913., 915., 917., 918., or 925. of the Revised Code.

(B) All of the following are exempt from the requirement to be licensed as a retail food establishment:

(1) An establishment with commercially prepackaged foods that are not potentially hazardous and contained in displays, the total space of which equals less than two hundred cubic feet;

(2) A person at a farmers market that is registered with the director of agriculture pursuant to section 3717.221 of the Revised Code that offers for sale only one or more of the following:

(a) Fresh unprocessed fruits or vegetables;

(b) Products of a cottage food production operation;

(c) Tree syrup, sorghum, honey, apple syrup, or apple butter that is produced by a tree syrup or sorghum producer, beekeeper, or apple syrup or apple butter processor described in division (A) of section 3715.021 of the Revised Code;

(d) Wine as authorized under section 4303.2010 of the Revised Code;

(e) Commercially prepackaged food that is not potentially hazardous, on the condition that the food is contained in
displays, the total space of which equals less than one hundred cubic feet on the premises where the person conducts business at the farmers market.

(3) A person who offers for sale at a roadside stand only fresh fruits and fresh vegetables that are unprocessed;

(4) A nonprofit organization exempt from federal income taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the "Internal Revenue Code of 1986," 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C.A. 1, as amended, that raises funds by selling foods and that, if required to be licensed, would be classified as risk level one in accordance with rules establishing licensing categories for retail food establishments adopted under section 3717.33 of the Revised Code, if the sales occur inside a building and are for not more than seven consecutive days or more than fifty-two separate days during a licensing period. This exemption extends to any individual or group raising all of its funds during the time periods specified in division (B)(4) of this section for the benefit of the nonprofit organization by selling foods under the same conditions.

(5) An establishment that offers food contained in displays of less than five hundred square feet, and if required to be licensed would be classified as risk level one pursuant to rules establishing licensing categories for retail food establishments adopted under section 3717.33 of the Revised Code, on the condition that the establishment offers the food for sale at retail not more than six months in each calendar year;

(6) A cottage food production operation, on the condition that the operation offers its products directly to the consumer from the site where the products are produced;

(7) A tree syrup and sorghum processor, beekeeper, or apple syrup and apple butter processor described in division (A) of section 3715.021 of the Revised Code, on the condition that the
processor or beekeeper offers only tree syrup, sorghum, honey, apple syrup, or apple butter directly to the consumer from the site where those products are processed;

(8) A person who annually maintains five hundred or fewer birds, on the condition that the person offers the eggs from those birds directly to the consumer from the location where the eggs are produced or at a farm product auction to which division (B)(11) of this section applies;

(9) A person who annually raises and slaughters one thousand or fewer chickens, on the condition that the person offers dressed chickens directly to the consumer from the location where the chickens are raised and slaughtered or at a farm product auction to which division (B)(11) of this section applies;

(10) A person who raises, slaughters, and processes the meat of nonamenable species described in divisions (A) and (B) of section 918.12 of the Revised Code, on the condition that the person offers the meat directly to the consumer from the location where the meat is processed or at a farm product auction to which division (B)(11) of this section applies;

(11) A farm product auction, on the condition that it is registered with the director pursuant to section 3717.221 of the Revised Code that offers for sale at the farm product auction only one or more of the following:

(a) The products described in divisions (B)(8) to (10) of this section that are produced, raised, slaughtered, or processed, as appropriate, by persons described in divisions (B)(8) to (10) of this section;

(b) Fresh unprocessed fruits or vegetables;

(c) Products of a cottage food production operation;

(d) Tree syrup, sorghum, honey, apple syrup, or apple butter
that is produced by a tree syrup or sorghum producer, beekeeper, or apple syrup or apple butter processor described in division (A) of section 3715.021 of the Revised Code.

(12) An establishment that, with respect to offering food for sale, offers only alcoholic beverages or prepackaged beverages that are not potentially hazardous;

(13) An establishment that, with respect to offering food for sale, offers only alcoholic beverages, prepackaged beverages that are not potentially hazardous, or commercially prepackaged food that is not potentially hazardous, on the condition that the commercially prepackaged food is contained in displays, the total space of which equals less than two hundred cubic feet on the premises of the establishment;

(14) An establishment that, with respect to offering food for sale, offers only fountain beverages that are not potentially hazardous;

(15) A person who offers for sale only one or more of the following foods at a festival or celebration, on the condition that the festival or celebration is organized by a political subdivision of the state and lasts for a period not longer than seven consecutive days:

(a) Fresh unprocessed fruits or vegetables;

(b) Products of a cottage food production operation;

(c) Tree syrup, sorghum, honey, apple syrup, or apple butter if produced by a tree syrup or sorghum processor, beekeeper, or apple syrup or apple butter processor as described in division (A) of section 3715.021 of the Revised Code;

(d) Commercially prepackaged food that is not potentially hazardous, on the condition that the food is contained in displays, the total space of which equals less than one hundred
cubic feet;

(e) Fruit butter produced at the festival or celebration and sold from the production site.

(16) A farm market on the condition that it is registered with the director pursuant to section 3717.221 of the Revised Code that offers for sale at the farm market only one or more of the following:

(a) Fresh unprocessed fruits or vegetables;

(b) Products of a cottage food production operation;

(c) Tree syrup, sorghum, honey, apple syrup, or apple butter that is produced by a tree syrup or sorghum producer, beekeeper, or apple syrup or apple butter processor described in division (A) of section 3715.021 of the Revised Code;

(d) Commercially prepackaged food that is not potentially hazardous, on the condition that the food is contained in displays, the total space of which equals less than one hundred cubic feet on the premises where the person conducts business at the farm market;

(e) Cider and other juices manufactured on site at the farm market;

(f) The products or items described in divisions (B)(8) to (10) of this section, on the condition that those products or items were produced by the person offering to sell them, and further conditioned that, with respect to eggs offered, the person offering to sell them annually maintains five hundred or fewer birds, and with respect to dressed chickens offered, the person annually raises and slaughters one thousand or fewer chickens.

(17)(a) An establishment to which all of the following apply:

(i) The establishment has been issued an A-2 permit under section 4303.03 of the Revised Code or an A-2f permit under
section 4303.031 of the Revised Code, annually produces ten thousand gallons or less of wine, and sells that wine in accordance with Chapter 4303. of the Revised Code on the premises of the establishment.

(ii) The establishment serves unopened commercially prepackaged food, other than wine.

(iii) The amount of the establishment's commercially prepackaged food sales, other than wine sales, for the previous calendar year did not exceed five per cent of the establishment's total gross receipts.

(b) The owner or operator of the establishment shall notify the director that it is exempt from licensure because it qualifies under division (B)(17)(a) of this section. The owner or operator also shall display a notice in a place conspicuous to all of its guests informing them that the establishment is not required to be licensed as a retail food establishment.

Sec. 3717.221. (A) Any Either of the following may register with the director of agriculture:

(1) A farm market, which is a location where a producer offers fruits, vegetables, and other items for sale;

(2) A farmers market, which is a location where producers congregate to offer fruits, vegetables, and other items for sale;

(3) A farm product auction, which is a location where agricultural products, including food products, are offered for sale at auction.

(B) The director shall inspect each farm market, farmers market, and farm product auction that registers under this section. Inspections shall occur at a frequency considered appropriate by the director and shall be conducted in accordance with sanitation standards established in rules adopted under this
section.

(C) The director shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code as necessary to administer this section.

Sec. 3721.02. (A) As used in this section, "residential facility" means a residential facility licensed under section 5119.34 of the Revised Code that provides accommodations, supervision, and personal care services for three to sixteen unrelated adults.

(B)(1) The director of health shall license homes and establish procedures to be followed in inspecting and licensing homes. The director may inspect a home at any time. Each The director may enter at any time, for the purposes of investigation, any institution, residence, facility, or other structure that has been reported to the director or that the director has reasonable cause to believe is operating as a nursing home, residential care facility, or home for the aging without a valid license required by section 3721.05 of the Revised Code or, in the case of a county home or district home, is operating despite the revocation of its residential care facility license. The director may delegate the director's authority and duties under this chapter to any division, bureau, agency, or official of the department of health.

(2)(a) Except as provided in division (B)(2)(b) of this section, prior to the issuance of a license, each home shall be inspected by the director at least once prior to the issuance of a license and at least once every fifteen months thereafter. The state fire marshal or a township, municipal, or other legally constituted fire department approved by the marshal shall also inspect a home prior to issuance of a license.

(b) The inspections set forth in division (B)(2)(a) of this section are not required prior to the issuance of a license if ownership of the home is assigned or transferred to a different
person and the home was licensed under this chapter immediately prior to the assignment or transfer.

(3) After issuance of a license by the director, each home shall be inspected as follows:

(a) By the director at least once every fifteen months thereafter, and at any other time requested by the director. A home does not have to be inspected prior to issuance of a license by the director, state fire marshal, or a fire department if ownership of the home is assigned or transferred to a different person and the home was licensed under this chapter immediately prior to the assignment or transfer except that a home that is a residential care facility, or part of a home for the aging that is licensed as a residential care facility, may, at the discretion of the director, be inspected at least once every thirty months if all of the following apply:

(i) During the two most recent consecutive inspections that occurred at least once every fifteen months, there were no substantiated violations against the residential care facility;

(ii) During the time period of the inspections referred to in division (B)(4)(a) of this section, there were no substantiated violations against the residential care facility from any other inspections or from any investigations of complaints;

(iii) The residential care facility does not have any outstanding violations from any previous inspections or investigations.

(b) By the state fire marshal or a township, municipal, or other legally constituted fire department approved by the marshal at least once every fifteen months.

(4) A nursing home does not need to be inspected before the director increases the nursing home's licensed capacity if the beds being added to the nursing home are placed in resident rooms
that were inspected, as part of the most recent previous
inspection of the nursing home, for the same number of residents
proposed to be placed in a room after the capacity increase. The
director may enter at any time, for the purposes of investigation,
any institution, residence, facility, or other structure that has
been reported to the director or that the director has reasonable
cause to believe is operating as a nursing home, residential care
facility, or home for the aging without a valid license required
by section 3721.05 of the Revised Code or, in the case of a county
home or district home, is operating despite the revocation of its
residential care facility license. The director may delegate the
director's authority and duties under this chapter to any
division, bureau, agency, or official of the department of health.

(2)(5)(a) If, prior to issuance of a license, a home submits
a request for an expedited licensing inspection and the request is
submitted in a manner and form approved by the director, the
director shall commence an inspection of the home not later than
ten business days after receiving the request.

(b) On request, submitted in a manner and form approved by
the director, the director may review plans for a building that is
to be used as a home for compliance with applicable state and
local building and safety codes.

(c) The director may charge a fee for an expedited licensing
inspection or a plan review that is adequate to cover the expense
of expediting the inspection or reviewing the plans. The fee shall
be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the general
operations fund created in section 3701.83 of the Revised Code and
used solely for expediting inspections and reviewing plans.

(C) A single facility may be licensed both as a nursing home
pursuant to this chapter and as a residential facility pursuant to
section 5119.34 of the Revised Code if the director determines
that the part or unit to be licensed as a nursing home can be
maintained separate and discrete from the part or unit to be licensed as a residential facility.

(D) In determining the number of residents in a home for the purpose of licensing, the director shall consider all the individuals for whom the home provides accommodations as one group unless one of the following is the case:

(1) The home is a home for the aging, in which case all the individuals in the part or unit licensed as a nursing home shall be considered as one group, and all the individuals in the part or unit licensed as a rest home shall be considered as another group.

(2) The home is both a nursing home and a residential facility. In that case, all the individuals in the part or unit licensed as a nursing home shall be considered as one group, and all the individuals in the part or unit licensed as an adult care facility shall be considered as another group.

(3) The home maintains, in addition to a nursing home or residential care facility, a separate and discrete part or unit that provides accommodations to individuals who do not require or receive skilled nursing care and do not receive personal care services from the home, in which case the individuals in the separate and discrete part or unit shall not be considered in determining the number of residents in the home if the separate and discrete part or unit is in compliance with the Ohio basic building code established by the board of building standards under Chapters 3781. and 3791. of the Revised Code and the home permits the director, on request, to inspect the separate and discrete part or unit and speak with the individuals residing there, if they consent, to determine whether the separate and discrete part or unit meets the requirements of this division.

(E)(1) The director of health shall charge the following application fee and annual renewal licensing and inspection fee
for each fifty persons or part thereof of a home's licensed capacity:

(a) For state fiscal year 2010, two hundred twenty dollars;
(b) For state fiscal year 2011, two hundred seventy dollars;
(c) For each state fiscal year thereafter, three hundred twenty dollars.

(2) All fees collected by the director for the issuance or renewal of licenses shall be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the general operations fund created in section 3701.83 of the Revised Code for use only in administering and enforcing this chapter and rules adopted under it.

(F)(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the results of an inspection or investigation of a home that is conducted under this section, including any statement of deficiencies and all findings and deficiencies cited in the statement on the basis of the inspection or investigation, shall be used solely to determine the home's compliance with this chapter or another chapter of the Revised Code in any action or proceeding other than an action commenced under division (I) of section 3721.17 of the Revised Code. Those results of an inspection or investigation, that statement of deficiencies, and the findings and deficiencies cited in that statement shall not be used in either of the following:

(a) Any court or in any action or proceeding that is pending in any court and are not admissible in evidence in any action or proceeding unless that action or proceeding is an appeal of an action by the department of health under this chapter or is an action by any department or agency of the state to enforce this chapter or another chapter of the Revised Code;
(b) An advertisement, unless the advertisement includes all of the following:
(i) The date the inspection or investigation was conducted;

(ii) A statement that the director of health inspects all homes at least once every fifteen months or, if applicable under this section, at least once every thirty months;

(iii) If a finding or deficiency cited in the statement of deficiencies has been substantially corrected, a statement that the finding or deficiency has been substantially corrected and the date that the finding or deficiency was substantially corrected;

(iv) The number of findings and deficiencies cited in the statement of deficiencies on the basis of the inspection or investigation;

(v) The average number of findings and deficiencies cited in a statement of deficiencies on the basis of an inspection or investigation conducted under this section during the same calendar year as the inspection or investigation used in the advertisement;

(vi) A statement that the advertisement is neither authorized nor endorsed by the department of health or any other government agency.

(2) Nothing in division (F)(1) of this section prohibits the results of an inspection or investigation conducted under this section from being used in a criminal investigation or prosecution.

Sec. 3721.081. (A) Notwithstanding any action the director of health may take under section 3721.08 of the Revised Code, if the director determines immediate action is necessary to protect resident health or safety because a home has neglected or refused to act with sufficient promptness or efficiency to protect resident health or safety, the director may do either or both of the following before a home is provided notice and an opportunity
for a hearing under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code:

(A) (1) Issue orders, including specifying actions that a home must take immediately to address resident health and safety;

(2) Take direct action to protect resident health or safety if the home fails to act on an order issued pursuant to division (A) (1) of this section.

(B) Orders that may be issued and direct action that may be taken under this section include all of the following:

(1) Removing a threat to resident health or safety;

(2) Transferring residents to another home or appropriate care setting until a threat to resident health or safety is resolved;

(3) Appointing a temporary administrator for a home;

(4) Issuing any other order or taking any other action as necessary to protect the health or safety of residents of a home.

(C) (1) Any expenses incurred by a home to comply with an order issued under this section shall be borne by the home.

(2) If the director takes direct action under division (A) (2) of this section, a home shall reimburse the department of health for all necessary expenses incurred by the department. The director shall issue an order informing the home of the amount to be reimbursed.

(D) If a home fails to comply with an order issued under this section, the director shall issue an order imposing a fine of not more than two hundred fifty thousand dollars for each instance of noncompliance, with interest calculated at the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code, accruing from the date of the order.

(E) All reimbursements collected under this section and all
fines, including interest, collected under this section shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the general operations fund created by section 3701.83 of the Revised Code.

(F) A home subject to an order issued under this section may request a hearing under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. The request must be received by the director within thirty days after the notice of the order was mailed. If the home timely requests a hearing, the date set for the hearing shall be within sixty days, but not earlier than fifteen days, after the home requested the hearing, unless otherwise agreed to by both the director and the home.

An order issued under this section shall remain in effect, unless reversed by the director, until a final adjudication order issued by the director pursuant to this section and Chapter 119. of the Revised Code becomes effective. The director shall issue the final adjudication order not later than ninety days after completion of the hearing.

A home may appeal a final adjudication order in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. The final adjudication order shall not be subject to suspension by the court while the appeal is pending.

Sec. 3734.57. (A) The following fees are hereby levied on the transfer or disposal of solid wastes in this state:

(1) Ninety cents per ton through June 30, 2022, twenty cents of the proceeds of which shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the hazardous waste facility management fund created in section 3734.18 of the Revised Code and seventy cents of the proceeds of which shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the hazardous waste clean-up fund created in section 3734.28 of the Revised Code;
(2) An additional seventy-five cents per ton through June 30, 2022, the proceeds of which shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the waste management fund created in section 3734.061 of the Revised Code.

(3) An additional two dollars and eighty-five cents per ton through June 30, 2022, the proceeds of which shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the environmental protection fund created in section 3745.015 of the Revised Code;

(4) An additional twenty-five cents per ton through June 30, 2022, the proceeds of which shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the soil and water conservation district assistance fund created in section 940.15 of the Revised Code.

In the case of solid wastes that are taken to a solid waste transfer facility located in this state prior to being transported for disposal at a solid waste disposal facility located in this state or outside of this state, the fees levied under this division shall be collected by the owner or operator of the transfer facility as a trustee for the state. The amount of fees required to be collected under this division at such a transfer facility shall equal the total tonnage of solid wastes received at the facility multiplied by the fees levied under this division. In the case of solid wastes that are not taken to a solid waste transfer facility located in this state prior to being transported to a solid waste disposal facility, the fees shall be collected by the owner or operator of the solid waste disposal facility as a trustee for the state. The amount of fees required to be collected under this division at such a disposal facility shall equal the total tonnage of solid wastes received at the facility that was not previously taken to a solid waste transfer facility located in this state multiplied by the fees levied under this division. Fees levied under this division do not apply to materials separated from a mixed waste stream for recycling by a generator or
materials removed from the solid waste stream through recycling, as "recycling" is defined in rules adopted under section 3734.02 of the Revised Code.

The owner or operator of a solid waste transfer facility or disposal facility, as applicable, shall prepare and file with the director of environmental protection each month a return indicating the total tonnage of solid wastes received at the facility during that month and the total amount of the fees required to be collected under this division during that month. In addition, the owner or operator of a solid waste disposal facility shall indicate on the return the total tonnage of solid wastes received from transfer facilities located in this state during that month for which the fees were required to be collected by the transfer facilities. The monthly returns shall be filed on a form prescribed by the director. Not later than thirty days after the last day of the month to which a return applies, the owner or operator shall mail to the director the return for that month together with the fees required to be collected under this division during that month as indicated on the return or may submit the return and fees electronically in a manner approved by the director. If the return is filed and the amount of the fees due is paid in a timely manner as required in this division, the owner or operator may retain a discount of three-fourths of one per cent of the total amount of the fees that are required to be paid as indicated on the return.

The owner or operator may request an extension of not more than thirty days for filing the return and remitting the fees, provided that the owner or operator has submitted such a request in writing to the director together with a detailed description of why the extension is requested, the director has received the request not later than the day on which the return is required to be filed, and the director has approved the request. If the fees
are not remitted within thirty days after the last day of the month to which the return applies or are not remitted by the last day of an extension approved by the director, the owner or operator shall not retain the three-fourths of one per cent discount and shall pay an additional ten per cent of the amount of the fees for each month that they are late. For purposes of calculating the late fee, the first month in which fees are late begins on the first day after the deadline has passed for timely submitting the return and fees, and one additional month shall be counted every thirty days thereafter.

The owner or operator of a solid waste facility may request a refund or credit of fees levied under this division and remitted to the director that have not been paid to the owner or operator. Such a request shall be made only if the fees have not been collected by the owner or operator, have become a debt that has become worthless or uncollectable for a period of six months or more, and may be claimed as a deduction, including a deduction claimed if the owner or operator keeps accounts on an accrual basis, under the "Internal Revenue Code of 1954," 68A Stat. 50, 26 U.S.C. 166, as amended, and regulations adopted under it. Prior to making a request for a refund or credit, an owner or operator shall make reasonable efforts to collect the applicable fees. A request for a refund or credit shall not include any costs resulting from those efforts to collect unpaid fees.

A request for a refund or credit of fees shall be made in writing, on a form prescribed by the director, and shall be supported by evidence that may be required in rules adopted by the director under this chapter. After reviewing the request, and if the request and evidence submitted with the request indicate that a refund or credit is warranted, the director shall grant a refund to the owner or operator or shall permit a credit to be taken by the owner or operator on a subsequent monthly return submitted by the owner or operator.
the owner or operator. The amount of a refund or credit shall not exceed an amount that is equal to ninety days' worth of fees owed to an owner or operator by a particular debtor of the owner or operator. A refund or credit shall not be granted by the director to an owner or operator more than once in any twelve-month period for fees owed to the owner or operator by a particular debtor.

If, after receiving a refund or credit from the director, an owner or operator receives payment of all or part of the fees, the owner or operator shall remit the fees with the next monthly return submitted to the director together with a written explanation of the reason for the submittal.

For purposes of computing the fees levied under this division or division (B) of this section, any solid waste transfer or disposal facility that does not use scales as a means of determining gate receipts shall use a conversion factor of three cubic yards per ton of solid waste or one cubic yard per ton for baled waste, as applicable.

The fees levied under this division and divisions (B) and (C) of this section are in addition to all other applicable fees and taxes and shall be paid by the customer or a political subdivision to the owner or operator of a solid waste transfer or disposal facility. In the alternative, the fees shall be paid by a customer or political subdivision to a transporter of waste who subsequently transfers the fees to the owner or operator of such a facility. The fees shall be paid notwithstanding the existence of any provision in a contract that the customer or a political subdivision may have with the owner or operator or with a transporter of waste to the facility that would not require or allow such payment regardless of whether the contract was entered prior to or after October 16, 2009. For those purposes, "customer" means a person who contracts with, or utilizes the solid waste services of, the owner or operator of a solid waste transfer or
disposal facility or a transporter of solid waste to such a facility.

(B) For the purposes specified in division (G) of this section, the solid waste management policy committee of a county or joint solid waste management district may levy fees upon the following activities:

(1) The disposal at a solid waste disposal facility located in the district of solid wastes generated within the district;

(2) The disposal at a solid waste disposal facility within the district of solid wastes generated outside the boundaries of the district, but inside this state;

(3) The disposal at a solid waste disposal facility within the district of solid wastes generated outside the boundaries of this state.

The solid waste management plan of the county or joint district approved under section 3734.521 or 3734.55 of the Revised Code and any amendments to it, or the resolution adopted under this division, as appropriate, shall establish the rates of the fees levied under divisions (B)(1), (2), and (3) of this section, if any, and shall specify whether the fees are levied on the basis of tons or cubic yards as the unit of measurement. A solid waste management district that levies fees under this division on the basis of cubic yards shall do so in accordance with division (A) of this section.

The fee levied under division (B)(1) of this section shall be not less than one dollar per ton nor more than two dollars per ton, the fee levied under division (B)(2) of this section shall be not less than two dollars per ton nor more than four dollars per ton, and the fee levied under division (B)(3) of this section shall be not more than the fee levied under division (B)(1) of this section.
Prior to the approval of the solid waste management plan of a district under section 3734.55 of the Revised Code, the solid waste management policy committee of a district may levy fees under this division by adopting a resolution establishing the proposed amount of the fees. Upon adopting the resolution, the committee shall deliver a copy of the resolution to the board of county commissioners of each county forming the district and to the legislative authority of each municipal corporation and township under the jurisdiction of the district and shall prepare and publish the resolution and a notice of the time and location where a public hearing on the fees will be held. Upon adopting the resolution, the committee shall deliver written notice of the adoption of the resolution; of the amount of the proposed fees; and of the date, time, and location of the public hearing to the director and to the fifty industrial, commercial, or institutional generators of solid wastes within the district that generate the largest quantities of solid wastes, as determined by the committee, and to their local trade associations. The committee shall make good faith efforts to identify those generators within the district and their local trade associations, but the nonprovision of notice under this division to a particular generator or local trade association does not invalidate the proceedings under this division. The publication shall occur at least thirty days before the hearing. After the hearing, the committee may make such revisions to the proposed fees as it considers appropriate and thereafter, by resolution, shall adopt the revised fee schedule. Upon adopting the revised fee schedule, the committee shall deliver a copy of the resolution doing so to the board of county commissioners of each county forming the district and to the legislative authority of each municipal corporation and township under the jurisdiction of the district. Within sixty days after the delivery of a copy of the resolution adopting the proposed revised fees by the policy committee, each
such board and legislative authority, by ordinance or resolution, shall approve or disapprove the revised fees and deliver a copy of the ordinance or resolution to the committee. If any such board or legislative authority fails to adopt and deliver to the policy committee an ordinance or resolution approving or disapproving the revised fees within sixty days after the policy committee delivered its resolution adopting the proposed revised fees, it shall be conclusively presumed that the board or legislative authority has approved the proposed revised fees. The committee shall determine if the resolution has been ratified in the same manner in which it determines if a draft solid waste management plan has been ratified under division (B) of section 3734.55 of the Revised Code.

The committee may amend the schedule of fees levied pursuant to a resolution adopted and ratified under this division by adopting a resolution establishing the proposed amount of the amended fees. The committee may repeal the fees levied pursuant to such a resolution by adopting a resolution proposing to repeal them. Upon adopting such a resolution, the committee shall proceed to obtain ratification of the resolution in accordance with this division.

Not later than fourteen days after declaring the new fees to be ratified or the fees to be repealed under this division, the committee shall notify by certified mail the owner or operator of each solid waste disposal facility that is required to collect the fees of the ratification and the amount of the fees or of the repeal of the fees. Collection of any fees shall commence or collection of repealed fees shall cease on the first day of the second month following the month in which notification is sent to the owner or operator.

Fees levied under this division also may be established, amended, or repealed by a solid waste management policy committee.
through the adoption of a new district solid waste management plan, the adoption of an amended plan, or the amendment of the plan or amended plan in accordance with sections 3734.55 and 3734.56 of the Revised Code or the adoption or amendment of a district plan in connection with a change in district composition under section 3734.521 of the Revised Code.

Not later than fourteen days after the director issues an order approving a district's solid waste management plan, amended plan, or amendment to a plan or amended plan that establishes, amends, or repeals a schedule of fees levied by the district, the committee shall notify by certified mail the owner or operator of each solid waste disposal facility that is required to collect the fees of the approval of the plan or amended plan, or the amendment to the plan, as appropriate, and the amount of the fees, if any. In the case of an initial or amended plan approved under section 3734.521 of the Revised Code in connection with a change in district composition, other than one involving the withdrawal of a county from a joint district, the committee, within fourteen days after the change takes effect pursuant to division (G) of that section, shall notify by certified mail the owner or operator of each solid waste disposal facility that is required to collect the fees that the change has taken effect and of the amount of the fees, if any. Collection of any fees shall commence or collection of repealed fees shall cease on the first day of the second month following the month in which notification is sent to the owner or operator.

If, in the case of a change in district composition involving the withdrawal of a county from a joint district, the director completes the actions required under division (G)(1) or (3) of section 3734.521 of the Revised Code, as appropriate, forty-five days or more before the beginning of a calendar year, the policy committee of each of the districts resulting from the change that
obtained the director's approval of an initial or amended plan in
connection with the change, within fourteen days after the
director's completion of the required actions, shall notify by
certified mail the owner or operator of each solid waste disposal
facility that is required to collect the district's fees that the
change is to take effect on the first day of January immediately
following the issuance of the notice and of the amount of the fees
or amended fees levied under divisions (B)(1) to (3) of this
section pursuant to the district's initial or amended plan as so
approved or, if appropriate, the repeal of the district's fees by
that initial or amended plan. Collection of any fees set forth in
such a plan or amended plan shall commence on the first day of
January immediately following the issuance of the notice. If such
an initial or amended plan repeals a schedule of fees, collection
of the fees shall cease on that first day of January.

If, in the case of a change in district composition involving
the withdrawal of a county from a joint district, the director
completes the actions required under division (G)(1) or (3) of
section 3734.521 of the Revised Code, as appropriate, less than
forty-five days before the beginning of a calendar year, the
director, on behalf of each of the districts resulting from the
change that obtained the director's approval of an initial or
amended plan in connection with the change proceedings, shall
notify by certified mail the owner or operator of each solid waste
disposal facility that is required to collect the district's fees
that the change is to take effect on the first day of January
immediately following the mailing of the notice and of the amount
of the fees or amended fees levied under divisions (B)(1) to (3)
of this section pursuant to the district's initial or amended plan
as so approved or, if appropriate, the repeal of the district's
fees by that initial or amended plan. Collection of any fees set
forth in such a plan or amended plan shall commence on the first
day of the second month following the month in which notification
is sent to the owner or operator. If such an initial or amended plan repeals a schedule of fees, collection of the fees shall cease on the first day of the second month following the month in which notification is sent to the owner or operator.

If the schedule of fees that a solid waste management district is levying under divisions (B)(1) to (3) of this section is amended or repealed, the fees in effect immediately prior to the amendment or repeal shall continue to be collected until collection of the amended fees commences or collection of the repealed fees ceases, as applicable, as specified in this division. In the case of a change in district composition, money so received from the collection of the fees of the former districts shall be divided among the resulting districts in accordance with division (B) of section 343.012 of the Revised Code and the agreements entered into under division (B) of section 343.01 of the Revised Code to establish the former and resulting districts and any amendments to those agreements.

For the purposes of the provisions of division (B) of this section establishing the times when newly established or amended fees levied by a district are required to commence and the collection of fees that have been amended or repealed is required to cease, "fees" or "schedule of fees" includes, in addition to fees levied under divisions (B)(1) to (3) of this section, those levied under section 3734.573 or 3734.574 of the Revised Code.

(C) For the purposes of defraying the added costs to a municipal corporation or township of maintaining roads and other public facilities and of providing emergency and other public services, and compensating a municipal corporation or township for reductions in real property tax revenues due to reductions in real property valuations resulting from the location and operation of a solid waste disposal facility within the municipal corporation or township, a municipal corporation or township in which such a
solid waste disposal facility is located may levy a fee of not more than twenty-five cents per ton on the disposal of solid wastes at a solid waste disposal facility located within the boundaries of the municipal corporation or township regardless of where the wastes were generated.

The legislative authority of a municipal corporation or township may levy fees under this division by enacting an ordinance or adopting a resolution establishing the amount of the fees. Upon so doing the legislative authority shall mail a certified copy of the ordinance or resolution to the board of county commissioners or directors of the county or joint solid waste management district in which the municipal corporation or township is located or, if a regional solid waste management authority has been formed under section 343.011 of the Revised Code, to the board of trustees of that regional authority, the owner or operator of each solid waste disposal facility in the municipal corporation or township that is required to collect the fee by the ordinance or resolution, and the director of environmental protection. Although the fees levied under this division are levied on the basis of tons as the unit of measurement, the legislative authority, in its ordinance or resolution levying the fees under this division, may direct that the fees be levied on the basis of cubic yards as the unit of measurement based upon a conversion factor of three cubic yards per ton generally or one cubic yard per ton for baled wastes.

Not later than five days after enacting an ordinance or adopting a resolution under this division, the legislative authority shall so notify by certified mail the owner or operator of each solid waste disposal facility that is required to collect the fee. Collection of any fee levied on or after March 24, 1992, shall commence on the first day of the second month following the month in which notification is sent to the owner or operator.
(D)(1) The fees levied under divisions (A), (B), and (C) of this section do not apply to the disposal of solid wastes that:

(a) Are disposed of at a facility owned by the generator of the wastes when the solid waste facility exclusively disposes of solid wastes generated at one or more premises owned by the generator regardless of whether the facility is located on a premises where the wastes are generated;

(b) Are generated from the combustion of coal, or from the combustion of primarily coal, regardless of whether the disposal facility is located on the premises where the wastes are generated;

(c) Are asbestos or asbestos-containing materials or products disposed of at a construction and demolition debris facility that is licensed under Chapter 3714. of the Revised Code or at a solid waste facility that is licensed under this chapter.

(2) Except as provided in section 3734.571 of the Revised Code, any fees levied under division (B)(1) of this section apply to solid wastes originating outside the boundaries of a county or joint district that are covered by an agreement for the joint use of solid waste facilities entered into under section 343.02 of the Revised Code by the board of county commissioners or board of directors of the county or joint district where the wastes are generated and disposed of.

(3) When solid wastes, other than solid wastes that consist of scrap tires, are burned in a disposal facility that is an incinerator or energy recovery facility, the fees levied under divisions (A), (B), and (C) of this section shall be levied upon the disposal of the fly ash and bottom ash remaining after burning of the solid wastes and shall be collected by the owner or operator of the sanitary landfill where the ash is disposed of.

(4) When solid wastes are delivered to a solid waste transfer
facility, the fees levied under divisions (B) and (C) of this section shall be levied upon the disposal of solid wastes transported off the premises of the transfer facility for disposal and shall be collected by the owner or operator of the solid waste disposal facility where the wastes are disposed of.

(5) The fees levied under divisions (A), (B), and (C) of this section do not apply to sewage sludge that is generated by a waste water treatment facility holding a national pollutant discharge elimination system permit and that is disposed of through incineration, land application, or composting or at another resource recovery or disposal facility that is not a landfill.

(6) The fees levied under divisions (A), (B), and (C) of this section do not apply to solid wastes delivered to a solid waste composting facility for processing. When any unprocessed solid waste or compost product is transported off the premises of a composting facility and disposed of at a landfill, the fees levied under divisions (A), (B), and (C) of this section shall be collected by the owner or operator of the landfill where the unprocessed waste or compost product is disposed of.

(7) When solid wastes that consist of scrap tires are processed at a scrap tire recovery facility, the fees levied under divisions (A), (B), and (C) of this section shall be levied upon the disposal of the fly ash and bottom ash or other solid wastes remaining after the processing of the scrap tires and shall be collected by the owner or operator of the solid waste disposal facility where the ash or other solid wastes are disposed of.

(8) The director of environmental protection may issue an order exempting from the fees levied under this section solid wastes, including, but not limited to, scrap tires, that are generated, transferred, or disposed of as a result of a contract providing for the expenditure of public funds entered into by the administrator or regional administrator of the United States.
environmental protection agency, the director of environmental protection, or the director of administrative services on behalf of the director of environmental protection for the purpose of remediating conditions at a hazardous waste facility, solid waste facility, or other location at which the administrator or regional administrator or the director of environmental protection has reason to believe that there is a substantial threat to public health or safety or the environment or that the conditions are causing or contributing to air or water pollution or soil contamination. An order issued by the director of environmental protection under division (D)(8) of this section shall include a determination that the amount of the fees not received by a solid waste management district as a result of the order will not adversely impact the implementation and financing of the district's approved solid waste management plan and any approved amendments to the plan. Such an order is a final action of the director of environmental protection.

(E) The fees levied under divisions (B) and (C) of this section shall be collected by the owner or operator of the solid waste disposal facility where the wastes are disposed of as a trustee for the county or joint district and municipal corporation or township where the wastes are disposed of. Moneys from the fees levied under division (B) of this section shall be forwarded to the board of county commissioners or board of directors of the district in accordance with rules adopted under division (H) of this section. Moneys from the fees levied under division (C) of this section shall be forwarded to the treasurer or such other officer of the municipal corporation as, by virtue of the charter, has the duties of the treasurer or to the fiscal officer of the township, as appropriate, in accordance with those rules.

(F) Moneys received by the treasurer or other officer of the municipal corporation under division (E) of this section shall be
paid into the general fund of the municipal corporation. Moneys received by the fiscal officer of the township under that division shall be paid into the general fund of the township. The treasurer or other officer of the municipal corporation or the township fiscal officer, as appropriate, shall maintain separate records of the moneys received from the fees levied under division (C) of this section.

(G) Moneys received by the board of county commissioners or board of directors under division (E) of this section or section 3734.571, 3734.572, 3734.573, or 3734.574 of the Revised Code shall be paid to the county treasurer, or other official acting in a similar capacity under a county charter, in a county district or to the county treasurer or other official designated by the board of directors in a joint district and kept in a separate and distinct fund to the credit of the district. If a regional solid waste management authority has been formed under section 343.011 of the Revised Code, moneys received by the board of trustees of that regional authority under division (E) of this section shall be kept by the board in a separate and distinct fund to the credit of the district. Moneys in the special fund of the county or joint district arising from the fees levied under division (B) of this section and the fee levied under division (A) of section 3734.573 of the Revised Code shall be expended by the board of county commissioners or directors of the district in accordance with the district's solid waste management plan or amended plan approved under section 3734.521, 3734.55, or 3734.56 of the Revised Code exclusively for the following purposes:

(1) Preparation of the solid waste management plan of the district under section 3734.54 of the Revised Code, monitoring implementation of the plan, and conducting the periodic review and amendment of the plan required by section 3734.56 of the Revised Code by the solid waste management policy committee;
(2) Implementation of the approved solid waste management plan or amended plan of the district, including, without limitation, the development and implementation of solid waste recycling or reduction programs;

(3) Providing financial assistance to boards of health within the district, if solid waste facilities are located within the district, for enforcement of this chapter and rules, orders, and terms and conditions of permits, licenses, and variances adopted or issued under it, other than the hazardous waste provisions of this chapter and rules adopted and orders and terms and conditions of permits issued under those provisions;

(4) Providing financial assistance to each county within the district to defray the added costs of maintaining roads and other public facilities and of providing emergency and other public services resulting from the location and operation of a solid waste facility within the county under the district's approved solid waste management plan or amended plan;

(5) Pursuant to contracts entered into with boards of health within the district, if solid waste facilities contained in the district's approved plan or amended plan are located within the district, for paying the costs incurred by those boards of health for collecting and analyzing samples from public or private water wells on lands adjacent to those facilities;

(6) Developing and implementing a program for the inspection of solid wastes generated outside the boundaries of this state that are disposed of at solid waste facilities included in the district's approved solid waste management plan or amended plan;

(7) Providing financial assistance to boards of health within the district for the enforcement of section 3734.03 of the Revised Code or to local law enforcement agencies having jurisdiction within the district for enforcing anti-littering laws and
ordinances;

(8) Providing financial assistance to boards of health of health districts within the district that are on the approved list under section 3734.08 of the Revised Code to defray the costs to the health districts for the participation of their employees responsible for enforcement of the solid waste provisions of this chapter and rules adopted and orders and terms and conditions of permits, licenses, and variances issued under those provisions in the training and certification program as required by rules adopted under division (L) of section 3734.02 of the Revised Code;

(9) Providing financial assistance to individual municipal corporations and townships within the district to defray their added costs of maintaining roads and other public facilities and of providing emergency and other public services resulting from the location and operation within their boundaries of a composting, energy or resource recovery, incineration, or recycling facility that either is owned by the district or is furnishing solid waste management facility or recycling services to the district pursuant to a contract or agreement with the board of county commissioners or directors of the district;

(10) Payment of any expenses that are agreed to, awarded, or ordered to be paid under section 3734.35 of the Revised Code and of any administrative costs incurred pursuant to that section. In the case of a joint solid waste management district, if the board of county commissioners of one of the counties in the district is negotiating on behalf of affected communities, as defined in that section, in that county, the board shall obtain the approval of the board of directors of the district in order to expend moneys for administrative costs incurred.

Prior to the approval of the district's solid waste management plan under section 3734.55 of the Revised Code, moneys in the special fund of the district arising from the fees shall be
expended for those purposes in the manner prescribed by the solid waste management policy committee by resolution.

Notwithstanding division (G)(6) of this section as it existed prior to October 29, 1993, or any provision in a district's solid waste management plan prepared in accordance with division (B)(2)(e) of section 3734.53 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to that date, any moneys arising from the fees levied under division (B)(3) of this section prior to January 1, 1994, may be expended for any of the purposes authorized in divisions (G)(1) to (10) of this section.

(H) The director shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code prescribing procedures for collecting and forwarding the fees levied under divisions (B) and (C) of this section to the boards of county commissioners or directors of county or joint solid waste management districts and to the treasurers or other officers of municipal corporations and the fiscal officers of townships. The rules also shall prescribe the dates for forwarding the fees to the boards and officials and may prescribe any other requirements the director considers necessary or appropriate to implement and administer divisions (A), (B), and (C) of this section.

Sec. 3734.85. (A) On and after the effective date of the rules adopted under sections 3734.70, 3734.71, 3734.72, and 3734.73 of the Revised Code, the director of environmental protection may take action under this section to abate accumulations of scrap tires. If the director determines that an accumulation of scrap tires constitutes a danger to the public health or safety or to the environment, the director shall issue an order under section 3734.13 of the Revised Code to the person responsible for the accumulation of scrap tires directing that person, within one hundred twenty days after the issuance of the
order, to remove the accumulation of scrap tires from the premises on which it is located and transport the tires to a scrap tire storage, monocell, monofill, or recovery facility licensed under section 3734.81 of the Revised Code, to such a facility in another state operating in compliance with the laws of the state in which it is located, or to any other solid waste disposal facility in another state that is operating in compliance with the laws of that state. If the person responsible for causing the accumulation of scrap tires is a person different from the owner of the land on which the accumulation is located, the director may issue such an order to the landowner.

If the director is unable to ascertain immediately the identity of the person responsible for causing the accumulation of scrap tires, the director shall examine the records of the applicable board of health and law enforcement agencies to ascertain that person's identity. Before initiating any enforcement or removal actions under this division against the owner of the land on which the accumulation is located, the director shall initiate any such actions against the person that the director has identified as responsible for causing the accumulation of scrap tires. Failure of the director to make diligent efforts to ascertain the identity of the person responsible for causing the accumulation shall not constitute an affirmative defense by a landowner to an enforcement action initiated by the director under this division requiring immediate removal of any accumulation of scrap tires.

Upon the written request of the recipient of an order issued under this division, the director may extend the time for compliance with the order if the request demonstrates that the recipient has acted in good faith to comply with the order. If the
recipient of an order issued under this division fails to comply with the order within one hundred twenty days after the issuance of the order or, if the time for compliance with the order was so extended, within that time, the director shall take such actions as the director considers reasonable and necessary to remove and properly manage the scrap tires located on the land named in the order. The director, through employees of the environmental protection agency or a contractor, may enter upon the land on which the accumulation of scrap tires is located and remove and transport them to a scrap tire recovery facility for processing, to a scrap tire storage facility for storage, or to a scrap tire monocell or monofill facility for storage or disposal.

The director shall enter into contracts for the storage, disposal, or processing of scrap tires removed through removal operations conducted under this section.

If a person to whom a removal order is issued under this division fails to comply with the order and if the director performs a removal action under this section, the person to whom the removal order is issued is liable to the director for the costs incurred by the director for conducting the removal operation, storage at a scrap tire storage facility, storage or disposal at a scrap tire monocell or monofill facility, or processing of the scrap tires so removed, the transportation of the scrap tires from the site of the accumulation to the scrap tire storage, monocell, monofill, or recovery facility where the scrap tires were stored, disposed of, or processed, and the administrative and legal expenses incurred by the director in connection with the removal operation. The director shall keep an itemized record of those costs. Upon completion of the actions for which the costs were incurred, the director shall record the costs at the office of the county recorder of the county in which the accumulation of scrap tires was located. The costs so recorded
constitute a lien on the property on which the accumulation of scrap tires was located until discharged. Upon the written request of the director, the attorney general shall bring a civil action against the person responsible for the accumulation of the scrap tires that were the subject of the removal operation to recover the costs for which the person is liable under this division. Any money so received or recovered shall be credited to the scrap tire management fund created in section 3734.82 of the Revised Code.

If, in a civil action brought under this division, an owner of real property is ordered to pay to the director the costs of a removal action that removed an accumulation of scrap tires from the person's land or if a lien is placed on the person's land for the costs of such a removal action, and, in either case, if the landowner was not the person responsible for causing the accumulation of scrap tires so removed, the landowner may bring a civil action against the person who was responsible for causing the accumulation to recover the amount of the removal costs that the court ordered the landowner to pay to the director or the amount of the removal costs certified to the county recorder as a lien on the landowner's property, whichever is applicable. If the landowner prevails in the civil action against the person who was responsible for causing the accumulation of scrap tires, the court, as it considers appropriate, may award to the landowner the reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the landowner for bringing the action, court costs, and other reasonable expenses incurred by the landowner in connection with the civil action. A landowner shall bring such a civil action within two years after making the final payment of the removal costs to the director pursuant to the judgment rendered against the landowner in the civil action brought under this division upon the director's request or within two years after the director certified the costs of the removal action to the county recorder, as appropriate. A person who, at the time that a removal action was conducted under this division,
owned the land on which the removal action was performed may bring an action under this division to recover the costs of the removal action from the person responsible for causing the accumulation of scrap tires so removed regardless of whether the person owns the land at the time of bringing the action.

Subject to the limitations set forth in division (G) of section 3734.82 of the Revised Code, the director may use moneys in the scrap tire management fund for conducting removal actions under this division. Any moneys recovered under this division shall be credited to the scrap tire management fund.

(B) The director shall initiate enforcement and removal actions under division (A) of this section in accordance with the following descending listing of priorities:

(1) Accumulations of scrap tires that the director finds constitute a fire hazard or threat to public health;

(2) Accumulations of scrap tires determined by the director to contain more than one million scrap tires;

(3) Accumulations of scrap tires in densely populated areas;

(4) Other accumulations of scrap tires that the director or board of health of the health district in which the accumulation is located determines constitute a public nuisance;

(5) Any other accumulations of scrap tires present on premises operating without a valid license issued under section 3734.05 or 3734.81 of the Revised Code.

(C) The director shall not take enforcement and removal actions under division (A) of this section against the owner or operator of, or the owner of the land on which is located, any of the following:

(1) A premises where not more than one hundred scrap tires are present at any time;
(2) The premises of a business engaging in the sale of tires at retail that meets either of the following criteria:

(a) Not more than one thousand scrap tires are present on the premises at any time in an unsecured, uncovered outdoor location.

(b) Any number of scrap tires are secured in a building or a covered, enclosed container, trailer, or installation.

(3) The premises of a tire retreading business, a tire manufacturing finishing center, or a tire adjustment center on which is located a single, covered scrap tire storage area where not more than four thousand scrap tires are stored;

(4) The premises of a business that removes tires from motor vehicles in the ordinary course of business and on which is located a single scrap tire storage area that occupies not more than twenty-five hundred square feet;

(5) A solid waste facility licensed under section 3734.05 of the Revised Code that stores scrap tires on the surface of the ground if the total land area on which scrap tires are actually stored does not exceed ten thousand square feet;

(6) A premises where not more than two hundred fifty scrap tires are stored or kept for agricultural use;

(7) A construction site where scrap tires are stored for use or used in road resurfacing or the construction of embankments;

(8) A scrap tire collection, storage, monocell, monofill, or recovery facility licensed under section 3734.81 of the Revised Code;

(9) A solid waste incineration or energy recovery facility that is subject to regulation under this chapter and that burns scrap tires;

(10) A premises where scrap tires are beneficially used and for which the notice required by rules adopted under section
3734.84 of the Revised Code has been given;

(11) A transporter registered under section 3734.83 of the Revised Code that collects and holds scrap tires in a covered trailer or vehicle for not longer than thirty days prior to transporting them to their final destination.

(D) Nothing in this section restricts any right any person may have under statute or common law to enforce or seek enforcement of any law applicable to the management of scrap tires, abate a nuisance, or seek any other appropriate relief.

(E) An owner of real property upon which there is located an accumulation of not more than five thousand scrap tires is not liable under division (A) of this section for the cost of the removal of the up to ten thousand scrap tires on the owner's property, or more at the director's discretion, and no lien shall attach to the property under this section, if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The tires were placed on the property after the owner acquired title to the property, or the tires were placed on the property before the owner acquired title to the property and the owner acquired title to the property by bequest or devise.

(2) The owner of the property did not have knowledge that the tires were being placed on the property, or the owner posted on the property signs prohibiting dumping or took other action to prevent the placing of tires on the property.

(3) The owner of the property did not participate in or consent to the placing of the tires on the property.

(4) The owner of the property received no financial benefit from the placing of the tires on the property or otherwise having the tires on the property.

(5) Title to the property was not transferred to the owner.
for the purpose of evading liability under division (A) of this section.

(6) The person responsible for placing the tires on the property, in doing so, was not acting as an agent for the owner of the property.

Sec. 3734.901. (A)(1) For the purpose of providing revenue to defray the cost of administering and enforcing the scrap tire provisions of this chapter, rules adopted under those provisions, and terms and conditions of orders, variances, and licenses issued under those provisions; to abate accumulations of scrap tires; to make grants supporting market development activities for scrap tires and synthetic rubber from tire manufacturing processes and tire recycling processes and to support scrap tire amnesty and cleanup events; to make loans to promote the recycling or recovery of energy from scrap tires; and to defray the costs of administering and enforcing sections 3734.90 to 3734.9014 of the Revised Code, a fee of fifty cents per tire is hereby levied on the sale of tires. The proceeds of the fee shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the scrap tire management fund created in section 3734.82 of the Revised Code. The fee is levied from the first day of the calendar month that begins next after thirty days from October 29, 1993, through June 30, 2022.

(2) Beginning on July 1, 2011, and ending on June 30, 2022, there is hereby levied an additional fee of fifty cents per tire on the sale of tires the proceeds of which shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the soil and water conservation district assistance fund created in section 940.15 of the Revised Code.

(B) Only one sale of the same article shall be used in computing the amount of the fee due.
Sec. 3737.17. (A) As used in this section, a "qualifying small government" means any of the following:

(1) A township that has a population of not more than five thousand or, regardless of its population, is located in a county that has a population of less than one hundred thousand;

(2) A municipal corporation that has a population of not more than seven thousand five hundred;

(3) A fire district, joint fire district, or fire and ambulance district that shares territory exclusively with townships or municipal corporations that meet the conditions of division (A)(1) or (2) of this section.

(B) The state fire marshal shall administer a small government fire department services revolving loan program under which the state fire marshal makes loans to qualifying small governments for the following purposes:

(1) To expedite purchases of major equipment for fire fighting, ambulance, emergency medical, or rescue services;

(2) To expedite projects for the construction or renovation of fire department buildings.

A loan for either purpose under the small government fire department services revolving loan program is not to carry interest, and is to be repaid within a term of not longer than twenty years. A qualifying small government is not eligible to receive a loan for a project or purchase under the program unless the qualifying small government contributes to the project or purchase an amount equal to at least five per cent of the loan amount.

(C) A qualifying small government may apply to the state fire marshal for a loan under the small government fire department services revolving loan program. In its application, the
qualifying small government shall explain how it qualifies for the loan, describe the project or purchase for which it is requesting a loan, state the amount of the loan it requests, and state the amount it is prepared to contribute to the project or purchase. The qualifying small government shall provide additional information to support its application for a loan under the program as requested by the state fire marshal.

(D) The state fire marshal, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall adopt rules for the administration of the small government fire department services revolving loan program.

(E) There is hereby created in the state treasury the small government fire department services revolving loan fund, into which shall be deposited repayments by qualifying small governments of loans authorized under this section. The fund also shall consist of appropriated money. Investment earnings on money in the fund shall be credited to the fund. The state fire marshal shall use the money credited to the fund to make loans to qualifying small governments as described in this section. The state fire marshal may loan money from repaid loans credited to the fund at any time to qualifying small governments in accordance with this section.

(F) If the director of commerce determines that the cash balance in the small government fire department services revolving loan fund is insufficient to implement the program established under this section, the director may certify the amount needed, which cannot exceed the amount appropriated to the program for the biennium period for which the certification is made, to the director of budget and management. Upon certification, the director of budget and management may transfer from the state fire marshal's fund established in section 3737.71 of the Revised Code to the small government fire department services revolving loan
fund any amount up to, but not exceeding, the amount certified by
the director of commerce.

Sec. 3737.71. Each insurance company doing business in this
state shall pay to the state in installments, at the time of
making the payments required by section 5729.05 of the Revised
Code, in addition to the taxes required to be paid by it,
three-fourths of one per cent on the gross premium receipts
derived from fire insurance and that portion of the premium
reasonably allocable to insurance against the hazard of fire
included in other coverages except life and sickness and accident
insurance, after deducting return premiums paid and considerations
received for reinsurances as shown by the annual statement of such
company made pursuant to sections 3929.30, 3931.06, and 5729.02 of
the Revised Code. The money received shall be paid into the state
treasury to the credit of the state fire marshal's fund, which is
hereby created. The fund shall be used for the maintenance and
administration of the office of the fire marshal and the Ohio fire
academy established by section 3737.33 of the Revised Code. If the
director of commerce certifies to the director of budget and
management that the cash balance in the state fire marshal's fund
is in excess of the amount needed to pay ongoing operating
expenses, the director of commerce, with the approval of the
director of budget and management, may use the excess amount to
acquire by purchase, lease, or otherwise, real property or
interests in real property to be used for the benefit of the
office of the state fire marshal, or to construct, acquire,
enlarge, equip, furnish, or improve the fire marshal's office
facilities or the facilities of the Ohio fire academy. The state
fire marshal's fund shall be assessed a proportionate share of the
administrative costs of the department of commerce in accordance
with procedures prescribed by the director of commerce and
approved by the director of budget and management. Such assessment
shall be paid from the state fire marshal's fund to the division of administration fund.

Notwithstanding any other provision in this section, if the director of budget and management determines at any time that the money in the state fire marshal's fund exceeds the amount necessary to defray ongoing operating expenses in a fiscal year, the director may transfer the excess to the general revenue fund.

Sec. 3741.14. (A) Each filling station offering self-service shall be operated in accordance with the most recent version of the national fire protection association standard number 30A-1990 30A, as that standard is incorporated into the fire code adopted by the state fire marshal in accordance with section 3737.82 of the Revised Code, and the provisions of the "Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970," 84 Stat. 1590, 5 U.S.C.A. 5108, and any amendments thereto and standards adopted thereunder.

(B) The fire marshal shall adopt, as part of the state fire code, rules governing the equipment, operation, and maintenance of filling stations. The rules shall be such as are necessary for the protection of the persons and property of the public, but shall require as a minimum that:

1. A sign, in block letters at least four inches in height, be conspicuously displayed on each gasoline pump island where self-service is offered stating that it is a self-service island;

2. Signs giving instructions for the operation of gasoline dispensing equipment, in block letters, be conspicuously posted at each filling station offering self-service;

3. A sign bearing the following words in block letters be conspicuously posted on each gasoline pump island where self-service is offered:

   (a) "STOP ENGINE";
(b) "NO SMOKING";

(c) "WARNING--IT IS UNLAWFUL AND DANGEROUS TO DISPENSE GASOLINE INTO UNAPPROVED CONTAINERS";

(d) "PERSONS USING DISPENSERS WITH HOLD-OPEN LATCHES MUST REMAIN AT THE REFUELING POINT DURING REFUELING".

(5) All signs required by this section be constructed of rigid, weather-resistant material;

(6) Gasoline dispensing nozzles used by any person other than a supervisor, employee, or attendant be of an approved automatic closing type. Any person other than a supervisor, employee, or attendant using a dispenser with a hold-open latch shall remain at the refueling point during refueling.

(C) The fire marshal shall not prohibit the operation of a filling station offering self-service solely because it is an unattended filling station that utilizes key- or card-operated self-service flammable or combustible liquid dispensing equipment.

(D) Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to prohibit the fire marshal from adopting reasonable rules governing the safety of self-service flammable or combustible liquid dispensing equipment.

Sec. 3742.11. (A) As used in this section, "renovation, repair, and painting rule" means the rule adopted by the United States environmental protection agency pursuant to the "Toxic Substances Control Act of 1978," 15 U.S.C. 2601.

(B) The director of health may enter into agreements with the United States environmental protection agency for the administration and enforcement of the renovation, repair, and painting rule. The director also may accept available assistance in support of any agreement.

(C) The director may adopt rules in accordance with Chapter
119. of the Revised Code for the administration and enforcement of this section. If the director adopts such rules, the director shall specify all of the following in the rules:

   (1) Provisions governing application for certification, approval and denial of certification, and renewal, suspension, and revocation of certification under this section;

   (2) Fees for any certification issued or renewed under this section;

   (3) Requirements for training and certification, which must include levels of training and periodic refresher training for certifications issued under this section;

   (4) Procedures to be followed by a person certified under this section to undertake renovation, repair, and painting projects and to prevent public exposure to lead hazards and ensure worker protection during renovation, repair, or painting projects;

   (5) Provisions governing the imposition of civil penalties for violations of procedures adopted under this section. Civil penalties shall not exceed $5,000 per violation.

   (6) Record-keeping and reporting requirements for a person certified under this section;

   (7) Procedures for the approval of training providers under this section, including specific training course requirements;

   (8) Any other procedures and requirements that the director determines necessary for the implementation of this section.

Sec. 3742.16. (A) In accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the director of health may refuse to issue or renew, or may suspend or revoke, a license, an accreditation or certification, or an approval of any person, program, or laboratory for one or more of the following reasons:
(A)(1) Violation of any provision of this chapter or the rules adopted under it;

(B)(2) Failure to pay the fee for the issuance or renewal of a license, an accreditation or certification, or an approval;

(C)(3) Any material misrepresentation in an application for a license, an accreditation or certification, or an approval;

(D)(4) Interference with an investigation made pursuant to section 3742.35 of the Revised Code;

(E)(5) Failure to meet the licensing requirements established by rule adopted under section 3742.03 of the Revised Code;

(F)(6) Employment or use of lead abatement personnel that are not licensed under this chapter.

(B) In addition to the actions specified in division (A) of this section and in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the director may impose a fine of not more than five thousand dollars per violation for any of the reasons specified in that division.

(C) All fines collected by the director under this section shall be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the general operations fund created under section 3701.83 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3742.18. (A)(1) At the request of the director of health, the attorney general may commence a civil action for civil penalties and injunctive and other equitable relief against any person who violates section 3742.02, 3742.06, or 3742.07 of the Revised Code. The action shall be commenced in the court of common pleas of the county in which the violation occurred or is about to occur.

(2) The court shall grant injunctive and other equitable relief on a showing that the person has violated or is about to
violate section 3742.02, 3742.06, or 3742.07 of the Revised Code. On a finding of a violation, the court shall assess a civil penalty of not more than one five thousand dollars. Each day a violation continues is a separate violation. All civil penalties collected by the court under this section shall be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the lead abatement personnel licensing fund created under section 3742.19 of the Revised Code.

(B) At the request of the director or a board of health, a prosecuting attorney, city director of law, village solicitor, or similar chief legal officer may commence a civil action for injunctive and other equitable relief against any person who violates or is about to violate an order issued by the director or board of health under section 3742.40 of the Revised Code. The court shall grant injunctive or other equitable relief on a showing that the person has violated or is about to violate the order.

Sec. 3742.19. Except for any licensing examination fee collected and retained by an entity under contract pursuant to division (B) of section 3742.08 of the Revised Code, all fees and penalties collected under sections 3742.01 to 3742.18 of the Revised Code; any grant, contribution, or other moneys received for the purposes of those sections; and fines collected under section 3742.99 of the Revised Code shall be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the lead abatement personnel licensing fund, which is hereby created. The moneys in the fund shall be used solely for the administration and enforcement of sections 3742.01 to 3742.18 of the Revised Code and the rules adopted under those sections.

Sec. 3745.014. There is hereby created in the state treasury the central support indirect fund, which shall be administered by the director of environmental protection. Money credited to the
fund shall be used for administrative costs of the environmental protection agency. The director may assess any operating funds from which the agency receives appropriations, except the central support indirect fund, for a share of the administrative costs of the agency. The amounts assessed shall be transferred to the central support indirect fund by means of intrastate transfer vouchers. The director, with the approval of the director of budget and management, shall determine the rate of assessments.

Sec. 3745.11. (A) Applicants for and holders of permits, licenses, variances, plan approvals, and certifications issued by the director of environmental protection pursuant to Chapters 3704., 3734., 6109., and 6111. of the Revised Code shall pay a fee to the environmental protection agency for each such issuance and each application for an issuance as provided by this section. No fee shall be charged for any issuance for which no application has been submitted to the director.

(B) Except as otherwise provided in division (C)(2) of this section, beginning July 1, 1994, each person who owns or operates an air contaminant source and who is required to apply for and obtain a Title V permit under section 3704.036 of the Revised Code shall pay the fees set forth in this division. For the purposes of this division, total emissions of air contaminants may be calculated using engineering calculations, emissions factors, material balance calculations, or performance testing procedures, as authorized by the director.

The following fees shall be assessed on the total actual emissions from a source in tons per year of the regulated pollutants particulate matter, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides, organic compounds, and lead:

(1) Fifteen dollars per ton on the total actual emissions of each such regulated pollutant during the period July through
December 1993, to be collected no sooner than July 1, 1994;

(2) Twenty dollars per ton on the total actual emissions of each such regulated pollutant during calendar year 1994, to be collected no sooner than April 15, 1995;

(3) Twenty-five dollars per ton on the total actual emissions of each such regulated pollutant in calendar year 1995, and each subsequent calendar year, to be collected no sooner than the fifteenth day of April of the year next succeeding the calendar year in which the emissions occurred.

The fees levied under this division do not apply to that portion of the emissions of a regulated pollutant at a facility that exceed four thousand tons during a calendar year.

(C)(1) The fees assessed under division (B) of this section are for the purpose of providing funding for the Title V permit program.

(2) The fees assessed under division (B) of this section do not apply to emissions from any electric generating unit designated as a Phase I unit under Title IV of the federal Clean Air Act prior to calendar year 2000. Those fees shall be assessed on the emissions from such a generating unit commencing in calendar year 2001 based upon the total actual emissions from the generating unit during calendar year 2000 and shall continue to be assessed each subsequent calendar year based on the total actual emissions from the generating unit during the preceding calendar year.

(3) The director shall issue invoices to owners or operators of air contaminant sources who are required to pay a fee assessed under division (B) or (D) of this section. Any such invoice shall be issued no sooner than the applicable date when the fee first may be collected in a year under the applicable division, shall identify the nature and amount of the fee assessed, and shall...
indicate that the fee is required to be paid within thirty days after the issuance of the invoice.

(D)(1) Except as provided in division (D)(3) of this section, from January 1, 1994, through December 31, 2003, each person who owns or operates an air contaminant source; who is required to apply for a permit to operate pursuant to rules adopted under division (G), or a variance pursuant to division (H), of section 3704.03 of the Revised Code; and who is not required to apply for and obtain a Title V permit under section 3704.036 of the Revised Code shall pay a single fee based upon the sum of the actual annual emissions from the facility of the regulated pollutants particulate matter, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides, organic compounds, and lead in accordance with the following schedule:

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(D)(2) Except as provided in division (D)(3) of this section, beginning January 1, 2004, each person who owns or operates an air contaminant source; who is required to apply for a permit to operate pursuant to rules adopted under division (G), or a variance pursuant to division (H), of section 3704.03 of the Revised Code; and who is not required to apply for and obtain a Title V permit under section 3704.03 of the Revised Code shall pay a single fee based upon the sum of the actual annual emissions from the facility of the regulated pollutants particulate matter, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides, organic compounds, and lead in accordance with the following schedule:

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100 or more 700

(3)(a) (2)(a) As used in division (D) of this section, "synthetic minor facility" means a facility for which one or more permits to install or permits to operate have been issued for the air contaminant sources at the facility that include terms and conditions that lower the facility's potential to emit air contaminants below the major source thresholds established in rules adopted under section 3704.036 of the Revised Code.

(b) Beginning January 1, 2000, through June 30, 2022, each person who owns or operates a synthetic minor facility shall pay an annual fee based on the sum of the actual annual emissions from the facility of particulate matter, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen dioxide, organic compounds, and lead in accordance with the following schedule:

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The fees assessed under division (D)(1) of this section shall be collected annually no sooner than the fifteenth day of April, commencing in 1995. The fees assessed under division (D)(2) of this section shall be collected annually no sooner than the fifteenth day of April, commencing in 2005. The fees assessed under division (D)(3) of this section shall be collected no sooner than the fifteenth day of April, commencing in 2000. The fees assessed under division (D) of this section in a calendar year shall be based upon the sum of the actual emissions of those regulated pollutants during the preceding calendar year.

For the purpose of division (D) of this section, emissions of air contaminants may be calculated using engineering calculations, emission factors, material balance calculations, or performance testing procedures, as authorized by the director. The director, by rule, may require persons who are required to pay the fees assessed under division (D) of this section to pay those fees biennially rather than annually.

(E)(1) Consistent with the need to cover the reasonable costs of the Title V permit program, the director annually shall increase the fees prescribed in division (B) of this section by the percentage, if any, by which the consumer price index for the most recent calendar year ending before the beginning of a year exceeds the consumer price index for calendar year 1989. Upon calculating an increase in fees authorized by division (E)(1) of this section, the director shall compile revised fee schedules for the purposes of division (B) of this section and shall make the revised schedules available to persons required to pay the fees assessed under that division and to the public.

(2) For the purposes of division (E)(1) of this section:

(a) The consumer price index for any year is the average of the consumer price index for all urban consumers published by the United States department of labor as of the close of the
twelve-month period ending on the thirty-first day of August of that year.

(b) If the 1989 consumer price index is revised, the director shall use the revision of the consumer price index that is most consistent with that for calendar year 1989.

(F) Each person who is issued a permit to install pursuant to rules adopted under division (F) of section 3704.03 of the Revised Code on or after July 1, 2003, shall pay the fees specified in the following schedules:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Fuel-burning equipment (boilers, furnaces, or process heaters used in the process of burning fuel for the primary purpose of producing heat or power by indirect heat transfer)</th>
<th>Input capacity (maximum)</th>
<th>Permit to install</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Greater than 0, but less than 10</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>29970</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10 or more, but less than 100</td>
<td>400</td>
<td>29971</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>100 or more, but less than 300</td>
<td>1000</td>
<td>29972</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>300 or more, but less than 500</td>
<td>2250</td>
<td>29973</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>500 or more, but less than 1000</td>
<td>3750</td>
<td>29974</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1000 or more, but less than 5000</td>
<td>6000</td>
<td>29975</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5000 or more</td>
<td>9000</td>
<td>29976</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Units burning exclusively natural gas, number two fuel oil, or both shall be assessed a fee that is one-half the applicable amount shown in division (F)(1) of this section.

(2) Combustion turbines and stationary internal combustion engines designed to generate electricity

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Generating capacity (mega watts)</th>
<th>Permit to install</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0 or more, but less than 10</td>
<td>$ 25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10 or more, but less than 25</td>
<td>150</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>25 or more, but less than 50</td>
<td>300</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>50 or more, but less than 100</td>
<td>500</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
100 or more, but less than 250 1000
250 or more 2000

(3) Incinerators

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Input capacity (pounds per hour)</th>
<th>Permit to install</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0 to 100</td>
<td>$ 100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>101 to 500</td>
<td>500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>501 to 2000</td>
<td>1000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2001 to 20,000</td>
<td>1500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>more than 20,000</td>
<td>3750</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

(4)(a) Process

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Process weight rate (pounds per hour)</th>
<th>Permit to install</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0 to 1000</td>
<td>$ 200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1001 to 5000</td>
<td>500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5001 to 10,000</td>
<td>750</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10,001 to 50,000</td>
<td>1000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>more than 50,000</td>
<td>1250</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

In any process where process weight rate cannot be ascertained, the minimum fee shall be assessed. A boiler, furnace, combustion turbine, stationary internal combustion engine, or process heater designed to provide direct heat or power to a process not designed to generate electricity shall be assessed a fee established in division (F)(4)(a) of this section. A combustion turbine or stationary internal combustion engine designed to generate electricity shall be assessed a fee established in division (F)(2) of this section.

(b) Notwithstanding division (F)(4)(a) of this section, any person issued a permit to install pursuant to rules adopted under division (F) of section 3704.03 of the Revised Code shall pay the fees set forth in division (F)(4)(c) of this section for a process used in any of the following industries, as identified by the applicable two-digit, three-digit, or four-digit standard industrial classification code according to the Standard.
Industrial Classification Manual published by the United States office of management and budget in the executive office of the president, 1987, as revised:

Major group 10, metal mining;
Major group 12, coal mining;
Major group 14, mining and quarrying of nonmetallic minerals;
Industry group 204, grain mill products;
2873 Nitrogen fertilizers;
2874 Phosphatic fertilizers;
3281 Cut stone and stone products;
3295 Minerals and earth, ground or otherwise treated;
4221 Grain elevators (storage only);
5159 Farm related raw materials;
5261 Retail nurseries and lawn and garden supply stores.

(c) The fees set forth in the following schedule apply to the issuance of a permit to install pursuant to rules adopted under division (F) of section 3704.03 of the Revised Code for a process identified in division (F)(4)(b) of this section:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Process weight rate (pounds per hour)</th>
<th>Permit to install</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0 to 10,000</td>
<td>$ 200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10,001 to 50,000</td>
<td>400</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>50,001 to 100,000</td>
<td>500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>100,001 to 200,000</td>
<td>600</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>200,001 to 400,000</td>
<td>750</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>400,001 or more</td>
<td>900</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

(5) Storage tanks

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Gallons (maximum useful capacity)</th>
<th>Permit to install</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0 to 20,000</td>
<td>$ 100</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
20,001 to 40,000  150  30047
40,001 to 100,000  250  30048
100,001 to 500,000  400  30049
500,001 or greater  750  30050

(6) Gasoline/fuel dispensing facilities
For each gasoline/fuel dispensing facility (includes all Permit to install units at the facility)  $ 100  30054

(7) Dry cleaning facilities
For each dry cleaning facility (includes all units Permit to install at the facility)  $ 100  30058

(8) Registration status
For each source covered Permit to install by registration status  $ 75  30061

(G) An owner or operator who is responsible for an asbestos demolition or renovation project pursuant to rules adopted under section 3704.03 of the Revised Code shall pay, upon submitting a notification pursuant to rules adopted under that section, the fees set forth in the following schedule:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Action</th>
<th>Fee</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Each notification</td>
<td>$75</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Asbestos removal</td>
<td>$3/unit</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Asbestos cleanup</td>
<td>$4/cubic yard</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For purposes of this division, "unit" means any combination of linear feet or square feet equal to fifty.

(H) A person who is issued an extension of time for a permit to install an air contaminant source pursuant to rules adopted under division (F) of section 3704.03 of the Revised Code shall pay a fee equal to one-half the fee originally assessed for the permit to install under this section, except that the fee for such
an extension shall not exceed two hundred dollars.

(I) A person who is issued a modification to a permit to install an air contaminant source pursuant to rules adopted under section 3704.03 of the Revised Code shall pay a fee equal to one-half of the fee that would be assessed under this section to obtain a permit to install the source. The fee assessed by this division only applies to modifications that are initiated by the owner or operator of the source and shall not exceed two thousand dollars.

(J) Notwithstanding division (F) of this section, a person who applies for or obtains a permit to install pursuant to rules adopted under division (F) of section 3704.03 of the Revised Code after the date actual construction of the source began shall pay a fee for the permit to install that is equal to twice the fee that otherwise would be assessed under the applicable division unless the applicant received authorization to begin construction under division (W) of section 3704.03 of the Revised Code. This division only applies to sources for which actual construction of the source begins on or after July 1, 1993. The imposition or payment of the fee established in this division does not preclude the director from taking any administrative or judicial enforcement action under this chapter, Chapter 3704., 3714., 3734., or 6111. of the Revised Code, or a rule adopted under any of them, in connection with a violation of rules adopted under division (F) of section 3704.03 of the Revised Code.

As used in this division, "actual construction of the source" means the initiation of physical on-site construction activities in connection with improvements to the source that are permanent in nature, including, without limitation, the installation of building supports and foundations and the laying of underground pipework.

(K)(1) Money received under division (B) of this section
shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the
Title V clean air fund created in section 3704.035 of the Revised
Code. Annually, not more than fifty cents per ton of each fee
assessed under division (B) of this section on actual emissions
from a source and received by the environmental protection agency
pursuant to that division may be transferred by the director using
an interstate transfer voucher to the state treasury to the credit
of the small business assistance fund created in section 3706.19
of the Revised Code. In addition, annually, the amount of money
necessary for the operation of the office of ombudsperson as
determined under division (B) of that section shall be transferred
to the state treasury to the credit of the small business
ombudsperson fund created by that section.

(2) Money received by the agency pursuant to divisions (D),
(F), (G), (H), (I), and (J) of this section shall be deposited in
the state treasury to the credit of the non-Title V clean air fund
created in section 3704.035 of the Revised Code.

(L)(1) A person applying for a plan approval for a wastewater
treatment works pursuant to section 6111.44, 6111.45, or 6111.46
of the Revised Code shall pay a nonrefundable fee of one hundred
dollars plus sixty-five one-hundredths of one per cent of the
estimated project cost through June 30, 2022, and a nonrefundable
application fee of one hundred dollars plus two tenths of one per
cent of the estimated project cost on and after July 1, 2022,
except that the total fee shall not exceed fifteen thousand
dollars through June 30, 2022, and five thousand dollars on and
after July 1, 2022. The fee shall be paid at the time the
application is submitted.

(2) A person who has entered into an agreement with the
director under section 6111.14 of the Revised Code shall pay an
administrative service fee for each plan submitted under that
dataction for approval that shall not exceed the minimum amount
necessary to pay administrative costs directly attributable to
processing plan approvals. The director annually shall calculate
the fee and shall notify all persons who have entered into
agreements under that section, or who have applied for agreements,
of the amount of the fee.

(3)(a)(i) Not later than the thirtieth day of January 30,
2020, and January 30, 2021 of each year, a person holding an NPDES
discharge permit issued pursuant to Chapter 6111. of the Revised
Code with an average daily discharge flow of five thousand gallons
or more shall pay a nonrefundable annual discharge fee. Any person
who fails to pay the fee at that time shall pay an additional
amount that equals ten per cent of the required annual discharge
fee.

(ii) The billing year for the annual discharge fee
established in division (L)(3)(a)(i) of this section shall consist
of a twelve-month period beginning on the first day of January of
the year preceding the date when the annual discharge fee is due.
In the case of an existing source that permanently ceases to
discharge during a billing year, the director shall reduce the
annual discharge fee, including the surcharge applicable to
certain industrial facilities pursuant to division (L)(3)(c) of
this section, by one-twelfth for each full month during the
billing year that the source was not discharging, but only if the
person holding the NPDES discharge permit for the source notifies
the director in writing, not later than the first day of October
of the billing year, of the circumstances causing the cessation of
discharge.

(iii) The annual discharge fee established in division
(L)(3)(a)(i) of this section, except for the surcharge applicable
to certain industrial facilities pursuant to division (L)(3)(c) of
this section, shall be based upon the average daily discharge flow
in gallons per day calculated using first day of May through
thirty-first day of October flow data for the period two years prior to the date on which the fee is due. In the case of NPDES discharge permits for new sources, the fee shall be calculated using the average daily design flow of the facility until actual average daily discharge flow values are available for the time period specified in division (L)(3)(a)(iii) of this section. The annual discharge fee may be prorated for a new source as described in division (L)(3)(a)(ii) of this section.

(b)(i) An NPDES permit holder that is a public discharger shall pay the annual fee specified in the following schedule not later than the thirtieth day of January of each year:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Average daily discharge flow</th>
<th>Fee due by</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>5,000 to 49,999</td>
<td>January 30, 2020, and January 30, 2021</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>50,000 to 100,000</td>
<td>$ 200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>100,001 to 250,000</td>
<td>500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>250,001 to 1,000,000</td>
<td>1,050</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1,000,001 to 5,000,000</td>
<td>2,600</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5,000,001 to 10,000,000</td>
<td>5,200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10,000,001 to 20,000,000</td>
<td>10,350</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20,000,001 to 50,000,000</td>
<td>15,550</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>50,000,001 to 100,000,000</td>
<td>25,900</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>100,000,001 or more</td>
<td>41,400</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

(ii) Public dischargers owning or operating two or more publicly owned treatment works serving the same political subdivision, as "treatment works" is defined in section 6111.01 of the Revised Code, and that serve exclusively political subdivisions having a population of fewer than one hundred thousand persons shall pay an annual discharge fee under division...
(L)(3)(b)(i) of this section that is based on the combined average daily discharge flow of the treatment works.

(c)(i) An NPDES permit holder that is an industrial discharger, other than a coal mining operator identified by P in the third character of the permittee's NPDES permit number, shall pay the annual fee specified in the following schedule, not later than the thirtieth day of January of each year:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Average daily discharge flow</th>
<th>Fee due by January 30, 2020, and January 30, 2021</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>5,000 to 49,999</td>
<td>$ 250</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>50,000 to 250,000</td>
<td>1,200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>250,001 to 1,000,000</td>
<td>2,950</td>
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<td>1,000,001 to 5,000,000</td>
<td>5,850</td>
</tr>
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<td>5,000,001 to 10,000,000</td>
<td>8,800</td>
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<tr>
<td>10,000,001 to 20,000,000</td>
<td>11,700</td>
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<td>20,000,001 to 100,000,000</td>
<td>14,050</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>100,000,001 to 250,000,000</td>
<td>16,400</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>250,000,001 or more</td>
<td>18,700</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

(ii) In addition to the fee specified in the above schedule, an NPDES permit holder that is an industrial discharger classified as a major discharger during all or part of the annual discharge fee billing year specified in division (L)(3)(a)(ii) of this section shall pay a nonrefundable annual surcharge of seven thousand five hundred dollars not later than January 30, 2020, and not later than the thirtieth day of January 30, 2021 of each year. Any person who fails to pay the surcharge at that time shall pay an additional amount that equals ten per cent of the amount of the surcharge.

(d) Notwithstanding divisions (L)(3)(b) and (c) of this
section, a public discharger, that is not a separate municipal
storm sewer system, identified by I in the third character of the
permittee's NPDES permit number and an industrial discharger
identified by I, J, L, V, W, X, Y, or Z in the third character of
the permittee's NPDES permit number shall pay a nonrefundable
annual discharge fee of one hundred eighty dollars not later than
January 30, 2020, and not later than the thirtieth day of January
30, 2021 of each year. Any person who fails to pay the fee at that
time shall pay an additional amount that equals ten per cent of
the required fee.

(4) Each person obtaining an NPDES permit for municipal storm
water discharge shall pay a nonrefundable storm water annual
discharge fee of ten dollars per one-tenth of a square mile of
area permitted. The fee shall not exceed ten thousand dollars and
shall be payable on or before January 30, 2004, and the thirtieth
day of January of each year thereafter. Any person who fails to
pay the fee on the date specified in division (L)(4) of this
section shall pay an additional amount per year equal to ten per
cent of the annual fee that is unpaid.

(5) The director shall transmit all moneys collected under
division (L) of this section to the treasurer of state for deposit
into the state treasury to the credit of the surface water
protection fund created in section 6111.038 of the Revised Code.

(6) As used in this section:

(a) "NPDES" means the federally approved national pollutant
discharge elimination system individual and general program for
issuing, modifying, revoking, reissuing, terminating, monitoring,
and enforcing permits and imposing and enforcing pretreatment
requirements under Chapter 6111. of the Revised Code and rules
adopted under it.

(b) "Public discharger" means any holder of an NPDES permit
identified by P in the second character of the NPDES permit number assigned by the director.

(c) "Industrial discharger" means any holder of an NPDES permit identified by I in the second character of the NPDES permit number assigned by the director.

(d) "Major discharger" means any holder of an NPDES permit classified as major by the regional administrator of the United States environmental protection agency in conjunction with the director.

(M) Through June 30, 2022, a person applying for a license or license renewal to operate a public water system under section 6109.21 of the Revised Code shall pay the appropriate fee established under this division at the time of application to the director. Any person who fails to pay the fee at that time shall pay an additional amount that equals ten per cent of the required fee. The director shall transmit all moneys collected under this division to the treasurer of state for deposit into the drinking water protection fund created in section 6109.30 of the Revised Code.

Except as provided in divisions (M)(4) and (5) of this section, fees required under this division shall be calculated and paid in accordance with the following schedule:

(1) For the initial license required under section 6109.21 of the Revised Code for any public water system that is a community water system as defined in section 6109.01 of the Revised Code, and for each license renewal required for such a system prior to January 31, 2022, the fee is:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number of service connections</th>
<th>Fee amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Not more than 49</td>
<td>$ 112</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>50 to 99</td>
<td>176</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Number of service connections Average cost per connection
A public water system may determine how it will pay the total amount of the fee calculated under division (M)(1) of this section, including the assessment of additional user fees that may be assessed on a volumetric basis.

As used in division (M)(1) of this section, "service connection" means the number of active or inactive pipes, goosenecks, pigtails, and any other fittings connecting a water main to any building outlet.

(2) For the initial license required under section 6109.21 of the Revised Code for any public water system that is not a community water system and serves a nontransient population, and for each license renewal required for such a system prior to January 31, 2022, the fee is:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Population served</th>
<th>Fee amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Fewer than 150</td>
<td>$ 112</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>150 to 299</td>
<td>176</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>300 to 749</td>
<td>384</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>750 to 1,499</td>
<td>628</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1,500 to 2,999</td>
<td>1,268</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3,000 to 7,499</td>
<td>2,816</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7,500 to 14,999</td>
<td>5,510</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
As used in division (M)(2) of this section, "population served" means the total number of individuals having access to the water supply during a twenty-four-hour period for at least sixty days during any calendar year. In the absence of a specific population count, that number shall be calculated at the rate of three individuals per service connection.

(3) For the initial license required under section 6109.21 of the Revised Code for any public water system that is not a community water system and serves a transient population, and for each license renewal required for such a system prior to January 31, 2022, the fee is:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number of wells or sources, other than surface water, supplying system</th>
<th>Fee amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>$112</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>112</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>176</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>278</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>568</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>System designated as using a surface water source</td>
<td>792</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

As used in division (M)(3) of this section, "number of wells or sources, other than surface water, supplying system" means those wells or sources that are physically connected to the plumbing system serving the public water system.

(4) A public water system designated as using a surface water source shall pay a fee of seven hundred ninety-two dollars or the amount calculated under division (M)(1) or (2) of this section, whichever is greater.

(5) An applicant for an initial license who is proposing to
operate a new public water supply system shall submit a fee that equals a prorated amount of the appropriate fee for the remainder of the licensing year.

(N)(1) A person applying for a plan approval for a public water supply system under section 6109.07 of the Revised Code shall pay a fee of one hundred fifty dollars plus thirty-five hundredths of one per cent of the estimated project cost, except that the total fee shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars through June 30, 2022, and fifteen thousand dollars on and after July 1, 2022. The fee shall be paid at the time the application is submitted.

(2) A person who has entered into an agreement with the director under division (A)(2) of section 6109.07 of the Revised Code shall pay an administrative service fee for each plan submitted under that section for approval that shall not exceed the minimum amount necessary to pay administrative costs directly attributable to processing plan approvals. The director annually shall calculate the fee and shall notify all persons that have entered into agreements under that division, or who have applied for agreements, of the amount of the fee.

(3) Through June 30, 2022, the following fee, on a per survey basis, shall be charged any person for services rendered by the state in the evaluation of laboratories and laboratory personnel for compliance with accepted analytical techniques and procedures established pursuant to Chapter 6109. of the Revised Code for determining the qualitative characteristics of water:

- MMO-MUG: $2,000
- MF: 2,100
- MMO-MUG and MF: 2,550
- organic chemical: 5,400
- trace metals: 5,400
standard chemistry 2,800 30393
limited chemistry 1,550 30394

On and after July 1, 2022, the following fee, on a per survey basis, shall be charged any such person:

- microbiological $1,650 30395
- organic chemicals 3,500 30396
- trace metals 3,500 30397
- standard chemistry 1,800 30398
- limited chemistry 1,000 30399

The fee for those services shall be paid at the time the request for the survey is made. Through June 30, 2022, an individual laboratory shall not be assessed a fee under this division more than once in any three-year period unless the person requests the addition of analytical methods or analysts, in which case the person shall pay eighteen hundred dollars for each additional survey requested.

As used in division (N)(3) of this section:

(a) "MF" means microfiltration.

(b) "MMO" means minimal medium ONPG.

(c) "MUG" means 4-methylumbelliferyl-beta-D-glucuronide.

(d) "ONPG" means o-nitrophenyl-beta-D-galactopyranoside.

The director shall transmit all moneys collected under this division to the treasurer of state for deposit into the drinking water protection fund created in section 6109.30 of the Revised Code.

(O) Any person applying to the director to take an examination for certification as an operator of a water supply system or wastewater system under Chapter 6109. or 6111. of the Revised Code that is administered by the director, at the time the application is submitted, shall pay a fee in accordance with the
following schedule through November 30, 2022:

- Class A operator: $80
- Class I operator: $105
- Class II operator: $120
- Class III operator: $130
- Class IV operator: $145

On and after December 1, 2022, the applicant shall pay a fee in accordance with the following schedule:

- Class A operator: $50
- Class I operator: $70
- Class II operator: $80
- Class III operator: $90
- Class IV operator: $100

Any person applying to the director for certification as an operator of a water supply system or wastewater system who has passed an examination administered by an examination provider approved by the director shall pay a certification fee of forty-five dollars.

A person shall pay a biennial certification renewal fee for each applicable class of certification in accordance with the following schedule:

- Class A operator: $25
- Class I operator: $35
- Class II operator: $45
- Class III operator: $55
- Class IV operator: $65

If a certification renewal fee is received by the director more than thirty days, but not more than one year, after the expiration date of the certification, the person shall pay a certification renewal fee in accordance with the following schedule:
A person who requests a replacement certificate shall pay a fee of twenty-five dollars at the time the request is made.

Any person applying to be a water supply system or wastewater treatment system examination provider shall pay an application fee of five hundred dollars. Any person approved by the director as a water supply system or wastewater treatment system examination provider shall pay an annual fee that is equal to ten per cent of the fees that the provider assesses and collects for administering water supply system or wastewater treatment system certification examinations in this state for the calendar year. The fee shall be paid not later than forty-five days after the end of a calendar year.

The director shall transmit all moneys collected under this division to the treasurer of state for deposit into the drinking water protection fund created in section 6109.30 of the Revised Code.

(P) Any person submitting an application for an industrial water pollution control certificate under section 6111.31 of the Revised Code, as that section existed before its repeal by H.B. 95 of the 125th general assembly, shall pay a nonrefundable fee of five hundred dollars at the time the application is submitted. The director shall transmit all moneys collected under this division to the treasurer of state for deposit into the surface water protection fund created in section 6111.038 of the Revised Code. A person paying a certificate fee under this division shall not pay an application fee under division (S)(1) of this section. On and after June 26, 2003, persons shall file such applications and pay
the fee as required under sections 5709.20 to 5709.27 of the Revised Code, and proceeds from the fee shall be credited as provided in section 5709.212 of the Revised Code.

(Q) Except as otherwise provided in division (R) of this section, a person issued a permit by the director for a new solid waste disposal facility other than an incineration or composting facility, a new infectious waste treatment facility other than an incineration facility, or a modification of such an existing facility that includes an increase in the total disposal or treatment capacity of the facility pursuant to Chapter 3734. of the Revised Code shall pay a fee of ten dollars per thousand cubic yards of disposal or treatment capacity, or one thousand dollars, whichever is greater, except that the total fee for any such permit shall not exceed eighty thousand dollars. A person issued a modification of a permit for a solid waste disposal facility or an infectious waste treatment facility that does not involve an increase in the total disposal or treatment capacity of the facility shall pay a fee of one thousand dollars. A person issued a permit to install a new, or modify an existing, solid waste transfer facility under that chapter shall pay a fee of two thousand five hundred dollars. A person issued a permit to install a new or to modify an existing solid waste incineration or composting facility, or an existing infectious waste treatment facility using incineration as its principal method of treatment, under that chapter shall pay a fee of one thousand dollars. The increases in the permit fees under this division resulting from the amendments made by Amended Substitute House Bill 592 of the 117th general assembly do not apply to any person who submitted an application for a permit to install a new, or modify an existing, solid waste disposal facility under that chapter prior to September 1, 1987; any such person shall pay the permit fee established in this division as it existed prior to June 24, 1988. In addition to the applicable permit fee under this division, a
person issued a permit to install or modify a solid waste facility or an infectious waste treatment facility under that chapter who fails to pay the permit fee to the director in compliance with division (V) of this section shall pay an additional ten per cent of the amount of the fee for each week that the permit fee is late.

Permit and late payment fees paid to the director under this division shall be credited to the general revenue fund.

(R)(1) A person issued a registration certificate for a scrap tire collection facility under section 3734.75 of the Revised Code shall pay a fee of two hundred dollars, except that if the facility is owned or operated by a motor vehicle salvage dealer licensed under Chapter 4738. of the Revised Code, the person shall pay a fee of twenty-five dollars.

(2) A person issued a registration certificate for a new scrap tire storage facility under section 3734.76 of the Revised Code shall pay a fee of three hundred dollars, except that if the facility is owned or operated by a motor vehicle salvage dealer licensed under Chapter 4738. of the Revised Code, the person shall pay a fee of twenty-five dollars.

(3) A person issued a permit for a scrap tire storage facility under section 3734.76 of the Revised Code shall pay a fee of one thousand dollars, except that if the facility is owned or operated by a motor vehicle salvage dealer licensed under Chapter 4738. of the Revised Code, the person shall pay a fee of fifty dollars.

(4) A person issued a permit for a scrap tire monocell or monofill facility under section 3734.77 of the Revised Code shall pay a fee of ten dollars per thousand cubic yards of disposal capacity or one thousand dollars, whichever is greater, except that the total fee for any such permit shall not exceed eighty
thousand dollars.

(5) A person issued a registration certificate for a scrap tire recovery facility under section 3734.78 of the Revised Code shall pay a fee of one hundred dollars.

(6) A person issued a permit for a scrap tire recovery facility under section 3734.78 of the Revised Code shall pay a fee of one thousand dollars.

(7) In addition to the applicable registration certificate or permit fee under divisions (R)(1) to (6) of this section, a person issued a registration certificate or permit for any such scrap tire facility who fails to pay the registration certificate or permit fee to the director in compliance with division (V) of this section shall pay an additional ten per cent of the amount of the fee for each week that the fee is late.

(8) The registration certificate, permit, and late payment fees paid to the director under divisions (R)(1) to (7) of this section shall be credited to the scrap tire management fund created in section 3734.82 of the Revised Code.

(S)(1)(a) Except as provided by divisions (L), (M), (N), (O), (P), and (S)(2) of this section, division (A)(2) of section 3734.05 of the Revised Code, section 3734.79 of the Revised Code, and rules adopted under division (T)(1) of this section, any person applying for a registration certificate under section 3734.75, 3734.76, or 3734.78 of the Revised Code or a permit, variance, or plan approval under Chapter 3734. of the Revised Code shall pay a nonrefundable fee of fifteen dollars at the time the application is submitted.

(b) Except as otherwise provided, any person applying for a permit, variance, or plan approval under Chapter 6109. or 6111. of the Revised Code shall pay a nonrefundable application fee of one hundred dollars at the time the application is submitted through
June 30, 2022, and a nonrefundable application fee of fifteen dollars at the time the application is submitted on and after July 1, 2022.

(c)(i) (b)(i) Except as otherwise provided in divisions (S)(1)(c)(iii) (S)(1)(b)(iii) and (iv) of this section, through June 30, 2022, any person applying for an NPDES permit under Chapter 6111. of the Revised Code shall pay a nonrefundable application fee of two hundred dollars at the time of application for the permit. On and after July 1, 2022, such a person shall pay a nonrefundable application fee of fifteen dollars at the time of application.

(ii) In addition to the nonrefundable application fee, any person applying for an NPDES permit under Chapter 6111. of the Revised Code shall pay a design flow discharge fee based on each point source to which the issuance is applicable in accordance with the following schedule:

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(iii) Notwithstanding divisions (S)(1)(c)(i) (S)(1)(b)(i) and (ii) of this section, the application and design flow discharge fee for an NPDES permit for a public discharger identified by the letter I in the third character of the NPDES permit number shall not exceed nine hundred fifty dollars.

(iv) Notwithstanding divisions (S)(1)(c)(i) (S)(1)(b)(i) and (ii) of this section, the application and design flow discharge fee for an NPDES permit for a coal mining operation regulated under Chapter 1513. of the Revised Code shall not exceed four
hundred fifty dollars per mine.

(v) A person issued a modification of an NPDES permit shall pay a nonrefundable modification fee equal to the application fee and one-half the design flow discharge fee based on each point source, if applicable, that would be charged for an NPDES permit, except that the modification fee shall not exceed six hundred dollars.

(d) (c) In addition to the application fee established under division (S)(1)(c)(i) of this section, any person applying for an NPDES general storm water construction permit shall pay a nonrefundable fee of twenty dollars per acre for each acre that is permitted above five acres at the time the application is submitted. However, the per acreage fee shall not exceed three hundred dollars. In addition to the application fee established under division (S)(1)(c)(i) of this section, any person applying for an NPDES general storm water industrial permit shall pay a nonrefundable fee of one hundred fifty dollars at the time the application is submitted.

(e) (d) The director shall transmit all moneys collected under division (S)(1) of this section pursuant to Chapter 6109. of the Revised Code to the treasurer of state for deposit into the drinking water protection fund created in section 6109.30 of the Revised Code.

(f) (e) The director shall transmit all moneys collected under division (S)(1) of this section pursuant to Chapter 6111. of the Revised Code and under division (S)(3)(S)(2) of this section to the treasurer of state for deposit into the surface water protection fund created in section 6111.038 of the Revised Code.

(g) If a registration certificate is issued under section 3734.75, 3734.76, or 3734.78 of the Revised Code, the amount of the application fee paid shall be deducted from the amount of the
registration certificate fee due under division (R)(1), (2), or (5) of this section, as applicable.

(h) (f) If a person submits an electronic application for a registration certificate, permit, variance, or plan approval for which an application fee is established under division (S)(1) of this section, the person shall pay all applicable fees as expeditiously as possible after the submission of the electronic application. An application for a registration certificate, permit, variance, or plan approval for which an application fee is established under division (S)(1) of this section shall not be reviewed or processed until the applicable application fee, and any other fees established under this division, are paid.

(2) Division (S)(1) of this section does not apply to an application for a registration certificate for a scrap tire collection or storage facility submitted under section 3734.75 or 3734.76 of the Revised Code, as applicable, if the owner or operator of the facility or proposed facility is a motor vehicle salvage dealer licensed under Chapter 4738. of the Revised Code.

(3) A person applying for coverage under an NPDES general discharge permit for household sewage treatment systems shall pay the following fees:

(a) A nonrefundable fee of two hundred dollars at the time of application for initial permit coverage;

(b) A nonrefundable fee of one hundred dollars at the time of application for a renewal of permit coverage.

(T) The director may adopt, amend, and rescind rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code that do all of the following:

(1) Prescribe fees to be paid by applicants for and holders of any license, permit, variance, plan approval, or certification required or authorized by Chapter 3704., 3734., 6109., or 6111. of
the Revised Code that are not specifically established in this section. The fees shall be designed to defray the cost of processing, issuing, revoking, modifying, denying, and enforcing the licenses, permits, variances, plan approvals, and certifications.

The director shall transmit all moneys collected under rules adopted under division (T)(1) of this section pursuant to Chapter 6109. of the Revised Code to the treasurer of state for deposit into the drinking water protection fund created in section 6109.30 of the Revised Code.

The director shall transmit all moneys collected under rules adopted under division (T)(1) of this section pursuant to Chapter 6111. of the Revised Code to the treasurer of state for deposit into the surface water protection fund created in section 6111.038 of the Revised Code.

(2) Exempt the state and political subdivisions thereof, including education facilities or medical facilities owned by the state or a political subdivision, or any person exempted from taxation by section 5709.07 or 5709.12 of the Revised Code, from any fee required by this section;

(3) Provide for the waiver of any fee, or any part thereof, otherwise required by this section whenever the director determines that the imposition of the fee would constitute an unreasonable cost of doing business for any applicant, class of applicants, or other person subject to the fee;

(4) Prescribe measures that the director considers necessary to carry out this section.

(U) When the director reasonably demonstrates that the direct cost to the state associated with the issuance of a permit, license, variance, plan approval, or certification exceeds the fee for the issuance or review specified by this section, the director
may condition the issuance or review on the payment by the person receiving the issuance or review of, in addition to the fee specified by this section, the amount, or any portion thereof, in excess of the fee specified under this section. The director shall not so condition issuances for which a fee is prescribed in division (S)(1)(c)(iii)(S)(1)(b)(iii) of this section.

(V) Except as provided in divisions (L), (M), (P), and (S) of this section or unless otherwise prescribed by a rule of the director adopted pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, all fees required by this section are payable within thirty days after the issuance of an invoice for the fee by the director or the effective date of the issuance of the license, permit, variance, plan approval, or certification. If payment is late, the person responsible for payment of the fee shall pay an additional ten percent of the amount due for each month that it is late.

(W) As used in this section, "fuel-burning equipment," "fuel-burning equipment input capacity," "incinerator," "incinerator input capacity," "process," "process weight rate," "storage tank," "gasoline dispensing facility," "dry cleaning facility," "design flow discharge," and "new source treatment works" have the meanings ascribed to those terms by applicable rules or standards adopted by the director under Chapter 3704. or 6111. of the Revised Code.

(X) As used in divisions (B), (D), (E), (F), (H), (I), and (J) of this section, and in any other provision of this section pertaining to fees paid pursuant to Chapter 3704. of the Revised Code:

(1) "Facility," "federal Clean Air Act," "person," and "Title V permit" have the same meanings as in section 3704.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Title V permit program" means the following activities
as necessary to meet the requirements of Title V of the federal Clean Air Act and 40 C.F.R. part 70, including at least:

(a) Preparing and adopting, if applicable, generally applicable rules or guidance regarding the permit program or its implementation or enforcement;

(b) Reviewing and acting on any application for a Title V permit, permit revision, or permit renewal, including the development of an applicable requirement as part of the processing of a permit, permit revision, or permit renewal;

(c) Administering the permit program, including the supporting and tracking of permit applications, compliance certification, and related data entry;

(d) Determining which sources are subject to the program and implementing and enforcing the terms of any Title V permit, not including any court actions or other formal enforcement actions;

(e) Emission and ambient monitoring;

(f) Modeling, analyses, or demonstrations;

(g) Preparing inventories and tracking emissions;

(h) Providing direct and indirect support to small business stationary sources to determine and meet their obligations under the federal Clean Air Act pursuant to the small business stationary source technical and environmental compliance assistance program required by section 507 of that act and established in sections 3704.18, 3704.19, and 3706.19 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Organic compound" means any chemical compound of carbon, excluding carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, carbonic acid, metallic carbides or carbonates, and ammonium carbonate.

(Y)(1) Except as provided in divisions (Y)(2), (3), and (4) of this section, each sewage sludge facility shall pay a
nonrefundable annual sludge fee equal to three dollars and fifty
cents per dry ton of sewage sludge, including the dry tons of
sewage sludge in materials derived from sewage sludge, that the
sewage sludge facility treats or disposes of in this state. The
annual volume of sewage sludge treated or disposed of by a sewage
sludge facility shall be calculated using the first day of January
through the thirty-first day of December of the calendar year
preceding the date on which payment of the fee is due.

(2)(a) Except as provided in division (Y)(2)(d) of this
section, each sewage sludge facility shall pay a minimum annual
sewage sludge fee of one hundred dollars.

(b) The annual sludge fee required to be paid by a sewage
sludge facility that treats or disposes of exceptional quality
sludge in this state shall be thirty-five per cent less per dry
ton of exceptional quality sludge than the fee assessed under
division (Y)(1) of this section, subject to the following
exceptions:

(i) Except as provided in division (Y)(2)(d) of this section,
a sewage sludge facility that treats or disposes of exceptional
quality sludge shall pay a minimum annual sewage sludge fee of one
hundred dollars.

(ii) A sewage sludge facility that treats or disposes of
exceptional quality sludge shall not be required to pay the annual
sludge fee for treatment or disposal in this state of exceptional
quality sludge generated outside of this state and contained in
bags or other containers not greater than one hundred pounds in
capacity.

A thirty-five per cent reduction for exceptional quality
sludge applies to the maximum annual fees established under
division (Y)(3) of this section.

(c) A sewage sludge facility that transfers sewage sludge to
another sewage sludge facility in this state for further treatment prior to disposal in this state shall not be required to pay the annual sludge fee for the tons of sewage sludge that have been transferred. In such a case, the sewage sludge facility that disposes of the sewage sludge shall pay the annual sludge fee. However, the facility transferring the sewage sludge shall pay the one-hundred-dollar minimum fee required under division (Y)(2)(a) of this section.

In the case of a sewage sludge facility that treats sewage sludge in this state and transfers it out of this state to another entity for disposal, the sewage sludge facility in this state shall be required to pay the annual sludge fee for the tons of sewage sludge that have been transferred.

(d) A sewage sludge facility that generates sewage sludge resulting from an average daily discharge flow of less than five thousand gallons per day is not subject to the fees assessed under division (Y) of this section.

(3) No sewage sludge facility required to pay the annual sludge fee shall be required to pay more than the maximum annual fee for each disposal method that the sewage sludge facility uses. The maximum annual fee does not include the additional amount that may be charged under division (Y)(5) of this section for late payment of the annual sludge fee. The maximum annual fee for the following methods of disposal of sewage sludge is as follows:

(a) Incineration: five thousand dollars;
(b) Preexisting land reclamation project or disposal in a landfill: five thousand dollars;
(c) Land application, land reclamation, surface disposal, or any other disposal method not specified in division (Y)(3)(a) or (b) of this section: twenty thousand dollars.

(4)(a) In the case of an entity that generates sewage sludge...
or a sewage sludge facility that treats sewage sludge and transfers the sewage sludge to an incineration facility for disposal, the incineration facility, and not the entity generating the sewage sludge or the sewage sludge facility treating the sewage sludge, shall pay the annual sludge fee for the tons of sewage sludge that are transferred. However, the entity or facility generating or treating the sewage sludge shall pay the one-hundred-dollar minimum fee required under division (Y)(2)(a) of this section.

(b) In the case of an entity that generates sewage sludge and transfers the sewage sludge to a landfill for disposal or to a sewage sludge facility for land reclamation or surface disposal, the entity generating the sewage sludge, and not the landfill or sewage sludge facility, shall pay the annual sludge fee for the tons of sewage sludge that are transferred.

(5) Not later than the first day of April of the calendar year following March 17, 2000, and each first day of April thereafter, the director shall issue invoices to persons who are required to pay the annual sludge fee. The invoice shall identify the nature and amount of the annual sludge fee assessed and state the first day of May as the deadline for receipt by the director of objections regarding the amount of the fee and the first day of July as the deadline for payment of the fee.

Not later than the first day of May following receipt of an invoice, a person required to pay the annual sludge fee may submit objections to the director concerning the accuracy of information regarding the number of dry tons of sewage sludge used to calculate the amount of the annual sludge fee or regarding whether the sewage sludge qualifies for the exceptional quality sludge discount established in division (Y)(2)(b) of this section. The director may consider the objections and adjust the amount of the fee to ensure that it is accurate.
If the director does not adjust the amount of the annual sludge fee in response to a person's objections, the person may appeal the director's determination in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

Not later than the first day of June, the director shall notify the objecting person regarding whether the director has found the objections to be valid and the reasons for the finding. If the director finds the objections to be valid and adjusts the amount of the annual sludge fee accordingly, the director shall issue with the notification a new invoice to the person identifying the amount of the annual sludge fee assessed and stating the first day of July as the deadline for payment.

Not later than the first day of July, any person who is required to do so shall pay the annual sludge fee. Any person who is required to pay the fee, but who fails to do so on or before that date shall pay an additional amount that equals ten per cent of the required annual sludge fee.

(6) The director shall transmit all moneys collected under division (Y) of this section to the treasurer of state for deposit into the surface water protection fund created in section 6111.038 of the Revised Code. The moneys shall be used to defray the costs of administering and enforcing provisions in Chapter 6111. of the Revised Code and rules adopted under it that govern the use, storage, treatment, or disposal of sewage sludge.

(7) Beginning in fiscal year 2001, and every two years thereafter, the director shall review the total amount of moneys generated by the annual sludge fees to determine if that amount exceeded six hundred thousand dollars in either of the two preceding fiscal years. If the total amount of moneys in the fund exceeded six hundred thousand dollars in either fiscal year, the director, after review of the fee structure and consultation with affected persons, shall issue an order reducing the amount of the
fees levied under division (Y) of this section so that the estimated amount of moneys resulting from the fees will not exceed six hundred thousand dollars in any fiscal year.

If, upon review of the fees under division (Y)(7) of this section and after the fees have been reduced, the director determines that the total amount of moneys collected and accumulated is less than six hundred thousand dollars, the director, after review of the fee structure and consultation with affected persons, may issue an order increasing the amount of the fees levied under division (Y) of this section so that the estimated amount of moneys resulting from the fees will be approximately six hundred thousand dollars. Fees shall never be increased to an amount exceeding the amount specified in division (Y)(7) of this section.

Notwithstanding section 119.06 of the Revised Code, the director may issue an order under division (Y)(7) of this section without the necessity to hold an adjudicatory hearing in connection with the order. The issuance of an order under this division is not an act or action for purposes of section 3745.04 of the Revised Code.

(8) As used in division (Y) of this section:

(a) "Sewage sludge facility" means an entity that performs treatment on or is responsible for the disposal of sewage sludge.

(b) "Sewage sludge" means a solid, semi-solid, or liquid residue generated during the treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment works as defined in section 6111.01 of the Revised Code. "Sewage sludge" includes, but is not limited to, scum or solids removed in primary, secondary, or advanced wastewater treatment processes. "Sewage sludge" does not include ash generated during the firing of sewage sludge in a sewage sludge incinerator, grit and screenings generated during preliminary treatment of domestic
sewage in a treatment works, animal manure, residue generated
during treatment of animal manure, or domestic septage.

(c) "Exceptional quality sludge" means sewage sludge that
meets all of the following qualifications:

(i) Satisfies the class A pathogen standards in 40 C.F.R.
503.32(a);

(ii) Satisfies one of the vector attraction reduction
requirements in 40 C.F.R. 503.33(b)(1) to (b)(8);

(iii) Does not exceed the ceiling concentration limitations
for metals listed in table one of 40 C.F.R. 503.13;

(iv) Does not exceed the concentration limitations for metals
listed in table three of 40 C.F.R. 503.13.

(d) "Treatment" means the preparation of sewage sludge for
final use or disposal and includes, but is not limited to,
thickening, stabilization, and dewatering of sewage sludge.

(e) "Disposal" means the final use of sewage sludge,
including, but not limited to, land application, land reclamation,
surface disposal, or disposal in a landfill or an incinerator.

(f) "Land application" means the spraying or spreading of
sewage sludge onto the land surface, the injection of sewage
sludge below the land surface, or the incorporation of sewage
sludge into the soil for the purposes of conditioning the soil or
fertilizing crops or vegetation grown in the soil.

(g) "Land reclamation" means the returning of disturbed land
to productive use.

(h) "Surface disposal" means the placement of sludge on an
area of land for disposal, including, but not limited to,
monofills, surface impoundments, lagoons, waste piles, or
dedicated disposal sites.

(i) "Incinerator" means an entity that disposes of sewage
sludge through the combustion of organic matter and inorganic matter in sewage sludge by high temperatures in an enclosed device.

(j) "Incineration facility" includes all incinerators owned or operated by the same entity and located on a contiguous tract of land. Areas of land are considered to be contiguous even if they are separated by a public road or highway.

(k) "Annual sludge fee" means the fee assessed under division (Y)(1) of this section.

(l) "Landfill" means a sanitary landfill facility, as defined in rules adopted under section 3734.02 of the Revised Code, that is licensed under section 3734.05 of the Revised Code.

(m) "Preexisting land reclamation project" means a property-specific land reclamation project that has been in continuous operation for not less than five years pursuant to approval of the activity by the director and includes the implementation of a community outreach program concerning the activity.

Sec. 3746.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Accredited laboratory" means a laboratory that is accredited as follows:

(1) For analysis of asbestos, valid accreditation by one of the following:

(a) The American industrial hygiene association, asbestos analysts registry;

(b) The national institute of standards technology, national voluntary laboratory accreditation program for asbestos fiber analysis;

(c) An accreditation body recognized by the national
environmental laboratory accreditation conference.

(2) For analysis of any constituent other than asbestos, valid accreditation by one of the following:

(a) The national environmental laboratory accreditation program;

(b) A national environmental laboratory accreditation program accreditation from an accreditation body recognized by the national environmental laboratory accreditation conference.

(B) "Activity and use limitations" has the same meaning as in section 5301.80 of the Revised Code.

(C) "Affiliated" means under common ownership or control.

(D) "Applicable standards," unless the context indicates otherwise, means standards that applied before the effective date of this amendment, standards established in or pursuant to sections 3746.05, 3746.06, and 3746.07 of the Revised Code, in or pursuant to rules adopted under division (B)(1) or (2) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code, pursuant to rules adopted under division (B)(11)(b) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code, or alternative standards and terms and conditions set forth in a variance issued under section 3746.09 of the Revised Code, as applicable.

(E) "Background level" means the conditions at a property and areas surrounding a property that are unaffected by any current or past activities involving treatment, storage, or disposal of hazardous substances or petroleum. "Background level" includes naturally occurring substances.

(F) "Certified laboratory" means a laboratory that was certified by the director of environmental protection pursuant to rules adopted under division (E) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code, or deemed to be certified under division (E) of
section 3746.07 of the Revised Code, to perform analyses in connection with voluntary actions before the effective date of this amendment.

(F) "Certified professional" means a person certified by the director pursuant to rules adopted under division (B)(5) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code, or deemed to be certified under division (D) of section 3746.07 of the Revised Code before the effective date of this amendment, to issue no further action letters under section 3746.11 of the Revised Code.

(G) "Covenant not to sue" means a release from liability that is issued by the director under section 3746.12 of the Revised Code.

(H) "Environmental covenant" has the same meaning as in section 5301.80 of the Revised Code.

(I) "Hazardous substance" includes all of the following:

(1) Any substance identified or listed in rules adopted under division (B)(1)(c) of section 3750.02 of the Revised Code;

(2) Any product registered as a pesticide under section 921.02 of the Revised Code when the product is used in a manner inconsistent with its required labeling;

(3) Any product formerly registered as a pesticide under that section for which the registration was suspended or canceled under section 921.05 of the Revised Code;

(4) Any mixture of a substance described in divisions (I)(1)(J)(1) to (3) of this section with a radioactive material.

(K) "Owner or operator" includes both of the following:

(1) Any person owning or holding a legal, equitable, or possessory interest in or having responsibility for the daily activities on a property;

(2) In the case of property title or control of which was
conveyed due to bankruptcy, foreclosure, tax delinquency, abandonment, or similar means to this state or a political subdivision of this state, any person who owned, operated, or otherwise controlled activities occurring on the property before the conveyance.

(L) “Person” means any person as defined in section 1.59 of the Revised Code and also includes this state, any political subdivision of this state, any other body of this state or of a political subdivision of this state, the board of directors of a nonprofit corporation governing a special improvement district created under Chapter 1710. of the Revised Code, and the United States and any agency or instrumentality thereof.

(M) “Petroleum” means oil or petroleum of any kind and in any form, including, without limitation, crude oil or any fraction thereof, petroleum, gasoline, kerosene, fuel oil, oil sludge, oil refuse, used oil, substances or additives utilized in the refining or blending of crude petroleum or petroleum stock, natural gas, natural gas liquids, liquefied natural gas, synthetic gas usable for fuel, and mixtures of natural gas and synthetic gas.

(N) “Property,” except for the purposes of sections 3746.02, 3746.26, and 3746.27 of the Revised Code, means any parcel of real property, or portion thereof, and any improvements thereto, the limits of which have been described in writing by the owner of record or a legally appointed representative of the owner and that is or has been the subject of a voluntary action under this chapter and rules adopted under it.

(O) “Radioactive material” means a substance that spontaneously emits ionizing radiation.

(P) “Related” means the persons are related by consanguinity or marriage.

(Q) “Release” means any spilling, leaking, pumping,
pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, migrating, dumping, or disposing of any hazardous substance or petroleum into the environment, including, without limitation, the abandonment or discarding of barrels, containers, or any other closed receptacle containing any hazardous substance, petroleum, or pollutant or contaminant. "Release" does not include any of the following:

(1) Any release that results solely in the exposure of individuals to hazardous substances or petroleum in the workplace with respect to which those individuals may assert a claim against their employer and that is regulated under the "Occupational Health and Safety Act of 1970," 84 Stat. 1590, 29 U.S.C.A. 651, as amended, and regulations adopted under that act, or under Chapter 4167. of the Revised Code and rules adopted under it;

(2) Emissions from the engine exhaust of a motor vehicle, rolling stock, aircraft, vessel, or pipeline pumping station engine;

(3) Any release of a source, byproduct, or special nuclear material from a nuclear incident, as "source material," "byproduct material," "special nuclear material," and "nuclear incident" are defined in the "Atomic Energy Act of 1954," 68 Stat. 919, 42 U.S.C.A. 2011, as amended, if the release is subject to financial protection requirements under section 170 of that act unless any such material is mixed with a hazardous substance or petroleum;


(5) The normal application of a fertilizer material that is intended to improve the quality or quantity of plant growth.

"Remedy" or "remedial activities" means actions that
are taken at a property to treat, remove, transport for treatment or disposal, dispose of, contain, or control hazardous substances or petroleum, are protective of public health and safety and the environment, and are consistent with a permanent remedy, including, without limitation, excavation, treatment, off-site disposal, the use of engineering or institutional controls or activity and use limitations, the issuance and implementation of a consolidated standards permit under section 3746.15 of the Revised Code, and the entering into and implementation of an operation and maintenance agreement pursuant to section 3746.12 of the Revised Code.

(R) "Voluntary action" means a series of measures that may be undertaken to identify and address potential sources of contamination of property by hazardous substances or petroleum and to establish that the property complies with applicable standards. "Voluntary action" may include, without limitation, a phase I property assessment conducted in accordance with rules adopted under division (B)(3) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code or division (B) of section 3746.07 of the Revised Code as it existed before the effective date of this amendment, as appropriate, a phase II property assessment conducted in accordance with rules adopted under division (B)(4) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code or division (C) of section 3746.07 of the Revised Code as it existed before the effective date of this amendment, as appropriate, and a sampling plan, a remedial plan, or remedial activities followed by the issuance of a no further action letter under section 3746.11 of the Revised Code indicating that the property meets applicable standards upon demonstration by the person undertaking the measures either that there is no information indicating that there has been a release of hazardous substances or petroleum at or upon the property or that there has been a release of hazardous substances or petroleum at or upon the property and that applicable standards were not exceeded or have
been or will be achieved in accordance with this chapter and rules adopted under it.

Sec. 3746.04. Within one year after September 28, 1994, the director of environmental protection, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall adopt, and subsequently may amend, suspend, or rescind, rules that do both of the following:

(A) Revise the rules adopted under Chapters 3704., 3714., 3734., 6109., and 6111. of the Revised Code to incorporate the provisions necessary to conform those rules to the requirements of this chapter. The amended rules adopted under this division also shall establish response times for all submittals to the environmental protection agency required under this chapter or rules adopted under it.

(B) Establish requirements and procedures that are reasonably necessary for the implementation and administration of this chapter, including, without limitation, all of the following:

(1) Appropriate generic numerical clean-up standards for the treatment or removal of soils, sediments, and water media for hazardous substances and petroleum. The rules shall establish separate generic numerical clean-up standards based upon the intended use of properties after the completion of voluntary actions, including industrial, commercial, and residential uses and such other categories of land use as the director considers to be appropriate. The generic numerical clean-up standards established for each category of land use shall be the concentration of each contaminant that may be present on a property that shall ensure protection of public health and safety and the environment for the reasonable exposure for that category of land use. When developing the standards, the director shall consider such factors as all of the following:
(a) Scientific information, including, without limitation, toxicological information and realistic assumptions regarding human and environmental exposure to hazardous substances or petroleum;

(b) Climatic factors;

(c) Human activity patterns;

(d) Current statistical techniques;

(e) For petroleum at industrial property, alternatives to the use of total petroleum hydrocarbons.


In order for the rules adopted under division (B)(1) of this section to require that any such federal environmental standard apply to a property, the property shall meet the requirements of the particular federal statute or regulation involved in the manner specified by the statute or regulation.

The generic numerical clean-up standards for petroleum at commercial or residential property shall be the standards established in rules adopted under division (B) of section...
3737.882 of the Revised Code.

(2)(a) Procedures for performing property-specific risk assessments that would be performed at a property to demonstrate that the remedy evaluated in a risk assessment results in protection of public health and safety and the environment instead of complying with the generic numerical clean-up standards established in the rules adopted under division (B)(1) of this section. The risk assessment procedures shall describe a methodology to establish, on a property-specific basis, allowable levels of contamination to remain at a property to ensure protection of public health and safety and the environment on the property and off the property when the contamination is emanating off the property, taking into account all of the following:

(i) The implementation of treatment, storage, or disposal, or a combination thereof, of hazardous substances or petroleum;

(ii) The existence of institutional controls or activity and use limitations that eliminate or mitigate exposure to hazardous substances or petroleum through the restriction of access to hazardous substances or petroleum;

(iii) The existence of engineering controls that eliminate or mitigate exposure to hazardous substances or petroleum through containment of, control of, or restrictions of access to hazardous substances or petroleum, including, without limitation, fences, cap systems, cover systems, and landscaping.

(b) The risk assessment procedures and levels of acceptable risk set forth in the rules adopted under division (B)(2) of this section shall be based upon all of the following:

(i) Scientific information, including, without limitation, toxicological information and actual or proposed human and environmental exposure;

(ii) Locational and climatic factors;
(iii) Surrounding land use and human activities;

(iv) Differing levels of remediation that may be required when an existing land use is continued compared to when a different land use follows the remediation.

(c) Any standards established pursuant to rules adopted under division (B)(2) of this section shall be no more stringent than standards established under the environmental statutes of this state and rules adopted under them for the same contaminant in the same environmental medium that are in effect at the time the risk assessment is conducted.

(3) Minimum standards for phase I property assessments. The standards shall specify the information needed to demonstrate that there is no reason to believe that contamination exists on a property. The rules adopted under division (B)(3) of this section, at a minimum, shall require that a phase I property assessment include all of the following:

(a) A review and analysis of deeds, mortgages, easements of record, and similar documents relating to the chain of title to the property that are publicly available or that are known to and reasonably available to the owner or operator;

(b) A review and analysis of any previous environmental assessments, property assessments, environmental studies, or geologic studies of the property and any land within two thousand feet of the boundaries of the property that are publicly available or that are known to and reasonably available to the owner or operator;

(c) A review of current and past environmental compliance histories of persons who owned or operated the property;

(d) A review of aerial photographs of the property that indicate prior uses of the property;
(e) Interviews with managers of activities conducted at the property who have knowledge of environmental conditions at the property;

(f) Conducting an inspection of the property consisting of a walkover;

(g) Identifying the current and past uses of the property, adjoining tracts of land, and the area surrounding the property, including, without limitation, interviews with persons who reside or have resided, or who are or were employed, within the area surrounding the property regarding the current and past uses of the property and adjacent tracts of land.

The rules adopted under division (B)(3) of this section shall establish criteria to determine when a phase II property assessment shall be conducted when a phase I property assessment reveals facts that establish a reason to believe that hazardous substances or petroleum have been treated, stored, managed, or disposed of on the property if the person undertaking the phase I property assessment wishes to obtain a covenant not to sue under section 3746.12 of the Revised Code.

(4) Minimum standards for phase II property assessments. The standards shall specify the information needed to demonstrate that any contamination present at the property does not exceed applicable standards or that the remedial activities conducted at the property have achieved compliance with applicable standards. The rules adopted under division (B)(4) of this section, at a minimum, shall require that a phase II property assessment include all of the following:

(a) A review and analysis of all documentation prepared in connection with a phase I property assessment conducted within the one hundred eighty days before the phase II property assessment begins. The rules adopted under division (B)(4)(a) of this section
shall require that if a period of more than one hundred eighty
days has passed between the time that the phase I assessment of
the property was completed and the phase II assessment begins, the
phase II assessment shall include a reasonable inquiry into the
change in the environmental condition of the property during the
intervening period.

(b) Quality assurance objectives for measurements taken in
collection with a phase II assessment;

(c) Sampling procedures to ensure the representative sampling
of potentially contaminated environmental media;

(d) Quality assurance and quality control requirements for
samples collected in connection with phase II assessments;

(e) Analytical and data assessment procedures;

(f) Data objectives to ensure that samples collected in
connection with phase II assessments are biased toward areas where
information indicates that contamination by hazardous substances
or petroleum is likely to exist.

(5) Standards governing the conduct of certified
professionals, criteria and procedures for the certification of
professionals to issue no further action letters under section
3746.11 of the Revised Code, and criteria for the suspension and
revocation of those certifications. The director shall take an
action regarding a certification as a final action. The issuance,
denial, renewal, suspension, and revocation of those
certifications are subject to Chapter 3745. of the Revised Code,
except that, in lieu of publishing an action regarding a
certification in a newspaper of general circulation as required in
section 3745.07 of the Revised Code, such an action shall be
published on the environmental protection agency's web site and in
the agency's weekly review not later than fifteen days after the
date of the issuance, denial, renewal, suspension, or revocation
of the certification and not later than thirty days before a hearing or public meeting concerning the action.

The rules adopted under division (B)(5) of this section shall do all of the following:

(a) Provide for the certification of environmental professionals to issue no further action letters pertaining to investigations and remedies in accordance with the criteria and procedures set forth in the rules. The rules adopted under division (B)(5)(a) of this section shall do at least all of the following:

(i) Authorize the director to consider such factors as an environmental professional's previous performance record regarding such investigations and remedies and the environmental professional's environmental compliance history when determining whether to certify the environmental professional;

(ii) Ensure that an application for certification is reviewed in a timely manner;

(iii) Require the director to certify any environmental professional who the director determines complies with those criteria;

(iv) Require the director to deny certification for any environmental professional who does not comply with those criteria.

(b) Establish an annual fee to be paid by environmental professionals certified pursuant to the rules adopted under division (B)(5)(a) of this section. The fee shall be established at an amount calculated to defray the costs to the agency for the required reviews of the qualifications of environmental professionals for certification and for the issuance of the certifications.
(c) Develop a schedule for and establish requirements governing the review by the director of the credentials of environmental professionals who were deemed to be certified under division (D) of section 3746.07 of the Revised Code before the effective date of this amendment in order to determine if they comply with the criteria established in rules adopted under division (B)(5) of this section. The rules adopted under division (B)(5)(c) of this section shall do at least all of the following:

(i) Ensure that the review is conducted in a timely fashion;

(ii) Require the director to certify any such environmental professional who the director determines complies with those criteria;

(iii) Require any such environmental professional initially to pay the fee established in the rules adopted under division (B)(5)(b) of this section at the time that the environmental professional is so certified by the director;

(iv) Establish a time period within which any such environmental professional who does not comply with those criteria may obtain the credentials that are necessary for certification;

(v) Require the director to deny certification for any such environmental professional who does not comply with those criteria and who fails to obtain the necessary credentials within the established time period.

(d) Require that any information submitted to the director for the purposes of the rules adopted under division (B)(5)(a) or (c) of this section comply with division (A) of section 3746.20 of the Revised Code;

(e) Authorize the director to suspend or revoke the certification of an environmental professional if the director finds that the environmental professional's performance has
resulted in the issuance of no further action letters under section 3746.11 of the Revised Code that are not consistent with applicable standards or finds that the certified environmental professional has not substantially complied with section 3746.31 of the Revised Code;

(f) Authorize the director to suspend for a period of not more than five years or to permanently revoke a certified environmental professional's certification for any violation of or failure to comply with an ethical standard established in rules adopted under division (B)(5) of this section;

(g) Require the director to revoke the certification of an environmental professional if the director finds that the environmental professional falsified any information on the environmental professional's application for certification regarding the environmental professional's credentials or qualifications or any other information generated for the purposes of or use under this chapter or rules adopted under it;

(h) Require the director permanently to revoke the certification of an environmental professional who has violated or is violating division (A) of section 3746.18 of the Revised Code;

(i) Preclude the director from revoking the certification of an environmental professional who only conducts investigations and remedies at property contaminated solely with petroleum unless the director first consults with the director of commerce.

(6) Criteria and procedures for the certification of laboratories to perform analyses under this chapter and rules adopted under it. The issuance, denial, suspension, and revocation of those certifications are subject to Chapter 3745. of the Revised Code, and the director of environmental protection shall take any such action regarding a certification as a final action.

The rules adopted under division (B)(6) of this section shall
do all of the following:

(a) Provide for the certification to perform analyses of laboratories in accordance with the criteria and procedures established in the rules adopted under division (B)(6)(a) of this section and establish an annual fee to be paid by those laboratories. The fee shall be established at an amount calculated to defray the costs to the agency for the review of the qualifications of those laboratories for certification and for the issuance of the certifications. The rules adopted under division (B)(6)(a) of this section may provide for the certification of those laboratories to perform only particular types or categories of analyses, specific test parameters or group of test parameters, or a specific matrix or matrices under this chapter.

(b) Develop a schedule for and establish requirements governing the review by the director of the operations of laboratories that were deemed to be certified laboratories under division (E) of section 3746.07 of the Revised Code in order to determine if they comply with the criteria established in rules adopted under division (B)(6) of this section. The rules adopted under division (B)(6)(b) of this section shall do at least all of the following:

(i) Ensure that the review is conducted in a timely fashion;

(ii) Require the director to certify any such laboratory that the director determines complies with those criteria;

(iii) Require any such laboratory initially to pay the fee established in the rules adopted under division (B)(6)(a) of this section at the time that the laboratory is so certified by the director;

(iv) Establish a time period within which any such laboratory that does not comply with those criteria may make changes in its operations necessary for the performance of analyses under this
chapter and rules adopted under it in order to be certified by the director;

(v) Require the director to deny certification for any such laboratory that does not comply with those criteria and that fails to make the necessary changes in its operations within the established time period.

(c) Require that any information submitted to the director for the purposes of the rules adopted under division (B)(6)(a) or (b) of this section comply with division (A) of section 3746.20 of the Revised Code;

(d) Authorize the director to suspend or revoke the certification of a laboratory if the director finds that the laboratory's performance has resulted in the issuance of no further action letters under section 3746.11 of the Revised Code that are not consistent with applicable standards;

(e) Authorize the director to suspend or revoke the certification of a laboratory if the director finds that the laboratory falsified any information on its application for certification regarding its credentials or qualifications;

(f) Require the director permanently to revoke the certification of a laboratory that has violated or is violating division (A) of section 3746.18 of the Revised Code.

(7) Information to be included in a no further action letter prepared under section 3746.11 of the Revised Code, including, without limitation, all of the following:

(a) A summary of the information required to be submitted to the certified environmental professional preparing the no further action letter under division (C) of section 3746.10 of the Revised Code;

(b) Notification that a risk assessment was performed in
accordance with rules adopted under division (B)(2) of this section if such an assessment was used in lieu of generic numerical clean-up standards established in rules adopted under division (B)(1) of this section;

(c) The contaminants addressed at the property, if any, their source, if known, and their levels prior to remediation;

(d) The identity of any other person who performed work to support the request for the no further action letter as provided in division (B)(2) of section 3746.10 of the Revised Code and the nature and scope of the work performed by that person;

(e) A list of the data, information, records, and documents relied upon by the certified environmental professional in preparing the no further action letter.

(7) Methods for determining fees to be paid for the following services provided by the agency under this chapter and rules adopted under it:

(a) Site- or property-specific technical assistance in developing or implementing plans in connection with a voluntary action;

(b) Reviewing applications for and issuing consolidated standards permits under section 3746.15 of the Revised Code and monitoring compliance with those permits;

(c) Negotiating, preparing, and entering into agreements necessary for the implementation and administration of this chapter and rules adopted under it;

(d) Reviewing no further action letters, issuing covenants not to sue, and monitoring compliance with any terms and conditions of those covenants and with operation and maintenance agreements entered into pursuant to those covenants, including, without limitation, conducting audits of properties where
voluntary actions are being or were conducted under this chapter and rules adopted under it.

The fees established pursuant to the rules adopted under division (B)(8) of this section shall be at a level sufficient to defray the direct and indirect costs incurred by the agency for the administration and enforcement of this chapter and rules adopted under it other than the provisions regarding the certification of professionals and laboratories.

(9) (8) Criteria for selecting the no further action letters issued under section 3746.11 of the Revised Code that will be audited under section 3746.17 of the Revised Code, and the scope and procedures for conducting those audits. The rules adopted under division (B)(9) of this section, at a minimum, shall require the director to establish priorities for auditing no further action letters to which any of the following applies:

(a) The letter was prepared by an environmental professional who was deemed to be a certified professional under division (D) of section 3746.07 of the Revised Code before the effective date of this amendment, but who does not comply with the criteria established in rules adopted under division (B)(5) of this section as determined pursuant to rules adopted under division (B)(5)(d) of this section;

(b) The letter was submitted fraudulently;

(c) The letter was prepared by a certified environmental professional whose certification subsequently was revoked in accordance with rules adopted under division (B)(5) of this section, or analyses were performed for the purposes of the no further action letter by a certified laboratory whose certification subsequently was revoked in accordance with rules adopted under division (B)(6) of this section before the effective date of this amendment or a laboratory that is not an accredited
(d) A covenant not to sue that was issued pursuant to the letter was revoked under this chapter;

(e) The letter was for a voluntary action that was conducted pursuant to a risk assessment in accordance with rules adopted under division (B)(2) of this section;

(f) The letter was for a voluntary action that included as remedial activities engineering controls or institutional controls or activity and use limitations authorized under section 3746.05 of the Revised Code.

The rules adopted under division (B)(9) of this section shall provide for random audits of no further action letters to which the rules adopted under divisions (B)(9)(a) to (f) of this section do not apply.

(B)(9) A classification system to characterize ground water according to its capability to be used for human use and its impact on the environment and a methodology that shall be used to determine when ground water that has become contaminated from sources on a property for which a covenant not to sue is requested under section 3746.11 of the Revised Code shall be remediated to the standards established in the rules adopted under division (B)(1) or (2) of this section.

(a) In adopting rules under division (B)(10) of this section to characterize ground water according to its capability for human use, the director shall consider all of the following:

(i) The presence of legally enforceable, reliable restrictions on the use of ground water, including, without limitation, local rules or ordinances;

(ii) The presence of regional commingled contamination from multiple sources that diminishes the quality of ground water;
(iii) The natural quality of ground water;

(iv) Regional availability of ground water and reasonable alternative sources of drinking water;

(v) The productivity of the aquifer;

(vi) The presence of restrictions on the use of ground water implemented under this chapter and rules adopted under it;

(vii) The existing use of ground water.

(b) In adopting rules under division (B)(10) of this section to characterize ground water according to its impacts on the environment, the director shall consider both of the following:

(i) The risks posed to humans, fauna, surface water, sediments, soil, air, and other resources by the continuing presence of contaminated ground water;

(ii) The availability and feasibility of technology to remedy ground water contamination.

(11) Governing the application for and issuance of variances under section 3746.09 of the Revised Code;

(12) In the case of voluntary actions involving contaminated ground water, specifying the circumstances under which the generic numerical clean-up standards established in rules adopted under division (B)(1) of this section and standards established through a risk assessment conducted pursuant to rules adopted under division (B)(2) of this section shall be inapplicable to the remediation of contaminated ground water and under which the standards for remediating contaminated ground water shall be established on a case-by-case basis prior to the commencement of the voluntary action pursuant to rules adopted under division (B)(12) of this section;

(b) Criteria and procedures for the case-by-case
establishment of standards for the remediation of contaminated
ground water under circumstances in which the use of the generic
numerical clean-up standards and standards established through a
risk assessment are precluded by the rules adopted under division
(B)(12)(a)(B)(11)(a) of this section. The rules governing the
procedures for the case-by-case development of standards for the
remediation of contaminated ground water shall establish
application, public participation, adjudication, and appeals
requirements and procedures that are equivalent to the
requirements and procedures established in section 3746.09 of the
Revised Code and rules adopted under division (B)(11)(B)(10) of
this section, except that the procedural rules shall not require
an applicant to make the demonstrations set forth in divisions
(A)(1) to (3) of section 3746.09 of the Revised Code.

(A)(12) A definition of the evidence that constitutes
sufficient evidence for the purpose of division (A)(5) of section
3746.02 of the Revised Code.

At least thirty days before filing the proposed rules
required to be adopted under this section with the secretary of
state, director of the legislative service commission, and joint
committee on agency rule review in accordance with divisions (B)
and (C) of section 119.03 of the Revised Code, the director of
environmental protection shall hold at least one public meeting on
the proposed rules in each of the five districts into which the
agency has divided the state for administrative purposes.

Sec. 3746.071 3746.07. (A) As used in this section,
"certified professional" means a certified professional deemed to
be certified under division (D) of section 3746.07 of the Revised
Code.

(B) A certified professional shall do all of the following:

(1) Protect the safety, health, and welfare of the public in
the performance of professional duties. If a circumstance arises where the certified professional faces a situation where the safety, health, or welfare of the public would not be protected, the certified professional shall do all of the following:

(a) Sever the relationship with the certified professional's employer or client;

(b) Refuse to accept responsibility for the design, report, or statement involved;

(c) Notify the director of environmental protection if, in the opinion of the certified professional, the situation is sufficiently important.

(2) Undertake to perform assignments only when the certified professional or the certified professional's consulting support is qualified by training and experience in the specific technical fields involved;

(3) Be completely objective in any professional report, statement, or testimony. The certified professional shall include all relevant and pertinent information in the report, statement, or testimony when the result of an omission would or reasonably could lead to a fallacious conclusion.

(4) Express an opinion as a technical or expert witness before any court, commission, or other tribunal only when it is founded upon adequate knowledge of the facts in issue, upon a background of technical competence in the subject matter, and upon honest conviction of the accuracy and propriety of the testimony.

(C) A certified professional shall not issue statements, criticisms, or arguments on matters connected with public policy that are inspired or paid for by an interested party, unless the certified professional has prefaced the remarks by explicitly identifying the certified professional, by disclosing the identity of the parties on whose behalf the certified professional is
speaking, and by revealing the existence of any pecuniary interest the certified professional may have in the instant matters.

(D)(1) A certified professional shall conscientiously avoid any conflict of interest with the certified professional's employer or client.

(2) A certified professional promptly shall inform the certified professional's employer or client of any business association, interests, or circumstances that could influence the certified professional's judgment or the quality of the certified professional's service to the employer or client.

(3) A certified professional shall not accept compensation, financial or otherwise, from more than one party for services on or pertaining to the same project, unless the circumstances are fully disclosed to, and agreed to, by all interested parties or their duly authorized agents.

(4) A certified professional shall not solicit or accept financial or other valuable considerations from material or equipment suppliers for specifying their products.

(5) A certified professional shall not solicit or accept gratuities, directly or indirectly, from contractors, their agents, or other parties dealing directly with the certified professional's employer or client in connection with the work for which the certified professional is responsible.

(E)(1) A certified professional shall not pay, solicit, or offer, directly or indirectly, any bribe or commission for professional employment with the exception of payment of the usual commission for securing salaried positions through licensed employment agencies.

(2) A certified professional shall seek professional employment on the basis of qualification and competence for proper accomplishment of the work. A certified professional may submit
proposed fee information prior to selection to serve as a certified professional under this chapter and rules adopted under it.

(3) A certified professional shall not falsify or permit misrepresentation of the certified professional's or the certified professional's associates' academic or professional qualifications. The certified professional shall not misrepresent or exaggerate the certified professional's degree of responsibility in or for the subject matter of prior assignments.

(4) Brochures or other presentations incident to the solicitation of employment by a certified professional shall not misrepresent pertinent facts concerning the certified professional's employers, employees, associates, or joint ventures, or the past accomplishments of any of them, with the intent and purpose of enhancing the certified professional's qualifications for the certified professional's work.

(F)(1) A certified professional shall not sign or seal professional work for which the certified professional does not have personal professional knowledge and direct supervisory control and responsibility.

(2) A certified professional shall not knowingly associate with, or permit the use of the certified professional's own name or the name of the certified professional's firm in, a business venture by any person or firm that the certified professional knows, or has reason to believe, is engaging in business or professional practices of a fraudulent or dishonest nature.

(3) If a certified professional has knowledge or reason to believe that another person or firm has violated any of the provisions of this chapter or any requirement of this section, the certified professional shall present the information to the director in writing.
(F) The director, in accordance with rules adopted under section 3746.04 of the Revised Code, may suspend for a period of not more than five years or permanently revoke a certified professional's certification for a violation of or failure to comply with any requirement or obligation set forth in this section.

(G) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, a certified professional may use data analyzed by a certified laboratory prior to the effective date of this amendment in completion of a no further action letter.

Sec. 3746.09. (A) A person who proposes to enter into or who is participating in the voluntary action program under this chapter and rules adopted under it, in accordance with this section and rules adopted under division (B)(11) (B)(10) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code, may apply to the director of environmental protection for a variance from applicable standards otherwise established in this chapter and rules adopted under it. The application for a variance shall be prepared by a certified professional. The director shall issue a variance from those applicable standards only if the application makes all of the following demonstrations to the director's satisfaction:

(1) Either or both of the following:

(a) It is technically infeasible to comply with the applicable standards otherwise established at the property named in the application;

(b) The costs of complying with the applicable standards otherwise established at the property substantially exceed the economic benefits.

(2) The proposed alternative standard or set of standards and terms and conditions set forth in the application will result in
an improvement of environmental conditions at the property and ensure that public health and safety will be protected.

(3) The establishment of and compliance with the alternative standard or set of standards and terms and conditions are necessary to promote, protect, preserve, or enhance employment opportunities or the reuse of the property named in the application.

A variance issued under this section shall state the specific standard or standards whose terms are being varied and shall set forth the specific alternative standard or set of standards and the terms and conditions imposed on the applicant in their place. A variance issued under this section shall include only standards and terms and conditions proposed by the applicant in the application, except that the director may impose any additional or alternative terms and conditions that the director determines to be necessary to ensure that public health and safety will be protected. If the director finds that compliance with any standard or term or condition proposed by the applicant will not protect public health and safety and that the imposition of additional or alternative terms and conditions will not ensure that public health or safety will be protected, the director shall disapprove the application and shall include in the order of denial the specific findings on which the denial was based.

(B) Variances shall be issued or denied in accordance with this section, rules adopted under division \((B)(11)-(B)(10)\) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code, and Chapter 3745. of the Revised Code. Upon determining that an application for a variance is complete, the director shall schedule a public meeting on the application to be held within ninety days after the director determines that the application is complete in the county in which is located the property to which the application pertains.

(C) Not less than thirty days before the date scheduled for
the public meeting on an application for a variance, the director shall publish notice of the public meeting and that the director will receive written comments on the application for a period of forty-five days commencing on the date of the publication of the notice. The notice shall contain all of the following information, at a minimum:

1. The address of the property to which the application pertains;
2. A brief summary of the alternative standards and terms and conditions proposed by the applicant;
3. The date, time, and location of the public meeting.

The notice shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the property is located and, if the property is located in close proximity to the boundary of the county with an adjacent county, as determined by the director, shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the adjacent county. Concurrently with the publication of the notice of the public meeting, the director shall mail notice of the application, comment period, and public meeting to the owner of each parcel of land that is adjacent to the affected property and to the legislative authority of the municipal corporation or township, and county, in which the affected property is located. The notices mailed to the adjacent land owners and legislative authorities shall contain the same information as the published notice.

(D) At the public meeting on an application for a variance, the applicant, or a representative of the applicant who is knowledgeable about the affected property and the application, shall present information regarding the application and the basis of the request for the variance and shall respond to questions from the public regarding the affected property and the
application. A representative of the environmental protection agency who is familiar with the affected property and the application shall attend the public meeting to hear the public's comments and to respond to questions from the public regarding the affected property and the application. A stenographic record of the proceedings at the public meeting shall be kept and shall be made a part of the administrative record regarding the application.

(E) Within ninety days after conducting the public meeting on an application for a variance under division (D) of this section, the director shall issue a proposed action to the applicant in accordance with section 3745.07 of the Revised Code that indicates the director's intent with regard to the issuance or denial of the application. When considering whether to issue or deny the application or whether to impose terms and conditions of the variance that are in addition or alternative to those proposed by the applicant, the director shall consider comments on the application made by the public at the public meeting and written comments on the application received from the public.

Sec. 3746.10. (A) Except as otherwise provided in section 3746.02 of the Revised Code, any person may undertake a voluntary action under this chapter and rules adopted under it to identify and address potential sources of contamination by hazardous substances or petroleum of soil, sediments, surface water, or ground water on or underlying property and to establish that the property meets applicable standards. The voluntary action may include any one or more of the following elements:

(1) A phase I property assessment conducted in accordance with rules adopted under division (B)(3) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code, or division (B) of section 3746.07 of the Revised Code, as appropriate;
(2) A phase II property assessment conducted in accordance with rules adopted under division (B)(4) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code or division (C) of section 3746.07 of the Revised Code, as appropriate;

(3) A sampling plan;

(4) A remediation plan;

(5) Remidal activities;

(6) Such other activities as the person undertaking the voluntary action considers to be necessary or appropriate to address the contamination.

When the person undertaking a voluntary action determines that the property meets applicable standards, the person may seek a no further action letter from a certified professional. A no further action letter may be issued for the property at any stage of the identification of potential hazardous substance or petroleum contamination or remedial activities after a phase I or II property assessment has demonstrated that there is no reason to believe that there has been a release of hazardous substances or petroleum at or upon the property, that information indicates that there has been a release of hazardous substances or petroleum at or upon the property, but that the release is not in excess of applicable standards, or that if there has been such a release in excess of applicable standards, those standards have been achieved through remedial activities or will be achieved in accordance with the timeframes established in an operation and maintenance agreement entered into under division (A)(3) of section 3746.12 of the Revised Code or in such an agreement and a consolidated standards permit issued under section 3746.15 of the Revised Code.

(B)(1) A person who is participating in the voluntary action program under this chapter and rules adopted under it shall do both of the following:
(a) Utilize the services of a certified laboratory to perform any analyses that form the basis for the issuance of a no further action letter for a property and ensure that a laboratory performs in connection with a voluntary action only those analyses for which it is certified under rules adopted under division (B)(6) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code or for which it is qualified prior to the adoption of those rules accredited;

(b) Utilize the services of a certified professional to verify that the property and any remedial activities undertaken at the property in connection with a voluntary action comply with applicable standards and, if those standards are met, to issue to the person a no further action letter for the property. For the purposes of such a verification, the certified professional shall perform and review all work that was conducted to support the request for the no further action letter or shall ensure that the work has been performed and reviewed by other persons with expertise and competence in areas other than those of the certified professional's expertise and competence as necessary for the issuance of the no further action letter.

(2) No person who is participating in the voluntary action program shall do any of the following:

(a) If the person also is a certified professional, prepare a no further action letter in connection with a voluntary action conducted at a property that the certified professional owns or operates;

(b) Utilize the services of a certified professional who is employed by, affiliated with, or related to the participant or who was employed by or affiliated with the participant during the year preceding the date that the participant entered into the contract to utilize the services of the certified professional in connection with the voluntary action;
(c) Utilize the services of a certified accredited laboratory that is owned by or affiliated with the participant, that is owned by a person related to the participant, or that was owned by or affiliated with the participant during the year preceding the date that the participant entered into the contract to utilize the services of the certified accredited laboratory in connection with the voluntary action, to perform any analyses that form the basis for the issuance of a no further action letter in connection with a voluntary action.

A covenant not to sue issued under section 3746.12 of the Revised Code to a person who violated division (B)(2)(a), (b), or (c) of this section with respect to the no further action letter upon which issuance of the covenant was based is void.

Except as otherwise provided in division (B)(2) of this section, a person who is participating in the voluntary action program may utilize an independent contractor to serve as a certified professional or certified accredited laboratory.

(C) In order to obtain a no further action letter, a person undertaking a voluntary action shall submit to a certified professional all of the following, as applicable:

(1) Information demonstrating that there is no contamination by hazardous substances or petroleum of soil, sediments, surface water, or ground water on or underlying the property in concentrations exceeding applicable standards. The demonstrations shall be based upon the findings of a phase I or phase II property assessment.

(2) If remedial activities were conducted in connection with the voluntary action, data demonstrating that the remedy meets applicable standards or will achieve applicable standards in accordance with the timeframes established in an operation and maintenance agreement entered into under division (A)(3) of
section 3746.12 of the Revised Code or in such an agreement and a consolidated standards permit issued under section 3746.15 of the Revised Code;

   (3)(a) If the remedy relies on institutional controls or restrictions on the use of the property to achieve applicable standards, a demonstration that the institutional controls or the use restrictions have been recorded in the office of the county recorder of the county in which the property is located, or have been entered in the appropriate register for registered land as defined in section 5309.01 of the Revised Code, in compliance with section 3746.14 of the Revised Code;

   (b) If the person undertaking a voluntary action seeks to obtain a covenant not to sue and if the remedy relies on activity and use limitations to achieve applicable standards, a demonstration that the activity and use limitations have been developed in accordance with this chapter and rules adopted under it and are contained in a proposed environmental covenant that meets the requirements established in section 5301.82 of the Revised Code.

   (4) If the remedy relies on engineering controls that contain or control the release of hazardous substances or petroleum at or from the property, a plan for the proper operation and maintenance of the engineering controls.

   (D) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this chapter and rules adopted under it, voluntary actions under this chapter and rules adopted under it shall be undertaken in compliance with all applicable laws of this state and rules adopted under them and with applicable ordinances, resolutions, and rules of political subdivisions of this state.

   Sec. 3746.11. (A) After receiving the demonstrations and operation and maintenance plan, if any, required to be submitted
to a certified professional under division (C) of section 3746.10 of the Revised Code, the certified professional shall review them to verify whether the property where the voluntary action was undertaken complies with applicable standards or shall ensure that they have been reviewed by another person or persons who performed work to support the request for the no further action letter as provided in division (B)(2) of section 3746.10 of the Revised Code. If, on the basis of the best knowledge, information, and belief of the certified professional, the certified professional concludes that the property meets applicable standards, the certified professional shall prepare a no further action letter for the property. The no further action letter shall contain all the information specified in rules adopted under division (B)(7)(B)(6) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code or in division (E) of section 3746.07 of the Revised Code, as applicable.

Upon completion of a no further action letter, the certified professional shall send a copy of the letter to the person who undertook the voluntary action. The letter shall be accompanied by a written request that the person notify the certified professional as to whether the person wishes to submit the no further action letter to the director of environmental protection and by a written notice informing the person that the original letter may be submitted to the director only by a certified professional and that the person may receive a covenant not to sue from the director in connection with the voluntary action only if the no further action letter for the voluntary action is submitted to the director on the person's behalf by the certified professional.

Promptly after receipt of the letter and request, the person who undertook the voluntary action shall send written notice to the certified professional informing the certified professional as to whether the person wishes to submit the letter to the director.
and shall send a copy of the notice to the director. If the 

person's notice indicates that the person wishes to have the no 
further action letter submitted to the director, promptly after 
receipt of the notice, the certified professional shall submit the 
original no further action letter, together with a proposed 
environmental convenant, if applicable, and a proposed operation 
and maintenance agreement, if applicable, to the director by 
certified mail on behalf of the person who undertook the voluntary 
action. If the person who undertook the voluntary action notifies 
the certified professional that the person does not wish to submit 
the no further action letter to the director, the certified 
professional shall send the original letter to the person promptly 
after receiving the notice.

(B) If after reviewing the demonstrations required to be 
submitted to the certified professional under division (C) of 
section 3746.10 of the Revised Code, the certified professional 
finds that the property where the voluntary action was undertaken 
does not comply with applicable standards, the certified 
professional shall send to the person who undertook the voluntary 
action written notice of that fact and of the certified 
professional's inability to issue a no further action letter for 
the property.

(C) A certified professional shall prepare a summary report 
detailing the certified professional's findings and conclusions 
about the environmental conditions at the property concerning 
which the professional was requested to prepare a no further 
action letter and the remedial activities undertaken to mitigate 
or abate any threat to public health and safety and the 
environment, including, without limitation, all of the following:

(1) A description of the nature and extent of contamination 
emanating from sources on the property;

(2) A risk assessment performed in accordance with rules
adopted under division (B)(2) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code if such an assessment was used in lieu of generic numerical clean-up standards established in rules adopted under division (B)(1) of that section;

(3) A description of any remedy conducted at the property and how the remedy complies with applicable standards;

(4) A description of any plan for the proper operation and maintenance of engineering controls identified under division (C)(4) of section 3746.10 of the Revised Code;

(5) Any documents prepared by any other person who performed work to support the request for the no further action letter as provided in division (B)(2) of section 3746.10 of the Revised Code.

(D) A certified professional shall maintain all documents and data prepared or acquired by the certified professional in connection with a no further action letter for not less than ten years after the date of issuance of the letter or after the notice required under division (B) of this section has been sent, as applicable, or for a longer period as determined in rules adopted under section 3746.04 of the Revised Code. The director shall have access to those documents and data in accordance with section 3746.18 or 3746.31 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3746.12. (A) Except as provided in division (C) of this section, the director of environmental protection shall issue to a person on behalf of whom a certified professional has submitted to the director an original no further action letter and accompanying verification under division (A) of section 3746.11 of the Revised Code a covenant not to sue for the property that is named in the letter. The director shall not issue a covenant not to sue if an original no further action letter is submitted to him the director by any person other than the certified professional who prepared
the letter or if a copy of the letter is submitted to him the director.

A covenant not to sue shall contain both of the following, as applicable:

(1) A provision releasing the person who undertook the voluntary action from all civil liability to this state to perform additional investigational and remedial activities to address a release of hazardous substances or petroleum when the property has undergone a phase I or a phase II property assessment in compliance with this chapter and rules adopted under it or has been the subject of remedial activities conducted under this chapter and rules adopted under it to address a release of hazardous substances or petroleum and such an assessment or those activities demonstrate or result in compliance with applicable standards, except:

(a) As otherwise specifically provided in this chapter or as may be conditioned by the director under this chapter;

(b) For claims for natural resource damages the state may have pursuant to section 107 or 113 of the "Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980," 94 Stat. 2781 and 2792, 42 U.S.C.A. 9607 and 9613, as amended;

(c) For claims the state may have pursuant to section 107 of the "Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980," 94 Stat. 2781, 42 U.S.C.A. 9607, as amended, for costs other than those for damages to natural resources, provided that the state incurs those other costs as a result of an action by the president of the United States under section 104, 106, 107, or 122 of that act or pursuant to section 3746.29 of the Revised Code.

(2) If the voluntary action involves the use of engineering controls that contain and control the release of hazardous...
substances or petroleum at or from the property in order to comply with applicable standards, all of the following:

(a) A provision requiring that the person enter into an operation and maintenance agreement with the director that ensures that all engineering controls are maintained so that the remedy is protective of public health and safety and the environment; that includes provisions requiring the person to conduct monitoring for compliance with the engineering controls and the applicable standards upon which issuance of the covenant was based, and periodically to report the findings of the monitoring to the director, as specified in the agreement; and that includes financial assurances that the remedy will remain operational and functional;

(b) A provision requiring the transferor of a covenant that contains an operation and maintenance agreement for engineering controls to notify the director whenever a transfer or assignment of the covenant or property to which it applies occurs;

(c) A provision revoking the covenant if the engineering controls are violated or are no longer in place and the person has not reinstated the controls within a reasonable period of time as determined in accordance with the covenant.

(B)(1) The release provided under division (A)(1) of this section remains effective only for as long as the property or portion thereof to which the covenant pertains continues to comply with the applicable standards upon which the issuance of the covenant was based.

(2) Upon finding that a property or portion thereof to which a covenant not to sue pertains no longer complies with the applicable standards upon which issuance of the covenant was based, the director, by certified mail, receipt requested, shall mail notice of that fact and the requirements of division (B)(3)
of this section to the person responsible for maintaining compliance with those standards.

(3) Unless the recipient of a notice provided under division (B)(2) of this section, within thirty days after the mailing of the notice, notifies the director of his the recipient's intention to return the property or portion thereof to compliance with the applicable standards upon which issuance of the covenant was based and enters into a compliance schedule agreement with the director, the director, by issuance of an order as a final action under Chapter 3745. of the Revised Code, shall revoke the covenant. The compliance schedule agreement shall establish a reasonable period of time for returning to compliance with those applicable standards.

(4) Upon finding that a person with whom he the director has entered into a compliance schedule agreement under division (B)(3) of this section has failed to return the property or portion thereof to which the agreement pertains to compliance with the applicable standards within the time established in the agreement, the director, by issuance of an order as a final action under Chapter 3745. of the Revised Code, shall revoke the covenant applicable to the property or portion thereof.

(C) The director shall deny a covenant not to sue as a final action for any of the following reasons:

(1) The no further action letter submitted on behalf of the person seeking the covenant not to sue does not comply with section 3746.11 of the Revised Code and any rules adopted under this chapter regarding no further action letters;

(2) The director determines from information available to him to the director that a remedy identified in the no further action letter does not protect public health and safety and the environment;
(3) The no further action letter was submitted fraudulently.

(D) The director shall not revoke a covenant not to sue issued for property for which a voluntary action was conducted in accordance with standards and procedures established in section 3746.07 that applied prior to the adoption of rules under section 3746.04 of the Revised Code solely on the basis that the voluntary action was conducted in accordance with those standards and procedures.

(E) Unless a covenant not to sue issued under this section is revoked through the operation of a provision of the covenant described in division (A)(2)(c) of this section, or under division (B) of this section, division (B)(2) of section 3746.18 of the Revised Code, or division (B) of section 3746.19 of the Revised Code, the covenant shall remain effective as long as the property complies with the applicable standards that were in effect when the person who undertook the voluntary action submitted the information and demonstrations required under division (C) of section 3746.10 of the Revised Code to the certified professional who prepared the no further action letter regardless of whether amendments to the rules adopted under division (B)(1) or (2) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code that became effective after that time altered the generic numerical clean-up standards for a contaminant addressed by the voluntary action or the procedures or levels of acceptable risk that govern the property-specific risk assessments conducted in lieu of compliance with generic numerical standards.

Sec. 3746.13. (A) For property that does not involve the issuance of a consolidated standards permit under section 3746.15 of the Revised Code and where no remedial activities for which there is a required operation and maintenance agreement or an environmental covenant under this chapter or sections 5301.80 to
5301.92 of the Revised Code, as applicable, are used to comply with applicable standards, the director of environmental protection shall issue a covenant not to sue pursuant to section 3746.12 of the Revised Code by issuance of an order and as a final action under Chapter 3745. of the Revised Code within thirty days after the director receives the no further action letter for the property from the certified professional who prepared the letter under section 3746.11 of the Revised Code.

(B) For property that involves the issuance of a consolidated standards permit under section 3746.15 of the Revised Code or where remedial activities for which there is a required operation and maintenance agreement or an environmental covenant under this chapter or sections 5301.80 to 5301.92 of the Revised Code, as applicable, are used to comply with applicable standards, the director shall issue a covenant not to sue pursuant to section 3746.12 of the Revised Code by issuance of an order and as a final action under Chapter 3745. of the Revised Code within ninety days after the director receives the no further action letter for the property from the certified professional who prepared the letter and enters into an environmental convenant regarding the property, if applicable.

(C) Except as provided in division (D) of this section, each person who is issued a covenant not to sue under this section shall pay the fee established pursuant to rules adopted under division (B)(8)(B)(7) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code. Until those rules become effective, each person who is issued a covenant not to sue shall pay a fee of two thousand dollars. The fee shall be paid to the director at the time that the no further action letter and accompanying verification are submitted to the director.

(D) An applicant, as defined in section 122.65 of the Revised Code, who has entered into an agreement under section 122.653 of
the Revised Code and who is issued a covenant not to sue under this section shall not be required to pay the fee for the issuance of a covenant not to sue established in rules adopted under division (B)(8),(B)(7) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3746.17. (A) The director of environmental protection shall conduct audits in connection with no further action letters issued under section 3746.11 of the Revised Code for all of the following purposes:

(1) Determining whether after completion of the voluntary actions under this chapter and rules adopted under it, the properties where the voluntary actions were conducted meet applicable standards;

(2) Reviewing the qualifications of and work performed by certified professionals under the voluntary action program to ascertain whether they possess the qualifications for certification pursuant to rules adopted under division (B)(5) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code and whether their performance under the program has resulted in the issuance of no further action letters that are not consistent with applicable standards;

(3) Reviewing the qualifications of and work performed by certified laboratories or accredited laboratories in connection with the voluntary action program, and inspecting the facilities of certified laboratories to ascertain whether they possess the qualifications for certification pursuant to rules adopted under division (B)(6) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code and whether their performance in connection with the program has resulted in the issuance of no further action letters that are not consistent with applicable standards.

An audit may be conducted for any of the purposes identified in divisions (A)(1) to (3) of this section or for any combination of those purposes.
(B) Commencing one year after the effective date of this section, the director annually shall conduct in connection with the no further action letters submitted to him during the preceding calendar year under section 3746.11 of the Revised Code audits of not less than twenty-five per cent of the letters pertaining to voluntary actions that involved remedial activities and not less than twenty-five per cent of the letters pertaining to voluntary actions that did not involve remedial activities. Audits conducted pursuant to contracts entered into under division (E) of this section or division (B) of section 3745.01 of the Revised Code shall be included in determining the number of audits conducted by the director during the year in which the audits were conducted.

(C) Except as provided in division (D) of this section, the director shall select the no further action letters to be audited under this section in accordance with the selection criteria established in rules adopted under division (B)(9)(B)(8) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code. Any such audit shall be conducted in accordance with the rules adopted under that division.

(D) Prior to the adoption of rules under section 3746.04 of the Revised Code, the director may conduct audits in connection with no further action letters issued under section 3746.11 of the Revised Code in order to determine if the relevant properties, certified professionals, certified laboratories, or any combination of them comply with the standards established in section 3746.07 of the Revised Code.

(E) The director may enter into contracts to have audits conducted under this section in accordance with rules adopted under division (B)(9)(B)(8) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code. The director shall not select as a contractor to conduct audits under this section a person who meets any of the following:
(a)(1) Undertook the voluntary action in connection with which the audit is to be performed;  

(a)(2) Is employed by, affiliated with, or related to the person who undertook the voluntary action in connection with which the audit is to be performed or was employed by or affiliated with that person during the year preceding the date that the audit is to be conducted;  

(a)(3) Served as the certified professional who issued the no further action letter for the voluntary action in connection with which the audit is to be performed or is employed by, affiliated with, or related to the person who served as the certified professional or was employed by or affiliated with that person during the year preceding the date that the audit is to be conducted;  

(a)(4) Performed or reviewed, or the person's employer performed or reviewed, any work that was conducted to support the request for the no further action letter in connection with which the audit is to be performed;  

(a)(5) Served as a certified laboratory or accredited laboratory that performed any analyses that formed the basis for the issuance of the no further action letter in connection with which the audit is to be performed, is employed by, affiliated with, or related to the person who served as such a certified laboratory or accredited laboratory, or was employed by or affiliated with that person during the year preceding the date that the audit is to be conducted.  

Sec. 3746.18. (A) The director of environmental protection may request a certified professional or certified laboratory or accredited laboratory to provide to him the director documents and data for the purposes of verifying the qualifications of the professional or laboratory or auditing the performance of the
professional or laboratory in connection with voluntary actions conducted under this chapter and rules adopted under it or may request any other person who performed work that was conducted to support a request for a no further action letter as provided in division (B)(2) of section 3746.10 of the Revised Code to submit documents and data relating to the no further action letter.

No person shall fail to comply with a request made under this division.

(B) In addition to any other remedy provided by law, the director may do either or both of the following in connection with a violation of division (A) of this section:

(1) Permanently revoke the certification of the certified professional or certified laboratory in accordance with rules adopted under division (B)(5)(g) or (B)(6)(f) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code, as applicable;

(2) Revoke any covenant not to sue issued under section 3746.12 of the Revised Code pertaining to the director's request for information under division (A) of this section.

Nothing in division (B)(2) of this section precludes a person whose covenant not to sue was revoked under that division from having a new no further action letter prepared regarding the relevant property and issued under section 3746.11 of the Revised Code by another certified professional, or using another accredited laboratory, for the purpose of obtaining a new covenant not to sue for the property.

Sec. 3746.19. (A) If the director of environmental protection finds that the performance of a certified professional or certified laboratory has resulted in the issuance of no further action letters under section 3746.11 of the Revised Code that are not consistent with applicable standards, he the director shall...
notify persons for whom the certified professional or certified laboratory has performed work in connection with a voluntary action of those findings.

(B) The director, in accordance with the criteria and procedures established in rules adopted under division (B)(9) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code, may conduct an audit of any property for which a covenant not to sue was issued under section 3746.12 of the Revised Code based upon a no further action letter issued under section 3746.11 of the Revised Code that was prepared by a certified professional whose certification was subsequently suspended or revoked under this chapter and rules adopted under it or based upon a no further action letter for a voluntary action for which analyses were performed by a certified laboratory for which the certification was subsequently suspended or revoked under this chapter and rules adopted under it before the effective date of this amendment.

If, after such an audit, the director finds that the property does not comply with applicable standards, the director shall proceed in accordance with divisions (B)(2) through (4) of section 3746.12 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3746.20. (A) All of the following shall be submitted by affidavit:

(1) Any information, data, documents, or reports submitted by any of the following to another person for the purposes of a voluntary action conducted under this chapter and rules adopted under it:

(a) The person undertaking the voluntary action;

(b) A certified professional;

(c) Any other person who performed work that was conducted to support a request for a no further action letter as provided in
division (B)(2) of section 3746.10 of the Revised Code;

(d) A certified laboratory;

(e) An accredited laboratory.

(2) Any information submitted by an environmental professional to the director of environmental protection for the purposes of complying with rules adopted under division (B)(5)(a) or (c) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code or with division (D) of section 3746.07 of the Revised Code;

(3) Any information submitted by a laboratory for the purposes of complying with rules adopted under division (B)(6)(a) or (b) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code;

(4) The verification of eligible costs associated with a voluntary action submitted by a certified professional to the director of development pursuant to section 3746.121 of the Revised Code.

(B) No person shall materially falsify, tamper with, or render inaccurate any information, data, documents, or reports generated for the purposes of or used in documenting or preparing a no further action letter under this chapter or rules adopted under it or verification of eligible costs under section 3746.121 of the Revised Code.

Violation of this division is not falsification under section 2921.13 of the Revised Code.

(C) In accordance with rules adopted under division (B)(5)(f) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code, the director permanently shall revoke the certification of a certified professional who violates division (B) of this section.

(D) No person, with purpose to deceive a certified professional, certified accredited laboratory, or a contractor thereof, or the environmental protection agency or a contractor
thereof, shall withhold, conceal, or destroy any data,
information, records, or documents relating to a voluntary action. 

Sec. 3746.21. (A) In addition to the authority established in
sections 3746.18, 3746.19, and 3746.20 of the Revised Code, the
director of environmental protection or the director's
authorized representative, upon proper identification and upon
stating the necessity and purpose of an inspection, may enter at
reasonable times upon any of the following:

(1) Any public or private property at which a voluntary
action has been or is being conducted under this chapter and rules
adopted under it; upon any

(2) Any public or private property, real or personal, that is
owned or operated by a person who is participating or has
participated in the voluntary action program under this chapter
and rules adopted under it where data, information, records, or
documents relating to the person's participation in the voluntary
action program are kept; upon any

(3) Any public or private property, real or personal, upon
which is located a certified laboratory, accredited laboratory, or
the offices of a certified professional to inspect.

(B) The director or the director's authorized representative
may enter upon any property described in division (A) of this
section to do any of the following:

(1) Inspect the credentials of the certified professional or
the credentials and facilities of the certified laboratory or
accredited laboratory; to examine

To examine or copy data, information, records, or documents
relating to the evaluation, investigation, or remediation of
properties under this chapter and rules adopted under it or to
compliance with a consolidated standards permit issued under
section 3746.15 of the Revised Code; or to obtain

(3) Obtain samples of soil, water, or other environmental media at properties where voluntary actions have been or are being conducted under this chapter and rules adopted under it.

(C) The director or his authorized representative may apply for and any judge of a court of record may issue an administrative inspection warrant under division (F) of section 2933.21 of the Revised Code, or other appropriate search warrant, necessary to achieve the purposes of this chapter within the court's territorial jurisdiction.

Sec. 3746.31. Upon the written request of any person for information, documents, reports, or data described on a list submitted to the director of environmental protection pursuant to division (F) of section 3746.07 of the Revised Code or rules adopted under division (B)(7)(e)(B)(6)(e) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code, as applicable, the director, within a reasonable period of time after receipt of the request, shall provide copies of the requested materials to the person. If the requested materials are not on file in the offices of the environmental protection agency, the director, promptly after receipt of the request, shall send a written request to the certified professional who submitted the list pursuant to that division or those rules to submit the requested materials to the director within a specified reasonable period of time. The certified professional shall submit the requested materials to the director within the time specified in the director's request. Within a reasonable period of time after the director receives the requested materials from the certified professional, the director shall provide copies of them, at cost, to the person who requested them and shall retain the originals in the agency's files.
Sec. 3746.35. (A) Not later than September 1, 1996, and not later than the first day of September of each subsequent year, the director of environmental protection shall prepare and submit to the chairpersons of the respective standing committees of the senate and house of representatives primarily responsible for considering environmental and taxation matters a report regarding the voluntary action program established under this chapter and rules adopted under it and the tax abatements granted pursuant to sections 5709.87 and 5709.88 of the Revised Code for properties where voluntary actions were conducted. Each annual report shall include, without limitation, all of the following:

(1) Both of the following for each property for which a covenant not to sue was issued under section 3746.12 of the Revised Code during the preceding calendar year:

(a) The address of the property and name of the person who undertook the voluntary action at the property;

(b) Whether the applicable standards governing the voluntary action were the interim standards established in section 3746.07 of the Revised Code or the generic numerical clean-up standards established in rules adopted under division (B)(1) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code or the interim standards that applied prior to the adoption of rules under that section, were established through the performance of a risk assessment pursuant to rules adopted under division (B)(2) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code, or were set forth in a variance issued under section 3746.09 of the Revised Code.

(2) All of the following for each property for which a variance was issued under section 3746.09 of the Revised Code during the preceding calendar year:

(a) The address of the property and the name of the person to whom the variance was issued;
(b) A summary of the alternative standards and terms and conditions of the variance and brief description of the improvement in environmental conditions at the property that is anticipated to result from compliance with the alternative standards and terms and conditions set forth in the variance;

(c) A brief description of the economic benefits to the person to whom the variance was issued and the community in which the property is located that are anticipated to result from the undertaking of the voluntary action in compliance with the alternative standards and terms and conditions set forth in the variance.

(3) The number of audits performed under section 3746.17 of the Revised Code during the preceding calendar year and, in connection with each of them, at least the following information:

(a) The address of the property in connection with which the audit was performed and the name of the person who undertook the voluntary action at the property;

(b) An indication as to whether the audit was a random audit or was conducted in accordance with the priorities established in rules adopted under divisions (A)(9)(a) to (f) of section 3746.04 of the Revised Code and, if the audit was conducted in accordance with those priorities, an indication as to which of them resulted in the selection of the voluntary action for an audit;

(c) A brief summary of the findings of the audit and any action taken by the environmental protection agency as a result of those findings.

(4) The number of covenants not to sue revoked during the preceding calendar year through the operation of divisions (A)(2)(c) and (B) of section 3746.12, division (B)(2) of section 3746.18, and division (B) of section 3746.19 of the Revised Code and for each property for which a covenant was revoked, at least
both of the following:

(a) The address of the property affected by the revocation and name of the person who undertook the voluntary action at the property;

(b) The reason for the revocation.

(5) The amount of money credited to the voluntary action administration fund created in section 3746.16 of the Revised Code during the preceding fiscal year from the fees established in divisions (D) and (H) of section 3746.07 and division (C) of section 3746.13 of the Revised Code and from civil penalties imposed under section 3746.22 of the Revised Code. The report shall indicate the amount of money that arose from each of the fees and from the civil penalties. The report also shall include the amount of money expended from the fund during the preceding fiscal year by program category, including, without limitation, the amount expended for conducting audits under section 3746.17 of the Revised Code during the preceding fiscal year.

(6) For each property that is receiving a tax abatement under section 5709.87 of the Revised Code for the preceding tax year, the amount of the valuation exempted from real property taxation for that tax year under that section. In order to comply with division (A)(6) of this section, the director shall include in the annual report the report required under division (B)(2) of this section.

(7) For each property that is receiving a tax abatement pursuant to an agreement with a municipal corporation or county entered into under section 5709.88 of the Revised Code, the amount of the valuation exempted from real or personal property taxation. In order to comply with division (A)(7) of this section, the director shall include in the annual report the report required under division (C) of this section.
(B)(1) Not later than the thirty-first day of March 31, 1996 of each year, the county auditor of each county in which is located any property that is receiving a tax abatement under section 5709.87 of the Revised Code for the preceding tax year shall report to the director of environmental protection for each such property both of the following as applicable to tax year 1995:

(a) The address of the property and the name of the owner as stated in the records of the county auditor of the county in which the property is located;

(b) The amount of the valuation of the property that was exempted from real property taxation under that section.

Not later than the thirty-first day of March of each subsequent year, each such county auditor shall report the information described in those divisions to the director of environmental protection for each property within the county that is receiving a tax abatement under that section for the preceding tax year.

(2) Not later than July 1, 1996, and not later than the first day of July of each subsequent year, the director of environmental protection shall compile the information provided to the director under division (B)(1) of this section applicable to the preceding tax year into a report covering all of the counties in the state in which are located properties receiving a tax abatement under section 5709.87 of the Revised Code for the preceding tax year.

(C) Not later than July 1, 1996, and not later than the first day of July of each subsequent year, the director of environmental protection shall compile the information provided to the director by municipal corporations and counties under division (A) of section 5709.882 of the Revised Code applicable to the preceding calendar year into a report covering, by county, all of the
municipal corporations and counties in this state in which are located properties receiving a tax abatement pursuant to an agreement entered into under section 5709.88 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3770.073. (A) If a person is entitled to a lottery prize award and is indebted to the state for the payment of any tax, workers' compensation premium, unemployment contribution, payment in lieu of unemployment contribution, certified claim under section 131.02 or 131.021 of the Revised Code, or is indebted to a political subdivision that has a certified claim under section 131.02 of the Revised Code, or is indebted to a political subdivision that has a certified claim under section 131.02 of the Revised Code, lottery sales receipts held in trust on behalf of the state lottery commission as described in division (G)(4) of section 3770.05 of the Revised Code, or charge, penalty, or interest arising from these debts and if the amount of the prize money or the cost of goods or services awarded as a lottery prize award is five thousand dollars or more meets or exceeds the reportable winnings amount set by 26 U.S.C. 6041, the director of the state lottery commission, or the director's designee, shall do either of the following:

(1) If the prize award will be paid in a lump sum, deduct from the prize award and pay to the attorney general an amount in satisfaction of the debt and pay any remainder to that person. If the amount of the prize award is less than the amount of the debt, the entire amount of the prize award shall be deducted and paid in partial satisfaction of the debt.

(2) If the prize award will be paid in annual installments, on the date the initial installment payment is due, deduct from that installment and pay to the attorney general an amount in satisfaction of the debt and, if necessary to collect the full amount of the debt, do the same for any subsequent annual installments, at the time the installments become due and owing to the person, until the debt is fully satisfied.
(B) If a person entitled to a lottery prize award owes more than one debt, any debt owed to the state shall be satisfied first, subject to both section 5739.33 and division (G) of section 5747.07 of the Revised Code having first priority, and subject to division (C) of this section.

(C) Any debt owed under section 3770.071 of the Revised Code shall be satisfied with first priority over debts owed under this section.

(D) Except as provided in section 131.021 of the Revised Code, this section applies only to debts that have become final.

Sec. 3772.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Applicant" means any person who applies to the commission for a license under this chapter.

(B) "Casino control commission fund" means the casino control commission fund described in Section 6(C)(3)(d) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution, the money in which shall be used to fund the commission and its related affairs.

(C) "Casino facility" means a casino facility as defined in Section 6(C)(9) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution.

(D) "Casino game" means any slot machine or table game as defined in this chapter.

(E) "Casino gaming" means any type of slot machine or table game wagering, using money, casino credit, or any representative of value, authorized in any of the states of Indiana, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia as of January 1, 2009, and includes slot machine and table game wagering subsequently authorized by, but shall not be limited by, subsequent restrictions placed on such wagering in such states. "Casino gaming" does not include bingo, as authorized in Section 6 of Article XV, Ohio Constitution and conducted as of January 1, 2009,
or horse racing where the pari-mutuel system of wagering is conducted, as authorized under the laws of this state as of January 1, 2009.

(F) "Casino gaming employee" means any employee of a casino operator or management company, but not a key employee, and as further defined in section 3772.131 of the Revised Code.

(G) "Casino operator" means any person, trust, corporation, partnership, limited partnership, association, limited liability company, or other business enterprise that directly or indirectly holds an ownership or leasehold interest in a casino facility. "Casino operator" does not include an agency of the state, any political subdivision of the state, any person, trust, corporation, partnership, limited partnership, association, limited liability company, or other business enterprise that may have an interest in a casino facility, but who is legally or contractually restricted from conducting casino gaming.

(H) "Central system" means a computer system that provides the following functions related to casino gaming equipment used in connection with casino gaming authorized under this chapter: security, auditing, data and information retrieval, and other purposes deemed necessary and authorized by the commission.

(I) "Cheat" means to alter the result of a casino game, the element of chance, the operation of a machine used in a casino game, or the method of selection of criteria that determines (a) the result of the casino game, (b) the amount or frequency of payment in a casino game, (c) the value of a wagering instrument, or (d) the value of a wagering credit. "Cheat" does not include an individual who, without the assistance of another individual or without the use of a physical aid or device of any kind, uses the individual's own ability to keep track of the value of cards played and uses predictions formed as a result of the tracking information in the individual's playing and betting strategy.
(J) "Commission" means the Ohio casino control commission.

(K) "Gaming agent" means a peace officer employed by the commission that is vested with duties to enforce this chapter and conduct other investigations into the conduct of the casino gaming and the maintenance of the equipment that the commission considers necessary and proper and is in compliance with section 109.77 of the Revised Code.

(L) "Gaming-related vendor" means any individual, partnership, corporation, association, trust, or any other group of individuals, however organized, who supplies gaming-related equipment, goods, or services to a casino operator or management company, that are directly related to or affect casino gaming authorized under this chapter, including, but not limited to, the manufacture, sale, distribution, or repair of slot machines and table game equipment.

(M) "Holding company" means any corporation, firm, partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company, trust, or other form of business organization not a natural person which directly or indirectly does any of the following:

1. Has the power or right to control a casino operator, management company, or gaming-related vendor license applicant or licensee;

2. Holds an ownership interest of five per cent or more, as determined by the commission, in a casino operator, management company, or gaming-related vendor license applicant or licensee;

3. Holds voting rights with the power to vote five per cent or more of the outstanding voting rights of a casino operator, management company, or gaming-related vendor applicant or licensee.

(N) "Initial investment" includes costs related to demolition, engineering, architecture, design, site preparation,
construction, infrastructure improvements, land acquisition, fixtures and equipment, insurance related to construction, and leasehold improvements.

(O) "Institutional investor" means any of the following entities owning five per cent or more, but less than fifteen per cent, of an ownership interest in a casino facility, casino operator, management company, or holding company: a corporation, bank, insurance company, pension fund or pension fund trust, retirement fund, including funds administered by a public agency, employees' profit-sharing fund or employees' profit-sharing trust, any association engaged, as a substantial part of its business or operations, in purchasing or holding securities, including a hedge fund, mutual fund, or private equity fund, or any trust in respect of which a bank is trustee or cotrustee, investment company registered under the "Investment Company Act of 1940," 15 U.S.C. 80a-1 et seq., collective investment trust organized by banks under Part Nine of the Rules of the Comptroller of the Currency, closed-end investment trust, chartered or licensed life insurance company or property and casualty insurance company, investment advisor registered under the "Investment Advisors Act of 1940," 15 U.S.C. 80 b-1 et seq., and such other persons as the commission may reasonably determine to qualify as an institutional investor for reasons consistent with this chapter, and that does not exercise control over the affairs of a licensee and its ownership interest in a licensee is for investment purposes only, as set forth in division (E) of section 3772.10 of the Revised Code.

(P) "Key employee" means any executive, employee, agent, or other individual who has the power to exercise significant influence over decisions concerning any part of the operation of a person that has applied for or holds a casino operator, management company, or gaming-related vendor license or the operation of a holding company of a person that has applied for or holds a casino
operator, management company, or gaming-related vendor license, including:

(1) An officer, director, trustee, partner, or an equivalent fiduciary;

(2) An individual who holds a direct or indirect ownership interest of five per cent or more;

(3) An individual who performs the function of a principal executive officer, principal operating officer, principal accounting officer, or an equivalent officer;

(4) Any other individual the commission determines to have the power to exercise significant influence over decisions concerning any part of the operation.

(Q) "Licensed casino operator" means a casino operator that has been issued a license by the commission and that has been certified annually by the commission to have paid all applicable fees, taxes, and debts to the state.

(R) "Majority ownership interest" in a license or in a casino facility, as the case may be, means ownership of more than fifty per cent of such license or casino facility, as the case may be. For purposes of the foregoing, whether a majority ownership interest is held in a license or in a casino facility, as the case may be, shall be determined under the rules for constructive ownership of stock provided in Treas. Reg. 1.409A-3(i)(5)(iii) as in effect on January 1, 2009.

(S) "Management company" means an organization retained by a casino operator to manage a casino facility and provide services such as accounting, general administration, maintenance, recruitment, and other operational services.

(T) "Ohio law enforcement training fund" means the state law enforcement training fund described in Section 6(C)(3)(f) of
Article XV, Ohio Constitution, the money in which shall be used to enhance public safety by providing additional training opportunities to the law enforcement community.

(U) "Person" includes, but is not limited to, an individual or a combination of individuals; a sole proprietorship, a firm, a company, a joint venture, a partnership of any type, a joint-stock company, a corporation of any type, a corporate subsidiary of any type, a limited liability company, a business trust, or any other business entity or organization; an assignee; a receiver; a trustee in bankruptcy; an unincorporated association, club, society, or other unincorporated entity or organization; entities that are disregarded for federal income tax purposes; and any other nongovernmental, artificial, legal entity that is capable of engaging in business.

(V) "Problem casino gambling and addictions fund" means the state problem gambling and addictions fund described in Section 6(C)(3)(g) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution, the money in which shall be used for treatment of problem gambling and substance abuse, and for related research.

(W) "Promotional gaming credit" means a slot machine or table game credit, discount, or other similar item issued to a patron to enable the placement of, or increase in, a wager at a slot machine or table game.

(X) "Slot machine" means any mechanical, electrical, or other device or machine which, upon insertion of a coin, token, ticket, or similar object, or upon payment of any consideration, is available to play or operate, the play or operation of which, whether by reason of the skill of the operator or application of the element of chance, or both, makes individual prize determinations for individual participants in cash, premiums, merchandise, tokens, or any thing of value, whether the payoff is made automatically from the machine or in any other manner, but
does not include any device that is a skill-based amusement machine, as defined in section 2915.01 of the Revised Code.

(Y) "Table game" means any game played with cards, dice, or any mechanical, electromechanical, or electronic device or machine for money, casino credit, or any representative of value. "Table game" does not include slot machines.

(Z) "Upfront license" means the first plenary license issued to a casino operator.

(AA) "Voluntary exclusion program" means a program provided by the commission that allows persons to voluntarily exclude themselves from the gaming areas of facilities under the jurisdiction of the commission by placing their name on a voluntary exclusion list and following the procedures set forth by the commission.

Sec. 3772.37. (A) Pursuant to section 131.02 of the Revised Code, the attorney general shall develop and implement a real time data match program and make it available to each casino operator and management company to identify patrons who owe amounts to the state or a political subdivision.

(B)(1) Before disbursing any casino winnings to a patron that meet or exceed the reportable winnings amount set by 26 U.S.C. 6041, a casino operator or management company shall consult the data match program to determine whether the patron owes any amounts to the state or a political subdivision. If the data match program indicates that the patron owes any amounts to the state or a political subdivision, the casino operator or management company shall withhold from the patron's winnings an amount sufficient to satisfy those amounts, up to the amount of the winnings.

(2) If the data match program described in section 3123.90 of the Revised Code indicates that the patron also is in default
under a support order, the casino operator or management company
shall transmit to the department of job and family services an
amount sufficient to satisfy any past due support owed by the
patron, up to the amount of the winnings, before transmitting any
remaining amount to the attorney general under division (C) of
this section.

(C)(1) Not later than seven days after withholding an amount
under division (B) of this section, the casino operator or
management company shall transmit to the attorney general any
amount withheld and not already disbursed to the department of job
and family services under section 3123.90 of the Revised Code as
payment on the amount owed.

(2) If the patron owes more than one amount to the state or a
political subdivision as identified by the data match program
described in this section, the amount owed to the state shall be
satisfied first, except that any amounts owed under section
5739.33 and division (G) of section 5747.07 of the Revised Code
shall have first priority.

(D) Except as otherwise provided in section 131.021 of the
Revised Code, this section applies only to amounts owed that have
become final.

(E) The attorney general, in consultation with the
commission, may adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code
as necessary to implement this section.

Sec. 3791.07. (A) The board of building standards may
superintendent of industrial compliance shall establish such
reasonable inspection fee schedules as the superintendent
determines necessary or desirable relating to the inspection of
all plans and specifications submitted for approval to the
division of industrial compliance, and all industrialized units
inspected at the point of origin and at the construction site of
the building. The inspection fee schedule established shall be adopted by rule, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, and shall bear some reasonable relationship to the cost of administering and enforcing the provisions of Chapters 3781. and 3791. of the Revised Code.

(B) In addition to the fee assessed in division (A) of this section, the board of building standards shall assess a fee of not more than five dollars for each application for acceptance and approval of plans and specifications and for making inspections pursuant to section 3791.04 of the Revised Code. The board shall adopt rules, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, specifying the manner by which the superintendent of industrial compliance shall collect and remit to the board the fees assessed under this division and requiring that remittance of the fees be made at least quarterly.

(C) Any person who fails to pay an inspection fee required for any inspection conducted by the department of commerce pursuant to Chapters 3781. and 3791. of the Revised Code, except for fees charged for the inspection of plans and specifications, within forty-five days after the inspection is conducted, shall pay a late payment fee equal to twenty-five per cent of the inspection fee.

(D) The board of building standards shall pay the fees assessed under this section into the state treasury to the credit of the industrial compliance operating fund created in section 121.084 of the Revised Code.

**Sec. 3794.01. Definitions.**

As used in this chapter:

(A) "Smoking" means inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying any lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe, or other lighted smoking
device for burning tobacco or any other plant or heated tobacco product or plant product intended for inhalation in any manner or in any form. "Smoking" includes the use of an electronic smoking device and a vapor product, as those terms are defined in section 2927.02 of the Revised Code. "Smoking" does not include the burning of incense in a religious ceremony.

(B) "Public place" means an enclosed area to which the public is invited or in which the public is permitted and that is not a private residence.

(C) "Place of employment" means an enclosed area under the direct or indirect control of an employer that the employer's employees use for work or any other purpose, including but not limited to, offices, meeting rooms, sales, production and storage areas, restrooms, stairways, hallways, warehouses, garages, and vehicles. An enclosed area as described herein is a place of employment without regard to the time of day or the presence of employees.

(D) "Employee" means a person who is employed by an employer, or who contracts with an employer or third person to perform services for an employer, or who otherwise performs services for an employer for compensation or for no compensation.

(E) "Employer" means the state or any individual, business, association, political subdivision, or other public or private entity, including a nonprofit entity, that employs or contracts for or accepts the provision of services from one or more employees.

(F) "Enclosed Area" means an area with a roof or other overhead covering of any kind and walls or side coverings of any kind, regardless of the presence of openings for ingress and egress, on all sides or on all sides but one.

(G) "Proprietor" means an employer, owner, manager, operator,
liquor permit holder, or person in charge or control of a public
place or place of employment.

  (H) "Retail tobacco store" means a retail establishment that
derives more than eighty percent of its gross revenue
from the sale of cigars, cigarettes, pipes, or other smoking
devices for burning tobacco and related smoking accessories and in
which the sale of other products is merely incidental. "Retail
tobacco store" does not include a tobacco department or section of
a larger commercial establishment or of any establishment with a
liquor permit or of any restaurant.

  (I) "Outdoor patio" means an area that is either: enclosed by
a roof or other overhead covering and walls or side coverings on
not more than two sides; or has no roof or other overhead covering
regardless of the number of walls or other side coverings.

Sec. 3929.87. Within ninety days of the occurrence of a fire
loss in excess of five thousand dollars to real or personal
property, the state fire marshal or any other person authorized to
make an investigation pursuant to section 3737.24 of the Revised
Code shall determine, to the extent practicable and in a manner
consistent with accepted standards of investigation, whether such
loss was caused by arson.

Sec. 4117.103. Notwithstanding any provision of section
4117.08 or 4117.10 of the Revised Code to the contrary, no
agreement entered into under this chapter on or after September
29, 2005, shall prohibit a school district board of education from
utilizing volunteers to assist the district and its schools in
performing any of their functions, other than functions for which
a license, permit, or certificate, or registration issued by the
state board of education under section 3301.074 or Chapter 3319.
of the Revised Code or a certificate issued under division (A) or
(B) of section 3327.10 of the Revised Code is required.

**Sec. 4141.01.** As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

(A)(1) "Employer" means the state, its instrumentalities, its political subdivisions and their instrumentalities, Indian tribes, and any individual or type of organization including any partnership, limited liability company, association, trust, estate, joint-stock company, insurance company, or corporation, whether domestic or foreign, or the receiver, trustee in bankruptcy, trustee, or the successor thereof, or the legal representative of a deceased person who subsequent to December 31, 1971, or in the case of political subdivisions or their instrumentalities, subsequent to December 31, 1973:

(a) Had in employment at least one individual, or in the case of a nonprofit organization, subsequent to December 31, 1973, had not less than four individuals in employment for some portion of a day in each of twenty different calendar weeks, in either the current or the preceding calendar year whether or not the same individual was in employment in each such day; or

(b) Except for a nonprofit organization, had paid for service in employment wages of fifteen hundred dollars or more in any calendar quarter in either the current or preceding calendar year; or

(c) Had paid, subsequent to December 31, 1977, for employment in domestic service in a local college club, or local chapter of a college fraternity or sorority, cash remuneration of one thousand dollars or more in any calendar quarter in the current calendar year or the preceding calendar year, or had paid subsequent to December 31, 1977, for employment in domestic service in a private home cash remuneration of one thousand dollars in any calendar
quarter in the current calendar year or the preceding calendar year:

(i) For the purposes of divisions (A)(1)(a) and (b) of this section, there shall not be taken into account any wages paid to, or employment of, an individual performing domestic service as described in this division.

(ii) An employer under this division shall not be an employer with respect to wages paid for any services other than domestic service unless the employer is also found to be an employer under division (A)(1)(a), (b), or (d) of this section.

(d) As a farm operator or a crew leader subsequent to December 31, 1977, had in employment individuals in agricultural labor; and

(i) During any calendar quarter in the current calendar year or the preceding calendar year, paid cash remuneration of twenty thousand dollars or more for the agricultural labor; or

(ii) Had at least ten individuals in employment in agricultural labor, not including agricultural workers who are aliens admitted to the United States to perform agricultural labor pursuant to sections 1184(c) and 1101(a)(15)(H) of the "Immigration and Nationality Act," 66 Stat. 163, 189, 8 U.S.C.A. 1101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a), 1184(c), for some portion of a day in each of the twenty different calendar weeks, in either the current or preceding calendar year whether or not the same individual was in employment in each day; or

(e) Is not otherwise an employer as defined under division (A)(1)(a) or (b) of this section; and

(i) For which, within either the current or preceding calendar year, service, except for domestic service in a private home not covered under division (A)(1)(c) of this section, is or was performed with respect to which such employer is liable for
any federal tax against which credit may be taken for contributions required to be paid into a state unemployment fund;

(ii) Which, as a condition for approval of this chapter for full tax credit against the tax imposed by the "Federal Unemployment Tax Act," 84 Stat. 713, 26 U.S.C.A. 3301 to 3311, is required, pursuant to such act to be an employer under this chapter; or

(iii) Who became an employer by election under division (A)(4) or (5) of this section and for the duration of such election; or

(f) In the case of the state, its instrumentalities, its political subdivisions, and their instrumentalities, and Indian tribes, had in employment, as defined in divisions (B)(2)(a) and (B)(2)(l) of this section, at least one individual;

(g) For the purposes of division (A)(1)(a) of this section, if any week includes both the thirty-first day of December and the first day of January, the days of that week before the first day of January shall be considered one calendar week and the days beginning the first day of January another week.

(2) Each individual employed to perform or to assist in performing the work of any agent or employee of an employer is employed by such employer for all the purposes of this chapter, whether such individual was hired or paid directly by such employer or by such agent or employee, provided the employer had actual or constructive knowledge of the work. All individuals performing services for an employer of any person in this state who maintains two or more establishments within this state are employed by a single employer for the purposes of this chapter.

(3) An employer subject to this chapter within any calendar year is subject to this chapter during the whole of such year and during the next succeeding calendar year.
(4) An employer not otherwise subject to this chapter who files with the director of job and family services a written election to become an employer subject to this chapter for not less than two calendar years shall, with the written approval of such election by the director, become an employer subject to this chapter to the same extent as all other employers as of the date stated in such approval, and shall cease to be subject to this chapter as of the first day of January of any calendar year subsequent to such two calendar years only if at least thirty days prior to such first day of January the employer has filed with the director a written notice to that effect.

(5) Any employer for whom services that do not constitute employment are performed may file with the director a written election that all such services performed by individuals in the employer's employ in one or more distinct establishments or places of business shall be deemed to constitute employment for all the purposes of this chapter, for not less than two calendar years. Upon written approval of the election by the director, such services shall be deemed to constitute employment subject to this chapter from and after the date stated in such approval. Such services shall cease to be employment subject to this chapter as of the first day of January of any calendar year subsequent to such two calendar years only if at least thirty days prior to such first day of January such employer has filed with the director a written notice to that effect.

(6) "Employer" does not include a franchisor with respect to the franchisor's relationship with a franchisee or an employee of a franchisee, unless the franchisor agrees to assume that role in writing or a court of competent jurisdiction determines that the franchisor exercises a type or degree of control over the franchisee or the franchisee's employees that is not customarily exercised by a franchisor for the purpose of protecting the
franchisor's trademark, brand, or both. For purposes of this division, "franchisor" and "franchisee" have the same meanings as in 16 C.F.R. 436.1.

(B)(1) "Employment" means service performed by an individual for remuneration under any contract of hire, written or oral, express or implied, including service performed in interstate commerce and service performed by an officer of a corporation, without regard to whether such service is executive, managerial, or manual in nature, and without regard to whether such officer is a stockholder or a member of the board of directors of the corporation, unless it is shown to the satisfaction of the director that such individual has been and will continue to be free from direction or control over the performance of such service, both under a contract of service and in fact. The director shall adopt rules to define "direction or control."

(2) "Employment" includes:

(a) Service performed after December 31, 1977, by an individual in the employ of the state or any of its instrumentalities, or any political subdivision thereof or any of its instrumentalities or any instrumentality of more than one of the foregoing or any instrumentality of any of the foregoing and one or more other states or political subdivisions and without regard to divisions (A)(1)(a) and (b) of this section, provided that such service is excluded from employment as defined in the "Federal Unemployment Tax Act," 53 Stat. 183, 26 U.S.C.A. 3301, 3306(c)(7) and is not excluded under division (B)(3) of this section; or the services of employees covered by voluntary election, as provided under divisions (A)(4) and (5) of this section;

(b) Service performed after December 31, 1971, by an individual in the employ of a religious, charitable, educational, or other organization which is excluded from the term "employment"
as defined in the "Federal Unemployment Tax Act," 84 Stat. 713, 26 U.S.C.A. 3301 to 3311, solely by reason of section 26 U.S.C.A. 3306(c)(8) of that act and is not excluded under division (B)(3) of this section;

(c) Domestic service performed after December 31, 1977, for an employer, as provided in division (A)(1)(c) of this section;

(d) Agricultural labor performed after December 31, 1977, for a farm operator or a crew leader, as provided in division (A)(1)(d) of this section;

(e) Subject to division (B)(2)(m) of this section, service not covered under division (B)(1) of this section which is performed after December 31, 1971:

(i) As an agent-driver or commission-driver engaged in distributing meat products, vegetable products, fruit products, bakery products, beverages other than milk, laundry, or dry-cleaning services, for the individual's employer or principal;

(ii) As a traveling or city salesperson, other than as an agent-driver or commission-driver, engaged on a full-time basis in the solicitation on behalf of and in the transmission to the salesperson's employer or principal except for sideline sales activities on behalf of some other person of orders from wholesalers, retailers, contractors, or operators of hotels, restaurants, or other similar establishments for merchandise for resale, or supplies for use in their business operations, provided that for the purposes of division (B)(2)(e)(ii) of this section, the services shall be deemed employment if the contract of service contemplates that substantially all of the services are to be performed personally by the individual and that the individual does not have a substantial investment in facilities used in connection with the performance of the services other than in facilities for transportation, and the services are not in the
nature of a single transaction that is not a part of a continuing relationship with the person for whom the services are performed.

(f) An individual's entire service performed within or both within and without the state if:

(i) The service is localized in this state.

(ii) The service is not localized in any state, but some of the service is performed in this state and either the base of operations, or if there is no base of operations then the place from which such service is directed or controlled, is in this state or the base of operations or place from which such service is directed or controlled is not in any state in which some part of the service is performed but the individual's residence is in this state.

(g) Service not covered under division (B)(2)(f)(ii) of this section and performed entirely without this state, with respect to no part of which contributions are required and paid under an unemployment compensation law of any other state, the Virgin Islands, Canada, or of the United States, if the individual performing such service is a resident of this state and the director approves the election of the employer for whom such services are performed; or, if the individual is not a resident of this state but the place from which the service is directed or controlled is in this state, the entire services of such individual shall be deemed to be employment subject to this chapter, provided service is deemed to be localized within this state if the service is performed entirely within this state or if the service is performed both within and without this state but the service performed without this state is incidental to the individual's service within the state, for example, is temporary or transitory in nature or consists of isolated transactions;

(h) Service of an individual who is a citizen of the United
States, performed outside the United States except in Canada after December 31, 1971, or the Virgin Islands, after December 31, 1971, and before the first day of January of the year following that in which the United States secretary of labor approves the Virgin Islands law for the first time, in the employ of an American employer, other than service which is "employment" under divisions (B)(2)(f) and (g) of this section or similar provisions of another state's law, if:

(i) The employer's principal place of business in the United States is located in this state;

(ii) The employer has no place of business in the United States, but the employer is an individual who is a resident of this state; or the employer is a corporation which is organized under the laws of this state, or the employer is a partnership or a trust and the number of partners or trustees who are residents of this state is greater than the number who are residents of any other state; or

(iii) None of the criteria of divisions (B)(2)(f)(i) and (ii) of this section is met but the employer has elected coverage in this state or the employer having failed to elect coverage in any state, the individual has filed a claim for benefits, based on such service, under this chapter.

(i) For the purposes of division (B)(2)(h) of this section, the term "American employer" means an employer who is an individual who is a resident of the United States; or a partnership, if two-thirds or more of the partners are residents of the United States; or a trust, if all of the trustees are residents of the United States; or a corporation organized under the laws of the United States or of any state, provided the term "United States" includes the states, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.
(j) Notwithstanding any other provisions of divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this section, service, except for domestic service in a private home not covered under division (A)(1)(c) of this section, with respect to which a tax is required to be paid under any federal law imposing a tax against which credit may be taken for contributions required to be paid into a state unemployment fund, or service, except for domestic service in a private home not covered under division (A)(1)(c) of this section, which, as a condition for full tax credit against the tax imposed by the "Federal Unemployment Tax Act," 84 Stat. 713, 26 U.S.C.A. 3301 to 3311, is required to be covered under this chapter.

(k) Construction services performed by any individual under a construction contract, as defined in section 4141.39 of the Revised Code, if the director determines that the employer for whom services are performed has the right to direct or control the performance of the services and that the individuals who perform the services receive remuneration for the services performed. The director shall presume that the employer for whom services are performed has the right to direct or control the performance of the services if ten or more of the following criteria apply:

(i) The employer directs or controls the manner or method by which instructions are given to the individual performing services;

(ii) The employer requires particular training for the individual performing services;

(iii) Services performed by the individual are integrated into the regular functioning of the employer;

(iv) The employer requires that services be provided by a particular individual;

(v) The employer hires, supervises, or pays the wages of the individual performing services;
(vi) A continuing relationship between the employer and the individual performing services exists which contemplates continuing or recurring work, even if not full-time work;

(vii) The employer requires the individual to perform services during established hours;

(viii) The employer requires that the individual performing services be devoted on a full-time basis to the business of the employer;

(ix) The employer requires the individual to perform services on the employer's premises;

(x) The employer requires the individual performing services to follow the order of work established by the employer;

(xi) The employer requires the individual performing services to make oral or written reports of progress;

(xii) The employer makes payment to the individual for services on a regular basis, such as hourly, weekly, or monthly;

(xiii) The employer pays expenses for the individual performing services;

(xiv) The employer furnishes the tools and materials for use by the individual to perform services;

(xv) The individual performing services has not invested in the facilities used to perform services;

(xvi) The individual performing services does not realize a profit or suffer a loss as a result of the performance of the services;

(xvii) The individual performing services is not performing services for more than two employers simultaneously;

(xviii) The individual performing services does not make the services available to the general public;
(xix) The employer has a right to discharge the individual performing services;

(xx) The individual performing services has the right to end the individual's relationship with the employer without incurring liability pursuant to an employment contract or agreement.

(l) Service performed by an individual in the employ of an Indian tribe as defined by section 4(e) of the "Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act," 88 Stat. 2204 (1975), 25 U.S.C.A. 450b(e), including any subdivision, subsidiary, or business enterprise wholly owned by an Indian tribe provided that the service is excluded from employment as defined in the "Federal Unemployment Tax Act," 53 Stat. 183 (1939), 26 U.S.C.A. 3301 and 3306(c)(7) and is not excluded under division (B)(3) of this section.

(m) Service performed by an individual for or on behalf of a motor carrier transporting property as an operator of a vehicle or vessel, unless all of the following factors apply to the individual and the motor carrier has not elected to consider the individual's service as employment:

   (i) The individual owns the vehicle or vessel that is used in performing the services for or on behalf of the carrier, or the individual leases the vehicle or vessel under a bona fide lease agreement that is not a temporary replacement lease agreement. For purposes of this division, a bona fide lease agreement does not include an agreement between the individual and the motor carrier transporting property for which, or on whose behalf, the individual provides services.

   (ii) The individual is responsible for supplying the necessary personal services to operate the vehicle or vessel used to provide the service.

   (iii) The compensation paid to the individual is based on
factors related to work performed, including on a mileage-based rate or a percentage of any schedule of rates, and not solely on the basis of the hours or time expended.

(iv) The individual substantially controls the means and manner of performing the services, in conformance with regulatory requirements and specifications of the shipper.

(v) The individual enters into a written contract with the carrier for whom the individual is performing the services that describes the relationship between the individual and the carrier to be that of an independent contractor and not that of an employee.

(vi) The individual is responsible for substantially all of the principal operating costs of the vehicle or vessel and equipment used to provide the services, including maintenance, fuel, repairs, supplies, vehicle or vessel insurance, and personal expenses, except that the individual may be paid by the carrier the carrier's fuel surcharge and incidental costs, including tolls, permits, and lumper fees.

(vii) The individual is responsible for any economic loss or economic gain from the arrangement with the carrier.

(viii) The individual is not performing services described in 26 U.S.C. 3306(c)(7) or (8).

(3) "Employment" does not include the following services if they are found not subject to the "Federal Unemployment Tax Act," 84 Stat. 713 (1970), 26 U.S.C.A. 3301 to 3311, and if the services are not required to be included under division (B)(2)(j) of this section:

(a) Service performed after December 31, 1977, in agricultural labor, except as provided in division (A)(1)(d) of this section;
(b) Domestic service performed after December 31, 1977, in a private home, local college club, or local chapter of a college fraternity or sorority except as provided in division (A)(1)(c) of this section;

(c) Service performed after December 31, 1977, for this state or a political subdivision as described in division (B)(2)(a) of this section when performed:

(i) As a publicly elected official;

(ii) As a member of a legislative body, or a member of the judiciary;

(iii) As a military member of the Ohio national guard;

(iv) As an employee, not in the classified service as defined in section 124.11 of the Revised Code, serving on a temporary basis in case of fire, storm, snow, earthquake, flood, or similar emergency;

(v) In a position which, under or pursuant to law, is designated as a major nontenured policymaking or advisory position, not in the classified service of the state, or a policymaking or advisory position the performance of the duties of which ordinarily does not require more than eight hours per week.

(d) In the employ of any governmental unit or instrumentality of the United States;

(e) Service performed after December 31, 1971:

(i) Service in the employ of an educational institution or institution of higher education, including those operated by the state or a political subdivision, if such service is performed by a student who is enrolled and is regularly attending classes at the educational institution or institution of higher education; or

(ii) By an individual who is enrolled at a nonprofit or public educational institution which normally maintains a regular
faculty and curriculum and normally has a regularly organized body of students in attendance at the place where its educational activities are carried on as a student in a full-time program, taken for credit at the institution, which combines academic instruction with work experience, if the service is an integral part of the program, and the institution has so certified to the employer, provided that this subdivision shall not apply to service performed in a program established for or on behalf of an employer or group of employers.

(f) Service performed by an individual in the employ of the individual's son, daughter, or spouse and service performed by a child under the age of eighteen in the employ of the child's father or mother;

(g) Service performed for one or more principals by an individual who is compensated on a commission basis, who in the performance of the work is master of the individual's own time and efforts, and whose remuneration is wholly dependent on the amount of effort the individual chooses to expend, and which service is not subject to the "Federal Unemployment Tax Act," 53 Stat. 183 (1939), 26 U.S.C.A. 3301 to 3311. Service performed after December 31, 1971:

(i) By an individual for an employer as an insurance agent or as an insurance solicitor, if all this service is performed for remuneration solely by way of commission;

(ii) As a home worker performing work, according to specifications furnished by the employer for whom the services are performed, on materials or goods furnished by such employer which are required to be returned to the employer or to a person designated for that purpose.

(h) Service performed after December 31, 1971:

(i) In the employ of a church or convention or association of
churches, or in an organization which is operated primarily for religious purposes and which is operated, supervised, controlled, or principally supported by a church or convention or association of churches;

(ii) By a duly ordained, commissioned, or licensed minister of a church in the exercise of the individual's ministry or by a member of a religious order in the exercise of duties required by such order; or

(iii) In a facility conducted for the purpose of carrying out a program of rehabilitation for individuals whose earning capacity is impaired by age or physical or mental deficiency or injury, or providing remunerative work for individuals who because of their impaired physical or mental capacity cannot be readily absorbed in the competitive labor market, by an individual receiving such rehabilitation or remunerative work.

(i) Service performed after June 30, 1939, with respect to which unemployment compensation is payable under the "Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act," 52 Stat. 1094 (1938), 45 U.S.C. 351;

(j) Service performed by an individual in the employ of any organization exempt from income tax under section 501 of the "Internal Revenue Code of 1954," if the remuneration for such service does not exceed fifty dollars in any calendar quarter, or if such service is in connection with the collection of dues or premiums for a fraternal beneficial society, order, or association and is performed away from the home office or is ritualistic service in connection with any such society, order, or association;

(k) Casual labor not in the course of an employer's trade or business; incidental service performed by an officer, appraiser, or member of a finance committee of a bank, building and loan association, savings and loan association, or savings association
when the remuneration for such incidental service exclusive of the
amount paid or allotted for directors' fees does not exceed sixty
dollars per calendar quarter is casual labor;

(l) Service performed in the employ of a voluntary employees'
beneficial association providing for the payment of life,
sickness, accident, or other benefits to the members of such
association or their dependents or their designated beneficiaries,
if admission to a membership in such association is limited to
individuals who are officers or employees of a municipal or public
corporation, of a political subdivision of the state, or of the
United States and no part of the net earnings of such association
inures, other than through such payments, to the benefit of any
private shareholder or individual;

(m) Service performed by an individual in the employ of a
foreign government, including service as a consular or other
officer or employee or of a nondiplomatic representative;

(n) Service performed in the employ of an instrumentality
wholly owned by a foreign government if the service is of a
character similar to that performed in foreign countries by
employees of the United States or of an instrumentality thereof
and if the director finds that the secretary of state of the
United States has certified to the secretary of the treasury of
the United States that the foreign government, with respect to
whose instrumentality exemption is claimed, grants an equivalent
exemption with respect to similar service performed in the foreign
country by employees of the United States and of instrumentalities
thereof;

(o) Service with respect to which unemployment compensation
is payable under an unemployment compensation system established
by an act of congress;

(p) Service performed as a student nurse in the employ of a
hospital or a nurses' training school by an individual who is enrolled and is regularly attending classes in a nurses' training school chartered or approved pursuant to state law, and service performed as an intern in the employ of a hospital by an individual who has completed a four years' course in a medical school chartered or approved pursuant to state law;

(q) Service performed by an individual under the age of eighteen in the delivery or distribution of newspapers or shopping news, not including delivery or distribution to any point for subsequent delivery or distribution;

(r) Service performed in the employ of the United States or an instrumentality of the United States immune under the Constitution of the United States from the contributions imposed by this chapter, except that to the extent that congress permits states to require any instrumentalities of the United States to make payments into an unemployment fund under a state unemployment compensation act, this chapter shall be applicable to such instrumentalities and to services performed for such instrumentalities in the same manner, to the same extent, and on the same terms as to all other employers, individuals, and services, provided that if this state is not certified for any year by the proper agency of the United States under section 3304 of the "Internal Revenue Code of 1954," the payments required of such instrumentalities with respect to such year shall be refunded by the director from the fund in the same manner and within the same period as is provided in division (E) of section 4141.09 of the Revised Code with respect to contributions erroneously collected;

(s) Service performed by an individual as a member of a band or orchestra, provided such service does not represent the principal occupation of such individual, and which service is not subject to or required to be covered for full tax credit against

(t) Service performed in the employ of a day camp whose camping season does not exceed twelve weeks in any calendar year, and which service is not subject to the "Federal Unemployment Tax Act," 53 Stat. 183 (1939), 26 U.S.C.A. 3301 to 3311. Service performed after December 31, 1971:

(i) In the employ of a hospital, if the service is performed by a patient of the hospital, as defined in division (W) of this section;

(ii) For a prison or other correctional institution by an inmate of the prison or correctional institution;

(iii) Service performed after December 31, 1977, by an inmate of a custodial institution operated by the state, a political subdivision, or a nonprofit organization.

(u) Service that is performed by a nonresident alien individual for the period the individual temporarily is present in the United States as a nonimmigrant under division (F), (J), (M), or (Q) of section 101(a)(15) of the "Immigration and Nationality Act," 66 Stat. 163, 8 U.S.C.A. 1101, as amended, that is excluded under section 3306(c)(19) of the "Federal Unemployment Tax Act," 53 Stat. 183 (1939), 26 U.S.C.A. 3301 to 3311.

(v) Notwithstanding any other provisions of division (B)(3) of this section, services that are excluded under divisions (B)(3)(g), (j), (k), and (l) of this section shall not be excluded from employment when performed for a nonprofit organization, as defined in division (X) of this section, or for this state or its instrumentalities, or for a political subdivision or its instrumentalities or for Indian tribes;

(w) Service that is performed by an individual working as an election official or election worker if the amount of remuneration
received by the individual during the calendar year for services as an election official or election worker is less than one thousand dollars;

(x) Service performed for an elementary or secondary school that is operated primarily for religious purposes, that is described in subsection 501(c)(3) and exempt from federal income taxation under subsection 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C.A. 501;

(y) Service performed by a person committed to a penal institution.

(z) Service performed for an Indian tribe as described in division (B)(2)(l) of this section when performed in any of the following manners:

(i) As a publicly elected official;

(ii) As a member of an Indian tribal council;

(iii) As a member of a legislative or judiciary body;

(iv) In a position which, pursuant to Indian tribal law, is designated as a major nontenured policymaking or advisory position, or a policymaking or advisory position where the performance of the duties ordinarily does not require more than eight hours of time per week;

(v) As an employee serving on a temporary basis in the case of a fire, storm, snow, earthquake, flood, or similar emergency.

(aa) Service performed after December 31, 1971, for a nonprofit organization, this state or its instrumentalities, a political subdivision or its instrumentalities, or an Indian tribe as part of an unemployment work-relief or work-training program assisted or financed in whole or in part by any federal agency or an agency of a state or political subdivision, thereof, by an individual receiving the work-relief or work-training.
(bb) Participation in a learn to earn program as defined in section 4141.293 of the Revised Code.

(4) If the services performed during one half or more of any pay period by an employee for the person employing that employee constitute employment, all the services of such employee for such period shall be deemed to be employment; but if the services performed during more than one half of any such pay period by an employee for the person employing that employee do not constitute employment, then none of the services of such employee for such period shall be deemed to be employment. As used in division (B)(4) of this section, "pay period" means a period, of not more than thirty-one consecutive days, for which payment of remuneration is ordinarily made to the employee by the person employing that employee. Division (B)(4) of this section does not apply to services performed in a pay period by an employee for the person employing that employee, if any of such service is excepted by division (B)(3)(o) of this section.

(C) "Benefits" means money payments payable to an individual who has established benefit rights, as provided in this chapter, for loss of remuneration due to the individual's unemployment.

(D) "Benefit rights" means the weekly benefit amount and the maximum benefit amount that may become payable to an individual within the individual's benefit year as determined by the director.

(E) "Claim for benefits" means a claim for waiting period or benefits for a designated week.

(F) "Additional claim" means the first claim for benefits filed following any separation from employment during a benefit year; "continued claim" means any claim other than the first claim for benefits and other than an additional claim.

(G) "Wages" means remuneration paid to an employee by each of
the employee's employers with respect to employment; except that wages shall not include that part of remuneration paid during any calendar year to an individual by an employer or such employer's predecessor in interest in the same business or enterprise, which in any calendar year is in excess of nine thousand dollars on and after January 1, 1995; nine thousand five hundred dollars on and after January 1, 2018; and nine thousand dollars on and after January 1, 2020. Remuneration in excess of such amounts shall be deemed wages subject to contribution to the same extent that such remuneration is defined as wages under the "Federal Unemployment Tax Act," 84 Stat. 714 (1970), 26 U.S.C.A. 3301 to 3311, as amended. The remuneration paid an employee by an employer with respect to employment in another state, upon which contributions were required and paid by such employer under the unemployment compensation act of such other state, shall be included as a part of remuneration in computing the amount specified in this division.

(H)(1) "Remuneration" means all compensation for personal services, including commissions and bonuses and the cash value of all compensation in any medium other than cash, except that in the case of agricultural or domestic service, "remuneration" includes only cash remuneration. Gratuities customarily received by an individual in the course of the individual's employment from persons other than the individual's employer and which are accounted for by such individual to the individual's employer are taxable wages.

The reasonable cash value of compensation paid in any medium other than cash shall be estimated and determined in accordance with rules prescribed by the director, provided that "remuneration" does not include:

(a) Payments as provided in divisions (b)(2) to (b)(20) of section 3306 of the "Federal Unemployment Tax Act," 84 Stat. 713,
26 U.S.C.A. 3301 to 3311, as amended;

(b) The payment by an employer, without deduction from the remuneration of the individual in the employer's employ, of the tax imposed upon an individual in the employer's employ under section 3101 of the "Internal Revenue Code of 1954," with respect to services performed after October 1, 1941.

(2) "Cash remuneration" means all remuneration paid in cash, including commissions and bonuses, but not including the cash value of all compensation in any medium other than cash.

(I) "Interested party" means the director and any party to whom notice of a determination of an application for benefit rights or a claim for benefits is required to be given under section 4141.28 of the Revised Code.

(J) "Annual payroll" means the total amount of wages subject to contributions during a twelve-month period ending with the last day of the second calendar quarter of any calendar year.

(K) "Average annual payroll" means the average of the last three annual payrolls of an employer, provided that if, as of any computation date, the employer has had less than three annual payrolls in such three-year period, such average shall be based on the annual payrolls which the employer has had as of such date.

(L)(1) "Contributions" means the money payments to the state unemployment compensation fund required of employers by section 4141.25 of the Revised Code and of the state and any of its political subdivisions electing to pay contributions under section 4141.242 of the Revised Code. Employers paying contributions shall be described as "contributory employers."

(2) "Payments in lieu of contributions" means the money payments to the state unemployment compensation fund required of reimbursing employers under sections 4141.241 and 4141.242 of the Revised Code.
(M) An individual is "totally unemployed" in any week during which the individual performs no services and with respect to such week no remuneration is payable to the individual.

(N) An individual is "partially unemployed" in any week if, due to involuntary loss of work, the total remuneration payable to the individual for such week is less than the individual's weekly benefit amount.

(O) "Week" means the calendar week ending at midnight Saturday unless an equivalent week of seven consecutive calendar days is prescribed by the director.

(1) "Qualifying week" means any calendar week in an individual's base period with respect to which the individual earns or is paid remuneration in employment subject to this chapter. A calendar week with respect to which an individual earns remuneration but for which payment was not made within the base period, when necessary to qualify for benefit rights, may be considered to be a qualifying week. The number of qualifying weeks which may be established in a calendar quarter shall not exceed the number of calendar weeks in the quarter.

(2) "Average weekly wage" means the amount obtained by dividing an individual's total remuneration for all qualifying weeks during the base period by the number of such qualifying weeks, provided that if the computation results in an amount that is not a multiple of one dollar, such amount shall be rounded to the next lower multiple of one dollar.

(P) "Weekly benefit amount" means the amount of benefits an individual would be entitled to receive for one week of total unemployment.

(Q)(1) "Base period" means the first four of the last five completed calendar quarters immediately preceding the first day of an individual's benefit year, except as provided in division
(Q)(2) of this section.

(2) If an individual does not have sufficient qualifying weeks and wages in the base period to qualify for benefit rights, the individual's base period shall be the four most recently completed calendar quarters preceding the first day of the individual's benefit year. Such base period shall be known as the "alternate base period." If information as to weeks and wages for the most recent quarter of the alternate base period is not available to the director from the regular quarterly reports of wage information, which are systematically accessible, the director may, consistent with the provisions of section 4141.28 of the Revised Code, base the determination of eligibility for benefits on the affidavit of the claimant with respect to weeks and wages for that calendar quarter. The claimant shall furnish payroll documentation, where available, in support of the affidavit. The determination based upon the alternate base period as it relates to the claimant's benefit rights, shall be amended when the quarterly report of wage information from the employer is timely received and that information causes a change in the determination. As provided in division (B) of section 4141.28 of the Revised Code, any benefits paid and charged to an employer's account, based upon a claimant's affidavit, shall be adjusted effective as of the beginning of the claimant's benefit year. No calendar quarter in a base period or alternate base period shall be used to establish a subsequent benefit year.

(3) The "base period" of a combined wage claim, as described in division (H) of section 4141.43 of the Revised Code, shall be the base period prescribed by the law of the state in which the claim is allowed.

(4) For purposes of determining the weeks that comprise a completed calendar quarter under this division, only those weeks ending at midnight Saturday within the calendar quarter shall be...
used.

(R)(1) "Benefit year" with respect to an individual means the fifty-two week period beginning with the first day of that week with respect to which the individual first files a valid application for determination of benefit rights, and thereafter the fifty-two week period beginning with the first day of that week with respect to which the individual next files a valid application for determination of benefit rights after the termination of the individual's last preceding benefit year, except that the application shall not be considered valid unless the individual has had employment in six weeks that is subject to this chapter or the unemployment compensation act of another state, or the United States, and has, since the beginning of the individual's previous benefit year, in the employment earned three times the average weekly wage determined for the previous benefit year. The "benefit year" of a combined wage claim, as described in division (H) of section 4141.43 of the Revised Code, shall be the benefit year prescribed by the law of the state in which the claim is allowed. Any application for determination of benefit rights made in accordance with section 4141.28 of the Revised Code is valid if the individual filing such application is unemployed, has been employed by an employer or employers subject to this chapter in at least twenty qualifying weeks within the individual's base period, and has earned or been paid remuneration at an average weekly wage of not less than twenty-seven and one-half per cent of the statewide average weekly wage for such weeks. For purposes of determining whether an individual has had sufficient employment since the beginning of the individual's previous benefit year to file a valid application, "employment" means the performance of services for which remuneration is payable.

(2) Effective for benefit years beginning on and after December 26, 2004, but before July 1, 2022, any application for
determination of benefit rights made in accordance with section 4141.28 of the Revised Code is valid if the individual satisfies the criteria described in division (R)(1) of this section, and if the reason for the individual's separation from employment is not disqualifying pursuant to division (D)(2) of section 4141.29 or section 4141.291 of the Revised Code. A disqualification imposed pursuant to division (D)(2) of section 4141.29 or section 4141.291 of the Revised Code must be removed as provided in those sections as a requirement of establishing a valid application for benefit years beginning on and after December 26, 2004, but before July 1, 2022. Effective for benefit years beginning on and after July 1, 2022, any application for determination of benefit rights made in accordance with section 4141.28 of the Revised Code is valid if the individual satisfies the criteria described in division (R)(1) of this section. A disqualification imposed pursuant to division (D)(2) of section 4141.29 or section 4141.291 of the Revised Code does not affect the validity of an application.

(3) The statewide average weekly wage shall be calculated by the director once a year based on the twelve-month period ending the thirtieth day of June, as set forth in division (B)(3) of section 4141.30 of the Revised Code, rounded down to the nearest dollar. Increases or decreases in the amount of remuneration required to have been earned or paid in order for individuals to have filed valid applications shall become effective on Sunday of the calendar week in which the first day of January occurs that follows the twelve-month period ending the thirtieth day of June upon which the calculation of the statewide average weekly wage was based.

(4) As used in this division, an individual is "unemployed" if, with respect to the calendar week in which such application is filed, the individual is "partially unemployed" or "totally unemployed" as defined in this section or if, prior to filing the
application, the individual was separated from the individual's
most recent work for any reason which terminated the individual's
employee-employer relationship, or was laid off indefinitely or
for a definite period of seven or more days.

(S) "Calendar quarter" means the period of three consecutive
calendar months ending on the thirty-first day of March, the
thirtieth day of June, the thirtieth day of September, and the
thirty-first day of December, or the equivalent thereof as the
director prescribes by rule.

(T) "Computation date" means the first day of the third
calendar quarter of any calendar year.

(U) "Contribution period" means the calendar year beginning
on the first day of January of any year.

(V) "Agricultural labor," for the purpose of this division,
means any service performed prior to January 1, 1972, which was
agricultural labor as defined in this division prior to that date,
and service performed after December 31, 1971:

(1) On a farm, in the employ of any person, in connection
with cultivating the soil, or in connection with raising or
harvesting any agricultural or horticultural commodity, including
the raising, shearing, feeding, caring for, training, and
management of livestock, bees, poultry, and fur-bearing animals
and wildlife;

(2) In the employ of the owner or tenant or other operator of
a farm in connection with the operation, management, conservation,
 improvement, or maintenance of such farm and its tools and
 equipment, or in salvaging timber or clearing land of brush and
 other debris left by hurricane, if the major part of such service
 is performed on a farm;

(3) In connection with the production or harvesting of any
commodity defined as an agricultural commodity in section 15 (g)
of the "Agricultural Marketing Act," 46 Stat. 1550 (1931), 12
U.S.C. 1141j, as amended, or in connection with the ginning of
cotton, or in connection with the operation or maintenance of
ditches, canals, reservoirs, or waterways, not owned or operated
for profit, used exclusively for supplying and storing water for
farming purposes;

(4) In the employ of the operator of a farm in handling,
planting, drying, packing, packaging, processing, freezing,
grading, storing, or delivering to storage or to market or to a
carrier for transportation to market, in its unmanufactured state,
any agricultural or horticultural commodity, but only if the
operator produced more than one-half of the commodity with respect
to which such service is performed;

(5) In the employ of a group of operators of farms, or a
cooperative organization of which the operators are members, in
the performance of service described in division (V)(4) of this
section, but only if the operators produced more than one-half of
the commodity with respect to which the service is performed;

(6) Divisions (V)(4) and (5) of this section shall not be
deemed to be applicable with respect to service performed:

(a) In connection with commercial canning or commercial
freezing or in connection with any agricultural or horticultural
commodity after its delivery to a terminal market for distribution
for consumption; or

(b) On a farm operated for profit if the service is not in
the course of the employer's trade or business.

As used in division (V) of this section, "farm" includes
stock, dairy, poultry, fruit, fur-bearing animal, and truck farms,
plantations, ranches, nurseries, ranges, greenhouses, or other
similar structures used primarily for the raising of agricultural
or horticultural commodities and orchards.
(W) "Hospital" means an institution which has been registered or licensed by the Ohio department of health as a hospital.

(X) "Nonprofit organization" means an organization, or group of organizations, described in section 501(c)(3) of the "Internal Revenue Code of 1954," and exempt from income tax under section 501(a) of that code.

(Y) "Institution of higher education" means a public or nonprofit educational institution, including an educational institution operated by an Indian tribe, which:

(1) Admits as regular students only individuals having a certificate of graduation from a high school, or the recognized equivalent;

(2) Is legally authorized in this state or by the Indian tribe to provide a program of education beyond high school; and

(3) Provides an educational program for which it awards a bachelor's or higher degree, or provides a program which is acceptable for full credit toward such a degree, a program of post-graduate or post-doctoral studies, or a program of training to prepare students for gainful employment in a recognized occupation.

For the purposes of this division, all colleges and universities in this state are institutions of higher education.

(Z) For the purposes of this chapter, "states" includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

(AA) "Alien" means, for the purposes of division (A)(1)(d) of this section, an individual who is an alien admitted to the United States to perform service in agricultural labor pursuant to sections 214 (c) and 101 (a)(15)(H) of the "Immigration and Nationality Act," 66 Stat. 163, 8 U.S.C.A. 1101.
(BB)(1) "Crew leader" means an individual who furnishes individuals to perform agricultural labor for any other employer or farm operator, and:

(a) Pays, either on the individual's own behalf or on behalf of the other employer or farm operator, the individuals so furnished by the individual for the service in agricultural labor performed by them;

(b) Has not entered into a written agreement with the other employer or farm operator under which the agricultural worker is designated as in the employ of the other employer or farm operator.

(2) For the purposes of this chapter, any individual who is a member of a crew furnished by a crew leader to perform service in agricultural labor for any other employer or farm operator shall be treated as an employee of the crew leader if:

(a) The crew leader holds a valid certificate of registration under the "Farm Labor Contractor Registration Act of 1963," 90 Stat. 2668, 7 U.S.C. 2041; or

(b) Substantially all the members of the crew operate or maintain tractors, mechanized harvesting or crop-dusting equipment, or any other mechanized equipment, which is provided by the crew leader; and

(c) If the individual is not in the employment of the other employer or farm operator within the meaning of division (B)(1) of this section.

(3) For the purposes of this division, any individual who is furnished by a crew leader to perform service in agricultural labor for any other employer or farm operator and who is not treated as in the employment of the crew leader under division (BB)(2) of this section shall be treated as the employee of the other employer or farm operator and not of the crew leader. The
other employer or farm operator shall be treated as having paid cash remuneration to the individual in an amount equal to the amount of cash remuneration paid to the individual by the crew leader, either on the crew leader's own behalf or on behalf of the other employer or farm operator, for the service in agricultural labor performed for the other employer or farm operator.

(CC) "Educational institution" means an institution other than an institution of higher education as defined in division (Y) of this section, including an educational institution operated by an Indian tribe, which:

(1) Offers participants, trainees, or students an organized course of study or training designed to transfer to them knowledge, skills, information, doctrines, attitudes, or abilities from, by, or under the guidance of an instructor or teacher; and

(2) Is approved, chartered, or issued a permit to operate as a school by the state board of education, other government agency, or Indian tribe that is authorized within the state to approve, charter, or issue a permit for the operation of a school.

For the purposes of this division, the courses of study or training which the institution offers may be academic, technical, trade, or preparation for gainful employment in a recognized occupation.

(DD) "Cost savings day" means any unpaid day off from work in which employees continue to accrue employee benefits which have a determinable value including, but not limited to, vacation, pension contribution, sick time, and life and health insurance.

(EE) "Motor carrier" has the same meaning as in section 4923.01 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4141.131. The director of job and family services may enter into contracts for the sale of real property no longer...
needed by the director of job and family services for the operations of the director of job and family services under this title. Any costs attributable to the director of job and family services that are associated with the sale of real property under this section shall be paid out of the unemployment compensation special administrative fund established pursuant to section 4141.11 of the Revised Code. The director of job and family services shall submit a report summarizing the use of that fund for the purpose of this section at least annually to the unemployment compensation advisory council as prescribed by the council.

The auditor of state director of administrative services, with the assistance of the attorney general, shall prepare a deed to the real property being sold upon notice from the director of job and family services that a contract for the sale of that property has been executed in accordance with this section. The deed shall state the consideration and any conditions placed upon the sale. The deed shall be executed by the governor in the name of the state, countersigned by the secretary of state, sealed with the great seal of the state, presented in the office of the auditor of state director of administrative services for recording, and delivered to the buyer upon payment of the balance of the purchase price.

The buyer shall present the deed for recording in the county recorder's office of the county in which the real property is located.

Sec. 4141.21. Except as provided in section 4141.162 of the Revised Code, and subject to section 4141.43 of the Revised Code, the information maintained by the director of job and family services or the unemployment compensation review commission or furnished to the director or commission by employers or employees...
pursuant to this chapter is for the exclusive use and information of the department of job and family services and the commission in the discharge of ite their duties and shall not be open to the public or be used in any court in any action or proceeding pending therein, or be admissible in evidence in any action, other than one arising under this chapter or section 5733.42 of the Revised Code. All of the information and records necessary or useful in the determination of any particular claim for benefits or necessary in verifying any charge to an employer's account under sections 4141.23 to 4141.26 of the Revised Code shall be available for examination and use by the employer and the employee involved or their authorized representatives in the hearing of such cases, and that information may be tabulated and published in statistical form for the use and information of the state departments and the public.

Sec. 4141.22. (A) No person shall disclose any information that was maintained by the director of job and family services or the unemployment compensation review commission or that was furnished to the director or the commission by employers or employees pursuant to this chapter, unless such disclosure is permitted under section 4141.21 of the Revised Code.

(B) No person in the employ of the director of job and family services or a county family services agency, or a workforce development agency, or the commission, or who has been in the employ of the director or those agencies, or the commission, at any time, shall divulge any information maintained by or furnished to the director or the commission under this chapter and secured by the person while so employed, in respect to the transactions, property, business, or mechanical, chemical, or other industrial process of any person, firm, corporation, association, or partnership to any person other than the director or other
employees of the department of job and family services or a county family services agency or workforce development agency, or the commission, as required by the person's duties, or to other persons as authorized by the director under section 4141.43 of the Revised Code.

Whoever violates this section shall be disqualified from holding any appointment or employment by the director or a county family services agency or a workforce development agency or the commission.

Sec. 4141.51. (A) An employer who wishes to participate in the SharedWork Ohio program shall submit a plan to the director of job and family services in which the employer does all of the following:

(1) Identifies the participating employees by name, social security number, affected unit, and normal weekly hours of work;

(2) Describes the manner in which the employer will implement the requirements of the SharedWork Ohio program, including the proposed reduction percentage, which shall be between ten per cent and fifty-six per cent, and any temporary closure of the participating employer's business for equipment maintenance or other similar circumstances that the employer knows may occur during the effective period of an approved plan;

(3) Includes a plan for giving advance notice, if feasible, to an employee whose normal weekly hours of work are to be reduced and, if advance notice is not feasible, an explanation of why that notice is not feasible;

(4) Includes a certification by the employer that the aggregate reduction in the number of hours worked by the employees of the employer is in lieu of layoffs and includes an estimate of the number of layoffs that would have occurred absent the ability
to participate in the SharedWork Ohio program;

(5) Includes a certification by the employer that if the employer provides health benefits and retirement benefits under a defined benefit plan, as defined in 26 U.S.C. 414(j), as amended, or contributions under a defined contribution plan as defined in 26 U.S.C. 414(i), as amended, to any employee whose normal weekly hours of work are reduced under the program that such benefits will continue to be provided to an employee participating in the SharedWork Ohio program under the same terms and conditions as though the normal weekly hours of work of the employee had not been reduced or to the same extent as other employees not participating in the program;

(6) Permits eligible employees to participate, as appropriate, in training to enhance job skills approved by the director, including employer-sponsored training or worker training funded under the federal "Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act," 29 U.S.C. 3101 et seq.;

(7) Includes any other information as required by the United States secretary of labor or the director under the rules the director adopts under section 4141.50 of the Revised Code;

(8) Includes an attestation by the employer that the terms of the written plan submitted by the employer and implementation of that plan are consistent with obligations of the employer under the applicable federal and state laws;

(9) Includes a certification by the employer that the employer will promptly notify the director of any change in the business that includes the sale or transfer of all or part of the business, and that the employer will notify any successor in interest to the employer's business prior to the transfer of all or part of the business, of the existence of any approved shared work plan;
(10) Includes a certification by the employer that, as of the date the employer submits the plan, the employer is current on all reports and has paid all contributions, reimbursements, interest, and penalties due under this chapter;

(11) Includes an assurance from the employer that the employer will remain current on all employer reporting and payments of contributions, reimbursements, interest, and penalties as required by this chapter;

(12) Includes a certification by the employer that none of the participating employees are employed on a seasonal, temporary, or intermittent basis;

(13) Includes an assurance from the employer that the employer will not reduce a participating employee's normal weekly hours of work by more than the reduction percentage, except in the event of a temporary closure of the employer's business for equipment maintenance, or when the employee takes approved time off during the week with pay, and the combined work hours and paid leave hours equal the number of hours the employee would have worked under the plan.

(B) The director shall approve a shared work plan if an employer includes in the plan all of the information, certifications, and assurances required under division (A) of this section.

(C) The director shall approve or deny a shared work plan and shall send a written notice to the employer stating whether the director approved or denied the plan not later than thirty ten days after the director receives the plan. If the director denies approval of a shared work plan, the director shall state the reasons for denying approval in the written notice sent to the employer.

(D) The director shall enforce the requirements of the
SharedWork Ohio program in the same manner as the director enforces the requirements of this chapter, including under section 4141.40 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4141.53. (A) An individual is eligible to receive shared work compensation for a week in which the individual satisfies all of the following:

(1) The individual is employed by a participating employer and is subject to a shared work plan that was approved before that week and is in effect for that week.

(2) The individual is available for work and is actively seeking work by being available for the individual's normal weekly hours of work.

(3) The individual's normal weekly hours of work with the participating employer have been reduced by at least ten per cent but not more than fifty-six per cent.

(4) The individual has been employed by an employer or employers subject to this chapter in at least twenty qualifying weeks within the individual's base period and has earned or been paid remuneration at an average weekly wage of not less than twenty-seven and one-half per cent of the statewide average weekly wage for those weeks.

(5) The individual has been subject to a shared work plan for at least one week prior to the week for which the compensation is to be paid, or otherwise satisfies the waiting period requirement of division (B) of section 4141.29 of the Revised Code for the individual's benefit year.

(6) The individual otherwise satisfies the requirements of this chapter and is not otherwise disqualified from receiving unemployment compensation benefits.

(B) For purposes of division (A)(2) of this section, an
individual is available for the individual's normal weekly hours of work with the participating employer if the individual does any of the following:

(1) Works the number of weekly hours assigned to the individual under an approved shared work plan;

(2) Works fewer hours than the number of weekly hours assigned to the individual under an approved shared work plan and either of the following apply:

(a) The individual takes approved time off during the week with pay, and the combined work hours and paid leave hours equal the number of hours the employee would have worked under the plan;

(b) The individual does not take approved time off with pay during that week and the reduction in hours was not the fault of the individual and was not more than fifty sixty per cent of the individual's normal weekly hours of work.

(C)(1) Except as provided in division (C)(2) or (D) of this section, the director of job and family services shall pay a participating employee who is eligible for weekly shared work compensation in an amount equal to the participating employee's weekly benefit amount as described in division (B) of section 4141.30 of the Revised Code for a period of total unemployment, multiplied by the reduction percentage specified in the approved shared work plan applicable to the participating employee.

(2) The director shall pay a participating employee who is eligible for weekly shared work compensation in an amount equal to the participating employee's weekly benefit amount as described in division (B) of section 4141.30 of the Revised Code for a period of total unemployment, multiplied by the percentage by which the participating employee's normal weekly hours of work were actually reduced during the workweek, if all of the following apply:

(a) The participating employee did not take approved paid
leave during the week.  

(b) The participating employee's normal weekly hours of work were actually reduced by not less than ten per cent and not greater than fifty sixty per cent.  

(c) The increase or decrease in the participating employee's hours above or below the number of hours assigned to the employee in the approved shared work plan was not the fault of the employee.  

(3) The director shall determine fault for purposes of divisions (B)(2)(b) and (C)(2)(c) of this section in the same manner that the director makes determinations for benefit rights and determines claims for unemployment compensation benefits under sections 4141.28 and 4141.281 of the Revised Code.  

(4) The director shall round the amount of a shared work compensation payment that is not a multiple of one dollar to the next lower multiple of one dollar.  

(5) No shared work compensation shall be payable during the one-week period described in division (A)(5) of this section.  

(D) If an individual works for a participating employer and another employer during the weeks the individual is covered by an approved shared work plan, eligibility for shared work compensation is determined as follows:  

(1) If the combined number of hours the individual works for both the participating employer and the other employer in a week exceeds the amount of the individual's normal weekly hours of work reduced by ten per cent, the individual is not eligible for shared work compensation.  

(2) If the combined number of hours the individual works in a week for both employers equals the amount of the individual's normal weekly hours of work reduced between ten and fifty sixty
per cent, the director shall pay the individual, if the individual is otherwise eligible, shared work compensation in an amount equal to the individual's weekly benefit amount as described in division (B) of section 4141.30 of the Revised Code for a period of total unemployment, multiplied by the percentage by which the individual's normal weekly hours of work were reduced during the week when factoring in both the amount of hours worked for the other employer and the amount of hours worked for the participating employer.

(E) A participating employee is not entitled to receive shared work compensation and unemployment compensation benefits that, when combined, exceed the maximum total benefits payable to the participating employee in a benefit year under section 4141.30 of the Revised Code. No participating employee shall be paid shared work compensation during the employee's benefit year in an amount that exceeds twenty-six times the amount of the employee's weekly benefit amount for a period of total unemployment under section 4141.30 of the Revised Code.

(F) An individual who has received all of the shared work compensation and unemployment compensation benefits available in a benefit year is an individual who has exhausted regular benefits under section 4141.30 of the Revised Code and is entitled to receive extended benefits under section 4141.301 of the Revised Code if the individual is otherwise eligible to receive benefits under that section.

(G) Except as provided in division (C)(2) of this section, the director shall not pay shared work compensation to an individual for a week during which the individual performs paid work for the individual's participating employer that exceeds or falls below the reduced hours established under an approved shared work plan that covers the individual.

(H)(1) Except as provided in divisions (H)(2) and (3) of this
section, a participating employee is not eligible to receive
benefits for being partially unemployed for any week during which
the individual works as a participating employee.

(2) A participating employee who performs no services during
a week for the participating employer and who is otherwise
eligible may be paid benefits for being totally or partially
unemployed for that week.

(3) A participating employee whose normal weekly hours of
work are reduced by more than fifty sixty per cent and who is
otherwise eligible may be paid benefits for partial unemployment
for that week.

(I) Any payment of total or partial unemployment compensation
benefits under this section is not a payment of shared work
compensation under an approved plan but shall be calculated
against the maximum total benefits payable to the participating
employee in a benefit year under section 4141.30 of the Revised
Code.

(J) For purposes of this section and unless another benefit
year applies to the individual, notwithstanding division (R)(1) of
section 4141.01 of the Revised Code, a participating employee's
"benefit year" is the fifty-two week period beginning with the
first day of that week with respect to which the employee's
participating employer first files a claim on behalf of the
participating employee pursuant to division (B) of section 4141.54
of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4141.55. (A) If the state is eligible for and receives
reimbursement for shared work compensation paid under the
SharedWork Ohio program from the federal government pursuant to
the federal "Layoff Prevention Act of 2012," Pub. L. No. 112-96,
126 Stat. 156, or any other federal law, notwithstanding section
4141.24 of the Revised Code and if permitted under that act or


other federal law, during the time period in which the state is
fully or partially reimbursed the account of an employer shall not
be charged for the portion of any shared work compensation paid to
a participating employer's participating employees for which the
state receives reimbursement. If the federal government does not
provide full reimbursement for shared work compensation paid to an
individual under section 4141.53 of the Revised Code, the portion
of shared work compensation paid to that individual that is not
reimbursed shall be charged in accordance with division (C) of
this section.

(B) Beginning with the week for which the federal government
no longer provides reimbursement, or if the state does not receive
reimbursement or the federal government requires an employer's
account to be charged, any shared work compensation paid to an
individual shall be charged in accordance with division (C) of
this section.

(C) Except as provided in divisions (A) and (B) of this
section, any shared work compensation paid to an individual under
section 4141.53 of the Revised Code shall be charged in accordance
with division (D) of section 4141.24 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4301.43. (A) As used in sections 4301.43 to 4301.50 of
the Revised Code:

(1) "Gallon" or "wine gallon" means one hundred twenty-eight
fluid ounces.

(2) "Sale" or "sell" includes exchange, barter, gift,
distribution, and, except with respect to A-4 permit holders,
offer for sale.

(B) For the purposes of providing revenues for the support of
the state and encouraging the grape industries in the state, a tax
is hereby levied on the sale or distribution of wine in Ohio,
except for known sacramental purposes, at the rate of thirty cents per wine gallon for wine containing not less than four per cent of alcohol by volume and not more than fourteen per cent of alcohol by volume, ninety-eight cents per wine gallon for wine containing more than fourteen per cent but not more than twenty-one per cent of alcohol by volume, one dollar and eight cents per wine gallon for vermouth, and one dollar and forty-eight cents per wine gallon for sparkling and carbonated wine and champagne, the tax to be paid by the holders of A-2, A-2f, and B-5 permits or by any other person selling or distributing wine upon which no tax has been paid. From the tax paid under this section on wine, vermouth, and sparkling and carbonated wine and champagne, the treasurer of state shall credit to the Ohio grape industries fund created under section 924.54 of the Revised Code a sum equal to one cent per gallon for each gallon upon which the tax is paid.

(C) For the purpose of providing revenues for the support of the state, there is hereby levied a tax on prepared and bottled highballs, cocktails, cordials, and other mixed beverages at the rate of one dollar and twenty cents per wine gallon to be paid by holders of A-4 permits or by any other person selling or distributing those products upon which no tax has been paid. Only one sale of the same article shall be used in computing the amount of tax due. The tax on mixed beverages to be paid by holders of A-4 permits under this section shall not attach until the ownership of the mixed beverage is transferred for valuable consideration to a wholesaler or retailer, and no payment of the tax shall be required prior to that time.

(D) During the period of July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2021, from the tax paid under this section on wine, vermouth, and sparkling and carbonated wine and champagne, the treasurer of state shall credit to the Ohio grape industries fund created under section 924.54 of the Revised Code a sum equal to two cents per
gallon upon which the tax is paid. The amount credited under this
division is in addition to the amount credited to the Ohio grape
industries fund under division (B) of this section.

(E) For the purpose of providing revenues for the support of
the state, there is hereby levied a tax on cider at the rate of
twenty-four cents per wine gallon to be paid by the holders of
A-2, A-2f, and B-5 permits or by any other person selling or
distributing cider upon which no tax has been paid. Only one sale
of the same article shall be used in computing the amount of the
tax due.

Sec. 4303.17. (A)(1) Permit D-4 may be issued to a club that
has been in existence for three years or more prior to the
issuance of the permit to sell beer and any intoxicating liquor to
its members only, in glass or container, for consumption on the
premises where sold. The fee for this permit is four hundred
sixty-nine dollars.

No D-4 permit shall be granted or retained until all elected
officers of the organization controlling the club have filed with
the division of liquor control a statement, signed under oath,
certifying that the club is operated in the interest of the
membership of a reputable organization, which is maintained by a
dues paying membership, and setting forth the amount of initiation
fee and yearly dues.

The roster of membership of a D-4 permit holder shall be
submitted under oath on at the request of the superintendent of
liquor control. Any information acquired by the superintendent or
the division with respect to that membership shall not be open to
public inspection or examination and may be divulged by the
superintendent and the division only in hearings before the liquor
control commission or in a court action in which the division or
the superintendent is named a party.
(2) The requirement that a club shall have been in existence for three years in order to qualify for a D-4 permit does not apply to units of organizations chartered by congress or to a subsidiary unit of a national fraternal organization if the parent organization has been in existence for three years or more at the time application for a permit is made by that unit.

(B) No rule or order of the division or commission shall prohibit a charitable organization that holds a D-4 permit from selling or serving beer or intoxicating liquor under its permit in a portion of its premises merely because that portion of its premises is used at other times for the conduct of a bingo game as described in division (O)(1) of section 2915.01 of the Revised Code. However, such an organization shall not sell or serve beer or intoxicating liquor or permit beer or intoxicating liquor to be consumed or seen in the same location in its premises where a bingo game as described in division (O)(1) of section 2915.01 of the Revised Code is being conducted while the game is being conducted. As used in this division, "charitable organization" has the same meaning as in division (H) of section 2915.01 of the Revised Code.

(C) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of sections 4301.32 to 4301.41, division (C)(1) of section 4303.29, and section 4305.14 of the Revised Code, the holder of a D-4 permit may transfer the location of the permit and sell beer and wine at the new location if that location is in an election precinct in which the sale of beer and wine, but not spirituous liquor, otherwise is permitted by law.

Sec. 4303.185. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Alcoholic beverage" means beer, wine, mixed beverages, or spirituous liquor.

(2) "Personal consumer" means an individual who is at least
twenty-one years of age and intends to use a purchased alcoholic beverage for personal consumption only and not for resale or other commercial purposes.

(3) "Qualified permit holder" has the same meaning as in section 4301.82 of the Revised Code and also includes an A-3a permit holder.

(B)(1) In addition to any other sales authorized by a qualified permit holder's permit, a qualified permit holder may sell alcoholic beverages by the individual drink in sealed, closed containers to a personal consumer for off-premises consumption, including via delivery to the location of the personal consumer.

(2) If a qualified permit holder sells an alcoholic beverage that contains spirituous liquor under division (B)(1) of this section, the beverage shall not contain more than two ounces of spirituous liquor.

(3) A qualified permit holder may only sell alcoholic beverages under division (B)(1) of this section if the permit holder also sells a meal with the alcoholic beverages.

(4) A qualified permit holder shall not sell more than three alcoholic beverages per meal to any individual under division (B)(1) of this section.

(C)(1) A qualified permit holder may only sell types of alcoholic beverages under division (B) of this section that the qualified permit holder is otherwise authorized to sell under the qualified permit holder's permit.

(2) Prior to delivering an alcoholic beverage to a personal consumer under this section, a qualified permit holder, or an employee of the qualified permit holder, shall make a bona fide effort to ensure that the personal consumer is at least twenty-one years of age.
(3) A qualified permit holder may use an H permit holder to make deliveries authorized under this section.

Sec. 4303.26. (A) Applications for regular permits authorized by sections 4303.02 to 4303.23 of the Revised Code may be filed with the division of liquor control. No permit shall be issued by the division until fifteen days after the application for it is filed. An applicant for the issuance of a new permit shall pay a processing fee of one hundred dollars when filing application for the permit, if the permit is then available, or shall pay the processing fee when a permit becomes available, if it is not available when the applicant initially files the application. When an application for a new class C or D permit is filed, when class C or D permits become available, or when an application for transfer of ownership of a class C or D permit or transfer of a location of a class C or D permit is filed, no permit shall be issued, nor shall the location or the ownership of a permit be transferred, by the division until the division notifies the legislative authority of the municipal corporation if the business or event is or is to be located within the corporate limits of a municipal corporation, or the clerk of the board of county commissioners and the fiscal officer of the board of township trustees in the county in which the business or event is or is to be conducted if the business is or is to be located outside the corporate limits of a municipal corporation, and an opportunity is provided officials or employees of the municipal corporation or county and township, who shall be designated by the legislative authority or the board of county commissioners or board of township trustees, for a complete hearing upon the advisability of the issuance, transfer of ownership, or transfer of location of the permit. In this hearing, no objection to the issuance, transfer of ownership, or transfer of location of the permit shall be based upon noncompliance of the proposed permit premises with...
local zoning regulations which prohibit the sale of beer or intoxicating liquor, in an area zoned for commercial or industrial uses, for a permit premises that would otherwise qualify for a proper permit issued by the division.

When the division sends notice to the legislative or executive authority of the political subdivision, as required by this section, the division shall also so notify, by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service, the chief peace officer of the political subdivision. Upon the request of the chief peace officer, the division shall send the chief peace officer a copy of the application for the issuance or the transfer of ownership or location of the permit and all other documents or materials filed by the applicant or applicants in relation to the application. The chief peace officer may appear and testify, either in person or through a representative, at any hearing held on the advisability of the issuance, transfer of ownership, or transfer of location of the permit. The hearing shall be held in the central office of the division, except that upon written request of the legislative authority of the municipal corporation or the board of county commissioners or board of township trustees, the hearing shall be held in the county seat of the county where the applicant's business is or is to be conducted.

If the business or event specified in an application for the issuance, transfer of ownership, or transfer of location of any regular permit authorized by sections 4303.02 to 4303.23 of the Revised Code, except for an F-2 permit, is, or is to be operated, within five hundred feet from the boundaries of a parcel of real estate having situated on it a school, church, library, public playground, or township park, no permit shall be issued, nor shall the location or the ownership of a permit be transferred, by the division until written notice of the filing of the application with the division is served, by certified mail, return receipt.
requested, or by personal service, upon the authorities in control of the school, church, library, public playground, or township park and an opportunity is provided them for a complete hearing upon the advisability of the issuance, transfer of ownership, or transfer of location of the permit. In this hearing, no objection to the issuance, transfer of ownership, or transfer of location of the permit shall be based upon the noncompliance of the proposed permit premises with local zoning regulations which prohibit the sale of beer or intoxicating liquor, in an area zoned for commercial or industrial uses, for a permit premises that would otherwise qualify for a proper permit issued by the division. Upon the written request of any of these authorities, the hearing shall be held in the county seat of the county where the applicant's business is or is to be conducted.

A request for any hearing authorized by this section shall be made no later than thirty days from the time of notification by the division. This thirty-day period begins on the date the division mails notice to the legislative authority or the date on which the division mails notice to or, by personal service, serves notice upon, the institution. The division shall conduct a hearing if the request for the hearing is postmarked by the deadline date. The division may allow, upon cause shown by the requesting legislative authority or board, an extension of thirty additional days for the legislative authority of the municipal corporation, board of township trustees of the township, or board of county commissioners of the county in which a permit premises is or is to be located to object to the issuance, transfer of ownership, or transfer of location of a permit. The request for the extension shall be made by the legislative authority or board to the division no later than thirty days after the time of notification by the division.

(B) When an application for transfer of ownership of a permit

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is filed with the division, the division shall give notice of the application to the tax commissioner. Within twenty days after receiving this notification, the commissioner shall notify the division of liquor control and the proposed transferee of the permit if the permit holder owes to this state any delinquent horse-racing taxes, alcoholic beverage taxes, motor fuel taxes, petroleum activity taxes, sales or use taxes, cigarette taxes, other tobacco product taxes, income taxes withheld from employee compensation, commercial activity taxes, or gross casino revenue taxes, or gross receipts taxes levied pursuant to section 5739.101 of the Revised Code, or has failed to file any corresponding returns or submit any information required by the commissioner, as required for such taxes, to the extent that any delinquent payment or return, or any failure to submit information, is known to the department of taxation at the time of the application. The division shall not transfer ownership of the permit until payments known to be delinquent are resolved, returns known to be delinquent are filed, and any information required by the commissioner has been provided. As used in this division, "resolved" means that the delinquent payment has been paid in full or an amount sufficient to satisfy the delinquent payment is in escrow for the benefit of the state. The commissioner shall notify the division of the resolution. After the division has received the notification from the commissioner, the division may proceed to transfer ownership of the permit. Nothing in this division shall be construed to affect or limit the responsibilities or liabilities of the transferor or the transferee imposed by Chapter 3769., 4301., 4303., 4305., 5735., 5736., 5739., 5741., 5743., 5747., 5751., or 5753. of the Revised Code.

(C) No F or F-2 permit shall be issued for an event until the applicant has, by means of a form that the division shall provide to the applicant, notified the chief peace officer of the political subdivision in which the event will be conducted of the
date, time, place, and duration of the event.

(D) The division of liquor control shall notify an applicant for a permit authorized by sections 4303.02 to 4303.23 of the Revised Code of an action pending or judgment entered against a liquor permit premises, of which the division has knowledge, pursuant to section 3767.03 or 3767.05 of the Revised Code if the applicant is applying for a permit at the location of the premises that is the subject of the action under section 3767.03 or judgment under section 3767.05 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4303.271. (A) Except as provided in divisions (B) and (D) of this section, the holder of a permit issued under sections 4303.02 to 4303.232 of the Revised Code, who files an application for the renewal of the same class of permit for the same premises, shall be entitled to the renewal of the permit. The division of liquor control shall renew the permit unless the division rejects for good cause any renewal application, subject to the right of the applicant to appeal the rejection to the liquor control commission.

(B) The legislative authority of the municipal corporation, the board of township trustees, or the board of county commissioners of the county in which a permit premises is located may object to the renewal of a permit issued under sections 4303.11 to 4303.183 of the Revised Code for any of the reasons contained in division (A) of section 4303.292 of the Revised Code. Any objection shall be made no later than thirty days prior to the expiration of the permit, and the division shall accept the objection if it is postmarked no later than thirty days prior to the expiration of the permit. The objection shall be made by a resolution specifying the reasons for objecting to the renewal and requesting a hearing, but no objection shall be based upon noncompliance of the permit premises with local zoning regulations.
that prohibit the sale of beer or intoxicating liquor in an area zoned for commercial or industrial uses, for a permit premises that would otherwise qualify for a proper permit issued by the division. The resolution shall be accompanied by a statement by the chief legal officer of the political subdivision that, in the chief legal officer's opinion, the objection is based upon substantial legal grounds within the meaning and intent of division (A) of section 4303.292 of the Revised Code.

Upon receipt of a resolution of a legislative authority or board objecting to the renewal of a permit and a statement from the chief legal officer, the division shall set a time for the hearing and send by certified mail to the permit holder, at the permit holder's usual place of business, a copy of the resolution and notice of the hearing. The division shall then hold a hearing in the central office of the division, except that, upon written request of the legislative authority or board, the hearing shall be held in the county seat of the county in which the permit premises is located, to determine whether the renewal shall be denied for any of the reasons contained in division (A) of section 4303.292 of the Revised Code. Only the reasons for refusal contained in division (A) of section 4303.292 of the Revised Code and specified in the resolution of objection shall be considered at the hearing.

The permit holder and the objecting legislative authority or board shall be parties to the proceedings under this section and shall have the right to be present, to be represented by counsel, to offer evidence, to require the attendance of witnesses, and to cross-examine witnesses at the hearing.

(C) An application for renewal of a permit shall be filed with the division at least fifteen days prior to the expiration of an existing permit, and the existing permit shall continue in effect as provided in section 119.06 of the Revised Code until the
application is approved or rejected by the division. Any holder of a permit, which has expired through failure to be renewed as provided in this section, shall obtain a renewal of the permit, upon filing an application for renewal with the division, at any time within thirty days from the date of the expired permit. A penalty of ten per cent of the permit fee shall be paid by the permit holder if the application for renewal is not filed at least fifteen days prior to the expiration of the permit.

(D)(1) Annually, the tax commissioner shall cause the department of taxation's records for the horse-racing, alcoholic beverage, motor fuel, petroleum activity, sales or use, cigarette, other tobacco products, employer withholding, commercial activity, and gross casino revenue tax records in the department of taxation and gross receipts taxes levied pursuant to section 5739.101 of the Revised Code for each holder of a permit issued under sections 4303.02 to 4303.232 of the Revised Code to be examined to determine if the permit holder is delinquent in filing any returns, submitting any information required by the commissioner, or remitting any payments with respect to those taxes or any fees, charges, penalties, or interest related to those taxes.

If any delinquency or liability exists, the commissioner shall send a notice of that fact by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the permit holder at the mailing address shown in the records of the department. The notice shall specify, in as much detail as is possible, the periods for which returns have not been filed and the nature and amount of unpaid assessments and other liabilities and shall be sent on or before the first day of the third month preceding the month in which the permit expires. The commissioner also shall notify the division of liquor control of the delinquency or liability, identifying the permit holder by name and permit number.
(2) (a) Except as provided in division (D)(4) of this section, the division of liquor control shall not renew the permit of any permit holder the tax commissioner has identified as being delinquent in filing any returns, providing any information, or remitting any payments with respect to the taxes listed in division (D)(1) of this section as of the first day of the sixth month preceding the month in which the permit expires, or of any permit holder the commissioner has identified as having been assessed by the department on or before the first day of the third month preceding the month in which the permit expires, until the division is notified by the commissioner that the delinquency, liability, or assessment has been resolved.

(b)(i) Within ninety days after the date on which the permit expires, any permit holder whose permit is not renewed under this division may file an appeal with the liquor control commission. The commission shall notify the tax commissioner regarding the filing of any such appeal. During the period in which the appeal is pending, the permit shall not be renewed by the division. The permit shall be reinstated if the permit holder and the commissioner or the attorney general demonstrate to the liquor control commission that the commissioner's notification of a delinquency or assessment was in error or that the issue of the delinquency or assessment has been resolved.

(ii) A permit holder who has filed an appeal under division (D)(2)(b)(i) of this section may file a motion to withdraw the appeal. The division of liquor control may renew a permit holder's permit if the permit holder has withdrawn such an appeal and the division receives written certification from the tax commissioner that the permit holder's delinquency or assessment has been resolved.

(3) A permit holder notified of delinquency or liability under this section may protest the notification to the tax
commissioner on the basis that no return or information is delinquent and no tax, fee, charge, penalty, or interest is outstanding. The commissioner shall expeditiously consider any evidence submitted by the permit holder and, if it is determined that the notification was in error, immediately shall inform the division of liquor control that the renewal application may be granted. The renewal shall not be denied if the delinquency or unreported liability is the subject of a bona fide dispute as to the validity of the delinquency or unreported liability and is the subject of an assessment and of an appeal properly filed by the permit holder.

(4) If the commissioner concludes that under the circumstances the permit holder's delinquency or liability has been conditionally resolved, the commissioner shall allow the permit to be renewed, conditioned upon the permit holder's continuing performance in satisfying the delinquency and liability. The conditional nature of the renewal shall be specified in the notification given to the division of liquor control under division (D)(1) of this section. Upon receipt of notice of the resolution, the division shall issue a conditional renewal. If the taxpayer defaults on any agreement to pay the delinquency or liability or fails to keep subsequent tax or fee payments current, the liquor control commission, upon request and proof of the default or failure to keep subsequent tax or fee payments current, shall indefinitely suspend the permit holder's permit until all taxes or fees and interest due are paid.

(5) The commissioner may adopt rules to assist in administering the duties imposed by this section.

Sec. 4505.09. (A)(1) The clerk of a court of common pleas shall charge and retain fees as follows:

(a) Five dollars for each certificate of title that is not...
applied for within thirty days after the later of the assignment or delivery of the motor vehicle described in it. The entire fee shall be retained by the clerk.

(b) Fifteen dollars for each certificate of title or duplicate certificate of title including the issuance of a memorandum certificate of title, or authorization to print a non-negotiable evidence of ownership described in division (G) of section 4505.08 of the Revised Code, non-negotiable evidence of ownership printed by the clerk under division (H) of that section, and notation of any lien on a certificate of title that is applied for at the same time as the certificate of title. The clerk shall retain eleven dollars and fifty cents of that fee for each certificate of title when there is a notation of a lien or security interest on the certificate of title, twelve dollars and twenty-five cents when there is no lien or security interest noted on the certificate of title, and eleven dollars and fifty cents for each duplicate certificate of title.

(c) Four dollars and fifty cents for each certificate of title with no security interest noted that is issued to a licensed motor vehicle dealer for resale purposes and, in addition, a separate fee of fifty cents. The clerk shall retain two dollars and twenty-five cents of that fee.

(d) Five dollars for each memorandum certificate of title or non-negotiable evidence of ownership that is applied for separately. The clerk shall retain that entire fee.

(2) The fees that are not retained by the clerk shall be paid to the registrar of motor vehicles by monthly returns, which shall be forwarded to the registrar not later than the fifth day of the month next succeeding that in which the certificate is issued or that in which the registrar is notified of a lien or cancellation of a lien.
(B)(1) The registrar shall pay twenty-five cents of the amount received for each certificate of title issued to a motor vehicle dealer for resale, one dollar for certificates of title issued with a lien or security interest noted on the certificate of title, and twenty-five cents for each certificate of title with no lien or security interest noted on the certificate of title into the public safety - highway purposes fund established in section 4501.06 of the Revised Code.

(2) Fifty cents of the amount received for each certificate of title shall be paid by the registrar as follows:

(a) Four cents shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the motor vehicle dealers board fund, which is hereby created. All investment earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund. The moneys in the motor vehicle dealers board fund shall be used by the motor vehicle dealers board created under section 4517.30 of the Revised Code, together with other moneys appropriated to it, in the exercise of its powers and the performance of its duties under Chapter 4517. of the Revised Code, except that the director of budget and management may transfer excess money from the motor vehicle dealers board fund to the public safety - highway purposes fund if the registrar determines that the amount of money in the motor vehicle dealers board fund, together with other moneys appropriated to the board, exceeds the amount required for the exercise of its powers and the performance of its duties under Chapter 4517. of the Revised Code and requests the director to make the transfer.

(b) Twenty-one Thirty-one cents shall be paid into the highway operating fund created by section 5735.051 of the Revised Code.

(c) Twenty-five Fifteen cents shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the motor vehicle sales audit fund, which is hereby created. The moneys in the fund shall be used by
the tax commissioner together with other funds available to the commissioner to conduct a continuing investigation of sales and use tax returns filed for motor vehicles in order to determine if sales and use tax liability has been satisfied. The commissioner shall refer cases of apparent violations of section 2921.13 of the Revised Code made in connection with the titling or sale of a motor vehicle and cases of any other apparent violations of the sales or use tax law to the appropriate county prosecutor whenever the commissioner considers it advisable.

(3) Two dollars of the amount received by the registrar under divisions (A)(1)(a), (b), and (d) of this section and one dollar and fifty cents of the amount received by the registrar under division (A)(1)(c) of this section for each certificate of title shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the automated title processing fund, which is hereby created and which shall consist of moneys collected under division (B)(3) of this section and under sections 1548.10 and 4519.59 of the Revised Code. All investment earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund. The moneys in the fund shall be used as follows:

(a) Except for moneys collected under section 1548.10 of the Revised Code, moneys collected under division (B)(3) of this section shall be used to implement and maintain an automated title processing system for the issuance of motor vehicle, off-highway motorcycle, and all-purpose vehicle certificates of title in the offices of the clerks of the courts of common pleas. Those moneys also shall be used to pay expenses that arise as a result of enabling electronic motor vehicle dealers to directly transfer applications for certificates of title under division (A)(3) of section 4505.06 of the Revised Code.

(b) Moneys collected under section 1548.10 of the Revised Code shall be used to issue marine certificates of title in the offices of the clerks of the courts of common pleas as provided in
Chapter 1548. of the Revised Code.

(4) The registrar shall pay the fifty-cent separate fee collected from a licensed motor vehicle dealer under division (A)(1)(c) of this section into the title defect recision fund created by section 1345.52 of the Revised Code.

(C)(1) The automated title processing board is hereby created consisting of the registrar or the registrar's representative, a person selected by the registrar, the president of the Ohio clerks of court association or the president's representative, and two clerks of courts of common pleas appointed by the governor. The director of budget and management or the director's designee, the chief of the division of parks and watercraft in the department of natural resources or the chief's designee, and the tax commissioner or the commissioner's designee shall be nonvoting members of the board. The purpose of the board is to facilitate the operation and maintenance of an automated title processing system and approve the procurement of automated title processing system equipment and ribbons, cartridges, or other devices necessary for the operation of that equipment. Voting members of the board, excluding the registrar or the registrar's representative, shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for travel and other necessary expenses incurred in the conduct of their official duties. The registrar or the registrar's representative shall receive neither compensation nor reimbursement as a board member.

(2) The automated title processing board shall determine each of the following:

(a) The automated title processing equipment and certificates of title requirements for each county;

(b) The payment of expenses that may be incurred by the
counties in implementing an automated title processing system;

(c) The repayment to the counties for existing title processing equipment;

(d) With the approval of the director of public safety, the award of grants from the automated title processing fund to the clerk of courts of any county who employs a person who assists with the design of, updates to, tests of, installation of, or any other activity related to, an automated title processing system. Any grant awarded under division (C)(2)(d) of this section shall be deposited into the appropriate county certificate of title administration fund created under section 325.33 of the Revised Code and shall not be used to supplant any other funds.

(3) The registrar shall purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire any automated title processing equipment and certificates of title that the board determines are necessary from moneys in the automated title processing fund established by division (B)(3) of this section.

(D) All counties shall conform to the requirements of the registrar regarding the operation of their automated title processing system for motor vehicle titles, certificates of title for off-highway motorcycles and all-purpose vehicles, and certificates of title for watercraft and outboard motors.

**Sec. 4729.42.** (A) Subject to division (B) of this section, if use of a protocol that has been developed under this section has been authorized under section 4731.90 of the Revised Code, a pharmacist, or a pharmacy intern who is practicing under the direct supervision of a pharmacist, may dispense tobacco cessation drugs without a prescription in accordance with that protocol to individuals who are seeking to quit using tobacco-containing products.
(B) For a pharmacist or pharmacy intern to be authorized to dispense tobacco cessation drugs under this section, the pharmacist or pharmacy intern shall do both of the following:

(1) Successfully complete a course on tobacco cessation therapy that is taught by a provider that is accredited by the accreditation council for pharmacy education, or another provider approved by the state board of pharmacy, and that meets requirements established in rules adopted under this section;

(2) Practice in accordance with a protocol that meets the requirements of division (C) of this section.

(C) All of the following apply with respect to the protocol required by this section:

(1) The protocol shall be established by a physician authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery.

(2) The protocol shall specify a definitive set of treatment guidelines and the locations at which a pharmacist or pharmacy intern may dispense tobacco cessation drugs under this section.

(3) The protocol shall include provisions for implementation of the following requirements:

(a) Use by the pharmacist or pharmacy intern of a screening procedure, recommended by the United States centers for disease control and prevention or another organization approved by the board, to determine if an individual is a good candidate to receive tobacco cessation drugs dispensed as authorized by this section;

(b) A requirement that the pharmacist or pharmacy intern refer high-risk individuals or individuals with contraindications to a primary care provider or, as appropriate, to another type of provider;
(c) A requirement that the pharmacist or pharmacy intern develop and implement a follow-up care plan in accordance with guidelines specified in rules adopted under this section, including a recommendation by the pharmacist or pharmacy intern that the individual seek additional assistance with behavior change, including assistance from the Ohio tobacco quit line made available by the department of health;

(d) A requirement that the pharmacist or pharmacy intern obtain parental or guardian consent, in accordance with procedures specified in rules adopted under this section, before dispensing tobacco cessation drugs to individuals who are younger than eighteen years of age.

(4) The protocol shall satisfy any additional requirements established in rules adopted under this section.

(D)(1) Documentation related to screening, dispensing, and follow-up care plans shall be maintained in the records of the pharmacy where the pharmacist or pharmacy intern practices. Dispensing of tobacco cessation drugs may be documented on a prescription form, and the form may be assigned a number for recordkeeping purposes.

(2) Not later than thirty days after a screening is conducted under this section, the pharmacist or pharmacy intern shall provide notice to the individual's primary care provider, if known, or to the individual if the primary care provider is unknown. The notice shall include results of the screening, and if applicable, the dispensing record and follow-up care plan.

A copy of the documentation identified in division (D)(1) of this section shall also be provided to the individual or the individual's primary care provider on request.

(E) This section does not affect the authority of a pharmacist or pharmacy intern to fill or refill prescriptions for
tobacco cessation drugs.

(F)(1) No pharmacist shall do either of the following:

(a) Dispense tobacco cessation drugs without a prescription unless the requirements of division (B) of this section have been met;

(b) Delegate to any person the pharmacist's authority to engage in or supervise the dispensing of tobacco cessation drugs.

(2) No pharmacy intern shall dispense tobacco cessation drugs without a prescription unless the requirements of division (B) of this section have been met.

(G)(1) The board shall adopt rules to implement this section. The rules shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code and shall include all of the following:

(a) Provisions specifying the tobacco cessation drugs that may be dispensed without a prescription in accordance with a protocol;

(b) Requirements for courses on tobacco cessation therapy including requirements that are consistent with any standards established for such courses by the United States centers for disease control and prevention;

(c) Requirements for protocols to be followed by pharmacists and pharmacy interns in dispensing tobacco cessation drugs;

(d) Guidelines for follow-up care plans;

(e) Procedures to be followed by pharmacists and pharmacy interns in obtaining parental or guardian consent in the case of individuals who are younger than eighteen years of age.

(2) Prior to adopting rules regarding requirements for protocols to be followed by pharmacists and pharmacy interns in dispensing of tobacco cessation drugs, the state board of pharmacy shall consult with the state medical board.
(3) Prior to adopting rules specifying tobacco cessation
drugs that may be dispensed without a prescription in accordance
with a protocol, the state board of pharmacy shall consult with
the department of health.

Sec. 4731.90. A physician who has established a protocol that
meets the requirements of section 4729.42 of the Revised Code and
the rules adopted under that section may authorize one or more
pharmacists and any of the pharmacy interns supervised by the
pharmacist or pharmacists to use the protocol for the purpose of
dispensing tobacco cessation drugs under section 4729.42 of the
Revised Code.

Sec. 4735.05. (A) The Ohio real estate commission is a part
of the department of commerce for administrative purposes. The
director of commerce is ex officio the executive officer of the
commission, or the director may designate any employee of the
department as superintendent of real estate and professional
licensing to act as executive officer of the commission.

The commission and the real estate appraiser board created
pursuant to section 4763.02 of the Revised Code shall each submit
to the director a list of three persons whom the commission and
the board consider qualified to be superintendent within sixty
days after the office of superintendent becomes vacant. The
director shall appoint a superintendent from the lists submitted
by the commission and the board, and the superintendent shall
serve at the pleasure of the director.

(B) The superintendent, except as otherwise provided, shall
do all of the following in regard to this chapter:

(1) Administer this chapter;

(2) Issue all orders necessary to implement this chapter;

(3) Investigate complaints concerning the violation of this
chapter or the conduct of any licensee;

(4) Establish and maintain an investigation and audit section to investigate complaints and conduct inspections, audits, and other inquiries as in the judgment of the superintendent are appropriate to enforce this chapter. The investigators or auditors have the right to review and audit the business records of licensees and continuing education course providers during normal business hours.

(5) Appoint a hearing examiner for any proceeding involving disciplinary action under section 3123.47, 4735.052, or 4735.18 of the Revised Code;

(6) Administer the real estate recovery fund.

(C) The superintendent may do all of the following:

(1) In connection with investigations and audits under division (B) of this section, subpoena witnesses as provided in section 4735.04 of the Revised Code;

(2) Apply to the appropriate court to enjoin any violation of this chapter. Upon a showing by the superintendent that any person has violated or is about to violate any provision of this chapter, the court shall grant an injunction, restraining order, or other appropriate order.

(3) Upon the death of a licensed broker or the revocation or suspension of the broker's license, if there is no other licensed broker within the business entity of the broker brokerage, appoint upon application by any interested party, or, in the case of a deceased broker, subject to the approval by the appropriate probate court, recommend the appointment of, an ancillary trustee who is qualified as determined by the superintendent in any of the following instances:

(a) Upon the death of a licensed broker or the revocation or suspension of the broker's license, if there is no other licensed broker within the business entity of the broker brokerage, appoint upon application by any interested party, or, in the case of a deceased broker, subject to the approval by the appropriate probate court, recommend the appointment of, an ancillary trustee
who is qualified as determined by the superintendent to conclude
the business transactions of the deceased, revoked, or suspended
broker;

(b) Upon the revocation of a licensed broker, if there is no
other licensed broker within the brokerage, to conclude the
business transactions of the revoked broker;

(c) Upon the incapacitation, suspension, or incarceration of
a licensed broker, if there is no other licensed broker within the
brokerage, to continue the business transactions of the brokerage
for a period of time not to exceed the period of incapacitation,
suspension, or incarceration.

(4) In conjunction with the enforcement of this chapter, when
the superintendent of real estate has reasonable cause to believe
that an applicant or licensee has committed a criminal offense,
the superintendent of real estate may request the superintendent
of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation to
conduct a criminal records check of the applicant or licensee. The
superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and
investigation shall obtain information from the federal bureau of
investigation as part of the criminal records check of the
applicant or licensee. The superintendent of real estate may
assess the applicant or licensee a fee equal to the fee assessed
for the criminal records check.

(5) In conjunction with the enforcement of this chapter,
issue advisory letters in lieu of initiating disciplinary action
under section 4735.051 or 4735.052 of the Revised Code or issuing
a citation under section 4735.16 or 4735.181 of the Revised Code.

(D) All information that is obtained by investigators and
auditors performing investigations or conducting inspections,
audits, and other inquiries pursuant to division (B)(4) of this
section, from licensees, complainants, or other persons, and all
reports, documents, and other work products that arise from that
information and that are prepared by the investigators, auditors,
or other personnel of the department, shall be held in confidence
by the superintendent, the investigators and auditors, and other
personnel of the department. Notwithstanding division (D) of
section 2317.023 of the Revised Code, all information obtained by
investigators or auditors from an informal mediation meeting held
pursuant to section 4735.051 of the Revised Code, including but
not limited to the agreement to mediate and the accommodation
agreement, shall be held in confidence by the superintendent,
investigators, auditors, and other personnel of the department.

(E) This section does not prevent the division of real estate
and professional licensing from releasing information relating to
licensees to the superintendent of financial institutions for
purposes relating to the administration of Chapter 1322. of the
Revised Code, to the superintendent of insurance for purposes
relating to the administration of Chapter 3953. of the Revised
Code, to the attorney general, or to local law enforcement
agencies and local prosecutors. Information released by the
division pursuant to this section remains confidential.

Sec. 4735.14. (A) Each license issued under this chapter,
shall be valid without further recommendation or examination until
it is placed in an inactive or resigned status, is revoked or
suspended, or such license expires by operation of law.

(B) Except for a licensee who has placed the licensee's
license in resigned status pursuant to section 4735.142 of the
Revised Code, each licensed broker, brokerage, or salesperson
shall file, on or before the date the Ohio real estate commission
has adopted by rule for that licensee in accordance with division
(A)(2)(f) of section 4735.10 of the Revised Code, a notice of
renewal on a form prescribed by the superintendent of real estate.
The notice of renewal shall be mailed by the superintendent two months prior to the filing deadline to the personal residence address of each broker or salesperson that is on file with the division. If the licensee is a partnership, association, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or corporation, the notice of renewal shall be mailed by the superintendent two months prior to the filing deadline to the brokerage's business address on file with the division. A licensee shall not renew the licensee's license any earlier than two months prior to the filing deadline.

(C) Except as otherwise provided in division (B) of this section, the license of any real estate broker, brokerage, or salesperson that fails to file a notice of renewal on or before the filing deadline of each ensuing year shall be suspended automatically without the taking of any action by the superintendent. A suspended license may be reactivated within twelve months of the date of suspension, provided that the renewal fee plus a penalty fee of fifty per cent of the renewal fee is paid to the superintendent. Failure to reactivate the license as provided in this division shall result in automatic revocation of the license without the taking of any action by the superintendent. No person, partnership, association, corporation, limited liability company, or limited partnership shall engage in any act or acts for which a real estate license is required while that entity's license is placed in an inactive or resigned status, or is suspended, or revoked. The commission shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to provide to licensees notice of suspension or revocation or both.

(D) Each licensee shall notify the superintendent of a change in personal residence address within thirty days after the change of location. A licensee's failure to notify the superintendent of a change in personal residence address does not negate the
requirement to file the license renewal by the required deadline established by the commission by rule under division (A)(2)(f) of section 4735.10 of the Revised Code. Each licensee shall maintain a valid electronic mail address on file with the division and notify the superintendent of any change in electronic mail address within thirty days after the change.

(E) The superintendent shall not renew a license if the licensee fails to comply with section 4735.141 of the Revised Code or is otherwise not in compliance with this chapter.

(F) The superintendent shall make notice of successful renewal available electronically to licensees as soon as practicable, but not later than thirty days after receipt by the division of a complete application and renewal fee. This notice shall serve as a notice of renewal for purposes of section 4745.02 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4735.15. (A) The nonrefundable fees for reactivation or transfer of a license shall be as follows:

(1) Reactivation or transfer of a broker's license into or out of a partnership, association, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or corporation or from one partnership, association, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or corporation to another partnership, association, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or corporation, thirty-four dollars. An application for such transfer shall be made to the superintendent of real estate on forms provided by the superintendent.

(2) Reactivation or transfer of a license by a real estate salesperson, thirty-four dollars.

(B) Except as may otherwise be specified pursuant to division (F) of this section or any rules adopted by the Ohio real estate
commission pursuant to division (A)(2)(b) of section 4735.10 of
the Revised Code, the nonrefundable fees are as follows for each
licensing period:

(1) Branch office license, twenty dollars;

(2) Renewal of a three-year real estate broker's license, two
hundred forty-three dollars. If the licensee is a partnership,
association, limited liability company, limited liability
partnership, or corporation, the full broker's renewal fee shall
be required for each member of such partnership, association,
limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or
corporation that is a real estate broker. If the real estate
broker has not less than eleven nor more than twenty real estate
salespersons associated with the broker, an additional fee of
sixty-four dollars shall be assessed to the brokerage. For every
additional ten real estate salespersons or fraction of that
number, the brokerage assessment fee shall be increased in the
amount of thirty-seven dollars.

(3) Renewal of a three-year real estate salesperson's
license, one hundred eighty-two dollars;

(4) Renewal of a real estate broker's or salesperson's
license filed within twelve months after the licensee's renewal
date, an additional late filing penalty of fifty per cent of the
required three-year fee;

(5) Foreign real estate dealer's license and each renewal of
the license, thirty dollars per salesperson employed by the
dealer, but not less than two hundred three dollars;

(6) Foreign real estate salesperson's license and each
renewal of the license, sixty-eight dollars.

(C) All fees collected under this section shall be paid to
the treasurer of state. One dollar of each such fee shall be
credited to the real estate education and research fund, except
that for fees that are assessed only once every three years, three
dollars one dollar and fifty cents of each triennial fee shall be
credited to the real estate education and research fund.

(D) In all cases, the fee and any penalty shall accompany the
application for the license, license transfer, or license
reactivation or shall accompany the filing of the renewal.

(E) The commission may establish by rule reasonable fees for
services not otherwise established by this chapter.

(F) The commission may adopt rules that provide for a
reduction in the fees established in divisions (B)(2) and (3) of
this section.

Sec. 4735.211. All fines imposed under section 4735.051 of
the Revised Code, and all fees and charges collected under
sections 4735.06, 4735.09, 4735.13, 4735.15, 4735.25, 4735.27,
4735.28, and 4735.29 of the Revised Code, except such fees as are
paid to the real estate education and research fund and real
estate recovery fund as provided in this chapter, shall be paid
into the state treasury to the credit of the division of real
estate operating fund, which is hereby created. All operating
expenses of the division of real estate shall be paid from the
division of real estate operating fund.

The division of real estate operating fund shall be assessed
a proportionate share of the administrative costs of the
department of commerce in accordance with procedures prescribed by
the director of commerce and approved by the director of budget
and management. Such assessments shall be paid from the division
of real estate operating fund to the division of administration
fund.

If funds in the division of real estate operating fund are
determined by the director of commerce to be in excess of those
necessary to fund all the expenses of the division in any biennium, the director may pay the excess funds to the real estate education and research fund.

Sec. 4755.01. (A) There is hereby created the Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board consisting of sixteen residents of this state, who shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The board shall be composed of a physical therapy section, an occupational therapy section, and an athletic trainers section.

(1) Five members of the board shall be physical therapists who are licensed to practice physical therapy and who have been engaged in or actively associated with the practice of physical therapy in this state for at least five years immediately preceding appointment. Such members of the board shall sit on the physical therapy section. The physical therapy section also shall consist of four additional members, appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate, who satisfy the same qualifications as the members of the board sitting on the physical therapy section, but who are not members of the board. Of the additional physical therapy section members whose terms commence on August 28, 2007, one shall be for a term of one year, one for a term of two years, one for a term of three years, and one for a term of four years. Such additional members of the physical therapy section are vested with only such powers and shall perform only such duties as relate to the affairs of that section.

(2) Four members of the board shall be occupational therapists and one member shall be a licensed occupational therapy assistant, all of whom have been engaged in or actively associated with the practice of occupational therapy or practice as an occupational therapy assistant in this state for at least five years immediately preceding appointment. Such members of the board
shall sit on the occupational therapy section.

(3) Four members of the board shall be athletic trainers who have been engaged in the practice of athletic training in Ohio for at least five years immediately preceding appointment. One member of the board shall be a physician licensed to practice medicine and surgery in this state. Such members of the board shall sit on the athletic trainers section.

(4) One member of the board shall represent the public. This member shall sit on the board and shall attend each year at least three meetings of the physical therapy section, three meetings of the occupational therapy section, and three meetings of the athletic trainers section.

(B) Except for the terms of office specified in division (A)(1) of this section for the additional members of the physical therapy section commencing on August 28, 2007, terms for the members of the board and the additional members of the physical therapy section are for three years. Each member's term shall commence on the twenty-eighth day of August and end on the twenty-seventh day of August. Each member shall serve subsequent to the expiration of the member's term until the member's successor is appointed and qualifies, or until a period of sixty ninety days has elapsed, whichever occurs first. A member shall not serve for more than three consecutive terms. All vacancies shall be filled in the manner prescribed for the regular appointments and are limited to the unexpired terms.

(C) Each member of the board and each additional member of the physical therapy section, before entering upon the official duties of office, shall do both of the following:

(1) Subscribe to and file with the secretary of state the constitutional oath of office;

(2) Sign and file with the executive director of the board a
notarized statement that the member has read and understands sections 121.22 and 149.43 of the Revised Code and the provisions of Chapter 119. of the Revised Code that are applicable to the duties of the board.

(D) Annually, upon the qualification of the member or members appointed in that year, the board shall organize by selecting from its members a president and secretary. Each section of the board shall independently organize by selecting from its members a chairperson and secretary.

(E) A majority of the members of the board constitutes a quorum to transact and vote on the business of the board. A majority of the members of each section constitutes a quorum to transact and vote on the affairs of that section.

(F) Each member of the board and each additional member of the physical therapy section shall receive an amount fixed pursuant to division (J) of section 124.15 of the Revised Code for each day employed in the discharge of official duties. In addition, each member of the board and each additional member of the physical therapy section shall receive the member's actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of official duties.

(G) The board of trustees of the Ohio occupational therapy association may recommend, after any term expires or vacancy occurs in an occupational therapy position, at least three persons to fill each such position or vacancy on the board, and the governor may make the appointment from the persons so recommended. The executive board of the Ohio chapter of the American physical therapy association may recommend, after any term expires or vacancy occurs in a physical therapy position, at least three persons to fill each such vacancy on the board, and the governor may make appointments from the persons so recommended. The Ohio athletic trainers association shall recommend to the governor at least three persons when any term expires or any vacancy occurs in
an athletic trainer position. The governor may select one of the association's recommendations in making such an appointment.

(H) The board shall meet as a whole to determine all administrative, personnel, and budgetary matters. The executive director of the board appointed by the board shall not be a physical therapist, an occupational therapist, or an athletic trainer who has been licensed to practice physical therapy, occupational therapy, or as an athletic trainer in this state within three years immediately preceding appointment. The executive director shall execute, under the direction of the board, the policies, orders, directives, and administrative functions of the board and shall direct, under rules adopted by the board, the work of all persons employed by the board. Upon the request of the board, the executive director shall report to the board on any matter. The executive director shall serve at the pleasure of the board.

(I) The occupational therapy section of the board shall have the authority to act on behalf of the board on matters concerning the practice of occupational therapy and, in particular, the examination of applicants, the issuance of licenses and limited permits, and the suspension or revocation of licenses and limited permits to practice as an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant. The physical therapy section of the board shall have the authority to act on behalf of the board on matters concerning the practice of physical therapy and, in particular, the examination, licensure, and suspension or revocation of licensure of applicants, physical therapists, and physical therapist assistants. The athletic trainers section of the board shall have the authority to act on behalf of the board on matters concerning the practice of athletic training and, in particular, the examination, licensure, and suspension or revocation of licensure of applicants and athletic trainers. All actions taken
by any section of the board under this division shall be in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4755.02. (A) The appropriate section of the Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board shall investigate compliance with this chapter or any rule or order issued under this chapter and shall investigate alleged grounds for the suspension, revocation, or refusal to issue or renew licenses or limited permits under section 3123.47, 4755.11, 4755.47, or 4755.64 of the Revised Code. The appropriate section may subpoena witnesses and documents in connection with its investigations.

(B) Through the attorney general or an appropriate prosecuting attorney, the appropriate section may apply to an appropriate court for an order enjoining the violation of this chapter. On the filing of a verified petition, the court shall conduct a hearing on the petition and give the same preference to the proceeding as is given to all proceedings under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, irrespective of the position of the proceeding on the court's calendar. On a showing that a person has violated or is about to violate this chapter, the court shall grant an injunction, restraining order, or other order as appropriate. The injunction proceedings provided by this division are in addition to all penalties and other remedies provided in this chapter.

(C) When requested by the appropriate section, the prosecuting attorney of a county, or the village solicitor or city director of law of a municipal corporation, where a violation of this chapter allegedly occurs, shall take charge of and conduct the prosecution.

(D) The appropriate section may employ investigators who shall investigate complaints, conduct inspections, and make
inquiries as in the judgment of the section are appropriate to enforce sections 3123.41 to 3123.50 of the Revised Code or this chapter. These investigators have the right to review, obtain copies, and audit the patient records and personnel files of licensees and limited permit holders at the place of business of the licensees or limited permit holders or any other place where such documents may be and shall be given access to such documents during normal business hours.

(E)(1) Subject to division (E)(2) of this section, information and records received or generated by the board pursuant to an investigation are confidential, are not public records as defined in section 149.43 of the Revised Code, and are not subject to discovery in any civil or administrative action.

(2) For good cause, the board may disclose information gathered pursuant to an investigation to any federal, state, or local law enforcement, prosecutorial, or regulatory agency or its officers or agents engaging in an investigation the board believes is within the agency's jurisdiction. An agency that receives confidential information shall comply with the same requirements regarding confidentiality as those with which the board must comply, notwithstanding any conflicting provision of the Revised Code or procedure of the agency that applies when the agency is dealing with other information in its possession. The information may be admitted into evidence in a criminal trial in accordance with the Rules of Evidence, or in an administrative hearing conducted by an agency, but the court or agency shall require that appropriate measures be taken to ensure that confidentiality is maintained with respect to any part of the information that contains names or other identifying information about patients, complainants, or others whose confidentiality was protected by the board when the information was in the board's possession. Measures to ensure confidentiality that may be taken by the court or agency
include sealing its records or redacting specific information from its records.

(F) The appropriate section shall conduct hearings, keep records and minutes, and enforce the relevant sections of this chapter.

(G) Each section of the board shall publish and make available, upon request and for a fee not to exceed the actual cost of printing and mailing, the licensure standards prescribed by the relevant sections of this chapter and the Administrative Code.

(H) The board shall submit to the governor and to the general assembly each year a report of all its official actions during the preceding year, together with any recommendations and findings with regard to the status of the professions of physical therapy, occupational therapy, and athletic training.

Sec. 4755.04. As used in sections 4755.04 to 4755.13 and section 4755.99 of the Revised Code:

(A) "Occupational therapy" means the therapeutic use of everyday life activities or occupations with individuals or groups for the purpose of participation in roles and situations in the home, school, workplace, community, and other settings. The practice of occupational therapy includes all of the following:

   (1) Methods or strategies selected to direct the process of interventions, including, but not limited to, establishment, remediation, or restoration of a skill or ability that has not yet developed or is impaired and compensation, modification, or adaptation of activity or environment to enhance performance;

   (2) Evaluation of factors affecting activities of daily living, instrumental activities of daily living, education, work, play, leisure, and social participation, including, but not
limited to, sensory motor abilities, vision, perception, cognition, psychosocial, and communication and interaction skills;

(3) Interventions and procedures to promote or enhance safety and performance in activities of daily living, education, work, play, leisure, and social participation, including, but not limited to, application of physical agent modalities, use of a range of specific therapeutic procedures to enhance performance skills, rehabilitation of driving skills to facilitate community mobility, and management of feeding, eating, and swallowing to enable eating and feeding performance;

(4) Consultative services, case management, and education of patients, clients, or other individuals to promote self-management, home management, and community and work reintegration;

(5) Designing, fabricating, applying, recommending, and instructing in the use of selected orthotic or prosthetic devices and other equipment which assists the individual to adapt to the individual's potential or actual impairment;

(6) Administration of topical drugs that have been prescribed by a licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs, as defined in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) "Occupational therapist" means a person who is licensed or holds a limited permit to practice occupational therapy and who offers such services to the public under any title incorporating the words "occupational therapy," "occupational therapist," or any similar title or description of services.

(C) "Occupational therapy assistant" means a person who holds a license or limited permit to provide occupational therapy techniques under the general supervision of an occupational therapist.
Sec. 4755.05. No person who does not hold a current license or limited permit under sections 4755.04 to 4755.13 of the Revised Code shall practice or offer to practice occupational therapy, or use in connection with the person’s name, or otherwise assume, use, or advertise, any title, initials, or description tending to convey the impression that the person is an occupational therapist or an occupational therapy assistant. No partnership, association, or corporation shall advertise or otherwise offer to provide or convey the impression that it is providing occupational therapy unless an individual holding a current license or limited permit under sections 4755.04 to 4755.13 of the Revised Code is or will at the appropriate time be rendering the occupational therapy services to which reference is made.

Sec. 4755.06. The occupational therapy section of the Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board may make reasonable rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code relating to, but not limited to, the following:

(A) The form and manner for filing applications for licensure under sections 4755.04 to 4755.13 of the Revised Code;

(B) The issuance, suspension, and revocation of the licenses and the conducting of investigations and hearings;

(C) Standards for approval of courses of study relative to the practice of occupational therapy;

(D) The time and form of examination for the licensure;

(E) Standards of ethical conduct in the practice of occupational therapy;

(F) The form and manner for filing applications for renewal and a schedule of deadlines for renewal;

(G) The conditions under which a license of a licensee who
files a late application for renewal will be reinstated;

(H) Placing an existing license in escrow;

(I) The amount, scope, and nature of continuing education activities required for license renewal, including waivers of the continuing education requirements;

(J) Guidelines for limited permits;

(K) Requirements for criminal records checks of applicants under section 4776.03 of the Revised Code;

(L) Subject to section 4755.061 of the Revised Code, the amount for each fee specified in section 4755.12 of the Revised Code that the section charges;

(M) The amount and content of corrective action courses required by the board under section 4755.11 of the Revised Code.

The section may hear testimony in matters relating to the duties imposed upon it, and the chairperson and secretary of the section may administer oaths. The section may require proof, beyond the evidence found in the application, of the honesty, truthfulness, and good reputation of any person named in an application for licensure, before admitting the applicant to an examination or issuing a license.

Sec. 4755.08. The occupational therapy section of the Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board shall issue a license to every applicant who has passed the appropriate examination designated by the section and who otherwise complies with the licensure requirements of sections 4755.04 to 4755.13 of the Revised Code. The license entitles the holder to practice occupational therapy or to assist in the practice of occupational therapy. The licensee shall display the license in a conspicuous place at the licensee's principal place of business.
The section may issue a limited permit to persons who have satisfied the requirements of divisions (A) to (C) of section 4755.07 of the Revised Code. This permit allows the person to practice as an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant under the supervision of a licensed occupational therapist and is valid until the date on which the results of the examination are made public. This limited permit shall not be renewed if the applicant has failed the examination.

Sec. 4755.11. (A) In accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the occupational therapy section of the Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board may suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue or renew an occupational therapist license, or occupational therapy assistant license, occupational therapist limited permit, occupational therapy assistant limited permit, or may reprimand, fine, place a license or limited permit holder on probation, or require the license or limited permit holder to take corrective action courses, for any of the following:

(1) Conviction of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, an offense involving moral turpitude or a felony, regardless of the state or country in which the conviction or finding occurred;

(2) Violation of any provision of sections 4755.04 to 4755.13 of the Revised Code;

(3) Violation of any lawful order or rule of the occupational therapy section;

(4) Obtaining or attempting to obtain a license or limited permit issued by the occupational therapy section by fraud or deception, including the making of a false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading statements in relation to these activities;
(5) Negligence, unprofessional conduct, or gross misconduct in the practice of the profession of occupational therapy;

(6) Accepting commissions or rebates or other forms of remuneration for referring persons to other professionals;

(7) Communicating, without authorization, information received in professional confidence;

(8) Using controlled substances, habit forming drugs, or alcohol to an extent that it impairs the ability to perform the work of an occupational therapist, occupational therapist limited permit holder, or occupational therapy assistant limited permit holder;

(9) Practicing in an area of occupational therapy for which the individual is untrained or incompetent;

(10) Failing the licensing or Ohio jurisprudence examination;

(11) Aiding, abetting, directing, or supervising the unlicensed practice of occupational therapy;

(12) Denial, revocation, suspension, or restriction of authority to practice a health care occupation, including occupational therapy, for any reason other than a failure to renew, in Ohio or another state or jurisdiction;

(13) Except as provided in division (B) of this section:

(a) Waiving the payment of all or any part of a deductible or copayment that a patient, pursuant to a health insurance or health care policy, contract, or plan that covers occupational therapy, would otherwise be required to pay if the waiver is used as an enticement to a patient or group of patients to receive health care services from that provider;

(b) Advertising that the individual will waive the payment of all or any part of a deductible or copayment that a patient, pursuant to a health insurance or health care policy, contract, or plan that covers occupational therapy, would otherwise be required to pay if the waiver is used as an enticement to a patient or group of patients to receive health care services from that provider;
plan that covers occupational therapy, would otherwise be required to pay.

(14) Working or representing oneself as an occupational therapist, or occupational therapy assistant, occupational therapist limited permit holder, or occupational therapy assistant limited permit holder without a current and valid license or limited permit issued by the occupational therapy section;

(15) Engaging in a deceptive trade practice, as defined in section 4165.02 of the Revised Code;

(16) Violation of the standards of ethical conduct in the practice of occupational therapy as identified by the occupational therapy section;

(17) A departure from, or the failure to conform to, minimal standards of care required of licensees or limited permit holders, whether or not actual injury to a patient is established;

(18) An adjudication by a court that the applicant, or licensee, or limited permit holder is incompetent for the purpose of holding a license or limited permit and has not thereafter been restored to legal capacity for that purpose;

(19)(a) Except as provided in division (A)(19)(b) of this section, failure to cooperate with an investigation conducted by the occupational therapy section, including failure to comply with a subpoena or orders issued by the section or failure to answer truthfully a question presented by the section at a deposition or in written interrogatories.

(b) Failure to cooperate with an investigation does not constitute grounds for discipline under this section if a court of competent jurisdiction issues an order that either quashes a subpoena or permits the individual to withhold the testimony or evidence at issue.
(20) Conviction of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, a misdemeanor reasonably related to the practice of occupational therapy, regardless of the state or country in which the conviction or finding occurred;

(21) Inability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care because of mental or physical illness, including physical deterioration that adversely affects cognitive, motor, or perception skills;

(22) Violation of conditions, limitations, or agreements placed by the occupational therapy section on a license or limited permit to practice;

(23) Making a false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading statement in the solicitation of or advertising for patients in relation to the practice of occupational therapy;

(21) Inability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care because of mental or physical illness, including physical deterioration that adversely affects cognitive, motor, or perception skills;

(24) Failure to complete continuing education requirements as prescribed in rules adopted by the occupational therapy section under section 4755.06 of the Revised Code;

(25) Regardless of whether it is consensual, engaging in any of the following with a patient other than the spouse of the occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant:

   (a) Sexual conduct, as defined in section 2907.01 of the Revised Code;

   (b) Sexual contact, as defined in section 2907.01 of the Revised Code;

   (c) Verbal behavior that is sexually demeaning to the patient or may be reasonably interpreted by the patient as sexually
(B) Sanctions shall not be imposed under division (A)(13) of this section against any individual who waives deductibles and copayments as follows:

(1) In compliance with the health benefit plan that expressly allows such a practice. Waiver of the deductibles or copayments shall be made only with the full knowledge and consent of the plan purchaser, payer, and third-party administrator. Documentation of the consent shall be made available to the section upon request.

(2) For professional services rendered to any other person licensed pursuant to sections 4755.04 to 4755.13 of the Revised Code to the extent allowed by those sections and the rules of the occupational therapy section.

(C) Except as provided in division (D) of this section, the suspension or revocation of a license or limited permit under this section is not effective until either the order for suspension or revocation has been affirmed following an adjudication hearing, or the time for requesting a hearing has elapsed.

When a license or limited permit is revoked under this section, application for reinstatement may not be made sooner than one year after the date of revocation. The occupational therapy section may accept or refuse an application for reinstatement and may require that the applicant pass an examination as a condition of reinstatement.

When a license or limited permit holder is placed on probation under this section, the occupational therapy section's probation order shall be accompanied by a statement of the conditions under which the individual may be removed from probation and restored to unrestricted practice.

(D) On receipt of a complaint that a person who holds a license or limited permit issued by the occupational therapy
section has committed any of the prohibited actions listed in division (A) of this section, the section may immediately suspend the license or limited permit prior to holding a hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code if it determines, based on the complaint, that the licensee or limited permit holder poses an immediate threat to the public. The section may review the allegations and vote on the suspension by telephone conference call. If the section votes to suspend a license or limited permit under this division, the section shall issue a written order of summary suspension to the licensee or limited permit holder in accordance with section 119.07 of the Revised Code. If the individual whose license or limited permit is suspended fails to make a timely request for an adjudication under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the section shall enter a final order permanently revoking the individual's license or limited permit. Notwithstanding section 119.12 of the Revised Code, a court of common pleas shall not grant a suspension of the section's order of summary suspension pending the determination of an appeal filed under that section. Any order of summary suspension issued under this division shall remain in effect, unless reversed on appeal, until a final adjudication order issued by the section pursuant to division (A) of this section becomes effective. The section shall issue its final adjudication order regarding an order of summary suspension issued under this division not later than ninety days after completion of its hearing. Failure to issue the order within ninety days shall result in immediate dissolution of the suspension order, but shall not invalidate any subsequent, final adjudication order.

(E) If any person other than a person who holds a license or limited permit issued under section 4755.08 of the Revised Code has engaged in any practice that is prohibited under sections 4755.04 to 4755.13 of the Revised Code or the rules of the occupational therapy section, the section may apply to the court
of common pleas of the county in which the violation occurred, for an injunction or other appropriate order restraining this conduct, and the court shall issue this order.

Sec. 4755.12. (A) The occupational therapy section of the Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board may charge any or all of the following fees:

(1) A nonrefundable examination fee, which is to be paid at the time of application for licensure;

(2) An application fee for an initial license;

(3) An initial licensure fee;

(4) A fee for biennial renewal of a license;

(5) A fee for late renewal of a license;

(6) A fee for the review of continuing education activities;

(7) A fee for a limited permit; 

(8) A fee for verification of a license.

(B) Any person who is qualified to practice occupational therapy as certified by the section, but who is not in the active practice, as defined by section rule, may register with the section as a nonactive licensee at a biennial fee.

(C) The section may, by rule, provide for the waiver of all or part of a fee when the license is issued less than one hundred days before the date on which it will expire.

(D) Except when all or part of a fee is waived under division (C) of this section, the amount charged by the occupational therapy section for each of its fees shall be the applicable amount established in rules adopted under section 4755.06 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4755.42. (A) Each person seeking
licensure as a physical therapy therapist shall file with the physical therapy section of the Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board an application that includes the following:

1. Name;
2. Current address;
3. Physical description and photograph;
4. Proof of completion of graduation from a master's or doctorate professional physical therapy program of physical therapy education that is accredited by a national physical therapy accreditation agency recognized approved by the United States department of education and that includes:
   a. A minimum of one hundred twenty academic semester credits or its equivalent, including courses in the biological and other physical sciences;
   b. A course in physical therapy education that has provided instruction in basic sciences, clinical sciences, and physical therapy theory and procedures physical therapy section.

B. On making application under division (A) of this section, the applicant shall pay a fee of not more than one hundred twenty-five dollars for the license.

C. The physical therapy section shall approve an application applicant to sit for the examination required under division (A) of section 4755.43 of the Revised Code not later than one hundred twenty days after receiving an application that the section considers complete unless the board has done either of the following:

1. Requested documents relevant to the section's evaluation of the application;
(2) Notified the applicant in writing of the section's intent to deny a license and the applicant's right to request a hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to appeal the section's intent to deny a license.

(D) If the section fails to comply with division (C) of this section, the section shall refund one-half of the application fee to the applicant.

Sec. 4755.421. (A) Each applicant seeking licensure as a physical therapist assistant shall file with the physical therapy section of the Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board an application that includes the following:

(1) Name;

(2) Current address;

(3) Physical description and photograph;

(4) Proof of completion of graduation from a professional physical therapist assistant program of education that is accredited by a national physical therapy accreditation agency recognized approved by the United States department of education physical therapy section.

(B) On making application under division (A) of this section, the applicant shall pay a fee of not more than one hundred twenty-five dollars for the license.

(C)(1) The physical therapy section shall approve an applicant to sit for the examination required under division (A) of section 4755.431 of the Revised Code not later than one hundred twenty days after receiving an application that the section considers complete unless the board has done either of the following:

(a) Requested documents relevant to the section's evaluation
of the application;

(b) Notified the applicant in writing of the section's intent to deny a license and the applicant's right to request a hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to appeal the section's intent to deny a license.

(2) If the section fails to comply with division (C)(1) of this section, the section shall refund half of the application fee to the applicant.

Sec. 4755.47. (A) In accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the physical therapy section of the Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board may refuse to grant a license to an applicant for an initial or renewed license as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant or, by an affirmative vote of not less than five members, may limit, suspend, or revoke the license of a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant or reprimand, fine, place a license holder on probation, or require the license holder to take corrective action courses, on any of the following grounds:

(1) Habitual indulgence in the use of controlled substances, other habit-forming drugs, or alcohol to an extent that affects the individual's professional competency;

(2) Conviction of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude, regardless of the state or country in which the conviction or finding occurred;

(3) Obtaining or attempting to obtain a license issued by the physical therapy section by fraud or deception, including the making of a false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading statement;

(4) An adjudication by a court, as provided in section
5122.301 of the Revised Code, that the applicant or licensee is incompetent for the purpose of holding the license and has not thereafter been restored to legal capacity for that purpose;

(5) Subject to section 4755.471 of the Revised Code, violation of the code of ethics adopted by the physical therapy section;

(6) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of or conspiring to violate sections 4755.40 to 4755.56 of the Revised Code or any order issued or rule adopted under those sections;

(7) Failure of one or both of the examinations required under section 4755.43 or 4755.431 of the Revised Code;

(8) Permitting the use of one's name or license by a person, group, or corporation when the one permitting the use is not directing the treatment given;

(9) Denial, revocation, suspension, or restriction of authority to practice a health care occupation, including physical therapy, for any reason other than a failure to renew, in Ohio or another state or jurisdiction;

(10) Failure to maintain minimal standards of practice in the administration or handling of drugs, as defined in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code, or failure to employ acceptable scientific methods in the selection of drugs, as defined in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code, or other modalities for treatment;

(11) Willful betrayal of a professional confidence;

(12) Making a false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading statement in the solicitation of or advertising for patients in relation to the practice of physical therapy;

(13) A departure from, or the failure to conform to, minimal standards of care required of licensees when under the same or
similar circumstances, whether or not actual injury to a patient is established;

(14) Obtaining, or attempting to obtain, money or anything of value by fraudulent misrepresentations in the course of practice;

(15) Violation of the conditions of limitation or agreements placed by the physical therapy section on a license to practice;

(16) Failure to renew a license in accordance with section 4755.46 of the Revised Code;

(17) Except as provided in section 4755.471 of the Revised Code, engaging in the division of fees for referral of patients or receiving anything of value in return for a specific referral of a patient to utilize a particular service or business;

(18) Inability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care because of mental illness or physical illness, including physical deterioration that adversely affects cognitive, motor, or perception skills;

(19) The revocation, suspension, restriction, or termination of clinical privileges by the United States department of defense or department of veterans affairs;

(20) Termination or suspension from participation in the medicare or medicaid program established under Title XVIII and Title XIX, respectively, of the "Social Security Act," 49 Stat. 620 (1935), 42 U.S.C. 301, as amended, for an act or acts that constitute a violation of sections 4755.40 to 4755.56 of the Revised Code;

(21) Failure of a physical therapist to maintain supervision of a student, physical therapist assistant, unlicensed support personnel, other assistant personnel, or a license applicant in accordance with the requirements of sections 4755.40 to 4755.56 of the Revised Code and rules adopted under those sections;
(22) Failure to complete continuing education requirements as prescribed in section 4755.51 or 4755.511 of the Revised Code or to satisfy any rules applicable to continuing education requirements that are adopted by the physical therapy section;

(23) Conviction of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, a misdemeanor when the act that constitutes the misdemeanor occurs during the practice of physical therapy;

(24)(a) Except as provided in division (A)(24)(b) of this section, failure to cooperate with an investigation conducted by the physical therapy section, including failure to comply with a subpoena or orders issued by the section or failure to answer truthfully a question presented by the section at a deposition or in written interrogatories.

(b) Failure to cooperate with an investigation does not constitute grounds for discipline under this section if a court of competent jurisdiction issues an order that either quashes a subpoena or permits the individual to withhold the testimony or evidence at issue.

(25) Regardless of whether the contact or verbal behavior is consensual, engaging in any of the following with a patient other than the spouse of the physical therapist or physical therapist assistant, in any of the following:

(a) Sexual conduct, as defined in section 2907.01 of the Revised Code;

(b) Sexual contact, as defined in section 2907.01 of the Revised Code;

(c) Verbal behavior that is sexually demeaning to the patient or may be reasonably interpreted by the patient as sexually demeaning.
(26) Failure to notify the physical therapy section of a change in name, business address, or home address within thirty days after the date of change;

(27) Except as provided in division (B) of this section:

(a) Waiving the payment of all or any part of a deductible or copayment that a patient, pursuant to a health insurance or health care policy, contract, or plan that covers physical therapy, would otherwise be required to pay if the waiver is used as an enticement to a patient or group of patients to receive health care services from that provider;

(b) Advertising that the individual will waive the payment of all or any part of a deductible or copayment that a patient, pursuant to a health insurance or health care policy, contract, or plan that covers physical therapy, would otherwise be required to pay;

(28) Violation of any section of this chapter or rule adopted under it.

(B) Sanctions shall not be imposed under division (A)(27) of this section against any individual who waives deductibles and copayments as follows:

(1) In compliance with the health benefit plan that expressly allows such a practice. Waiver of the deductibles or copayments shall be made only with the full knowledge and consent of the plan purchaser, payer, and third-party administrator. Documentation of the consent shall be made available to the physical therapy section upon request.

(2) For professional services rendered to any other person licensed pursuant to sections 4755.40 to 4755.56 of the Revised Code to the extent allowed by those sections and the rules of the physical therapy section.
(C) When a license is revoked under this section, application for reinstatement may not be made sooner than one year after the date of revocation. The physical therapy section may accept or refuse an application for reinstatement and may require that the applicant pass an examination as a condition for reinstatement.

When a license holder is placed on probation under this section, the physical therapy section's order for placement on probation shall be accompanied by a statement of the conditions under which the individual may be removed from probation and restored to unrestricted practice.

(D) When an application for an initial or renewed license is refused under this section, the physical therapy section shall notify the applicant in writing of the section's decision to refuse issuance of a license and the reason for its decision.

(E) On receipt of a complaint that a person licensed by the physical therapy section has committed any of the actions listed in division (A) of this section, the physical therapy section may immediately suspend the license of the physical therapist or physical therapist assistant prior to holding a hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code if it determines, based on the complaint, that the person poses an immediate threat to the public. The physical therapy section may review the allegations and vote on the suspension by telephone conference call. If the physical therapy section votes to suspend a license under this division, the physical therapy section shall issue a written order of summary suspension to the person in accordance with section 119.07 of the Revised Code. If the person fails to make a timely request for an adjudication under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the physical therapy section shall enter a final order permanently revoking the person's license. Notwithstanding section 119.12 of the Revised Code, a court of common pleas shall not grant a suspension of the physical therapy section's order of
summary suspension pending the determination of an appeal filed under that section. Any order of summary suspension issued under this division shall remain in effect, unless reversed on appeal, until a final adjudication order issued by the physical therapy section pursuant to division (A) of this section becomes effective. The physical therapy section shall issue its final adjudication order regarding an order of summary suspension issued under this division not later than ninety days after completion of its hearing. Failure to issue the order within ninety days shall result in immediate dissolution of the suspension order, but shall not invalidate any subsequent, final adjudication order.

Sec. 4755.48. (A) No person shall employ fraud or deception in applying for or securing a license to practice physical therapy or to be a physical therapist assistant.

(B) No person shall practice or in any way imply or claim to the public by words, actions, or the use of letters as described in division (C) of this section to be able to practice physical therapy or to provide physical therapy services, including practice as a physical therapist assistant, unless the person holds a valid license under sections 4755.40 to 4755.56 of the Revised Code or except for submission of claims as provided in section 4755.56 of the Revised Code.

(C) No person shall use the words or letters, physical therapist, physical therapy, physical therapy services, physiotherapist, physiotherapy, physiotherapy services, licensed physical therapist, P.T., Ph.T., P.T.T., R.P.T., L.P.T., M.P.T., D.P.T., M.S.P.T., P.T.A., physical therapy assistant, physical therapist assistant, physical therapy technician, licensed physical therapist assistant, L.P.T.A., R.P.T.A., or any other letters, words, abbreviations, or insignia, indicating or implying that the person is a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant.
assistant without a valid license under sections 4755.40 to 4755.56 of the Revised Code.

(D) No person who practices physical therapy or assists in the provision of physical therapy treatments under the supervision of a physical therapist shall fail to display the person's current license granted under sections 4755.40 to 4755.56 of the Revised Code in a conspicuous location in the place where the person spends the major part of the person's time so engaged.

(E) Nothing in sections 4755.40 to 4755.56 of the Revised Code shall affect or interfere with the performance of the duties of any physical therapist or physical therapist assistant in active service in the army, navy, coast guard, marine corps, air force, public health service, or marine hospital service of the United States, while so serving.

(F) Nothing in sections 4755.40 to 4755.56 of the Revised Code shall prevent or restrict the activities or services of a person pursuing a course of study leading to a degree in physical therapy in an accredited or approved educational program if the activities or services constitute a part of a supervised course of study and the person is designated by a title that clearly indicates the person's status as a student.

(G)(1) Subject to division (G)(2) of this section, nothing in sections 4755.40 to 4755.56 of the Revised Code shall prevent or restrict the activities or services of any person who holds a current, unrestricted license to practice physical therapy in another state when that person, pursuant to contract or employment with an athletic team located in the state in which the person holds the license, provides physical therapy to any of the following while the team is traveling to or from or participating in a sporting event in this state:

(a) A member of the athletic team;
(b) A member of the athletic team's coaching, communications, equipment, or sports medicine staff;

(c) A member of a band or cheerleading squad accompanying the athletic team;

(d) The athletic team's mascot.

(2) In providing physical therapy pursuant to division (G)(1) of this section, the person shall not do either of the following:

(a) Provide physical therapy at a health care facility;

(b) Provide physical therapy for more than sixty days in a calendar year.

(H)(1) Except as provided in division (H)(2) of this section and subject to division (I) of this section, no person shall practice physical therapy other than on the prescription of, or the referral of a patient by, a person who is licensed in this or another state to do at least one of the following:

(a) Practice medicine and surgery, chiropractic, dentistry, osteopathic medicine and surgery, podiatric medicine and surgery;

(b) Practice as a physician assistant;

(c) Practice nursing as an advanced practice registered nurse.

(2) The prohibition in division (H)(1) of this section on practicing physical therapy other than on the prescription of, or the referral of a patient by, any of the persons described in that division does not apply if either of the following applies to the person:

(a) The person holds a master's or doctorate degree from a professional physical therapy program that is accredited by a national physical therapy accreditation agency recognized approved by the United States department of education physical therapy section of the Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and
athletic trainers board.

(b) On or before December 31, 2004, the person has completed at least two years of practical experience as a licensed physical therapist.

(I) To be authorized to prescribe physical therapy or refer a patient to a physical therapist for physical therapy, a person described in division (H)(1) of this section must be in good standing with the relevant licensing board in this state or the state in which the person is licensed and must act only within the person's scope of practice.

(J) In the prosecution of any person for violation of division (B) or (C) of this section, it is not necessary to allege or prove want of a valid license to practice physical therapy or to practice as a physical therapist assistant, but such matters shall be a matter of defense to be established by the accused.

Sec. 4755.64. (A) In accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the athletic trainers section of the Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board may suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue or renew an athletic trainers license, or reprimand, fine, or place a licensee on probation, for any of the following:

(1) Conviction, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, of a felony or offense involving moral turpitude, regardless of the state or country in which the conviction or finding occurred;

(2) Violation of sections 4755.61 to 4755.65 of the Revised Code or any order issued or rule adopted thereunder;

(3) Obtaining a license through fraud, false or misleading representation, or concealment of material facts;

(4) Negligence or gross misconduct in the practice of
athletic training;

(5) Violating the standards of ethical conduct in the practice of athletic training as adopted by the athletic trainers section under section 4755.61 of the Revised Code;

(6) Using any controlled substance or alcohol to the extent that the ability to practice athletic training at a level of competency is impaired;

(7) Practicing in an area of athletic training for which the individual is untrained, incompetent, or practicing without the referral of a practitioner licensed under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code, a dentist licensed under Chapter 4715. of the Revised Code, a chiropractor licensed under Chapter 4734. of the Revised Code, or a physical therapist licensed under this chapter;

(8) Employing, directing, or supervising a person in the performance of athletic training procedures who is not authorized to practice as a licensed athletic trainer under this chapter;

(9) Misrepresenting educational attainments or the functions the individual is authorized to perform for the purpose of obtaining some benefit related to the individual's athletic training practice;

(10) Failing the licensing examination;

(11) Aiding or abetting the unlicensed practice of athletic training;

(12) Denial, revocation, suspension, or restriction of authority to practice a health care occupation, including athletic training, for any reason other than a failure to renew, in Ohio or another state or jurisdiction;

(13) Regardless of whether it is consensual, engaging in any of the following with a patient other than the spouse of the athletic trainer:
(a) Sexual conduct, as defined in section 2907.01 of the Revised Code;

(b) Sexual contact, as defined in section 2907.01 of the Revised Code;

(c) Verbal behavior that is sexually demeaning to the patient or may be reasonably interpreted by the patient as sexually demeaning.

(B) If the athletic trainers section places a licensee on probation under division (A) of this section, the section's order for placement on probation shall be accompanied by a written statement of the conditions under which the person may be removed from probation and restored to unrestricted practice.

(C) A licensee whose license has been revoked under division (A) of this section may apply to the athletic trainers section for reinstatement of the license one year following the date of revocation. The athletic trainers section may accept or deny the application for reinstatement and may require that the applicant pass an examination as a condition for reinstatement.

(D) On receipt of a complaint that a person licensed by the athletic trainers section has committed any of the prohibited actions listed in division (A) of this section, the section may immediately suspend the license of a licensed athletic trainer prior to holding a hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code if it determines, based on the complaint, that the licensee poses an immediate threat to the public. The section may review the allegations and vote on the suspension by telephone conference call. If the section votes to suspend a license under this division, the section shall issue a written order of summary suspension to the licensed athletic trainer in accordance with section 119.07 of the Revised Code. If the individual whose license is suspended fails to make a timely request for an
adjudication under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the section shall enter a final order permanently revoking the individual's license. Notwithstanding section 119.12 of the Revised Code, a court of common pleas shall not grant a suspension of the section's order of summary suspension pending the determination of an appeal filed under that section. Any order of summary suspension issued under this division shall remain in effect, unless reversed on appeal, until a final adjudication order issued by the section pursuant to division (A) of this section becomes effective. The section shall issue its final adjudication order regarding an order of summary suspension issued under this division not later than ninety days after completion of its hearing. Failure to issue the order within ninety days shall result in immediate dissolution of the suspension order, but shall not invalidate any subsequent, final adjudication order.

**Sec. 4757.10.** (A) The counselor, social worker, and marriage and family therapist board may adopt any rules necessary to carry out this chapter.

(B) The board shall adopt rules that do all of the following:

1. Concern intervention for and treatment of any impaired person holding a license or certificate of registration issued under this chapter;

2. Establish standards for training and experience of supervisors described in division (C) of section 4757.30 of the Revised Code;

3. Define the requirement that an applicant be of good moral character in order to be licensed or registered under this chapter;

4. Establish requirements for criminal records checks of applicants under section 4776.03 of the Revised Code;
(5) Establish a graduated system of fines based on the scope and severity of violations and the history of compliance, not to exceed five hundred dollars per incident, that any professional standards committee of the board may charge for a disciplinary violation described in section 4757.36 of the Revised Code;

(6) Establish the amount and content of corrective action courses required by the board under section 4757.36 of the Revised Code;

(7) Provide for voluntary registration of all of the following:

(a) Master's level counselor trainees enrolled in practice and internships;

(b) Master's level social worker trainees enrolled in fieldwork, practice, and internships;

(c) Master's level marriage and family therapist trainees enrolled in practice and internships.

(8) In the case of an individual who is voluntarily registered as a trainee under division (B)(7) of this section and who has graduated but not yet completed all requirements for licensure, provide for an extension of the individual's registration for a period of six months beginning on the date of the individual's graduation.

(9) Establish a schedule of deadlines for renewal.

(C) Rules adopted under division (B)(7) of this section shall not require a trainee to register with the board, and if a trainee has not registered, shall prohibit any adverse effect with respect to a trainee's application for licensure by the board.

(D) All rules adopted under this section shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. When it adopts rules under this section or any other section of this chapter, the
board may consider standards established by any national association or other organization representing the interests of those involved in professional counseling, social work, or marriage and family therapy.

Sec. 4763.15. Except for moneys required to be transferred into the real estate appraiser recovery fund pursuant to section 4763.16 of the Revised Code or as required pursuant to this section, the superintendent of real estate may deposit all fees collected under this chapter into the state treasury to the credit of the real estate appraiser operating fund, which is hereby created. All operating expenses of the real estate appraiser board and the superintendent of real estate relating to the administration and enforcement of this chapter and Chapter 4768. of the Revised Code shall be paid from this fund. The fund shall be assessed a proportionate share of the administrative cost of the department of commerce in accordance with procedures prescribed by the director of commerce and approved by the director of budget and management, and the assessment shall be paid from the operating fund to the division of administration fund.

If, in any biennium, the director of commerce determines that moneys in the operating fund exceed those necessary to fund the activities of the board and of the superintendent of real estate that relate to this chapter and Chapter 4768. of the Revised Code, the director may pay the excess funds to the real estate appraiser recovery fund.

Sec. 4779.28. (A) The Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board may, pursuant to an adjudication under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, may limit, revoke, or suspend a license issued under this chapter, may refuse to issue a license to an applicant, or may reprimand or, fine.
place a license holder on probation, or require the license holder to take corrective action courses for any of the following reasons:

(1) Conviction of, or a plea of guilty to, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, a misdemeanor or felony involving moral turpitude;

(2) Any violation of this chapter;

(3) Committing fraud, misrepresentation, or deception in applying for or securing a license issued under this chapter;

(4) Habitual use of drugs or intoxicants to the extent that it renders the person unfit to practice;

(5) Violation of any rule adopted by the board under section 4779.08 of the Revised Code;

(6) A departure from, or failure to conform to, minimal standards of care of similar orthotists, prosthetists, orthotists-prosthetists, or pedorthists under the same or similar circumstances, regardless of whether actual injury to a patient is established;

(7) Obtaining or attempting to obtain money or anything of value by fraudulent misrepresentation in the course of practice;

(8) Publishing a false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading statement;

(9) Waiving the payment of all or part of a deductible or copayment that a patient, pursuant to a health insurance or health care policy, contract, or plan, would otherwise be required to pay, if the waiver is used as an enticement to a patient or group of patients to receive health care services from a person who holds a license issued under this chapter;

(10) Advertising that a person who holds a license issued under this chapter will waive the payment of all or part of a
deductible or copayment that a patient, pursuant to a health insurance or health care policy, contract, or plan, that covers the person's services, would otherwise be required to pay;

(11) Denial, revocation, suspension, or restriction of authority to practice a health care occupation, including orthotics, prosthetics, or pedorthics, for any reason other than a failure to renew, in Ohio or another state or jurisdiction;

(12) Regardless of whether it is consensual, engaging in any of the following with a patient other than the spouse of the orthotist, prosthetist, orthotist-prosthetist, or pedorthist:

(a) Sexual conduct, as defined in section 2907.01 of the Revised Code;

(b) Sexual contact, as defined in section 2907.01 of the Revised Code;

(c) Verbal behavior that is sexually demeaning to the patient or may be reasonably interpreted by the patient as sexually demeaning.

(B) For the purpose of investigating whether a person is engaging or has engaged in conduct described in division (A) of this section, the board may administer oaths, order the taking of depositions, issue subpoenas, examine witnesses, and compel the attendance of witnesses and production of books, accounts, papers, records, documents, and testimony.

Sec. 4779.281. A person sanctioned under section 4779.28 of the Revised Code shall pay a fee in the amount of the actual cost of the administrative hearing, including the cost of the court reporter, the hearing officer, transcripts, and any witness fees for lodging and travel, as determined by the Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board. The fee shall be collected by the board.
Sec. 4779.33. (A) The Ohio occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers board shall enforce the laws relating to the practice of orthotics, prosthetics, and pedorthics. If the secretary of the board has knowledge of a violation, the secretary board shall investigate the violation and notify the prosecuting attorney of the proper county.

(B)(1) Subject to division (B)(2) of this section, information and records received or generated by the board pursuant to an investigation are confidential, are not public records as defined in section 149.43 of the Revised Code, and are not subject to discovery in any civil or administrative action.

(2) For good cause, the board may disclose information gathered pursuant to an investigation to any federal, state, or local law enforcement, prosecutorial, or regulatory agency or its officers or agents engaging in an investigation the board believes is within the agency's jurisdiction. An agency that receives confidential information shall comply with the same requirements regarding confidentiality as those with which the board must comply, notwithstanding any conflicting provision of the Revised Code or procedure of the agency that applies when the agency is dealing with other information in its possession. The information may be admitted into evidence in a criminal trial in accordance with the Rules of Evidence, or in an administrative hearing conducted by an agency, but the court or agency shall require that appropriate measures be taken to ensure that confidentiality is maintained with respect to any part of the information that contains names or other identifying information about patients, complainants, or others whose confidentiality was protected by the board when the information was in the board's possession. Measures to ensure confidentiality that may be taken by the court or agency include sealing its records or redacting specific information from its records.
Sec. 4781.04. (A) The department of commerce, division of industrial compliance shall adopt rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to do all of the following:

(1) Establish uniform standards that govern the installation of manufactured housing that are consistent with, and not less stringent than, the model standards for the design and installation of manufactured housing the secretary of the United States department of housing and urban development adopts;

(2) Govern the inspection of the installation of manufactured housing. The rules shall specify that the division of industrial compliance, any building department or personnel of any department, or any private third party, certified pursuant to section 4781.07 of the Revised Code shall conduct all inspections of the installation of manufactured housing located in manufactured home parks to determine compliance with the uniform installation standards the division of industrial compliance establishes pursuant to this section.

(3) Govern the design, construction, installation, approval, and inspection of foundations and the base support systems for manufactured housing. The rules shall specify that the division of industrial compliance, any building department or personnel of any department, or any private third party, certified pursuant to section 4781.07 of the Revised Code shall conduct all inspections of the installation, foundations, and base support systems of manufactured housing located in manufactured home parks to determine compliance with the uniform installation standards and foundation and base support system design the division of industrial compliance establishes pursuant to this section.

(4) Govern the training, experience, and education requirements for manufactured housing installers;

(5) Establish a code of ethics for manufactured housing
installers;

(6) Govern the issuance, revocation, and suspension of licenses to manufactured housing installers;

(7) Establish fees for the issuance and renewal of licenses, for conducting inspections to determine an applicant's compliance with this chapter and the rules adopted pursuant to it, and for the division's expenses incurred in implementing this chapter;

(8) Establish conditions under which a licensee may enter into contracts to fulfill the licensee's responsibilities;

(9) Govern the investigation of complaints concerning any complaints involving the conduct of any licensed manufactured housing installer or person installing manufactured housing without a license;

(10) Establish a dispute resolution program for the timely resolution of warranty issues involving new manufactured homes, disputes regarding responsibility for the correction or repair of defects in manufactured housing, and the installation of manufactured housing. The rules shall provide for the timely resolution of disputes between manufacturers, manufactured housing dealers, and installers regarding the correction or repair of defects in manufactured housing that are reported by the purchaser of the home during the one-year period beginning on the date of installation of the home. The rules also shall provide that decisions made regarding the dispute under the program are not binding upon the purchaser of the home or the other parties involved in the dispute unless the purchaser so agrees in a written acknowledgement that the purchaser signs and delivers to the program within ten business days after the decision is issued.

(11) Establish the requirements and procedures for the certification of building departments and building department personnel pursuant to section 4781.07 of the Revised Code;
(12) Establish fees to be charged to building departments and building department personnel applying for certification and renewal of certification pursuant to section 4781.07 of the Revised Code;

(13) Develop a policy regarding the maintenance of records for any inspection authorized or conducted pursuant to this chapter. Any record maintained under division (A)(13) of this section shall be a public record under section 149.43 of the Revised Code.

(B) The division of industrial compliance shall do all of the following:

(1) Prepare and administer a licensure examination to determine an applicant's knowledge of manufactured housing installation and other aspects of installation the division determines appropriate;

(2) Select, provide, or procure appropriate examination questions and answers for the licensure examination and establish the criteria for successful completion of the examination;

(3) Prepare and distribute any application form sections 4781.01 to 4781.11 of the Revised Code require;

(4) Receive applications for licenses and renewal of licenses and issue licenses to qualified applicants;

(5) Establish procedures for processing, approving, and disapproving applications for licensure;

(6) Retain records of applications for licensure, including all application materials submitted and a written record of the action taken on each application;

(7) Review the design and plans for manufactured housing installations, foundations, and support systems;

(8) Inspect a sample of homes at a percentage the division
determines to evaluate the construction and installation of manufactured housing installations, foundations, and support systems to determine compliance with the standards the division adopts;

(9) Investigate complaints concerning violations of this chapter or the rules adopted pursuant to it, or the conduct of any manufactured housing installer;

(10) Determine appropriate disciplinary actions for violations of this chapter;

(11) Conduct audits and inquiries of manufactured housing installers as appropriate for the enforcement of this chapter. The division, or any person the division employs for the purpose, may review and audit the business records of any manufactured housing installer during normal business hours.

(12) Approve an installation training course, which may be offered by the Ohio manufactured homes association or other entity.

(C) Nothing in this section, or in any rule adopted by the division of industrial compliance, shall be construed to limit the authority of a board of health to enforce section 3701.344 or Chapters 3703., 3718., and 3781. of the Revised Code or limit the authority of the department of administrative services to lease space for the use of a state agency and to group together state offices in any city in the state as provided in section 123.01 of the Revised Code.

(D) The department of commerce, division of real estate and professional licensing may adopt rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code necessary for administration of the provisions of this chapter related to manufactured home dealers, brokers, and salespersons.
Sec. 4781.07. (A) Pursuant to rules the division of industrial compliance adopts, the division may certify municipal, township, and county building departments and the personnel of those departments, or any private third party, to exercise the division's enforcement authority, accept and approve plans and specifications for foundations, support systems and installations, and inspect manufactured housing foundations, support systems, and manufactured housing installations. Any certification is effective for three years.

(B) Following an investigation and finding of facts that support its action, the division of industrial compliance may revoke or suspend certification. The division may initiate an investigation on the division's own motion or the petition of a person affected by the enforcement or approval of plans.

(C)(1) If a township, municipal corporation, or county does not have a building department that is certified pursuant to this section, it may designate by resolution or ordinance another building department that has been certified pursuant to this section to exercise the division's enforcement authority, accept and approve plans and specifications for foundations, support systems and installations, and inspect manufactured housing foundations, support systems, and manufactured housing installations. The designation is effective upon acceptance by the designee.

(2) An owner of a manufactured home or an operator of a manufactured home park may request an inspection and obtain an approval described in division (C)(1) of this section from any building department certified pursuant to this section designated by the township, municipal corporation, or county in which the owner's manufactured home or operator's manufactured home park is located.
Sec. 4781.281. (A) The manufactured homes commission division of industrial compliance may charge a fee for inspector certification. The fees shall include all of the following:

(1) The nonrefundable certification fee for inspectors shall not be greater than fifty dollars for each three-year certification period.

(2) The nonrefundable certification renewal fee for inspectors shall not be greater than fifty dollars.

(3) The nonrefundable late fee for certification renewal shall not be greater than twenty-five dollars in addition to the renewal fee.

(B) The commission division may adopt rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code establishing fees less than those described in division (A) of this section.

Sec. 4781.56. (A) The manufactured homes commission division of industrial compliance may contract with the board of health of a city or general health district to permit the commission division to abate and remove, in accordance with sections 3707.01 to 3707.021 of the Revised Code, any abandoned or unoccupied manufactured home, mobile home, or recreational vehicle that constitutes a nuisance and that is located in a manufactured home park within the board of health's jurisdiction. Under the contract, the commission division may receive complaints of abandoned or unoccupied manufactured homes, mobile homes, or recreational vehicles that constitute a nuisance and may, by order, compel the park operator to abate and remove the nuisance. The park operator shall pay any costs for the removal.

(B) The sheriff, police officer, constable, or bailiff shall not be liable pursuant to the abatement or removal of any abandoned or unoccupied manufactured home, mobile home, or
recreational vehicle pursuant to this section.

Sec. 4781.57. The park operator of a manufactured home park shall ensure that all manufactured home park buildings, lots, streets, walkways, manufactured homes, mobile homes, and other facilities located in the manufactured home park shall be maintained in a condition satisfactory to the commission division at all times.

Sec. 4901.10. The office of the public utilities commission shall be at the seat of government in Columbus, in suitable quarters provided by the state, and shall be open between eight-thirty a.m. and five-thirty p.m. throughout the year, Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays excepted. The commission shall hold its sessions at least once in each calendar month in Columbus, but also may meet at such other times and places as are necessary for the proper performance of its duties. For the purpose of holding sessions in places other than the seat of government, the commission may rent quarters or offices, the expense of which, in connection therewith, shall be paid in the same manner as other authorized expenses.

Sec. 4906.02. (A) There is hereby created within the public utilities commission the power siting board, composed of the chairman of the public utilities commission, the director of environmental protection, the director of health, the director of development, the director of natural resources, the director of agriculture, and a representative of the public who shall be an engineer and shall be appointed by the governor, from a list of three nominees submitted to the governor by the office of the consumers' counsel, with the advice and consent of the senate and shall serve for a term of four years. The chairman of the public utilities commission shall be chairman
chairperson of the board and its chief executive officer. The chairman shall designate one of the voting members of the board to act as vice-chairman who shall possess during the absence or disability of the chairman all of the powers of the chairman. All hearings, studies, and consideration of applications for certificates shall be conducted by the board or representatives of its members.

In addition, the board shall include four legislative members who may participate fully in all the board's deliberations and activities except that they shall serve as nonvoting members. The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint one legislative member, and the president of the senate and minority leader of each house shall each appoint one legislative member. Each such legislative leader shall designate an alternate to attend meetings of the board when the regular legislative member he appointed by the legislative leader is unable to attend. Each legislative member and alternate shall serve for the duration of the elected term that the legislative member is serving at the time of his appointment. A quorum of the board is a majority of its voting members.

The representative of the public and, notwithstanding section 101.26 of the Revised Code, legislative members of the board or their designated alternates, when engaged in their duties as members of the board, shall be paid at the per diem rate of step 1, pay range 32, under schedule B of section 124.15 of the Revised Code and shall be reimbursed for the actual and necessary expenses they incur in the discharge of their official duties.

(B) The chairman shall keep a complete record of all proceedings of the board, issue all necessary process, writs, warrants, and notices, keep all books, maps, documents, and papers ordered filed by the board, conduct investigations pursuant to
section 4906.07 of the Revised Code, and perform such other duties as the board may prescribe.

(C) The chairman of the public utilities commission may assign or transfer duties among the commission's staff. However, the board's authority to grant certificates under section 4906.10 of the Revised Code shall not be exercised by any officer, employee, or body other than the board itself.

(D)(1) The chairman may call to his assistance, temporarily, any employee of the environmental protection agency, the department of natural resources, the department of agriculture, the department of health, or the department of development, for the purpose of making studies, conducting hearings, investigating applications, or preparing any report required or authorized under this chapter. Such employees shall not receive any additional compensation over that which they receive from the agency by which they are employed, but they shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred while working under the direction of the chairman. All contracts for special services are subject to the approval of the chairman.

(2) The board may contract for the services of any expert or analyst, other than an employee described in division (D)(1) of this section, for the purposes of carrying out the board's powers and duties as described in Chapter 4906. of the Revised Code. Any such expert or analyst shall be compensated from the application fee, or if necessary, supplemental application fees assessed in accordance with division (F) of section 4906.06 of the Revised Code.

(E) The board's offices shall be located in those of the public utilities commission.

Sec. 4911.17. There is hereby created a nine-member
consumers' counsel governing board consisting of three representatives of organized groups representing each of the following areas: labor; residential consumers; and family farmers. No more than five members of this board may be members of the same political party.

The members of the board shall be appointed by the attorney general with the advice and consent of the senate.

No later than January 1, 1977, the attorney general shall make initial appointments to the board. Of the initial appointments made to the board, three shall be for a term ending one year after September 1, 1976, three shall be for a term ending two years after that date, and three shall be for a term ending three years after that date. Thereafter, terms of office shall be for three years, each term ending on the same day of the same month of the year as did the term that it succeeds. Each member shall hold office from the date of the member's appointment until the end of the term for which the member was appointed. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which the member's predecessor was appointed shall hold office for the remainder of that term. Any member shall continue in office subsequent to the expiration date of the member's term until the member's successor takes office.

The governing board shall meet at least every third month of the year. Meetings may be held more often at the request of a majority of the members or upon call of the chairperson. At the first meeting of each year, the board shall select a chairperson and vice-chairperson. With the approval of the board, the chairperson may designate the vice-chairperson to perform the duties of the chairperson, including those provided in section 4901.021 of the Revised Code.

A majority of the members constitutes a quorum. No action shall be taken without the concurrence of a majority of the full
membership of the board. The consumers' counsel shall at all times remain responsible to the governing board. Members of the board shall be compensated at the rate of one hundred fifty dollars per board meeting attended in person, not to exceed one thousand two hundred dollars per year. All members shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

The board shall submit to the general assembly no later than the first day of April, annually, a report outlining the expenditures of the office of consumers' counsel, a full record of participation in any and all proceedings, and an outline of other relevant activities of the office.

Sec. 5101.141. (A) As used in sections 5101.141 to 5101.1414 of the Revised Code:

1. "Adopted young adult" means a person:
   (a) Who was in the temporary or permanent custody of a public children services agency;
   (b) Who was adopted at the age of sixteen or seventeen and attained the age of sixteen before a Title IV-E adoption assistance agreement became effective;
   (c) Who has attained the age of eighteen; and
   (d) Who has not yet attained the age of twenty-one.

2. "Child" means any of the following:
   (a) A person who meets the requirements of division (B)(3) of section 5153.01 of the Revised Code;
   (b) An adopted young adult;
   (c) An emancipated young adult.

3. "Emancipated young adult" means a person:
(a) Who was in the temporary or permanent custody of a public
children services agency, a planned permanent living arrangement,
or in the Title-IV-E-eligible care and placement responsibility of
a juvenile court or other governmental agency that provides Title
IV-E reimbursable placement services;

(b) Whose custody, arrangement, or care and placement was
terminated on or after the person's eighteenth birthday; and

(c) Who has not yet attained the age of twenty-one.

(4) "Kinship guardianship young adult" means an individual
that meets the following criteria:

(a) Was in the temporary or permanent custody of a public
children services agency or a planned permanent living arrangement
prior to the commitment described in division (A)(4)(b) of this
section;

(b) Was committed to the legal custody or legal guardianship
of a kinship caregiver at the age of sixteen or seventeen and
attained the age of sixteen before a Title IV-E kinship
guardianship assistance agreement became effective;

(c) Has attained the age of eighteen;

(d) Has not yet attained the age of twenty-one.

(5) "Relative" means, with respect to a child, any of the
following who is eighteen years of age or older:

(a) The following individuals related by blood or adoption to
the child:

(i) Grandparents, including grandparents with the prefix
"great," "great-great," or "great-great-great";

(ii) Siblings;

(iii) Aunts, uncles, nephews, and nieces, including such
relatives with the prefix "great," "great-great," "grand," or
"great-grand":

(iv) First cousins and first cousins once removed.

(b) Stepparents and stepsiblings of the child;

(c) Spouses and former spouses of individuals named in divisions (A)(5)(a) and (b) of this section;

(d) A legal guardian of the child;

(e) A legal custodian of the child;

(f) Any nonrelative adult that has a familiar and long-standing relationship or bond with the child or the family, which relationship or bond will ensure the child's social ties.

(6) "Representative" means a person with whom the department of job and family services has entered into a contract, pursuant to division (B)(2)(b) of this section.

(B)(1) Except as provided in division (B)(2), (3), and (4) of this section, the department of job and family services shall act as the single state agency to administer federal payments for foster care, kinship guardianship assistance, and adoption assistance made pursuant to Title IV-E. The director of job and family services shall adopt rules to implement this authority. Rules governing financial and administrative requirements applicable to public children services agencies and government entities that provide Title IV-E reimbursable placement services to children shall be adopted in accordance with section 111.15 of the Revised Code, as if they were internal management rules. Rules governing requirements applicable to private child placing agencies and private noncustodial agencies and rules establishing eligibility, program participation, and other requirements concerning Title IV-E shall be adopted in accordance with division (B)(2)(b) of this section.
with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. A public children services agency to which the department distributes Title IV-E funds shall administer the funds in accordance with those rules.

(2) If the state plan is amended under divisions (A) and (B) of section 5101.1411 of the Revised Code, both of the following shall apply:

(a) Implementation of the amendments to the plan shall begin fifteen months after September 13, 2016, the effective date of H.B. 50 of the 131st general assembly, if both of the following apply:

(i) The plan as amended is approved by the secretary of health and human services;

(ii) The general assembly has appropriated sufficient funds to operate the program required under the plan as amended.

(b) The department shall have, exercise, and perform all new duties required under the plan as amended. In doing so, the department may contract with another person to carry out those new duties, to the extent permitted under Title IV-E.

(3) If the state plan is amended under division (C) of section 5101.1411 of the Revised Code, both of the following apply:

(a) Implementation of the amendments to the plan shall begin fifteen months after the effective date of this section, if both of the following apply:

(i) The plan as amended is approved by the secretary of health and human services.

(ii) The general assembly has appropriated sufficient funds to operate the program required under the plan as amended.

(b) The department shall perform all new duties required under the amended plan. In doing so, the department may contract
with another person to carry out those new duties, to the extent permitted under Title IV-E.

(4) If the state plan is amended under section 5101.1416 of the Revised Code, and is approved by the secretary of health and human services, implementation of the amendments to the plan shall begin fifteen months after the effective date of this section.

(C)(1) Except with regard to the new duties imposed on the department or its contractor under division divisions (B)(2)(b) and (B)(3)(b) of this section that are not imposed on the county, the county, on behalf of each child eligible for foster care maintenance payments under Title IV-E, shall make payments to cover the cost of providing all of the following:

(a) The child's food, clothing, shelter, daily supervision, and school supplies;

(b) The child's personal incidentals;

(c) Reasonable travel to the child's home for visitation.

(2) In addition to payments made under division (C)(1) of this section, the county may, on behalf of each child eligible for foster care maintenance payments under Title IV-E, make payments to cover the cost of providing the following:

(a) Liability insurance with respect to the child;

(b) If the county is participating in the demonstration project established under division (A) of section 5101.142 of the Revised Code, services provided under the project.

(3) With respect to a child who is in a child-care institution, including any type of group home designed for the care of children or any privately operated program consisting of two or more certified foster homes operated by a common administrative unit, the foster care maintenance payments made by the county on behalf of the child shall include the reasonable
cost of the administration and operation of the institution, group home, or program, as necessary to provide the items described in divisions (C)(1) and (2) of this section.

(D) To the extent that either foster care maintenance payments under division (C) of this section, Title IV-E kinship guardianship assistance, or Title IV-E adoption assistance payments for maintenance costs require the expenditure of county funds, the board of county commissioners shall report the nature and amount of each expenditure of county funds to the department.

(E) The department shall distribute to public children services agencies that incur and report expenditures of the type described in division (D) of this section federal financial participation received for administrative and training costs incurred in the operation of foster care maintenance, kinship guardianship assistance, and adoption assistance programs. The department may withhold not more than three per cent of the federal financial participation received. The funds withheld may be used only to fund the following:

(1) The Ohio child welfare training program established under section 5103.30 of the Revised Code;

(2) The university partnership program for college and university students majoring in social work who have committed to work for a public children services agency upon graduation;

(3) Efforts supporting organizational excellence, including voluntary activities to be accredited by a nationally recognized accreditation organization.

The funds withheld shall be in addition to any administration and training cost for which the department is reimbursed through its own cost allocation plan.

(F) All federal financial participation funds received by a county pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the
county's children services fund created pursuant to section 5101.144 of the Revised Code.

(G) The department shall periodically publish and distribute the maximum amounts that the department will reimburse public children services agencies for making payments on behalf of children eligible for foster care maintenance payments.

(H) The department, by and through its director, is hereby authorized to develop, participate in the development of, negotiate, and enter into one or more interstate compacts on behalf of this state with agencies of any other states, for the provision of social services to children in relation to whom all of the following apply:

(1) They have special needs.

(2) This state or another state that is a party to the interstate compact is providing kinship guardianship assistance or adoption assistance on their behalf.

(3) They move into this state from another state or move out of this state to another state.

Sec. 5101.1411. (A)(1) The director of job and family services shall, not later than nine months after September 13, 2016, the effective date of H.B. 50 of the 131st general assembly, submit an amendment to the state plan required by 42 U.S.C. 671 to the United States secretary of health and human services to implement 42 U.S.C. 675(8) to make federal payments for foster care under Title IV-E directly to, or on behalf of, any emancipated young adult who meets the following requirements:

(a) The emancipated young adult signs a voluntary participation agreement.

(b) The emancipated young adult satisfies division (C)(D) of this section.
(2) Any emancipated young adult who meets the requirements of division (A)(1) of this section may apply for foster care payments and make the appropriate application at any time.

(B)(1) The director of job and family services shall, not later than nine months after September 13, 2016, the effective date of H.B. 50 of the 131st general assembly, submit an amendment to the state plan required by 42 U.S.C. 671 to the United States secretary of health and human services to implement 42 U.S.C. 675(8) to make federal payments for adoption assistance under Title IV-E available to any parent who meets all of the following requirements:

(a) The parent adopted a person who is an adopted young adult and the parent entered into an adoption assistance agreement under 42 U.S.C. 673 while the adopted person was age sixteen or seventeen.

(b) The parent maintains parental responsibility for the adopted young adult.

(c) The adopted young adult satisfies division (C)(D) of this section.

(2) Any parent who meets the requirements of division (B)(1) of this section that are applicable to a parent may request an extension of adoption assistance payments at any time before the adopted young adult reaches age twenty-one.

(3) An adopted young adult who is eligible to receive adoption assistance payments is not considered an emancipated young adult and is therefore not eligible to receive payment under division (A) of this section.

(C)(1) The director of job and family services shall, not later than nine months after the effective date of this amendment, submit an amendment to the state plan required by 42 U.S.C. 671 to the United States secretary of health and human services to
implement 42 U.S.C. 673(d) to provide kinship guardianship assistance under Title IV-E available to any relative who meets all of the following requirements:

(a) Both of the following apply:

(i) A juvenile court issued an order granting legal custody of a person who is a kinship guardianship young adult to the relative, or a probate court issued an order granting guardianship of a person who is a kinship guardianship young adult to the relative, and the order is not a temporary court order.

(ii) The relative entered into a kinship guardianship assistance agreement under 42 U.S.C. 673(d) while the kinship guardianship young adult was age sixteen or seventeen.

(b) The relative maintains parental responsibility for the kinship guardianship young adult.

(c) The kinship guardianship young adult satisfies division (D) of this section.

(2) Any person who meets the requirements of division (C)(1) of this section may request an extension of kinship guardianship assistance at any time before the kinship guardianship young adult reaches age twenty-one.

(3) A kinship guardianship young adult who is eligible to receive kinship guardianship assistance is not considered an emancipated young adult and is therefore not eligible to receive assistance under division (A) of this section.

(D) In addition to other requirements, an adopted, kinship guardianship, or emancipated young adult must meet at least one of the following criteria:

(1) Is completing secondary education or a program leading to an equivalent credential;

(2) Is enrolled in an institution that provides
post-secondary or vocational education;

(3) Is participating in a program or activity designed to promote, or remove barriers to, employment;

(4) Is employed for at least eighty hours per month;

(5) Is incapable of doing any of the activities described in divisions (C)(1) to (4) of this section due to a physical or mental condition, which incapacity is supported by regularly updated information in the person's case record or plan.

(D) (E) Any emancipated young adult described in division (A)(1) of this section who is directly receiving foster care payments, or on whose behalf such foster care payments are received, or any relative described in division (C)(1) of this section who is receiving kinship guardianship assistance, or any parent receiving adoption assistance payments, may refuse the payments at any time.

(E)(1) An emancipated young adult described in division (A)(1) of this section who is directly receiving foster care payments, or on whose behalf such foster care payments are received, or any relative described in division (C)(1) of this section who is receiving kinship guardianship assistance and the kinship guardianship young adult, or a parent receiving adoption assistance payments and the adopted young adult shall be eligible for services set forth in the federal, "Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008," P.L. 110-351, 122 Stat. 3949.

(2) An emancipated young adult described in division (A)(1) of this section who is directly receiving foster care payments, or on whose behalf such foster care payments are received, pursuant to this section, may be eligible to reside in a supervised independent living setting, including apartment living, room and board arrangements, college or university dormitories, host homes,
and shared roommate settings.

(F)(G) Any determination by the department that denies or terminates foster care, kinship guardianship assistance, or adoption assistance payments shall be subject to a state hearing pursuant to section 5101.35 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5101.1412. (A) Without the approval of a court, an emancipated young adult who receives payments, or on whose behalf payments are received, under division (A) of section 5101.1411 of the Revised Code, may enter into a voluntary participation agreement with the department of job and family services, or its representative, for the emancipated young adult's care and placement. The agreement shall stay in effect until one of the following occurs:

(1) The emancipated young adult enrolled in the program notifies the department, or its representative, that they want to terminate the agreement.

(2) The emancipated young adult becomes ineligible for the program.

(B) During the one hundred eighty-day period after the voluntary participation agreement becomes effective, the department or its representative shall seek approval from the court that the emancipated young adult's best interest is served by continuing the care and placement with the department or its representative.

(C) In order to maintain Title IV-E eligibility for the emancipated young adult, not both of the following apply:

(1) Not later than one hundred eighty days after the effective date of the voluntary participation agreement, the department or its representative must petition the court for, and obtain, a judicial determination that the emancipated young
adult's best interest is served by continuing the care and placement with the department or its representative.

(2) Not later than twelve months after the effective date of the voluntary participation agreement, and at least once every twelve months thereafter, the department or its representative must petition the court for, and obtain, a judicial determination that the department or its representative has made reasonable efforts to finalize a permanency plan that addresses the department's or its representative's efforts to prepare the emancipated young adult for independence.

Sec. 5101.1415. The provisions of divisions (A) and (C)-(G) of section 5101.1411 of the Revised Code shall not apply if the person is eligible for temporary or permanent custody until age twenty-one pursuant to a dispositional order under sections 2151.353, 2151.414, and 2151.415 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5101.1416. (A) Not later than nine months after the effective date of this section, the director of job and family services shall submit an amendment to the state plan required by 42 U.S.C. 671 to the United States secretary of health and human services to implement 42 U.S.C. 673(d) to provide kinship guardianship assistance under Title IV-E on behalf of a child to a relative who meets the following requirements:

(1) The relative has cared for the eligible child pursuant to division (B) of this section as a foster caregiver as defined by section 5103.02 of the Revised Code for at least six consecutive months.

(2) Both of the following apply:

(a) A juvenile court issued an order granting legal custody of the child to the relative, or a probate court issued an order granting guardianship of the child to the relative, and the order
is not a temporary court order.

(b) The relative has committed to care for the child on a permanent basis.

(3) The relative signs a kinship guardianship assistance agreement required by 42 U.S.C. 673.

(B) A child is an eligible child for kinship guardianship assistance under this section if the following are met:

(1) The child has been removed from his or her home pursuant to a voluntary placement agreement or as a result of a judicial determination to the effect that continuation in the home would be contrary to the welfare of the child.

(2) The child has been eligible for foster care maintenance payments under section 5101.141 of the Revised Code while residing for at least six consecutive months in the home of a relative described in division (A) of this section.

(3) Returning the child home or adoption of the child are not appropriate permanency options for the child.

(4) The child demonstrates a strong attachment to the child's relative described in division (A) of this section and the relative has a strong commitment to caring permanently for the child.

(5) With respect to a child who has attained fourteen years of age, the child has been consulted regarding the kinship guardianship arrangement.

Sec. 5101.1417. Not later than nine months after the effective date of this section, the department of job and family services shall adopt rules necessary to carry out the purposes of sections 5101.141, 5101.1411, and 5101.1416 of the Revised Code, and 42 U.S.C. 673(d) of the "Social Security Act," including rules that do all of the following:
(A) Allow a kinship guardianship young adult described in division (C) of section 5101.1411 of the Revised Code on whose behalf kinship guardianship assistance is received, to maintain eligibility while transitioning into, or out of, qualified employment or educational activities;

(B) Require that a thirty-day notice of termination be given by the department to a person receiving kinship guardianship assistance for a kinship guardianship young adult described in division (C) of section 5101.1411 of the Revised Code, who is determined to be ineligible for assistance.

Sec. 5101.1418. (A)(1) If, after a child's adoption is finalized, the department of job and family services considers the child to be in need of public care or protective services, the department may, to the extent state funds are available for this purpose, enter into an agreement with the child's adoptive parent under which the department may make post adoption special services subsidy payments on behalf of the child as needed when both of the following apply:

(a) The child has a physical or developmental disability or mental or emotional condition that either:

(i) Existed before the adoption petition was filed; or

(ii) Developed after the adoption petition was filed and can be directly attributed to factors in the child's preadoption background, medical history, or biological family's background or medical history.

(b) The department determines the expenses necessitated by the child's disability or condition are beyond the adoptive parent's economic resources.

(2) Services for which the department may make post adoption special services subsidy payments on behalf of a child under this
section shall include medical, surgical, psychiatric, psychological, and counseling services, including residential treatment.

(3) The department shall establish clinical standards to evaluate a child's physical or developmental disability or mental or emotional condition and assess the child's need for services.

(4) The total dollar value of post adoption special services subsidy payments made on a child's behalf shall not exceed ten thousand dollars in any fiscal year, unless the department determines that extraordinary circumstances exist that necessitate further funding of services for the child. Under such extraordinary circumstances, the value of the payments made on the child's behalf shall not exceed fifteen thousand dollars in any fiscal year.

(5) The adoptive parent or parents of a child who receives post adoption special services subsidy payments shall pay at least five per cent of the total cost of all services provided to the child; except that the department may waive this requirement if the gross annual income of the child's adoptive family is not more than two hundred per cent of the federal poverty guideline.

(6) The department may use other sources of revenue to make post adoption special services subsidy payments, in addition to any state funds appropriated for that purpose.

(7) The department may contract with another person to carry out any of the duties described in this section.

(B) No payment shall be made on behalf of any person eighteen years of age or older beyond the end of the school year during which the person attains the age of eighteen or on behalf of a mentally or physically disabled person twenty-one years of age or older.

(C) The director of job and family services, not later than
July 1, 2022, shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code necessary to implement this section. The rules shall establish all of the following:

(1) The application process for all forms of assistance provided under this section;

(2) Standards for determining the children who qualify to receive assistance provided under this section;

(3) The method of determining the amount, duration, and scope of services provided to a child;

(4) The method of transitioning the post adoption special services subsidy program from public children services agencies to the department;

(5) Any other rule, requirement, or procedure the department considers appropriate for the implementation of this section.

(D) The department shall implement this section not later than July 1, 2022.

Sec. 5101.342. The Ohio commission on fatherhood shall do both of the following:

(A) Organize a state summit on fatherhood every four years;

(B) Prepare a report each year that does the following:

(1) Identifies resources available to fund fatherhood-related programs and explores the creation of initiatives to do the following:

(a) Build the parenting skills of fathers;

(b) Provide employment-related services for low-income, noncustodial fathers;

(c) Prevent premature fatherhood;

(d) Provide services to fathers who are inmates in or have
just been released from imprisonment in a state correctional institution, as defined in section 2967.01 of the Revised Code, or in any other detention facility, as defined in section 2921.01 of the Revised Code, so that they are able to maintain or reestablish their relationships with their families;

(e) Reconcile fathers with their families;

(f) Increase public awareness of the critical role fathers play.

(2) Describes the commission's expectations for the outcomes of fatherhood-related programs and initiatives and the methods the commission uses for conducting annual measures of those outcomes.

(C) Pursuant to section 5101.805 of the Revised Code, the commission may make recommendations to the director of job and family services regarding funding, approval, and implementation of fatherhood programs in this state that meet at least one of the four purposes of the temporary assistance for needy families block grant, as specified in 42 U.S.C. 601.

(D) The portion of the report prepared pursuant to division (B)(2) of this section shall be prepared by the commission in collaboration with the director of job and family services.

(E) The commission shall submit each report prepared pursuant to division (B) of this section to the president and minority leader of the senate, speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives, governor, and chief justice of the supreme court. The first report is due not later than one year after the last of the initial appointments to the commission is made under section 5101.341 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5101.35. (A) As used in this section:

(1)(a) "Agency" means the following entities that administer a family services program:
(i) The department of job and family services;

(ii) A county department of job and family services;

(iii) A public children services agency;

(iv) A private or government entity administering, in whole or in part, a family services program for or on behalf of the department of job and family services or a county department of job and family services or public children services agency.

(b) If the department of medicaid contracts with the department of job and family services to hear appeals authorized by section 5160.31 of the Revised Code regarding medical assistance programs, "agency" includes the department of medicaid.

(2) "Appellant" means an applicant, participant, former participant, recipient, or former recipient of a family services program who is entitled by federal or state law to a hearing regarding a decision or order of the agency that administers the program.

(3)(a) "Family services program" means all of the following:

(i) A Title IV-A program as defined in section 5101.80 of the Revised Code;

(ii) Programs that provide assistance under Chapter 5104. of the Revised Code;

(iii) Programs that provide assistance under section 5101.141, 5101.461, 5101.54, 5119.41, 5153.163, or 5153.165 of the Revised Code;

(iv) Title XX social services provided under section 5101.46 of the Revised Code, other than such services provided by the department of mental health and addiction services, the department of developmental disabilities, a board of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services, or a county board of developmental disabilities.
(b) If the department of medicaid contracts with the department of job and family services to hear appeals authorized by section 5160.31 of the Revised Code regarding medical assistance programs, "family services program" includes medical assistance programs.

(4) "Medical assistance program" has the same meaning as in section 5160.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) Except as provided by divisions (G) and (H) of this section, an appellant who appeals under federal or state law a decision or order of an agency administering a family services program shall, at the appellant's request, be granted a state hearing by the department of job and family services. This state hearing shall be conducted in accordance with rules adopted under this section. The state hearing shall be recorded, but neither the recording nor a transcript of the recording shall be part of the official record of the proceeding. Except as provided in section 5160.31 of the Revised Code, a state hearing decision is binding upon the agency and department, unless it is reversed or modified on appeal to the director of job and family services or a court of common pleas.

(C) Except as provided by division (G) of this section, an appellant who disagrees with a state hearing decision may make an administrative appeal to the director of job and family services in accordance with rules adopted under this section. This administrative appeal does not require a hearing, but the director or the director's designee shall review the state hearing decision and previous administrative action and may affirm, modify, remand, or reverse the state hearing decision. An administrative appeal decision is the final decision of the department and, except as provided in section 5160.31 of the Revised Code, is binding upon the department and agency, unless it is reversed or modified on appeal to the court of common pleas.
(D) An agency shall comply with a decision issued pursuant to division (B) or (C) of this section within the time limits established by rules adopted under this section. If a county department of job and family services or a public children services agency fails to comply within these time limits, the department may take action pursuant to section 5101.24 of the Revised Code. If another agency, other than the department of medicaid, fails to comply within the time limits, the department may force compliance by withholding funds due the agency or imposing another sanction established by rules adopted under this section.

(E) An appellant who disagrees with an administrative appeal decision of the director of job and family services or the director's designee issued under division (C) of this section may appeal from the decision to the court of common pleas pursuant to section 119.12 of the Revised Code. The appeal shall be governed by section 119.12 of the Revised Code except that:

(1) The person may appeal to the court of common pleas of the county in which the person resides, or to the court of common pleas of Franklin county if the person does not reside in this state.

(2) The person may apply to the court for designation as an indigent and, if the court grants this application, the appellant shall not be required to furnish the costs of the appeal.

(3) The appellant shall mail the notice of appeal to the department of job and family services and file notice of appeal with the court within thirty days after the department mails the administrative appeal decision to the appellant. For good cause shown, the court may extend the time for mailing and filing notice of appeal, but such time shall not exceed six months from the date the department mails the administrative appeal decision. Filing notice of appeal with the court shall be the only act necessary to
vest jurisdiction in the court.

(4) The department shall be required to file a transcript of the testimony of the state hearing with the court only if the court orders the department to file the transcript. The court shall make such an order only if it finds that the department and the appellant are unable to stipulate to the facts of the case and that the transcript is essential to a determination of the appeal. The department shall file the transcript not later than thirty days after the day such an order is issued.

(F) The department of job and family services shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to implement this section, including rules governing the following:

(1) State hearings under division (B) of this section. The rules shall include provisions regarding notice of eligibility termination and the opportunity of an appellant appealing a decision or order of a county department of job and family services to request a county conference with the county department before the state hearing is held.

(2) Administrative appeals under division (C) of this section;

(3) Time limits for complying with a decision issued under division (B) or (C) of this section;

(4) Sanctions that may be applied against an agency under division (D) of this section.

(G) The department of job and family services may adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code establishing an appeals process for an appellant who appeals a decision or order regarding a Title IV-A program identified under division (A)(4)(c), (d), (e), (f), or (g), or (h) of section 5101.80 of the Revised Code that is different from the appeals process established by this section. The different appeals process may
include having a state agency that administers the Title IV-A program pursuant to an interagency agreement entered into under section 5101.801 of the Revised Code administer the appeals process.

(H) If an appellant receiving medicaid through a health insuring corporation that holds a certificate of authority under Chapter 1751. of the Revised Code is appealing a denial of medicaid services based on lack of medical necessity or other clinical issues regarding coverage by the health insuring corporation, the person hearing the appeal may order an independent medical review if that person determines that a review is necessary. The review shall be performed by a health care professional with appropriate clinical expertise in treating the recipient's condition or disease. The department shall pay the costs associated with the review.

A review ordered under this division shall be part of the record of the hearing and shall be given appropriate evidentiary consideration by the person hearing the appeal.

(I) The requirements of Chapter 119. of the Revised Code apply to a state hearing or administrative appeal under this section only to the extent, if any, specifically provided by rules adopted under this section.

Sec. 5101.80. (A) As used in this section and in section 5101.801 of the Revised Code:

(1) "County family services agency" has the same meaning as in section 307.981 of the Revised Code.

(2) "State agency" has the same meaning as in section 9.82 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Title IV-A administrative agency" means both of the following:
(a) A county family services agency or state agency administering a Title IV-A program under the supervision of the department of job and family services;

(b) A government agency or private, not-for-profit entity administering a project funded in whole or in part with funds provided under the Title IV-A demonstration program created under section 5101.803 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Title IV-A program" means all of the following that are funded in part with funds provided under the temporary assistance for needy families block grant established by Title IV-A of the "Social Security Act," 110 Stat. 2113 (1996), 42 U.S.C. 601, as amended:

(a) The Ohio works first program established under Chapter 5107. of the Revised Code;

(b) The prevention, retention, and contingency program established under Chapter 5108. of the Revised Code;

(c) A program established by the general assembly or an executive order issued by the governor that is administered or supervised by the department of job and family services pursuant to section 5101.801 of the Revised Code;

(d) The kinship permanency incentive program created under section 5101.802 of the Revised Code;

(e) The Title IV-A demonstration program created under section 5101.803 of the Revised Code;

(f) The Ohio parenting and pregnancy program created under section 5101.804 of the Revised Code;

(g) Fatherhood programs recommended by the Ohio commission on fatherhood under section 5101.805 of the Revised Code;

(h) A component of a Title IV-A program identified under divisions (A)(4)(a) to (g) of this section that the Title IV-A
state plan prepared under division (C)(1) of this section identifies as a component.

(B) The department of job and family services shall act as the single state agency to administer and supervise the administration of Title IV-A programs. The Title IV-A state plan and amendments to the plan prepared under division (C) of this section are binding on Title IV-A administrative agencies. No Title IV-A administrative agency may establish, by rule or otherwise, a policy governing a Title IV-A program that is inconsistent with a Title IV-A program policy established, in rule or otherwise, by the director of job and family services.

(C) The department of job and family services shall do all of the following:

(1) Prepare and submit to the United States secretary of health and human services a Title IV-A state plan for Title IV-A programs;

(2) Prepare and submit to the United States secretary of health and human services amendments to the Title IV-A state plan that the department determines necessary, including amendments necessary to implement Title IV-A programs identified in divisions (A)(4)(c) to (g) of this section;

(3) Prescribe forms for applications, certificates, reports, records, and accounts of Title IV-A administrative agencies, and other matters related to Title IV-A programs;

(4) Make such reports, in such form and containing such information as the department may find necessary to assure the correctness and verification of such reports, regarding Title IV-A programs;

(5) Require reports and information from each Title IV-A administrative agency as may be necessary or advisable regarding a Title IV-A program;
(6) Afford a fair hearing in accordance with section 5101.35 of the Revised Code to any applicant for, or participant or former participant of, a Title IV-A program aggrieved by a decision regarding the program;

(7) Administer and expend, pursuant to Chapters 5104., 5107., and 5108. of the Revised Code and sections 5101.801, 5101.802, 5101.803, and 5101.804 of the Revised Code, any sums appropriated by the general assembly for the purpose of those chapters and sections and all sums paid to the state by the secretary of the treasury of the United States as authorized by Title IV-A of the "Social Security Act," 110 Stat. 2113 (1996), 42 U.S.C. 601, as amended;

(8) Conduct investigations and audits as are necessary regarding Title IV-A programs;

(9) Enter into reciprocal agreements with other states relative to the provision of Ohio works first and prevention, retention, and contingency to residents and nonresidents;

(10) Contract with a private entity to conduct an independent on-going evaluation of the Ohio works first program and the prevention, retention, and contingency program. The contract must require the private entity to do all of the following:

   (a) Examine issues of process, practice, impact, and outcomes;

   (b) Study former participants of Ohio works first who have not participated in Ohio works first for at least one year to determine whether they are employed, the type of employment in which they are engaged, the amount of compensation they are receiving, whether their employer provides health insurance, whether and how often they have received benefits or services under the prevention, retention, and contingency program, and whether they are successfully self sufficient;
(c) Provide the department with reports at times the department specifies.

(11) Not later than the last day of each January and July, prepare a report containing information on the following:

(a) Individuals exhausting the time limits for participation in Ohio works first set forth in section 5107.18 of the Revised Code.

(b) Individuals who have been exempted from the time limits set forth in section 5107.18 of the Revised Code and the reasons for the exemption.

(D) The department shall provide copies of the reports it receives under division (C)(10) of this section and prepares under division (C)(11) of this section to the governor, the president and minority leader of the senate, and the speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives. The department shall provide copies of the reports to any private or government entity on request.

(E) An authorized representative of the department or a county family services agency or state agency administering a Title IV-A program shall have access to all records and information bearing thereon for the purposes of investigations conducted pursuant to this section. An authorized representative of a government entity or private, not-for-profit entity administering a project funded in whole or in part with funds provided under the Title IV-A demonstration program shall have access to all records and information bearing on the project for the purpose of investigations conducted pursuant to this section.

Sec. 5101.801. (A) Except as otherwise provided by the law enacted by the general assembly or executive order issued by the governor establishing the Title IV-A program, a Title IV-A program
identified under division (A)(4)(c), (d), (e), (f), or (g), or (h) of section 5101.80 of the Revised Code shall provide benefits and services that are not "assistance" as defined in 45 C.F.R. 260.31(a) and are benefits and services that 45 C.F.R. 260.31(b) excludes from the definition of assistance.

(B)(1) Except as otherwise provided by the law enacted by the general assembly or executive order issued by the governor establishing the Title IV-A program, the department of job and family services shall do either of the following regarding a Title IV-A program identified under division (A)(4)(c), (d), (e), (f), or (g), or (h) of section 5101.80 of the Revised Code:

(a) Administer the program or supervise a county family services agency's administration of the program;

(b) Enter into an interagency agreement with a state agency for the state agency to administer the program under the department's supervision.

(2) The department may enter into an agreement with a government entity and, to the extent permitted by federal law, a private, not-for-profit entity for the entity to receive funding for a project under the Title IV-A demonstration program created under section 5101.803 of the Revised Code.

(3) To the extent permitted by federal law, the department may enter into an agreement with a private, not-for-profit entity for the entity to receive funds under the Ohio parenting and pregnancy program created under section 5101.804 of the Revised Code.

(4) To the extent permitted by federal law, the department may enter into an agreement with a private, not-for-profit entity for the entity to receive funds as recommended by the Ohio commission on fatherhood under section 5101.805 of the Revised Code.
(C) The department may adopt rules governing Title IV-A programs identified under divisions (A)(4)(c), (d), (e), (f), and (g), and (h) of section 5101.80 of the Revised Code. Rules governing financial and operational matters of the department or between the department and county family services agencies shall be adopted as internal management rules adopted in accordance with section 111.15 of the Revised Code. All other rules shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(D) If the department enters into an agreement regarding a Title IV-A program identified under division (A)(4)(c), (e), (f), or (g), or (h) of section 5101.80 of the Revised Code pursuant to division (B)(1)(b) or (2) of this section, the agreement shall include at least all of the following:

1. A requirement that the state agency or entity comply with the requirements for the program or project, including all of the following requirements established by federal statutes and regulations, state statutes and rules, the United States office of management and budget, and the Title IV-A state plan prepared under section 5101.80 of the Revised Code:
   a. Eligibility;
   b. Reports;
   c. Benefits and services;
   d. Use of funds;
   e. Appeals for applicants for, and recipients and former recipients of, the benefits and services;
   f. Audits.

2. A complete description of all of the following:
   a. The benefits and services that the program or project is to provide;
   b. The methods of program or project administration;
(c) The appeals process under section 5101.35 of the Revised Code for applicants for, and recipients and former recipients of, the program or project's benefits and services;

(d) Other requirements that the department requires be included.

(3) Procedures for the department to approve a policy, established by rule or otherwise, that the state agency or entity establishes for the program or project before the policy is established;

(4) Provisions regarding how the department is to reimburse the state agency or entity for allowable expenditures under the program or project that the department approves, including all of the following:

(a) Limitations on administrative costs;

(b) The department, at its discretion, doing either of the following:

(i) Withholding no more than five per cent of the funds that the department would otherwise provide to the state agency or entity for the program or project;

(ii) Charging the state agency or entity for the costs to the department of performing, or contracting for the performance of, audits and other administrative functions associated with the program or project.

(5) If the state agency or entity arranges by contract, grant, or other agreement for another entity to perform a function the state agency or entity would otherwise perform regarding the program or project, the state agency or entity's responsibilities for both of the following:

(a) Ensuring that the other entity complies with the agreement between the state agency or entity and department and
federal statutes and regulations and state statutes and rules governing the use of funds for the program or project;

(b) Auditing the other entity in accordance with requirements established by the United States office of management and budget.

(6) The state agency or entity's responsibilities regarding the prompt payment, including any interest assessed, of any adverse audit finding, final disallowance of federal funds, or other sanction or penalty imposed by the federal government, auditor of state, department, a court, or other entity regarding funds for the program or project;

(7) Provisions for the department to terminate the agreement or withhold reimbursement from the state agency or entity if either of the following occur:

(a) The federal government disapproves the program or project or reduces federal funds for the program or project;

(b) The state agency or entity fails to comply with the terms of the agreement.

(8) Provisions for both of the following:

(a) The department and state agency or entity determining the performance outcomes expected for the program or project;

(b) An evaluation of the program or project to determine its success in achieving the performance outcomes determined under division (D)(8)(a) of this section.

(E) To the extent consistent with the law enacted by the general assembly or executive order issued by the governor establishing the Title IV-A program and subject to the approval of the director of budget and management, the director of job and family services may terminate a Title IV-A program identified under division (A)(4)(c), (d), (e), (f), or (g), or (h) of section 5101.80 of the Revised Code or reduce funding for the program if
the director of job and family services determines that federal or state funds are insufficient to fund the program. If the director of budget and management approves the termination or reduction in funding for such a program, the director of job and family services shall issue instructions for the termination or funding reduction. If a Title IV-A administrative agency is administering the program, the agency is bound by the termination or funding reduction and shall comply with the director's instructions.

(F) The director of job and family services may adopt internal management rules in accordance with section 111.15 of the Revised Code as necessary to implement this section. The rules are binding on each Title IV-A administrative agency.

Sec. 5101.802. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Custodian," "guardian," and "minor child" have the same meanings as in section 5107.02 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Federal poverty guidelines" has the same meaning as in section 5101.46 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Kinship caregiver" has the same meaning as in section 5101.85 of the Revised Code.

(B) Subject to division (E) of section 5101.801 of the Revised Code, there is hereby created the kinship permanency incentive program to promote permanency for a minor child in the legal and physical custody of a kinship caregiver. The program shall provide an initial one-time incentive payment to the kinship caregiver to defray the costs of initial placement of the minor child in the kinship caregiver's home. The program may provide additional permanency incentive payments for the minor child at six-month intervals, based on the availability of funds. An eligible caregiver may receive a maximum of eight incentive payments per minor child.
(C) A kinship caregiver may participate in the program if all of the following requirements are met:

(1) The kinship caregiver applies to a public children services agency in accordance with the application process established in rules authorized by division (E) of this section;

(2) Not earlier than July 1, 2005, a juvenile court issues an order granting legal custody to the kinship caregiver, or a probate court grants guardianship to the kinship caregiver, except that a temporary court order is not sufficient to meet this requirement;

(3) The kinship caregiver is either the minor child's custodian or guardian;

(4) The minor child resides with the kinship caregiver pursuant to a placement approval process established in rules authorized by division (E) of this section;

(5) Excluding any income excluded under rules adopted under division (E) of this section, the gross income of the kinship caregiver's family, including the minor child, does not exceed three hundred per cent of the federal poverty guidelines.

(6) The kinship caregiver is not receiving kinship guardianship assistance under Title IV-E of the "Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C. 673(d), as amended, described in section 5101.1411 of the Revised Code or pursuant to section 5153.163 of the Revised Code.

(D) Public children services agencies shall make initial and ongoing eligibility determinations for the kinship permanency incentive program in accordance with rules authorized by division (E) of this section. The director of job and family services shall supervise public children services agencies' duties under this section.
(E) The director of job and family services shall adopt rules under division (C) of section 5101.801 of the Revised Code as necessary to implement the kinship permanency incentive program. The rules shall establish all of the following:

1. The application process for the program;
2. The placement approval process through which a minor child is placed with a kinship caregiver for the kinship caregiver to be eligible for the program;
3. The initial and ongoing eligibility determination process for the program, including the computation of income eligibility;
4. The amount of the incentive payments provided under the program;
5. The method by which the incentive payments are provided to a kinship caregiver.

(F) The amendments made to this section by Am. Sub. H.B. 119 of the 127th general assembly shall not affect the eligibility of any kinship caregiver whose eligibility was established before June 30, 2007.

Sec. 5101.805. (A) Subject to division (E) of section 5101.801 of the Revised Code, the Ohio commission on fatherhood created under section 5101.34 of the Revised Code may make recommendations to the director of job and family services regarding funding, approval, and implementation of fatherhood programs in this state that meet at least one of the four purposes of the temporary assistance for needy families block grant, as specified in 42 U.S.C. 601.

(B) The department of job and family services may provide funding under this section to government entities and, to the extent permitted by federal law, private, not-for-profit entities with which the department enters into agreements under division
(B)(4) of section 5101.801 of the Revised Code.

(C) The director shall adopt rules under division (C) of section 5101.801 of the Revised Code as necessary to implement this section.

Sec. 5101.971. (A) The department of human services shall prepare an annual report on individual development account programs established by county departments of human services based on the information provided pursuant to division (E) of section 329.12 of the Revised Code and file the report with the governor, president and minority leader of the senate, and speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives. The department shall file the report on the first day of October of each year, beginning in 1998.

(B) The department of job and family services shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to govern the implementation of individual development account programs under sections 329.11 to 329.14 of the Revised Code by county departments of human job and family services, which shall include rules covering all both of the following:

(1) Imposing a penalty for unauthorized use of matching contributions;

(2) Specifying the information that must be included in the county department's report to the department under section 329.12 of the Revised Code;

(3) Specifying the responsibilities of a fiduciary organization under an individual development account program established under section 329.12 of the Revised Code. The rules shall be consistent with section 404(h) of the "Social Security Act" as amended by the "Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996," 110 Stat. 2105. 42 U.S.C.
The responsibilities of a fiduciary organization may include marketing; soliciting matching contributions; counseling account holders; conducting verification, compliance, and evaluation activities; and any other responsibilities considered appropriate by the state department.

Sec. 5103.02. As used in sections 5103.03 to 5103.181 of the Revised Code:

(A)(1) "Association" or "institution" includes all of the following:

(a) Any incorporated or unincorporated organization, society, association, or agency, public or private, that receives or cares for children for two or more consecutive weeks;

(b) Any individual, including the operator of a foster home, who, for hire, gain, or reward, receives or cares for children for two or more consecutive weeks, unless the individual is related to them by blood or marriage;

(c) Any individual not in the regular employ of a court, or of an institution or association certified in accordance with section 5103.03 of the Revised Code, who in any manner becomes a party to the placing of children in foster homes, unless the individual is related to such children by blood or marriage or is the appointed guardian of such children.

(2) "Association" or "institution" does not include any of the following:

(a) Any organization, society, association, school, agency, child guidance center, detention or rehabilitation facility, or children's clinic licensed, regulated, approved, operated under the direction of, or otherwise certified by the department of education, a local board of education, the department of youth
services, the department of mental health and addiction services, or the department of developmental disabilities;

(b) Any individual who provides care for only a single-family group, placed there by their parents or other relative having custody;

(c) A private, nonprofit therapeutic wilderness camp;

(d) A qualified organization as defined in section 2151.90 of the Revised Code.

(B) "Family foster home" means a foster home that is not a specialized foster home.

(C) "Foster caregiver" means a person holding a valid foster home certificate issued under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code.

(D) "Foster home" means a private residence in which children are received apart from their parents, guardian, or legal custodian, by an individual reimbursed for providing the children nonsecure care, supervision, or training twenty-four hours a day. "Foster home" does not include care provided for a child in the home of a person other than the child's parent, guardian, or legal custodian while the parent, guardian, or legal custodian is temporarily away. Family foster homes and specialized foster homes are types of foster homes.

(E) Kinship caregiver" has the same meaning as in section 5101.85 of the Revised Code.

(F) "Medically fragile foster home" means a foster home that provides specialized medical services designed to meet the needs of children with intensive health care needs who meet all of the following criteria:

(1) Under rules adopted by the medicaid director governing medicaid payments for long-term care services, the children require a skilled level of care.
The children require the services of a doctor of medicine or osteopathic medicine at least once a week due to the instability of their medical conditions.

The children require the services of a registered nurse on a daily basis.

The children are at risk of institutionalization in a hospital, skilled nursing facility, or intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities.

"Private, nonprofit therapeutic wilderness camp" means a structured, alternative residential setting for children who are experiencing emotional, behavioral, moral, social, or learning difficulties at home or school in which all of the following are the case:

1. The children spend the majority of their time, including overnight, either outdoors or in a primitive structure.
2. The children have been placed there by their parents or another relative having custody.
3. The camp accepts no public funds for use in its operations.

"Recommending agency" means a public children services agency, private child placing agency, or private noncustodial agency that recommends that the department of job and family services take any of the following actions under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code regarding a foster home:

1. Issue a certificate;
2. Deny a certificate;
3. Renew a certificate;
4. Deny renewal of a certificate;
5. Revoke a certificate.
"Resource caregiver" means a foster caregiver or a kinship caregiver.

"Resource family" means a foster home or the kinship caregiver family.

"Specialized foster home" means a medically fragile foster home or a treatment foster home.

"Treatment foster home" means a foster home that incorporates special rehabilitative services designed to treat the specific needs of the children received in the foster home and that receives and cares for children who are emotionally or behaviorally disturbed, who are chemically dependent, who have developmental disabilities, or who otherwise have exceptional needs.

Sec. 5103.0310. (A) Prior to employing a person or engaging a subcontractor, intern, or volunteer, an institution or association, as defined in division (A)(1)(a) of section 5103.02 of the Revised Code, that is a residential facility, as defined in division (A)(6) of section 5103.05 of the Revised Code, shall do the following regarding the person, subcontractor, intern, or volunteer:

(1) Conduct Obtain a search of the United States department of justice national sex offender public web site regarding the person;

(2) Request Obtain a summary report of a search of the uniform statewide automated child welfare information system in accordance with divisions (A) and (B) of section 5103.18 of the Revised Code.

(B) An institution or association, as defined in division (A)(1)(a) of section 5103.02 of the Revised Code, that is not a residential facility, as defined in division (A)(6) of section
5103.05 of the Revised Code, shall obtain the search and summary report described in division (A) of this section before hiring a person, or engaging a subcontractor, intern, or volunteer, who will have access to children.

(C) If, at the time of the effective date of this amendment, the institution or association has not obtained a report required under division (A) or (B) of this section for the person, subcontractor, intern, or volunteer, the institution or association shall obtain the report.

(D) The institution or association may refuse to hire employ the person or engage the subcontractor, intern, or volunteer based solely on the results of the search described in division (A)(1) or (B) of this section or the findings of the summary report described in division (B)(1)(a) of section 5103.18 of the Revised Code.

(E) The director of job and family services shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code necessary for the implementation and execution of this section.

Sec. 5103.163. (A) The department of job and family services shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to establish and enforce a resource family bill of rights for resource families providing care for individuals who are in the custody or care and placement of an agency that provides Title IV-E reimbursable services pursuant to sections 5103.03 to 5103.181 of the Revised Code.

(B) If the rights of the resource family conflict with the rights of the individual established by section 2151.316 of the Revised Code, division (B) of section 2151.316 of the Revised Code shall apply.

(C) The rights established by rules under this section shall
not create grounds for a civil action against the department, the recommending agency, or the custodial agency.

Sec. 5104.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Administrator" means the person responsible for the daily operation of a center, type A home, or approved child day camp. The administrator and the owner may be the same person.

(B) "Approved child day camp" means a child day camp approved pursuant to section 5104.22 of the Revised Code.

(C) "Authorized representative" means an individual employed by a center, type A home, or approved child day camp that is owned by a person other than an individual and who is authorized by the owner to do all of the following:

(1) Communicate on the owner's behalf;

(2) Submit on the owner's behalf applications for licensure or approval;

(3) Enter into on the owner's behalf provider agreements for publicly funded child care.

(D) "Border state child care provider" means a child care provider that is located in a state bordering Ohio and that is licensed, certified, or otherwise approved by that state to provide child care funded by the child care block grant act.

(E) "Career pathways model" means an alternative pathway to meeting the requirements to be a child-care staff member or administrator that does both of the following:

(1) Uses a framework approved by the director of job and family services to document formal education, training, experience, and specialized credentials and certifications;

(2) Allows the child-care staff member or administrator to achieve a designation as an early childhood professional level
one, two, three, four, five, or six.

(F) "Caretaker parent" means the father or mother of a child whose presence in the home is needed as the caretaker of the child, a person who has legal custody of a child and whose presence in the home is needed as the caretaker of the child, a guardian of a child whose presence in the home is needed as the caretaker of the child, and any other person who stands in loco parentis with respect to the child and whose presence in the home is needed as the caretaker of the child.

(G) "Chartered nonpublic school" means a school that meets standards for nonpublic schools prescribed by the state board of education for nonpublic schools pursuant to section 3301.07 of the Revised Code.

(H) "Child" includes an infant, toddler, preschool-age child, or school-age child.


(J) "Child day camp" means a program in which only school-age children attend or participate, that operates for no more than twelve hours per day and no more than fifteen weeks during the summer. For purposes of this division, the maximum twelve hours of operation time does not include transportation time from a child's home to a child day camp and from a child day camp to a child's home.

(K) "Child care" means all of the following:

(1) Administering to the needs of infants, toddlers, preschool-age children, and school-age children outside of school hours;

(2) By persons other than their parents, guardians, or
custodians;

(3) For part of the twenty-four-hour day;

(4) In a place other than a child's own home, except that an in-home aide provides child care in the child's own home;

(5) By a provider required by this chapter to be licensed or approved by the department of job and family services, certified by a county department of job and family services, or under contract with the department to provide publicly funded child care as described in section 5104.32 of the Revised Code.

(L) "Child day-care center" and "center" mean any place that is not the permanent residence of the licensee or administrator in which child care or publicly funded child care is provided for seven or more children at one time. "Child day-care center" and "center" do not include any of the following:

(1) A place located in and operated by a hospital, as defined in section 3727.01 of the Revised Code, in which the needs of children are administered to, if all the children whose needs are being administered to are monitored under the on-site supervision of a physician licensed under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code or a registered nurse licensed under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code, and the services are provided only for children who, in the opinion of the child's parent, guardian, or custodian, are exhibiting symptoms of a communicable disease or other illness or are injured;

(2) A child day camp;

(3) A place that provides care, if all of the following apply:

(a) An organized religious body provides the care;

(b) A parent, custodian, or guardian of at least one child receiving care is on the premises and readily accessible at all
times;

(c) The care is not provided for more than thirty days a year;

(d) The care is provided only for preschool-age and school-age children.

(M) "Child care resource and referral service organization" means a community-based nonprofit organization that provides child care resource and referral services but not child care.

(N) "Child care resource and referral services" means all of the following services:

(1) Maintenance of a uniform data base of all child care providers in the community that are in compliance with this chapter, including current occupancy and vacancy data;

(2) Provision of individualized consumer education to families seeking child care;

(3) Provision of timely referrals of available child care providers to families seeking child care;

(4) Recruitment of child care providers;

(5) Assistance in developing, conducting, and disseminating training for child care professionals and provision of technical assistance to current and potential child care providers, employers, and the community;

(6) Collection and analysis of data on the supply of and demand for child care in the community;

(7) Technical assistance concerning locally, state, and federally funded child care and early childhood education programs;

(8) Stimulation of employer involvement in making child care more affordable, more available, safer, and of higher quality for
their employees and for the community;

(9) Provision of written educational materials to caretaker parents and informational resources to child care providers;

(10) Coordination of services among child care resource and referral service organizations to assist in developing and maintaining a statewide system of child care resource and referral services if required by the department of job and family services;

(11) Cooperation with the county department of job and family services in encouraging the establishment of parent cooperative child care centers and parent cooperative type A family day-care homes.

(O) "Child-care staff member" means an employee of a child day-care center, type A family day-care home, licensed type B family day-care home, or approved child day camp who is primarily responsible for the care and supervision of children. The administrator, authorized representative, or owner may be a child-care staff member when not involved in other duties.

(P) "Drop-in child day-care center," "drop-in center," "drop-in type A family day-care home," and "drop-in type A home" mean a center or type A home that provides child care or publicly funded child care for children on a temporary, irregular basis.

(Q) "Employee" means a person who either:

(1) Receives compensation for duties performed in a child day-care center, type A family day-care home, licensed type B family day-care home, or approved child day camp;

(2) Is assigned specific working hours or duties in a child day-care center, type A family day-care home, licensed type B family day-care home, or approved child day camp.

(R) "Employer" means a person, firm, institution, organization, or agency that operates a child day-care center,
type A family day-care home, licensed type B family day-care home, 37920
or approved child day camp subject to licensure or approval under 37921
this chapter.

(S) "Federal poverty line" means the official poverty 37922
guideline as revised annually in accordance with section 673(2) of 37923
the "Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981," 95 Stat. 511, 42 37924
U.S.C. 9902, as amended, for a family size equal to the size of 37925
the family of the person whose income is being determined. 37926

(T) "Head start program" means a comprehensive child 37927
development school-readiness program serving birth to three years 37928
old and preschool age children that satisfies all of the following:

(1) Is for children from birth to age five who are from 37930
low-income families;

(2) Receives funds distributed under the "Improving Head 37932
U.S.C. A. 9831, as amended, and is;

(3) Is licensed as a child care program.

(U) "Homeless child care" means child care provided to a 37938
child who satisfies any of the following:

(1) Is homeless as defined in 42 U.S.C. 11302;

(2) Is a homeless child or youth as defined in 42 U.S.C. 37941
11434a;

(3) Resides temporarily with a caretaker in a facility 37943
providing emergency shelter for homeless families or is determined 37944
by a county department of job and family services to be homeless.

(V) "Income" means gross income, as defined in section 37946
5107.10 of the Revised Code, less any amounts required by federal 37947
statutes or regulations to be disregarded.

(W) "Indicator checklist" means an inspection tool, used in 37949
conjunction with an instrument-based program monitoring information system, that contains selected licensing requirements that are statistically reliable indicators or predictors of a child day-care center's type A family day-care home's, or licensed type B family day-care home's compliance with licensing requirements.

(X) "Infant" means a child who is less than eighteen months of age.

(Y) "In-home aide" means a person who does not reside with the child but provides care in the child's home and is certified by a county director of job and family services pursuant to section 5104.12 of the Revised Code to provide publicly funded child care to a child in a child's own home pursuant to this chapter and any rules adopted under it.

(Z) "Instrument-based program monitoring information system" means a method to assess compliance with licensing requirements for child day-care centers, type A family day-care homes, and licensed type B family day-care homes in which each licensing requirement is assigned a weight indicative of the relative importance of the requirement to the health, growth, and safety of the children that is used to develop an indicator checklist.

(AA) "License capacity" means the maximum number in each age category of children who may be cared for in a child day-care center, type A family day-care home, or licensed type B family day-care home at one time as determined by the director of job and family services considering building occupancy limits established by the department of commerce, amount of available indoor floor space and outdoor play space, and amount of available play equipment, materials, and supplies.

(BB) "Licensed child care program" means any of the following:
(1) A child day-care center licensed by the department of job and family services pursuant to this chapter;

(2) A type A family day-care home or type B family day-care home licensed by the department of job and family services pursuant to this chapter;

(3) A licensed preschool program or licensed school child program.

(CC) "Licensed preschool program" or "licensed school child program" means a preschool program or school child program, as defined in section 3301.52 of the Revised Code, that is licensed by the department of education pursuant to sections 3301.52 to 3301.59 of the Revised Code.

(DD) "Licensed type B family day-care home" and "licensed type B home" mean a type B family day-care home for which there is a valid license issued by the director of job and family services pursuant to section 5104.03 of the Revised Code.

(EE) "Licensee" means the owner of a child day-care center, type A family day-care home, or type B family day-care home that is licensed pursuant to this chapter and who is responsible for ensuring compliance with this chapter and rules adopted pursuant to this chapter.

(FF) "Operate a child day camp" means to operate, establish, manage, conduct, or maintain a child day camp.

(GG) "Owner" includes a person, as defined in section 1.59 of the Revised Code, or government entity.

(HH) "Parent cooperative child day-care center," "parent cooperative center," "parent cooperative type A family day-care home," and "parent cooperative type A home" mean a corporation or association organized for providing educational services to the children of members of the corporation or association, without
gain to the corporation or association as an entity, in which the services of the corporation or association are provided only to children of the members of the corporation or association, ownership and control of the corporation or association rests solely with the members of the corporation or association, and at least one parent-member of the corporation or association is on the premises of the center or type A home during its hours of operation.

(II) "Part-time child day-care center," "part-time center," "part-time type A family day-care home," and "part-time type A home" mean a center or type A home that provides child care or publicly funded child care for not more than four hours a day for any child or not more than fifteen consecutive weeks per year, regardless of the number of hours per day.

(JJ) "Place of worship" means a building where activities of an organized religious group are conducted and includes the grounds and any other buildings on the grounds used for such activities.

(KK) "Preschool-age child" means a child who is three years old or older but is not a school-age child.

(LL) "Protective child care" means publicly funded child care for the direct care and protection of a child to whom all of the following apply:

(1) A case plan has been prepared and maintained for the child pursuant to section 2151.412 of the Revised Code.

(2) The case plan indicates a need for protective care.

(3) The child resides with a parent, stepparent, guardian, or another person who stands in loco parentis as defined in rules adopted under section 5104.38 of the Revised Code.

(MM) "Publicly funded child care" means administering to the
needs of infants, toddlers, preschool-age children, and school-age children under age thirteen during any part of the twenty-four-hour day by persons other than their caretaker parents for remuneration wholly or in part with federal or state funds, including funds available under the child care block grant act, Title IV-A, and Title XX, distributed by the department of job and family services.

(NN) "Religious activities" means any of the following:
- worship or other religious services
- religious instruction
- Sunday school classes or other religious classes conducted during or prior to worship or other religious services
- youth or adult fellowship activities
- choir or other musical group practices or programs
- meals
- festivals
- or meetings conducted by an organized religious group.

(OO) "School-age child" means a child who is enrolled in or is eligible to be enrolled in a grade of kindergarten or above but is less than fifteen years old or, in the case of a child who is receiving special needs child care, is less than eighteen years old.

(PP) "Serious risk noncompliance" means a licensure or certification rule violation that leads to a great risk of harm to, or death of, a child, and is observable, not inferable.

(QQ) "Special needs child care" means child care provided to a child who is less than eighteen years of age and either has one or more chronic health conditions or does not meet age appropriate expectations in one or more areas of development, including social, emotional, cognitive, communicative, perceptual, motor, physical, and behavioral development and that may include on a regular basis such services, adaptations, modifications, or adjustments needed to assist in the child's function or
development.


(TT) "Toddler" means a child who is at least eighteen months of age but less than three years of age.

(UU) "Type A family day-care home" and "type A home" mean the permanent residence of the administrator in which child care or publicly funded child care is provided for seven to twelve children at one time or a permanent residence of the administrator in which child care is provided for four to twelve children at one time if four or more children at one time are under two years of age. In counting children for the purposes of this division, any children under six years of age who are related to a licensee, administrator, or employee and who are on the premises of the type A home shall be counted. "Type A family day-care home" and "type A home" do not include any child day camp.

(VV) "Type B family day-care home" and "type B home" mean a permanent residence of the provider in which care is provided for one to six children at one time and in which no more than three children are under two years of age at one time. In counting children for the purposes of this division, any children under six years of age who are related to the provider and who are on the premises of the type B home shall be counted. "Type B family day-care home" and "type B home" do not include any child day camp.

Sec. 5104.017. The director of job and family services shall adopt rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code governing the operation of type A family day-care homes, including parent
cooperative type A homes, part-time type A homes, and drop-in type A homes, and school-age child type A homes. The rules shall reflect the various forms of child care and the needs of children receiving child care. The rules shall include the following:

(A) Submission of a site plan and descriptive plan of operation to demonstrate how the type A home proposes to meet the requirements of this chapter and rules adopted pursuant to this chapter for the initial license application;

(B) Standards for ensuring that the physical surroundings of the type A home are safe and sanitary, including the physical environment, the physical plant, and the equipment of the type A home;

(C) Standards for the supervision, care, and discipline of children receiving child care or publicly funded child care in the type A home;

(D) Standards for a program of activities, and for play equipment, materials, and supplies, to enhance the development of each child; however, any educational curricula, philosophies, and methodologies that are developmentally appropriate and that enhance the social, emotional, intellectual, and physical development of each child shall be permissible;

(E) Admissions policies and procedures;

(F) Health care policies and procedures, including procedures for the isolation of children with communicable diseases;

(G) First aid and emergency procedures;

(H) Procedures for discipline and supervision of children;

(I) Standards for the provision of nutritious meals and snacks;

(J) Procedures for screening children, including any
necessary physical examinations and the immunizations required pursuant to section 5104.014 of the Revised Code;

(K) Procedures for screening employees, including any necessary physical examinations and immunizations;

(L) Methods for encouraging parental participation in the type A home and methods for ensuring that the rights of children, parents, and employees are protected and that the responsibilities of parents and employees are met;

(M) Procedures for ensuring the safety and adequate supervision of children traveling off the premises of the type A home while under the care of a type A home employee;

(N) Procedures for record keeping, organization, and administration;

(O) Procedures for issuing, denying, and revoking a license that are not otherwise provided for in Chapter 119. of the Revised Code;

(P) Inspection procedures;

(Q) Procedures and standards for setting initial license application fees;

(R) Procedures for receiving, recording, and responding to complaints about type A homes;

(S) Procedures for enforcing section 5104.04 of the Revised Code;

(T) A standard requiring the inclusion of a current department of job and family services toll-free telephone number on each type A home license that any person may use to report a suspected violation by the type A home of this chapter or rules adopted pursuant to this chapter;

(U) Requirements for the training of administrators and child-care staff members in first aid, in prevention, recognition,
and management of communicable diseases, and in child abuse recognition and prevention;

(V) Standards providing for the special needs of children who are handicapped or who require treatment for health conditions while the child is receiving child care or publicly funded child care in the type A home;

(W) Standards for the maximum number of children per child-care staff member;

(X) Requirements for the amount of usable indoor floor space for each child;

(Y) Requirements for safe outdoor play space;

(Z) Qualifications and training requirements for administrators and for child-care staff members;

(AA) Procedures for granting a parent who is the residential parent and legal custodian, or a custodian or guardian access to the type A home during its hours of operation;

(BB) Standards for the preparation and distribution of a roster of parents, custodians, and guardians;

(CC) Minimum requirements for instructional time for type A homes rated through the step up to quality program established pursuant to section 5104.29 of the Revised Code;

/DD/ (CC) Any other procedures and standards necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter regarding type A homes.

Sec. 5104.07. (A) The director of job and family services may prescribe additional requirements for licensing child day-care centers or type A family day-care homes that provide publicly funded child care pursuant to this chapter and any rules adopted under it. The director shall develop standards as required by federal laws and regulations for child care programs supported by
federal funds.

(B)(1) On or before February 28, 1992, the department of job and family services shall develop a statewide plan for child care resource and referral services. The plan shall be based upon the experiences of other states with respect to child care resource and referral services, the experiences of communities in this state that have child care resource and referral service organizations, and the needs of communities in this state that do not have child care resource and referral service organizations. The plan shall be designed to ensure that child care resource and referral services are available in each county in the state to families who need child care. The department shall consider the special needs of migrant workers when it develops the plan and shall include in the plan procedures designed to accommodate the needs of migrant workers.

(2) The director of job and family services shall adopt rules for funding child care resource and referral service organizations. The rules In addition to the requirements described in division (B)(1) of this section, the plan shall include all of the following:

(a) A description of the services that a child care resource and referral service organization is required to provide to families who need child care;

(b) The qualifications for a child care resource and referral service organization;

(c) A description of the procedures for providing federal and state funding for county or multicounty child care resource and referral service organizations;

(d) A timetable for providing child care resource and referral services to all communities in the state;

(e) Uniform information gathering and reporting procedures
(f) Procedures for establishing statewide nonprofit technical assistance services to coordinate uniform data collection and to publish reports on child care supply, demand, and cost and to provide technical assistance to communities that do not have child care resource and referral service organizations and to existing child care resource and referral service organizations;

(g) Requirements governing contracts entered into under division (C) of this section, which may include limits on the percentage of funds distributed by the department that may be used for the contracts.

(C) Child care resource and referral service organizations receiving funds distributed by the department may, in accordance with rules adopted under division (B)(2) of this section, enter into contracts with local governmental entities, nonprofit organizations including nonprofit organizations that provide child care, and individuals under which the entities, organizations, or individuals may provide child care resource and referral services in the community with those funds, if the contracts are submitted to and approved by the department prior to execution.

Sec. 5104.34. (A)(1) Each county department of job and family services shall implement procedures for making determinations of eligibility for publicly funded child care. Under those procedures, the eligibility determination for each applicant shall be made no later than thirty calendar days from the date the county department receives a completed application for publicly funded child care. Each applicant shall be notified promptly of the results of the eligibility determination. An applicant aggrieved by a decision or delay in making an eligibility determination may appeal the decision or delay to the department of job and family services in accordance with section 5101.35 of...
the Revised Code. The due process rights of applicants shall be
protected.

To the extent permitted by federal law, the county department
may make all determinations of eligibility for publicly funded
child care, may contract with child care providers or child care
resource and referral service organizations for the providers or
resource and referral service organizations to make all or any
part of the determinations, and may contract with child care
providers or child care resource and referral service
organizations for the providers or resource and referral service
organizations to collect specified information for use by the
county department in making determinations. If a county department
contracts with a child care provider or a child care resource and
referral service organization for eligibility determinations or
for the collection of information, the contract shall require the
provider or resource and referral service organization to make
each eligibility determination no later than thirty calendar days
from the date the provider or resource and referral organization
receives a completed application that is the basis of the
determination and to collect and transmit all necessary
information to the county department within a period of time that
enables the county department to make each eligibility
determination no later than thirty days after the filing of the
application that is the basis of the determination.

The county department may station employees of the department
in various locations throughout the county to collect information
relevant to applications for publicly funded child care and to
make eligibility determinations. The county department, child care
provider, and child care resource and referral service
organization shall make each determination of eligibility for
publicly funded child care no later than thirty days after the
filing of the application that is the basis of the determination,
shall make each determination in accordance with any relevant rules adopted pursuant to section 5104.38 of the Revised Code, and shall notify promptly each applicant for publicly funded child care of the results of the determination of the applicant's eligibility.

The director of job and family services shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code for monitoring the eligibility determination process. In accordance with those rules, the state department shall monitor eligibility determinations made by county departments of job and family services and shall direct any entity that is not in compliance with this division or any rule adopted under this division to implement corrective action specified by the department.

(2)(a) All eligibility determinations for publicly funded child care shall be made in accordance with rules adopted pursuant to division (A) of section 5104.38 of the Revised Code. Except as otherwise provided in this section, both all of the following apply:

(i) Publicly funded child care may be provided only to eligible infants, toddlers, preschool-age children, school-age children under age thirteen, or children receiving special needs child care.

(ii) For an applicant to be eligible for publicly funded child care, the caretaker parent must be employed or participating in a program of education or training for an amount of time reasonably related to the time that the parent's children are receiving publicly funded child care. This restriction does not apply to families whose children are eligible for protective child care.

(iii) The eligibility period for publicly funded child care shall be at least twelve months.
(b) In accordance with rules adopted under division (B) of section 5104.38 of the Revised Code, an applicant may receive publicly funded child care while the county department determines eligibility. An applicant may receive publicly funded child care while a county department determines eligibility only once during a twelve-month period. If the county department determines that an applicant is not eligible for publicly funded child care, the child care provider shall be paid for providing publicly funded child care for up to five days after that determination if the county department received a completed application with all required documentation. A program may appeal a denial of payment under this division.

(c) If a caretaker parent who has been determined eligible to receive publicly funded child care no longer meets the requirements of division (A)(2)(a)(ii) of this section, the caretaker parent may continue to receive publicly funded child care for a period of up to thirteen weeks at least three months not to extend beyond the caretaker parent's twelve-month eligibility period.

(d) If a child turns thirteen, or if a child receiving special needs child care turns eighteen, during the twelve-month eligibility period, the caretaker parent may continue to receive publicly funded child care until the end of that twelve-month eligibility period.

Subject to available funds, the department of job and family services shall allow a family to receive publicly funded child care unless the family's income exceeds the maximum income eligibility limit. Initial and continued eligibility for publicly funded child care is subject to available funds unless the family is receiving child care pursuant to division (A)(1), (2), (3), or (4) of section 5104.30 of the Revised Code. If the department must limit eligibility due to lack of available funds, it shall give
first priority for publicly funded child care to an assistance group whose income is not more than the maximum income eligibility limit that received transitional child care in the previous month but is no longer eligible because the twelve-month eligibility period has expired. Such an assistance group shall continue to receive priority for publicly funded child care until its income exceeds the maximum income eligibility limit.

(3) An assistance group that ceases to participate in the Ohio works first program established under Chapter 5107. of the Revised Code is eligible for transitional child care at any time during the immediately following twelve-month period that both of the following apply:

(a) The assistance group requires child care due to employment;
(b) The assistance group's income is not more than one hundred fifty per cent of the federal poverty line.

An assistance group ineligible to participate in the Ohio works first program pursuant to section 5101.83 or section 5107.16 of the Revised Code is not eligible for transitional child care.

(B) To the extent permitted by federal law, the department of job and family services may require a caretaker parent determined to be eligible for publicly funded child care to pay a fee according to the schedule of fees established in rules adopted under section 5104.38 of the Revised Code. The department shall make protective child care services and homeless child care services available to children without regard to the income or assets of the caretaker parent of the child.

(C) A caretaker parent receiving publicly funded child care shall report to the entity that determined eligibility any changes in status with respect to employment or participation in a program of education or training not later than ten calendar days after
(D) If the department of job and family services determines that available resources are not sufficient to provide publicly funded child care to all eligible families who request it, the department may establish a waiting list. The department may establish separate waiting lists within the waiting list based on income.

(E) A caretaker parent shall not receive publicly funded child care from more than one child care provider per child during a week, unless a county department grants the family an exemption for one of the following reasons:

(1) The child needs additional care during non-traditional hours;

(2) The child needs to change providers in the middle of the week and the hours of care provided by the providers do not overlap;

(3) The child's provider is closed on scheduled school days off or on calamity days;

(4) The child is enrolled in a part-time program participating in the tiered quality rating and improvement system established under section 5104.29 of the Revised Code and needs care from an additional part-time provider.

(F) As used in this section, "maximum income eligibility limit" means the amount of income specified in rules adopted under division (A) of section 5104.38 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5107.10. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Countable income," "gross earned income," and "gross unearned income" have the meanings established in rules adopted under section 5107.05 of the Revised Code.
(2) "Federal poverty guidelines" has the same meaning as in section 5101.46 of the Revised Code, except that references to a person's family in the definition shall be deemed to be references to the person's assistance group.

(3) "Gross income" means gross earned income and gross unearned income.

(4) "Strike" means continuous concerted action in failing to report to duty; willful absence from one's position; or stoppage of work in whole from the full, faithful, and proper performance of the duties of employment, for the purpose of inducing, influencing, or coercing a change in wages, hours, terms, and other conditions of employment. "Strike" does not include a stoppage of work by employees in good faith because of dangerous or unhealthful working conditions at the place of employment that are abnormal to the place of employment.

(B) Under the Ohio works first program, an assistance group shall receive, except as otherwise provided by this chapter, time-limited cash assistance. In the case of an assistance group that includes a minor head of household or adult, assistance shall be provided in accordance with the self-sufficiency contract entered into under section 5107.14 of the Revised Code.

(C)(1) To be eligible to participate in Ohio works first, an assistance group must meet all of the following requirements:

(a) The assistance group, except as provided in division (E) of this section, must include at least one of the following:

(i) A minor child who, except as provided in section 5107.24 of the Revised Code, resides with a parent, or specified relative caring for the child, or, to the extent permitted by Title IV-A and federal regulations adopted until Title IV-A, resides with a guardian or custodian caring for the child;

(ii) A parent residing with and caring for the parent's minor
child who receives supplemental security income under Title XVI of the "Social Security Act," 86 Stat. 1475 (1972), 42 U.S.C.A. 1383, as amended, or federal, state, or local adoption assistance;

(iii) A specified relative residing with and caring for a minor child who is related to the specified relative in a manner that makes the specified relative a specified relative and receives supplemental security income or federal, state, or local foster care, kinship guardianship, or adoption assistance;

(iv) A woman at least six months pregnant.

(b) The assistance group must meet the income requirements established by division (D) of this section.

(c) No member of the assistance group may be involved in a strike.

(d) The assistance group must satisfy the requirements for Ohio works first established by this chapter and section 5101.83 of the Revised Code.

(e) The assistance group must meet requirements for Ohio works first established by rules adopted under section 5107.05 of the Revised Code.

(2) In addition to meeting the requirements specified in division (C)(1) of this section, a member of an assistance group who is required by section 5116.10 of the Revised Code to participate in the comprehensive case management and employment program must participate in that program to be eligible to participate in Ohio works first.

(D)(1) Except as provided in division (D)(4) of this section, to determine whether an assistance group is initially eligible to participate in Ohio works first, a county department of job and family services shall do the following:

(a) Determine whether the assistance group's gross income
exceeds fifty per cent of the federal poverty guidelines. In making this determination, the county department shall disregard amounts that federal statutes or regulations and sections 5101.17 and 5117.10 of the Revised Code require be disregarded. The assistance group is ineligible to participate in Ohio works first if the assistance group's gross income, less the amounts disregarded, exceeds fifty per cent of the federal poverty guidelines.

(b) If the assistance group's gross income, less the amounts disregarded pursuant to division (D)(1)(a) of this section, does not exceed fifty per cent of the federal poverty guidelines, determine whether the assistance group's countable income is less than the payment standard. The assistance group is ineligible to participate in Ohio works first if the assistance group's countable income equals or exceeds the payment standard.

(2) For the purpose of determining whether an assistance group meets the income requirement established by division (D)(1)(a) of this section, the annual revision that the United States department of health and human services makes to the federal poverty guidelines shall go into effect on the first day of July of the year for which the revision is made.

(3) To determine whether an assistance group participating in Ohio works first continues to be eligible to participate, a county department of job and family services shall determine whether the assistance group's countable income continues to be less than the payment standard. In making this determination, the county department shall disregard an amount specified in rules adopted under section 5107.05 of the Revised Code and fifty per cent of the remainder of the assistance group's gross earned income. No amounts shall be disregarded from the assistance group's gross unearned income. The assistance group ceases to be eligible to participate in Ohio works first if its countable income, less the
amounts disregarded, equals or exceeds the payment standard.

(4) If an assistance group reappplies to participate in Ohio works first not more than four months after ceasing to participate, a county department of job and family services shall use the income requirement established by division (D)(3) of this section to determine eligibility for resumed participation rather than the income requirement established by division (D)(1) of this section.

(E)(1) An assistance group may continue to participate in Ohio works first even though a public children services agency removes the assistance group's minor children from the assistance group's home due to abuse, neglect, or dependency if the agency does both of the following:

(a) Notifies the county department of job and family services at the time the agency removes the children that it believes the children will be able to return to the assistance group within six months;

(b) Informs the county department at the end of each of the first five months after the agency removes the children that the parent, guardian, custodian, or specified relative of the children is cooperating with the case plans prepared for the children under section 2151.412 of the Revised Code and that the agency is making reasonable efforts to return the children to the assistance group.

(2) An assistance group may continue to participate in Ohio works first pursuant to division (E)(1) of this section for not more than six payment months. This division does not affect the eligibility of an assistance group that includes a woman at least six months pregnant.

Sec. 5119.27. (A) Records As used in this section:

(i) "Community control sanction" has the same meaning as in
section 2929.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Federally assisted," "program," and "substance use disorder" have the same meanings as in 42 C.F.R. 2.11 and as further described in 42 C.F.R. 2.12(b).

(3) "Post-release control sanction" has the same meaning as in section 2967.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 290dd-2, records or information, other than court journal entries or court docket entries, pertaining to the identity, diagnosis, or treatment of any person seeking or receiving services that are maintained in connection with the performance of any drug treatment program or services licensed by, or certified by, the director of mental health and addiction services under this chapter created or maintained by a federally assisted program for the treatment of substance use disorders shall be kept confidential and may be disclosed only for the purposes and under the circumstances expressly authorized under this section, and may not otherwise be divulged in any civil, criminal, administrative, or legislative proceeding 42 C.F.R. Part 2.

(C) When the person, with respect to whom any record or information referred to in division (A) or (B) of this section is maintained, gives consent in the form of a written release signed by the person, the content of the record or information may be disclosed if the written release conforms to all of the following:

(1) Specifically identifies the person, official, or entity to whom the information is to be provided;

(2) Describes with reasonable specificity the record, records, or information to be disclosed; and

(3) Describes with reasonable specificity the purposes of the disclosure and the intended use of the disclosed information requirements set forth in 42 C.F.R. 2.31.
(C) In accordance with 42 C.F.R. 2.35, a person who is subject to a community control sanction, parole, or a post-release control sanction, is on parole, or who is ordered to rehabilitation intervention in lieu of conviction, and who has agreed to participate in a drug treatment or rehabilitation program, shall be considered to have consented to the release of records and information relating to the progress of treatment, frequency of treatment, adherence to treatment requirements, and probable outcome of treatment. Release of information and records under this division shall be limited to the court or governmental personnel having the responsibility for supervising the person's community control sanction, post-release control sanction, parole, or intervention order to rehabilitation. A person, described in this division, who refuses to allow disclosure may be considered in violation of the conditions of the person's community control sanction, post-release control sanction, parole, or intervention order to rehabilitation.

(D) Disclosure. In accordance with 42 C.F.R. 2.52 and 2.53, disclosure of a person's record may be made without the person's consent to qualified personnel for the purpose of conducting scientific research, management, financial audits, or program evaluation, but these personnel may not identify, directly or indirectly, any individual particular person in any report of the research, audit, or evaluation, or otherwise disclose a person's identity in any manner.

(E) Upon the request of a prosecuting attorney or the director of mental health and addiction services, a court of competent jurisdiction may order the disclosure of records or information referred to in this division.
division (A)(B) of this section if the court has reason to believe that a treatment program or facility federally assisted program for the treatment of substance use disorders is being operated or used in a manner contrary to law. The use of any information or record so disclosed shall be limited to the prosecution of persons who are or may be charged with any offense related to the illegal operation or use of the drug treatment program or facility, or to the decision to withdraw the authority of a drug treatment program or facility to continue operation. For purposes of this division the court shall do all of the following:

(1) Limit disclosure to those parts of the person's record considered essential to fulfill the objective for which the order was granted;

(2) Require, where appropriate, that all information be disclosed in chambers;

(3) Include any other appropriate measures to keep disclosure to a minimum, consistent with the protection of the persons seeking or receiving services, the physician-patient provider-client relationship, and the administration of the drug treatment and rehabilitation program.

(F) As used in this section:

(1) "Community control sanction" has the same meaning as in section 2929.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Post-release control sanction" has the same meaning as in section 2967.01 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5119.33. (A)(1) The department of mental health and addiction services shall inspect and license all hospitals that receive mentally ill persons, except those hospitals managed by the department. No hospital may receive for care or treatment, either at public or private expense, any person who is or appears
to be mentally ill, whether or not so adjudicated, unless the
hospital has received a license from the department authorizing it
to receive for care or treatment persons who are mentally ill or
the hospital is managed by the department.

(2) No such license shall be granted to a hospital for the
treatment of mentally ill persons unless the department is
satisfied, after investigation, that the hospital is managed and
operated by qualified persons and has on its staff one or more
qualified physicians responsible for the medical care of the
patients confined there. At least one such physician shall be a
psychiatrist.

(B) The department shall adopt rules under Chapter 119. of
the Revised Code prescribing minimum standards for the operation
of hospitals for the care and treatment of mentally ill persons
and establishing standards and procedures for the issuance,
renewal, or revocation of full, probationary, and interim
licenses. No license shall be granted to any hospital established
or used for the care of mentally ill persons unless such hospital
is operating in accordance with this section and rules adopted
pursuant to this section. A full license shall expire one year
after the date of issuance, a probationary license shall expire at
the time prescribed by rule adopted pursuant to Chapter 119. of
the Revised Code by the director of mental health and addiction
services, and an interim license shall expire ninety days after
the date of issuance. A full, probationary, or interim license may
be renewed, except that an interim license may be renewed only
twice. The department may fix reasonable fees for licenses and for
license renewals. Such hospitals are subject to inspection and
on-site review by the department.

(C) Except as otherwise provided in Chapter 5122. of the
Revised Code, neither the director of mental health and addiction
services; an employee of the department; a board of alcohol, drug
addiction, and mental health services or employee of a community mental health services provider; nor any other public official shall hospitalize any mentally ill person for care or treatment in any hospital that is not licensed in accordance with this section.

(D)(1) The department may issue an order suspending the admission of patients who are mentally ill to a hospital for care or treatment if it finds either of the following:

(1) The hospital is not in compliance with rules adopted by the director pursuant to this section.

(2)(b) The hospital has been cited for more than one violation of statutes or rules during any previous period of time during which the hospital is licensed pursuant to this section.

(2) (a) Except as provided in division (D)(2)(b) of this section, proceedings initiated to suspend the admission of patients are governed by Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(b) If a suspension of admissions is proposed because the director has determined that the licensee has demonstrated a pattern of serious noncompliance or that a violation creates a substantial risk to the health and safety of patients, the director may issue an order imposing the suspension of admissions before providing an opportunity for an adjudication under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. The director shall lift the order for the suspension of admissions if the director determines that the violation that formed the basis for the order has been corrected.

(3) Appeals from proceedings initiated to order the suspension of admissions shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, unless the order was issued before providing an opportunity for an adjudication, in which case all of the following apply:

(a) The licensee may request a hearing not later than ten days after receiving the notice specified in section 119.07 of the
Revised Code.

(b) If a timely request for a hearing that includes the licensee's current address is made, the hearing shall commence not later than thirty days after the department receives the request.

(c) After commencing, the hearing shall continue uninterrupted, except for Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, unless other interruptions are agreed to by the licensee and the director.

(d) If the hearing is conducted by a hearing examiner, the hearing examiner shall file a report and recommendations with the department not later than ten days after the last of the following:

(i) The close of the hearing;

(ii) If a transcript of the proceedings is ordered, the hearing examiner receives the transcript;

(iii) If post-hearing briefs are timely filed, the hearing examiner receives the briefs.

(e) The hearing examiner shall send a written copy of the report and recommendations, by certified mail, to the licensee, or the licensee's attorney, if applicable, not later than five days after the report is filed with the department.

(f) Not later than five days after receiving the report and recommendations, the licensee may file objections with the department.

(g) Not later than fifteen days after the hearing examiner files the report and recommendations, the department shall issue an order approving, modifying, or disapproving the report and recommendations.

(h) Notwithstanding the pendency of the hearing, the department shall lift the order for the suspension of admissions.
if the department determines the violation that formed the basis for the order has been corrected.

(E)(1) Any license issued by the department under this section may be revoked or not renewed by the department for any of the following reasons:

(a) The hospital is no longer a suitable place for the care or treatment of mentally ill persons.

(b) The hospital refuses to be subject to inspection or on-site review by the department.

(c) The hospital has failed to furnish humane, kind, and adequate treatment and care.

(d) The hospital fails to comply with the licensure rules of the department.

(2) Proceedings initiated to deny applications for full or probationary licenses, to refuse to renew full or probationary licenses, or to revoke full or probationary licenses are governed by Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. If an order has been issued suspending the admission of patients, the order remains in effect during the pendency of those proceedings.

(F)(1) In a proceeding initiated to suspend the admission of patients, to deny an application for a full or probationary license, to refuse to renew a full or probationary license, or to revoke a full or probationary license, the department may order the suspension, denial, refusal, or revocation regardless of whether some or all of the deficiencies that prompted the proceedings have been corrected at the time of the hearing.

(2) When the department issues an order suspending the admission of patients, denies an application for a full or probationary license, refuses to renew a full or probationary license, or revokes a full or probationary license, the department
shall not grant an opportunity for submitting a plan of correction.

(G) The department may inspect, conduct an on-site review, and review the records of any hospital that the department has reason to believe is operating without a license.

Sec. 5119.34. (A) As used in this section and sections 5119.341 and 5119.342 of the Revised Code:

(1) "Accommodations" means housing, daily meal preparation, laundry, housekeeping, arranging for transportation, social and recreational activities, maintenance, security, and other services that do not constitute personal care services or skilled nursing care.

(2) "ADAMHS board" means a board of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services.

(3) "Adult" means a person who is eighteen years of age or older, other than a person described in division (A)(4) of this section who is between eighteen and twenty-one years of age.

(4) "Child" means a person who is under eighteen years of age or a person with a mental disability who is under twenty-one years of age.

(5) "Community mental health services provider" means a community mental health services provider as defined in section 5119.01 of the Revised Code.

(6) "Community mental health services" means any mental health services certified by the department pursuant to section 5119.36 of the Revised Code.

(7) "Operator" means the person or persons, firm, partnership, agency, governing body, association, corporation, or other entity that is responsible for the administration and management of a residential facility and that is the applicant for
a residential facility license.

(8) "Personal care services" means services including, but not limited to, the following:

(a) Assisting residents with activities of daily living;

(b) Assisting residents with self-administration of medication in accordance with rules adopted under this section;

(c) Preparing special diets, other than complex therapeutic diets, for residents pursuant to the instructions of a physician or a licensed dietitian, in accordance with rules adopted under this section.

"Personal care services" does not include "skilled nursing care" as defined in section 3721.01 of the Revised Code. A facility need not provide more than one of the services listed in division (A)(8) of this section to be considered to be providing personal care services.

(9) "Room and board" means the provision of sleeping and living space, meals or meal preparation, laundry services, housekeeping services, or any combination thereof.

(10) "Residential state supplement program" means the program established under section 5119.41 of the Revised Code.

(11) "Supervision" means any of the following:

(a) Observing a resident to ensure the resident's health, safety, and welfare while the resident engages in activities of daily living or other activities;

(b) Reminding a resident to perform or complete an activity, such as reminding a resident to engage in personal hygiene or other self-care activities;

(c) Assisting a resident in making or keeping an appointment.

(12) "Unrelated" means that a resident is not related to the
owner or operator of a residential facility or to the owner's or
operator's spouse as a parent, grandparent, child, stepchild,
grandchild, brother, sister, niece, nephew, aunt, or uncle, or as
the child of an aunt or uncle.

(B)(1) A "residential facility" is a publicly or privately
operated home or facility that falls into one of the following
categories:

(a) Class one facilities provide accommodations, supervision,
personal care services, and mental health services for one or more
unrelated adults with mental illness or one or more unrelated
children or adolescents with severe emotional disturbances;

(b) Class two facilities provide accommodations, supervision,
and personal care services to any of the following:

(i) One or two unrelated persons with mental illness;

(ii) One or two unrelated adults who are receiving payments
under the residential state supplement program;

(iii) Three to sixteen unrelated adults.

(c) Class three facilities provide room and board for five or
more unrelated adults with mental illness.

(2) "Residential facility" does not include any of the
following:

(a) A hospital subject to licensure under section 5119.33 of
the Revised Code or an institution maintained, operated, managed,
and governed by the department of mental health and addiction
services for the hospitalization of mentally ill persons pursuant
to section 5119.14 of the Revised Code;

(b) A residential facility licensed under section 5123.19 of
the Revised Code or otherwise regulated by the department of
developmental disabilities;

(c) An institution or association subject to certification
under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code;

(d) A facility operated by a hospice care program licensed under section 3712.04 of the Revised Code that is used exclusively for care of hospice patients;

(e) A nursing home, residential care facility, or home for the aging as defined in section 3721.02 of the Revised Code;

(f) A facility licensed under section 5119.37 of the Revised Code to operate an opioid treatment program;

(g) Any facility that receives funding for operating costs from the department of development services agency under any program established to provide emergency shelter housing or transitional housing for the homeless;

(h) A terminal care facility for the homeless that has entered into an agreement with a hospice care program under section 3712.07 of the Revised Code;

(i) A facility approved by the veterans administration under section 104(a) of the "Veterans Health Care Amendments of 1983," 97 Stat. 993, 38 U.S.C. 630, as amended, and used exclusively for the placement and care of veterans;

(j) The residence of a relative or guardian of a person with mental illness.

(C) Nothing in division (B) of this section shall be construed to permit personal care services to be imposed on a resident who is capable of performing the activity in question without assistance.

(D) Except in the case of a residential facility described in division (B)(1)(a) of this section, members of the staff of a residential facility shall not administer medication to the facility's residents, but may do any of the following:

(1) Remind a resident when to take medication and watch to
ensure that the resident follows the directions on the container;

(2) Assist a resident in the self-administration of medication by taking the medication from the locked area where it is stored, in accordance with rules adopted pursuant to this section, and handing it to the resident. If the resident is physically unable to open the container, a staff member may open the container for the resident.

(3) Assist a physically impaired but mentally alert resident, such as a resident with arthritis, cerebral palsy, or Parkinson's disease, in removing oral or topical medication from containers and in consuming or applying the medication, upon request by or with the consent of the resident. If a resident is physically unable to place a dose of medicine to the resident's mouth without spilling it, a staff member may place the dose in a container and place the container to the mouth of the resident.

(E)(1) Except as provided in division (E)(2) of this section, a person operating or seeking to operate a residential facility shall apply for licensure of the facility to the department of mental health and addiction services. The application shall be submitted by the operator. When applying for the license, the applicant shall pay to the department the application fee specified in rules adopted under division (L)(N) of this section. The fee is nonrefundable.

The department shall send a copy of an application to the ADAMHS board serving the county in which the person operates or seeks to operate the facility. The ADAMHS board shall review the application and provide to the department any information about the applicant or the facility that the board would like the department to consider in reviewing the application.

(2) A person may not apply for a license to operate a residential facility if the person is or has been the owner,
operator, or manager of a residential facility for which a license
to operate was revoked or for which renewal of a license was
refused for any reason other than nonpayment of the license
renewal fee, unless both of the following conditions are met:

(a) A period of not less than two years has elapsed since the
date the director of mental health and addiction services issued
the order revoking or refusing to renew the facility's license.

(b) The director's revocation or refusal to renew the license
was not based on an act or omission at the facility that violated
a resident's right to be free from abuse, neglect, or
exploitation.

(F)(1)(F) The department of mental health and addiction
services shall inspect and license the operation of residential
facilities. The department shall consider the past record of the
facility and the applicant or licensee in arriving at its
licensure decision.

The department may issue full, probationary, and interim
licenses. A full license shall expire up to three years after the
date of issuance, a probationary license shall expire in a shorter
period of time as specified in rules adopted by the director of
mental health and addiction services under division (N) of this
section, and an interim license shall expire ninety days after the
date of issuance. A license may be renewed in accordance with
rules adopted by the director under division (N) of this
section. The renewal application shall be submitted by the
operator. When applying for renewal of a license, the applicant
shall pay to the department the renewal fee specified in rules
adopted under division (N) of this section. The fee is
nonrefundable.

(2) If the department finds any of the following
with respect to a residential facility, the department may issue
an order suspending the admission of residents to the facility or
refuse to issue or renew a license for the facility, or
revoke a the facility's license if it finds any of the following:

(a) The facility is not in compliance with rules adopted by
the director pursuant to division (L) of this section;

(b) Any facility operated by the applicant or licensee has
been cited for a pattern of serious noncompliance or repeated
violations of statutes or rules during the period of current or
previous licenses;

(c) The applicant or licensee submits false or misleading
information as part of a license application, renewal, or
investigation.

(2) Proceedings initiated to deny applications for full or
probationary licenses, to refuse to renew full or probationary
licenses, or to revoke such full or probationary licenses are
governed by Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. An order has
been issued pursuant to this division suspending the admission of
residents to the facility, the order remains in effect during the
pendency of those proceedings.

Proceedings initiated to suspend the admission of residents
to a facility are governed by Chapter 119. of the Revised Code,
except as provided in division (H) of this section.

(3) In a proceeding initiated to suspend the admission of
residents to a facility, to deny an application for a full or
probationary license, to refuse to renew a full or probationary
license, or to revoke a full or probationary license, the
department may order the suspension, denial, refusal, or
revocation regardless of whether some or all of the deficiencies
that prompted the proceedings have been corrected at the time of
the hearing.

(4) When the department issues an order suspending the
admission of residents to a facility, denies an application for a full or probationary license, refuses to renew a full or probationary license, or revokes a full or probationary license, the department shall not grant an opportunity for submitting a plan of correction.

(H)(1) If a suspension of admissions of residents to a facility is proposed because the director has determined that the licensee has demonstrated a pattern of serious noncompliance or that a violation creates a substantial risk to the health and safety of residents, the director may issue an order imposing the suspension of admissions before providing an opportunity for an adjudication under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. The director shall lift the order for the suspension of admissions if the director determines that the violation that formed the basis for the order has been corrected.

(2) Appeals from proceedings initiated to order the suspension of admissions to a facility shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, unless the order was issued before providing an opportunity for an adjudication, in which case all of the following apply:

(a) The licensee may request a hearing not later than ten days after receiving the notice specified in section 119.07 of the Revised Code.

(b) If a timely request for a hearing that includes the licensee's current address is made, the hearing shall commence not later than thirty days after the department receives the request.

(c) After commencing, the hearing shall continue uninterrupted, except for Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, unless other interruptions are agreed to by the licensee and the director.

(d) If the hearing is conducted by a hearing examiner, the
hearing examiner shall file a report and recommendations with the department not later than ten days after the last of the following:

(i) The close of the hearing;

(ii) If a transcript of the proceedings is ordered, the hearing examiner receives the transcript;

(iii) If post-hearing briefs are timely filed, the hearing examiner receives the briefs.

(e) The hearing examiner shall send a written copy of the report and recommendations, by certified mail, to the licensee, or the licensee's attorney, if applicable, not later than five days after the report is filed with the department.

(f) Not later than five days after receiving the report and recommendations, the licensee may file objections with the department.

(g) Not later than fifteen days after the hearing examiner files the report and recommendations, the department shall issue an order approving, modifying, or disapproving the report and recommendations.

(h) Notwithstanding the pendency of the hearing, the department shall lift the order for the suspension of admissions if the department determines the violation that formed the basis for the order has been corrected.

(G)(I) The department may issue an interim license to operate a residential facility if both of the following conditions are met:

(1) The department determines that the closing of or the need to remove residents from another residential facility has created an emergency situation requiring immediate removal of residents and an insufficient number of licensed beds are available.
The residential facility applying for an interim license meets standards established for interim licenses in rules adopted by the director under division (L)(N) of this section.

An interim license shall be valid for ninety days and may be renewed by the director no more than twice. Proceedings initiated to deny applications for or to revoke interim licenses under this division are not subject to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(H)(1) The department of mental health and addiction services may conduct an inspection of a residential facility as follows:

(a) Prior to issuance of a license for the facility;

(b) Prior to renewal of the license;

(c) To determine whether the facility has completed a plan of correction required pursuant to division (H)(2)(J)(2) of this section and corrected deficiencies to the satisfaction of the department and in compliance with this section and rules adopted pursuant to it;

(d) Upon complaint by any individual or agency;

(e) At any time the director considers an inspection to be necessary in order to determine whether the facility is in compliance with this section and rules adopted pursuant to this section.

(2) In conducting inspections the department may conduct an on-site examination and evaluation of the residential facility and its personnel, activities, and services. The department shall have access to examine and copy all records, accounts, and any other documents relating to the operation of the residential facility, including records pertaining to residents, and shall have access to the facility in order to conduct interviews with the operator, staff, and residents. Following each inspection and review, the
department shall complete a report listing any deficiencies, and including, when appropriate, a time table within which the operator shall correct the deficiencies. The department may require the operator to submit a plan of correction describing how the deficiencies will be corrected.

(K) No person shall do any of the following:

1. Operate a residential facility unless the facility holds a valid license;

2. Violate any of the conditions of licensure after having been granted a license;

3. Interfere with a state or local official's inspection or investigation of a residential facility;

4. Violate any of the provisions of this section or any rules adopted pursuant to this section.

(L) The following may enter a residential facility at any time:

1. Employees designated by the director of mental health and addiction services;

2. Employees of an ADAMHS board under either of the following circumstances:
   a. When a resident of the facility is receiving services from a community mental health services provider under contract with that ADAMHS board or another ADAMHS board;
   b. When authorized by section 340.05 of the Revised Code.

3. Employees of a community mental health services provider under either of the following circumstances:
   a. When the provider has a person receiving services residing in the facility;
   b. When the provider is acting as an agent of an ADAMHS
board other than the board with which it is under contract.

(4) Representatives of the state long-term care ombudsman program when the facility provides accommodations, supervision, and personal care services for three to sixteen unrelated adults or to one or two unrelated adults who are receiving payments under the residential state supplement program.

The persons specified in division (J) of this section shall be afforded access to examine and copy all records, accounts, and any other documents relating to the operation of the residential facility, including records pertaining to residents.

(K) Employees of the department of mental health and addiction services may enter, for the purpose of investigation, any institution, residence, facility, or other structure which has been reported to the department as, or that the department has reasonable cause to believe is, operating as a residential facility without a valid license.

(L) The director shall adopt and may amend and rescind rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code governing the licensing and operation of residential facilities. The rules shall establish all of the following:

(1) Minimum standards for the health, safety, adequacy, and cultural competency of treatment of and services for persons in residential facilities;

(2) Procedures for the issuance, renewal, or revocation of the licenses of residential facilities;

(3) Procedures for conducting background investigations for prospective or current operators, employees, volunteers, and other non-resident occupants who may have direct access to facility residents;

(4) The fee to be paid when applying for a new residential
facility license or renewing the license;

(5) Procedures for the operator of a residential facility to follow when notifying the ADAMHS board serving the county in which the facility is located when the facility is serving residents with mental illness or severe mental disability, including the circumstances under which the operator is required to make such a notification;

(6) Procedures for the issuance and termination of orders of suspension of admission of residents to a residential facility;

(7) Measures to be taken by residential facilities relative to residents' medication;

(8) Requirements relating to preparation of special diets;

(9) The maximum number of residents who may be served in a residential facility;

(10) The rights of residents of residential facilities and procedures to protect such rights;

(11) Standards and procedures under which the director may waive the requirements of any of the rules adopted.

(M)(1)(O)(1) The department may withhold the source of any complaint reported as a violation of this section when the department determines that disclosure could be detrimental to the department's purposes or could jeopardize the investigation. The department may disclose the source of any complaint if the complainant agrees in writing to such disclosure and shall disclose the source upon order by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(2) Any person who makes a complaint under division (M)(1)(O)(1) of this section, or any person who participates in an administrative or judicial proceeding resulting from such a complaint, is immune from civil liability and is not subject to
criminal prosecution, other than for perjury, unless the person 
has acted in bad faith or with malicious purpose.

(N)(1) The director of mental health and addiction 
services may petition the court of common pleas of the county in 
which a residential facility is located for an order enjoining any 
person from operating a residential facility without a license or 
from operating a licensed facility when, in the director's 
judgment, there is a present danger to the health or safety of any 
of the occupants of the facility. The court shall have 
jurisdiction to grant such injunctive relief upon a showing that 
the respondent named in the petition is operating a facility 
without a license or there is a present danger to the health or 
safety of any residents of the facility.

(2) When the court grants injunctive relief in the case of a 
facility operating without a license, the court shall issue, at a 
minimum, an order enjoining the facility from admitting new 
residents to the facility and an order requiring the facility to 
assist with the safe and orderly relocation of the facility's 
residents.

(3) If injunctive relief is granted against a facility for 
operating without a license and the facility continues to operate 
without a license, the director shall refer the case to the 
attorney general for further action.

(O) The director may fine a person for violating division 
(K) of this section. The fine shall be five hundred dollars for 
a first offense; for each subsequent offense, the fine shall be 
one thousand dollars. The director's actions in imposing a fine 
shall be taken in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised 
Code.

Sec. 5119.36. (A) A community mental health services provider 
applicant or community addiction services provider applicant that
seeks certification of its certifiable services and supports shall submit an application to the director of mental health and addiction services. On receipt of the application, the director may conduct an on-site review and shall evaluate the applicant to determine whether its certifiable services and supports satisfy the standards established by rules adopted under this section. The director shall make the evaluation, and, if the director conducts an on-site review of the applicant, may make the review, in cooperation with a board of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services that seeks to contract with the applicant under section 340.036 of the Revised Code.

(B) Subject to section 5119.361 of the Revised Code, the director shall determine whether the certifiable services and supports of a community mental health services provider applicant or community addiction services provider applicant satisfy the standards for certification. If the director determines that an applicant's certifiable services and supports satisfy the standards for certification and the applicant has paid the fee required by this section, the director shall certify the certifiable services and supports.

No community mental health services provider shall be eligible to receive for its certifiable services and supports any state funds, federal funds, or funds administered by a board of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services, unless those certifiable services and supports have been certified by the director.

No person or government entity subject to section 5119.35 of the Revised Code or any other community addiction services provider shall be eligible to receive for its services described in that section or its other certifiable services and supports any state funds, federal funds, or funds administered by a board of
alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services, unless those services or other certifiable services and supports have been certified by the director.

(C) The director may refuse to certify certifiable services and supports, refuse to renew certification, or revoke certification if any of the following apply to an applicant for certification or the holder of the certification:

(1) The applicant or holder is not in compliance with rules adopted under this section.

(2) The applicant or holder has been cited for a pattern of serious noncompliance or repeated violations of statutes or rules during the current certification period or any previous certification period.

(3) The applicant or holder submits false or misleading information as part of a certification application, renewal, or investigation.

(D) Proceedings initiated to deny applications to certify certifiable services and supports, to refuse to renew certification, or to revoke certification are governed by Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. If an order has been issued suspending admissions to a community addiction services provider that provides overnight accommodations, as provided in division (H) of this section, the order remains in effect during the pendency of those proceedings.

(E) If the director determines that a community mental health services provider applicant's or a community addiction services provider applicant's certifiable services and supports do not satisfy the standards for certification, the director shall identify the areas of noncompliance, specify what action is necessary to satisfy the standards, and may offer technical assistance to the applicant and to a board of alcohol, drug
addiction, and mental health services so that the board may assist the applicant in satisfying the standards. The director shall give the applicant a reasonable time within which to demonstrate that its certifiable services and supports satisfy the standards or to bring them into compliance with the standards. If the director concludes that the certifiable services and supports continue to fail to satisfy the standards, the director may request that the appropriate board of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services reallocate any funds for the certifiable services and supports the applicant was to provide to another community mental health services provider or community addiction services provider whose certifiable services and supports satisfy the standards. If the board does not reallocate such funds in a reasonable period of time, the director may withhold state and federal funds for the certifiable services and supports and allocate those funds directly to a community mental health services provider or community addiction services provider whose certifiable services and supports satisfy the standards.

(D) Each community mental health services provider applicant or community addiction services provider applicant seeking certification of its certifiable services and supports under this section shall pay a fee for the certification required by this section, unless the applicant is exempt under rules adopted under this section. Fees shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the sale of goods and services fund created pursuant to section 5119.45 of the Revised Code.

(E) The director shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to implement this section. The rules shall do all of the following:

(1) Subject to section 340.034 of the Revised Code, specify the types of recovery supports that are required to be certified under this section;
(2) Establish certification standards for certifiable services and supports that are consistent with nationally recognized applicable standards and facilitate participation in federal assistance programs. The rules shall include as certification standards only requirements that improve the quality of certifiable services and supports or the health and safety of persons receiving certifiable services and supports. The standards shall address at a minimum all of the following:

(a) Reporting major unusual incidents to the director;

(b) Procedures for applicants for and persons receiving certifiable services and supports to file grievances and complaints;

(c) Seclusion;

(d) Restraint;

(e) Requirements regarding the physical facilities in which certifiable services and supports are provided;

(f) Requirements with regard to health, safety, adequacy, and cultural specificity and sensitivity;

(g) Standards for evaluating certifiable services and supports;

(h) Standards and procedures for granting full, probationary, and interim certification of the certifiable services and supports of a community mental health services provider applicant or community addiction services provider applicant;

(i) Standards and procedures for revoking the certification of a community mental health services provider's or community addiction services provider's certifiable services and supports that do not continue to meet the minimum standards established pursuant to this section;

(j) The limitations to be placed on a provider whose
certifiable services and supports are granted probationary or interim certification;

(k) Development of written policies addressing the rights of persons receiving certifiable services and supports, including all of the following:

(i) The right to a copy of the written policies addressing the rights of persons receiving certifiable services and supports;

(ii) The right at all times to be treated with consideration and respect for the person's privacy and dignity;

(iii) The right to have access to the person's own psychiatric, medical, or other treatment records unless access is specifically restricted in the person's treatment plan for clear treatment reasons;

(iv) The right to have a client rights officer provided by the provider or board of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services advise the person of the person's rights, including the person's rights under Chapter 5122. of the Revised Code if the person is committed to the provider or board.

(3) Establish the process for certification of certifiable services and supports;

(4) Set the amount of certification review fees;

(5) Specify the type of notice and hearing to be provided prior to a decision on whether to reallocate funds.

(F)(H)(1) The director may issue an order suspending admissions to a community addiction services provider that provides overnight accommodations if the director finds either of the following:

(a) The provider's certifiable services and supports are not in compliance with rules adopted under this section;

(b) The provider has been cited for more than one
violation of statutes or rules during any previous certification period of the provider.

(2) (a) Except as provided in division (H)(2)(b) of this section, proceedings initiated to suspend admissions to a community addiction services provider that provides overnight accommodations are governed by Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(b) If a suspension of admissions is proposed because the director has determined that the provider has demonstrated a pattern of serious noncompliance or that a violation creates a substantial risk to the health and safety of patients, the director may issue an order suspending admissions before providing an opportunity for an adjudication under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. The director shall lift the order for the suspension of admissions if the director determines that the violation that formed the basis for the order has been corrected.

(3) Appeals from proceedings initiated to order the suspension of admissions shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, unless the order was issued before providing an opportunity for an adjudication, in which case all of the following apply:

(a) The provider may request a hearing not later than ten days after receiving the notice specified in section 119.07 of the Revised Code.

(b) If a timely request for a hearing that includes the provider's current address is made, the hearing shall commence not later than thirty days after the department receives the request.

(c) After commencing, the hearing shall continue uninterrupted, except for Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, unless other interruptions are agreed to by the provider and the director.

(d) If the hearing is conducted by a hearing examiner, the
hearing examiner shall file a report and recommendations with the department not later than ten days after the last of the following:

(i) The close of the hearing;

(ii) If a transcript of the proceedings is ordered, the hearing examiner receives the transcript;

(iii) If post-hearing briefs are timely filed, the hearing examiner receives the briefs.

(e) The hearing examiner shall send a written copy of the report and recommendations, by certified mail, to the provider, or the provider's attorney, if applicable, not later than five days after the report is filed with the department.

(f) Not later than five days after receiving the report and recommendations, the provider may file objections with the department.

(g) Not later than fifteen days after the hearing examiner files the report and recommendations, the department shall issue an order approving, modifying, or disapproving the report and recommendations.

(h) Notwithstanding the pendency of the hearing, the department shall lift the order for the suspension of admissions if the department determines the violation that formed the basis for the order has been corrected.

(I)(1) In a proceeding initiated to suspend admissions to a community addiction services provider that provides overnight accommodations, to deny an application for certification of certifiable services and supports, to refuse to renew certification, or to revoke certification, the department may order the suspension, denial, refusal, or revocation regardless of whether some or all of the deficiencies that prompted the
proceedings have been corrected at the time of the hearing.

(2) When the department issues an order suspending admissions to a community addiction services provider that provides overnight accommodations, denies an application for certification of certifiable services and supports, refuses to renew certification, or revokes a certification, the department shall not grant an opportunity for submitting a plan of correction.

(J) The department of mental health and addiction services shall maintain a current list of community addiction services providers and shall provide a copy of the list to a judge of a court of common pleas who requests a copy for the use of the judge under division (H) of section 2925.03 of the Revised Code. The list shall identify each provider by its name, its address, and the county in which it is located.

(K) No person shall represent in any manner that a community mental health services provider's or community addiction services provider's certifiable services and supports are certified by the director if the certifiable services and supports are not so certified at the time the representation is made.

Sec. 5119.43. (A) The director of mental health and addiction services may enter into agreements with any person, political subdivision, or state agency for the sale or lease of land or facilities under the jurisdiction of the director of mental health and addiction services in the following manner:

(1) The director of mental health and addiction services shall designate lands and facilities that are not needed by the department of mental health and addiction services and are under the jurisdiction of the department.

(2) The director of mental health and addiction services shall have a preliminary appraisal made of any lands or facilities
designated under division (A)(1) of this section by a
disinterested professional appraiser from the department of
administrative services. The appraiser shall deliver to the
director of mental health and addiction services a signed
certificate of the probable market value of the lands and
facilities as determined from the preliminary appraisal.

(3) The director of mental health and addiction services
shall certify to the clerk of the house of representatives and to
the clerk of the senate a list of all lands and facilities which
may be sold or leased, and shall include with the list the results
of the preliminary appraisals of the lands and facilities, a
general description of the land and facilities, and a description
of the current use of the land and facilities.

(4) Every list of lands and facilities certified by the
director of mental health and addiction services to the clerk of
the house of representatives and to the clerk of the senate under
division (A)(3) of this section, shall immediately be transmitted
by the respective clerks to the committees in the house and the
senate to which land conveyance bills are usually referred. If
either committee files in its clerk's office, within sixty
calendar days of the original certification of the lands and
facilities by the director of mental health and addiction
services, a report disapproving the sale or lease of any lands or
facilities, the sale or lease of the lands or facilities
disapproved in the report shall not be made under this section.
With respect to a sale or lease of lands and facilities that has
not been disapproved under this division, the director of mental
health and addiction services shall certify those lands and
facilities to the auditor of state director of administrative
services.

(5) After certification to the auditor of state director of
administrative services under division (A)(4) of this section, the
director of mental health and addiction services shall have a formal appraisal made of the lands and facilities by a disinterested professional appraiser from the department of administrative services. The director of mental health and addiction services may accept the formal appraisal or may reject it and order a new formal appraisal by a disinterested professional appraiser who shall not be from the department of administrative services. The director of mental health and addiction services may then sell or lease the lands or facilities in accordance with this division and department of administrative services procedures as set forth in Chapter 123. of the Revised Code. Any such deed or lease shall be prepared and recorded pursuant to section 5301.13 of the Revised Code. The department of administrative services shall be the sole agent for the state and shall complete the sale or lease of the lands or facilities, up to and including the closing thereof, after the director of mental health and addiction services approves the sale price. The director of mental health and addiction services and the director of administrative services may, if it is determined to be in the best interests of the state, agree to sell surplus land for an amount less than the formal appraised value but shall not sell any land for less than two-thirds of the formal appraised value.

(B) Coincident with the certification made under division (A)(3) of this section concerning lands which may be sold, the director of mental health and addiction services shall give written notice of the director's intention to sell the lands by certified mail to the executive officer of each county, township, municipal corporation, and school district within which the lands are situated. In each notice, the director of mental health and addiction services shall specify the conditions under which the lands shall be sold, including whether the lands will be sold as a single unit or sold in specific parcels that the director designates, and shall solicit from the subdivision offers to...
purchase the lands in accordance with the conditions the director of mental health and addiction services has specified and at a price equal to the preliminary appraised value determined pursuant to division (A)(2) of this section. If, within thirty days of having certified the lands to the auditor of state director of administrative services under division (A)(4) of this section, the director of mental health and addiction services receives from the executive officer of a subdivision a written offer to purchase the lands at or above the price specified in the director's original notice from the director of mental health and addiction services to the officer, provided such offer otherwise complies with the conditions of purchase specified in the director's original notice from the director of mental health and addiction services, the director of mental health and addiction services shall forthwith enter into an agreement to sell the lands to the subdivision. The agreement shall incorporate any and all terms that are acceptable to both parties and that are consistent with the terms specified in the director's original notice from the director of mental health and addiction services. If no offer to purchase is received by the director of mental health and addiction services within the thirty-day period provided in this division, the director's original notice from the director of mental health and addiction services shall be considered withdrawn and the director of mental health and addiction services shall be under no obligation to sell any of the lands specified in the notice to the subdivision. If two or more offers to purchase the same parcels of land are received by the director of mental health and addiction services within the required time period from the executive officers of two or more subdivisions, the director of mental health and addiction services shall accept the offer or offers to purchase that the director considers to be in the best interests of the state and of the department of mental health and addiction services and shall proceed to enter into agreements of sale pursuant to this
division. If all of the director's original notices from the director of mental health and addiction services relating to a given parcel of land become withdrawn, the director of mental health and addiction services may thereupon proceed to sell the parcel as otherwise provided in this section. No subdivision may commence an action to enforce the provisions of this division, or to seek any other legal or equitable remedy relative to this division, with respect to any lands certified to the auditor of state director of administrative services under division (A)(4) of this section, except within sixty days of the date on which the lands were so certified.

(C) Any agreement under this section shall be at such terms as will be in the best interests of the state and the department of mental health and addiction services. However, the terms of any agreement for sale shall include a provision that the purchaser will abide by any comprehensive plan for the area that has been adopted by the local government in which the property is located before the parties enter into the agreement. No lease shall be of a duration greater than fifteen years. No agreement, except an agreement entered into under division (B) of this section, shall be entered into before the proposal to sell or lease the land or facilities has been advertised once each week for four weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in every county in which the lands or facilities are located and if the preliminary appraised value of the land to be sold or leased is more than one hundred thousand dollars, advertisement shall be made once each week for four weeks in at least two newspapers in the state having a daily circulation of one hundred thousand or more. If a city in this state is served by more than one newspaper having a circulation of one hundred thousand or more, advertisement may be made in only one of the newspapers serving the city.

(D) Each deed or lease prepared and recorded pursuant to this
section shall contain a recital stating that all provisions of this section have been complied with. The recital shall be considered binding and conclusive against all subdivisions of the state provided no action has been commenced pursuant to division (B) of this section. Any deed or lease containing such a recital shall be conclusively presumed to have been executed in compliance with this section insofar as title or other interest of any bona fide purchasers, lessees, or transferees of the property is concerned.

(E) Nothing in this section shall be construed as establishing a precedent for the disposal of state lands and facilities by other departments of the state.

Sec. 5119.99. (A) Whoever violates section 5119.333 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

(B) Whoever violates division (B) of section 5119.61 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.

(C) Whoever violates section 5119.27 or 5119.28, division (A) of section 5119.35, division (H) (K) of section 5119.36, or division (A)(1) or (2) of section 5119.37 of the Revised Code is guilty of a felony of the fifth degree.

Sec. 5120.035. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Community treatment provider" means a program that provides substance use disorder assessment and treatment for persons and that satisfies all of the following:

(a) It is located outside of a state correctional institution.

(b) It shall provide the assessment and treatment for qualified prisoners referred and transferred to it under this section in a suitable facility that is licensed pursuant to
division (C) of section 2967.14 of the Revised Code.

(c) All qualified prisoners referred and transferred to it under this section shall reside initially in the suitable facility specified in division (A)(1)(b) of this section while undergoing the assessment and treatment.

(2) "Electronic monitoring device" has the same meaning as in section 2929.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) "State correctional institution" has the same meaning as in section 2967.01 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Qualified prisoner" means a person who satisfies all of the following:

(a) The person is confined in a state correctional institution under a prison term imposed for a felony of the third, fourth, or fifth degree that is not an offense of violence.

(b) The person has not previously been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a felony offense of violence and, within the preceding five years, has not been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor offense of violence.

(c) The department of rehabilitation and correction determines, using a standardized assessment tool, that the person has a substance use disorder.

(d) The person has not more than twelve months remaining to be served under the prison term described in division (A)(4)(a) of this section.

(e) The person is not serving any prison term other than the term described in division (A)(4)(a) of this section.

(f) The person is eighteen years of age or older.

(g) The person does not show signs of drug or alcohol withdrawal and does not require medical detoxification.
(g) As determined by the department of rehabilitation and correction, the person is physically and mentally capable of uninterrupted participation in the substance use disorder treatment program established under division (B) of this section.

(B) The department of rehabilitation and correction shall establish and operate a program for community-based substance use disorder treatment for qualified prisoners. The purpose of the program shall be to provide substance use disorder assessment and treatment through community treatment providers to help reduce substance use relapses and recidivism for qualified prisoners while preparing them for reentry into the community and improving public safety.

(C)(1) The department shall determine which qualified prisoners in its custody should be placed in the substance use disorder treatment program established under division (B) of this section. The department has full discretion in making that determination. If the department determines that a qualified prisoner should be placed in the program, the department may refer the prisoner to a community treatment provider the department has approved under division (E) of this section for participation in the program and transfer the prisoner from the state correctional institution to the provider's approved and licensed facility. Except as otherwise provided in division (C)(3) of this section, no prisoner shall be placed under the program in any facility other than a facility of a community treatment provider that has been so approved. If the department places a prisoner in the program, the prisoner shall receive credit against the prisoner's prison term for all time served in the provider's approved and licensed facility and may earn days of credit under section 2967.193 of the Revised Code, but otherwise neither the placement nor the prisoner's participation in or completion of the program shall result in any reduction of the prisoner's prison term.
(2) If the department places a prisoner in the substance use disorder treatment program, the prisoner does not satisfactorily participate in the program, and the prisoner has not served the prisoner's entire prison term, the department may remove the prisoner from the program and return the prisoner to a state correctional institution.

(3) If the department places a prisoner in the substance use disorder treatment program and the prisoner is satisfactorily participating in the program, the department may permit the prisoner to reside at a residence approved by the department if the department determines, with input from the community treatment provider, that residing at the approved residence will help the prisoner prepare for reentry into the community and will help reduce substance use relapses and recidivism for the prisoner. If a prisoner is permitted under this division to reside at a residence approved by the department, the prisoner shall be monitored during the period of that residence by an electronic monitoring device.

(D)(1) When a prisoner has been placed in the substance use disorder treatment program established under division (B) of this section, before the prisoner is released from custody of the department upon completion of the prisoner's prison term, the department shall conduct and prepare an evaluation of the prisoner, the prisoner's participation in the program, and the prisoner's needs regarding substance use disorder treatment upon release. Before the prisoner is released from custody of the department upon completion of the prisoner's prison term, the parole board or the court acting pursuant to an agreement under section 2967.29 of the Revised Code shall consider the evaluation, in addition to all other information and materials considered, as follows:

(a) If the prisoner is a prisoner for whom post-release
control is mandatory under section 2967.28 of the Revised Code, the board or court shall consider it in determining which post-release control sanction or sanctions to impose upon the prisoner under that section.

(b) If the prisoner is a prisoner for whom post-release control is not mandatory under section 2967.28 of the Revised Code, the board or court shall consider it in determining whether a post-release control sanction is necessary and, if so, which post-release control sanction or sanctions to impose upon the prisoner under that section.

(2) If the department determines that a prisoner it placed in the substance use disorder treatment program successfully completed the program and successfully completed a term of post-release control, if applicable, and if the prisoner submits an application under section 2953.32 of the Revised Code for sealing the record of the conviction, the director may issue a letter to the court in support of the application.

(E)(1) The department shall accept applications from community treatment providers that satisfy the requirement specified in division (E)(2) of this section and that wish to participate in the substance use disorder treatment program established under division (B) of this section, and shall approve for participation in the program at least four and not more than eight of the providers that apply. To the extent feasible, the department shall approve one or more providers from each geographical quadrant of the state.

(2) Each community treatment provider that applies under division (E)(1) of this section to participate in the program shall have the provider's alcohol and drug addiction services that provide substance use disorder treatment certified by the department of mental health and addiction services under section 5119.36 of the Revised Code. A community treatment provider is not
required to have the provider's halfway house or residential treatment certified by the department of mental health and addiction services.

(F) The department of rehabilitation and correction shall adopt rules for the operation of the substance use disorder treatment program it establishes under division (B) of this section and shall operate the program in accordance with this section and those rules. The rules shall establish, at a minimum, all of the following:

(1) Criteria that establish which qualified prisoners are eligible for the program;

(2) Criteria that must be satisfied to transfer a qualified prisoner to a residence pursuant to division (C)(3) of this section;

(3) Criteria for the removal of a prisoner from the program pursuant to division (C)(2) of this section;

(4) Criteria for determining when an offender has successfully completed the program for purposes of division (D)(2) of this section;

(5) Criteria for community treatment providers to provide assessment and treatment, including minimum standards for treatment.

Sec. 5120.62. The director of rehabilitation and correction shall adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code that govern the establishment and operation of a system that provides limited and monitored access to the internet for prisoners who are participating in an approved educational program with direct supervision that requires the use of the internet for training or research purposes solely for a use or purpose approved by the managing officer of that prisoner's institution or by the
managing officer's designee. The rules shall include all of the following:

(A) Criteria by which inmates may be screened and approved for access or training involving the internet;

(B) Designation of the authority to approve internet sites for authorized use;

(C) A requirement that only pre-approved sites will be accessible on the computers used by prisoners in the educational program;

(D) A process for the periodic review of the operation of the system, including users of the system and the sites accessed by the system;

(E) Sanctions that must be imposed against prisoners and staff members who violate department rules governing prisoner access to the internet.

Sec. 5123.025. It is hereby declared to be the policy of this state that individuals with developmental disabilities shall have access to innovative technology solutions. Technology can ensure that people with developmental disabilities have increased opportunities to live, work, and thrive in their homes, communities, and places of employment through state of the art planning, innovative technology, and supports that focus on their talents, interests, and skills.

The departments of developmental disabilities, education, medicaid, aging, job and family services, mental health and addiction services, and transportation; the opportunities for Ohioans with disabilities agency; and each other state agency that provides technology services to individuals with developmental disabilities shall implement the policy of this state and ensure that it is followed whenever technology services are provided to
individuals with developmental disabilities.

The department of developmental disabilities, in partnership with the office of innovateohio, shall coordinate the actions taken by state agencies to comply with the state's policy. Agencies shall collaborate within their divisions and with each other to ensure that state programs, policies, procedures, and funding support the development of access to technology for individuals with developmental disabilities. State agencies shall share information with the department, and the department shall track progress toward full implementation of the policy. The department, in coordination with the technology first task force established under section 5123.026 of Revised Code, shall compile data and annually submit to the governor and lieutenant governor a report on implementation of the policy.

The department and state agencies may adopt rules to implement the state's policy.

Sec. 5123.026. (A) The director of developmental disabilities shall establish a technology first task force consisting of representatives from the office of innovateohio; the departments of developmental disabilities, education, medicaid, aging, job and family services, mental health and addiction services, and transportation; and the opportunities for Ohioans with disabilities agency.

(B) The task force shall do all of the following:

(1) Expand innovative technology solutions within the operation and delivery of services to individuals with developmental disabilities;

(2) Use technology to reduce the barriers individuals with developmental disabilities experience;

(3) Align policies for all state agencies on the task force.
(C) The department of developmental disabilities may enter into interagency agreements with any of the government entities on the task force. The interagency agreements may specify either or both of the following:

(1) The roles and responsibilities of the government entities that are members of the task force, including any money to be contributed by those entities;

(2) The projects and activities of the task force.

(D) The department and state agencies may adopt rules to implement the task force.

Sec. 5123.034. (A) As used in this section, "developmental center" has the same meaning as in section 5123.032 of the Revised Code.

(B) A developmental center of the department of developmental disabilities may provide services to both of the following:

(1) Individuals with developmental disabilities who reside in the community in which the developmental center is located;

(2) Providers who provide services to individuals with developmental disabilities who reside in the community in which the developmental center is located.

(C) The department may develop a method for recovering the costs associated with providing these services.

Sec. 5123.35. (A) There is hereby created the Ohio developmental disabilities council, which shall serve as an advocate for all persons with developmental disabilities. The council shall act in accordance with the "Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000," 98 Stat. 2662 (1984), 42 U.S.C. 6001, as amended 15001. The governor shall appoint the members of the council in accordance with 42 U.S.C.
(B) The council shall develop the state plan required by federal law as a condition of receiving federal assistance under 42 U.S.C. 6021 to 6030. The department of developmental disabilities, as the state agency selected by the governor for purposes of receiving the federal assistance, shall receive, account for, and disburse funds based on the state plan and shall provide assurances and other administrative support services required as a condition of receiving the federal assistance.

(C) The federal funds may be disbursed through grants to or contracts with persons and government agencies for the provision of necessary or useful goods and services for persons with developmental disabilities. The council may award the grants or enter into the contracts.

(D) The council may award grants to or enter into contracts with a member of the council or an entity that the member represents if all of the following apply:

(1) The member serves on the council as a representative of one of the principal state agencies concerned with services for persons with developmental disabilities as specified in 42 U.S.C. 6024(b)(3), a representative of a university affiliated program as defined in 42 U.S.C. 6001(18), or a representative of the Ohio protection and advocacy system, as defined in section 5123.60 of the Revised Code.

(2) The council determines that the member or the entity the member represents is capable of providing the goods or services specified under the terms of the grant or contract.

(3) The member has not taken part in any discussion or vote of the council related to awarding the grant or entering into the contract.
contract, including service as a member of a review panel
established by the council to award grants or enter into contracts
or to make recommendations with regard to awarding grants or
entering into contracts.

(E) A member of the council is not in violation of Chapter
102. or section 2921.42 of the Revised Code with regard to
receiving a grant or entering into a contract under this section
if the requirements of division (D) of this section have been met.

(F)(1) Notwithstanding division (C) of section 121.22 of the
Revised Code, the requirement for a member's presence in person at
a meeting in order to be part of a quorum or to vote does not
apply if the council holds a meeting by interactive video
conference and all of the following apply:

(a) A primary meeting location that is open and accessible to
the public is established for the meeting of the council;

(b) A clear video and audio connection is established that
enables all meeting participants at the primary meeting location
to witness the participation of each member;

(c) A roll call vote is recorded for each vote taken;

(d) The minutes of the council identify which members
participated by interactive video conference.

(2) Notwithstanding division (C) of section 121.22 of the
Revised Code, the requirement for a member's presence in person at
a meeting in order to be part of a quorum or to vote does not
apply if the council holds a meeting by teleconference and all of
the following apply:

(a) The council has determined its membership does not have
access to and the council cannot provide access to the equipment
needed to conduct interactive video conferencing;

(b) A primary meeting location that is open and accessible to
the public is established for the meeting of the council;

(c) A clear audio connection is established that enables all
meeting participants at the primary meeting location to hear the
participation of each member;

(d) A roll call vote is recorded for each vote taken;

(e) The minutes of the council identify which members
participated by teleconference.

(3) The council shall adopt any rules the council considers
necessary to implement this section. The rules shall be adopted in
accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. At a minimum,
the rules shall do all of the following:

(a) Authorize council members to remotely attend a council
meeting by interactive video conference or teleconference in lieu
of attending the meeting in person;

(b) Establish a minimum number of members required to be
physically present in person at the primary meeting location if
the council conducts a meeting by interactive video conference or
teleconference;

(c) Establish geographic restrictions for participation in
meetings by interactive video conference or teleconference;

(d) Establish a policy for distributing and circulating
necessary documents to council members, the public, and the media
in advance of a meeting at which members are permitted to attend
by interactive video conference or teleconference;

(e) Establish a method for verifying the identity of a member
who remotely attends a meeting by teleconference.

Sec. 5123.89. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Family" means a parent, brother, sister, spouse, son,
daughter, grandparent, aunt, uncle, or cousin.
(2) "Payment" means activities undertaken by a service provider or government entity to obtain or provide reimbursement for services provided to a person.

(3) "Treatment" means the provision of services to a person, including the coordination or management of services provided to the person.

(B) All certificates, applications, records, and reports made for the purpose of this chapter, other than court journal entries or court docket entries, that directly or indirectly identify a resident or former resident of an institution for persons with intellectual disabilities or person whose institutionalization has been sought under this chapter shall be kept confidential and shall not be disclosed by any person except in the following situations:

(1) It is the judgment of the court for judicial records, and the managing officer for institution records, that disclosure is in the best interest of the person identified, and that person or that person's guardian or, if that person is a minor, that person's parent or guardian consents.

(2) Disclosure is provided for in other sections of this chapter.

(3) Disclosure is of a record deposited with the Ohio history connection pursuant to division (C) of section 5123.31 of the Revised Code and the disclosure is made to the closest living relative of the person identified, on the relative's request.

(4) Disclosure is needed for the treatment of a person who is a resident or former resident of an institution for persons with intellectual disabilities or a person whose institutionalization has been sought under this chapter or is needed for the payment of services provided to the person.

(5) Disclosure is needed for a guardianship proceeding under
Chapter 2111. of the Revised Code.

(C) The department of developmental disabilities shall adopt rules with respect to the systematic and periodic destruction of residents' records.

(D) Upon the death of a resident or former resident of an institution for persons with intellectual disabilities or a person whose institutionalization was sought under this chapter, the managing officer of an institution shall provide access to the certificates, applications, records, and reports made for the purposes of this chapter to the resident's, former resident's, or person's guardian if the guardian makes a written request. If a deceased resident, former resident, or person whose institutionalization was sought under this chapter did not have a guardian at the time of death, the managing officer shall provide access to the certificates, applications, records, and reports made for purposes of this chapter to a member of the person's family, upon that family member's written request.

(E) No person shall reveal the contents of a record of a resident except as authorized by this chapter.

Sec. 5124.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Addition" means an increase in an ICF/IID's square footage.

(B) "Affiliated operator" means an operator affiliated with either of the following:

(1) The exiting operator for whom the affiliated operator is to assume liability for the entire amount of the exiting operator's debt under the medicaid program or the portion of the debt that represents the franchise permit fee the exiting operator owes;

(2) The entering operator involved in the change of operator
with the exiting operator specified in division (B)(1) of this section.

(C) "Allowable costs" means an ICF/IID's costs that the department of developmental disabilities determines are reasonable. Fines paid under section 5124.99 of the Revised Code are not allowable costs.

(D) "Capital costs" means an ICF/IID's costs of ownership and costs of nonextensive renovation.

(E) "Case-mix score" means the measure determined under section 5124.192 or 5124.193 or 5124.197 of the Revised Code of the relative direct-care resources needed to provide care and habilitation to an ICF/IID resident.

(F) "Change of operator" means an entering operator becoming the operator of an ICF/IID in the place of the exiting operator.

(1) Actions that constitute a change of operator include the following:

(a) A change in an exiting operator's form of legal organization, including the formation of a partnership or corporation from a sole proprietorship;

(b) A transfer of all the exiting operator's ownership interest in the operation of the ICF/IID to the entering operator, regardless of whether ownership of any or all of the real property or personal property associated with the ICF/IID is also transferred;

(c) A lease of the ICF/IID to the entering operator or the exiting operator's termination of the exiting operator's lease;

(d) If the exiting operator is a partnership, dissolution of the partnership;

(e) If the exiting operator is a partnership, a change in composition of the partnership unless both of the following apply:
(i) The change in composition does not cause the partnership's dissolution under state law.

(ii) The partners agree that the change in composition does not constitute a change in operator.

(f) If the operator is a corporation, dissolution of the corporation, a merger of the corporation into another corporation that is the survivor of the merger, or a consolidation of one or more other corporations to form a new corporation.

(2) The following, alone, do not constitute a change of operator:

(a) A contract for an entity to manage an ICF/IID as the operator's agent, subject to the operator's approval of daily operating and management decisions;

(b) A change of ownership, lease, or termination of a lease of real property or personal property associated with an ICF/IID if an entering operator does not become the operator in place of an exiting operator;

(c) If the operator is a corporation, a change of one or more members of the corporation's governing body or transfer of ownership of one or more shares of the corporation's stock, if the same corporation continues to be the operator.

(G) "Cost center" means the following:

1. Capital costs;
2. Direct care costs;
3. Indirect care costs;
4. Other protected costs.

(H) (1) Except as provided in division (H)(2) of this section, "cost report year" means the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year in which a fiscal year for which a medicaid

payment rate determination is made begins.

(2) When a cost report the department of developmental disabilities accepts under division (A) or (C)(1)(b) of section 5124.101 of the Revised Code is used in determining an ICF/IID's medicaid payment rate, "cost report year" means the period that the cost report covers.

(I) "Costs of nonextensive renovations" means the following:

(1) For the purpose of determining an ICF/IID's per medicaid day capital component rate under section 5124.17 of the Revised Code, the actual expense incurred by the an ICF/IID for depreciation or amortization and interest on renovations approved by the department of developmental disabilities as nonextensive renovations;

(2) For the purpose of determining an ICF/IID's per medicaid day payment rate for reasonable capital costs under section 5124.171 of the Revised Code, the actual expense incurred by the ICF/IID for depreciation or amortization and interest on renovations that are not extensive renovations.

(J)(1) "Costs of ownership" means the actual expenses incurred by an ICF/IID for all of the following:

(a) Subject to division (J)(2) of this section, depreciation and interest on any capital assets that cost five hundred dollars or more per item, including the following:

(i) Buildings;

(ii) Building improvements that are not approved as nonextensive renovations for the purpose of section 5124.17 or 5124.171 of the Revised Code;

(iii) Equipment;

(iv) Transportation equipment;

(v) For the purpose of determining an ICF/IID's per medicaid
day payment rate for reasonable capital costs under section 5124.171 of the Revised Code, extensive renovations.

(b) Amortization and interest on land improvements and leasehold improvements;

c) Amortization of financing costs;

d) Except as provided in division (BB)(AA) of this section, lease and rent of land, building, and equipment.

(2) The costs of capital assets of less than five hundred dollars per item may be considered costs of ownership in accordance with an ICF/IID provider's practice.

(K)(1) "Date of licensure" means the following:

(a) In the case of an ICF/IID that was originally licensed as a nursing home under Chapter 3721. of the Revised Code, the date that it was originally so licensed, regardless that it was subsequently licensed as a residential facility under section 5123.19 of the Revised Code;

(b) In the case of an ICF/IID that was originally licensed as a residential facility under section 5123.19 of the Revised Code, the date it was originally so licensed;

(c) In the case of an ICF/IID that was not required by law to be licensed as a nursing home or residential facility when it was originally operated as a residential facility, the date it first was operated as a residential facility, regardless of the date the ICF/IID was first licensed as a nursing home or residential facility.

(2) If, after an ICF/IID's original date of licensure, more residential facility beds are added to the ICF/IID or all or part of the ICF/IID undergoes an extensive renovation, the ICF/IID has a different date of licensure for the additional beds or extensively renovated portion of the ICF/IID. This does not apply,
however, to additional beds when both of the following apply:

(a) The additional beds are located in a part of the ICF/IID that was constructed at the same time as the continuing beds already located in that part of the ICF/IID.

(b) The part of the ICF/IID in which the additional beds are located was constructed as part of the ICF/IID at a time when the ICF/IID was not required by law to be licensed as a nursing home or residential facility.

(3) The definition of "date of licensure" in this section applies in determinations of ICFs/IID's medicaid payment rates but does not apply in determinations of ICFs/IID's franchise permit fees under sections 5168.60 to 5168.71 of the Revised Code.

(L) "Desk-reviewed" means that an ICF/IID's costs as reported on a cost report filed under section 5124.10 or 5124.101 of the Revised Code have been subjected to a desk review under section 5124.108 of the Revised Code and preliminarily determined to be allowable costs.

(M) "Developmental center" means a residential facility that is maintained and operated by the department of developmental disabilities.

(N) "Direct care costs" means all of the following costs incurred by an ICF/IID:

(1) Costs for registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, and nurse aides employed by the ICF/IID;

(2) Costs for direct care staff, administrative nursing staff, medical directors, respiratory therapists, physical therapists, physical therapy assistants, occupational therapists, occupational therapy assistants, speech therapists, audiologists, habilitation staff (including habilitation supervisors), qualified intellectual disability professionals, program directors, social...
services staff, activities staff, psychologists, psychology assistants, social workers, counselors, and other persons holding degrees qualifying them to provide therapy;

(3) Costs of purchased nursing services;

(4) Costs of training and staff development, employee benefits, payroll taxes, and workers' compensation premiums or costs for self-insurance claims and related costs as specified in rules adopted under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code, for personnel listed in divisions (N)(1), (2), and (3) of this section;

(5) Costs of quality assurance;

(6) Costs of consulting and management fees related to direct care;

(7) Allocated direct care home office costs;

(8) Costs of off-site day programming, including day programming that is provided in an area that is not certified by the director of health as an ICF/IID under Title XIX and regardless of either of the following:

(a) Whether or not the area in which the day programming is provided is less than two hundred feet away from the ICF/IID;

(b) Whether or not the day programming is provided by an individual or organization that is a related party to the ICF/IID provider.

(9) Costs of other direct-care resources that are specified as direct care costs in rules adopted under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code.

(O) "Downsized ICF/IID" means an ICF/IID that permanently reduced its medicaid-certified capacity pursuant to a plan approved by the department of developmental disabilities under section 5123.042 of the Revised Code.
(P) "Effective date of a change of operator" means the day the entering operator becomes the operator of the ICF/IID.

(Q) "Effective date of a facility closure" means the last day that the last of the residents of the ICF/IID resides in the ICF/IID.

(R) "Effective date of an involuntary termination" means the date the department of medicaid terminates the operator's provider agreement for the ICF/IID or the last day that such a provider agreement is in effect when the department cancels or refuses to revalidate it.

(S) "Effective date of a voluntary termination" means the day the ICF/IID ceases to accept medicaid recipients.

(T) "Entering operator" means the person or government entity that will become the operator of an ICF/IID when a change of operator occurs or following an involuntary termination.

(U) "Exiting operator" means any of the following:

1. An operator that will cease to be the operator of an ICF/IID on the effective date of a change of operator;

2. An operator that will cease to be the operator of an ICF/IID on the effective date of a facility closure;

3. An operator of an ICF/IID that is undergoing or has undergone a voluntary termination;

4. An operator of an ICF/IID that is undergoing or has undergone an involuntary termination.

(V)(1) For the purpose of determining an ICF/IID's per medicaid day payment rate for reasonable capital costs under section 5124.171 of the Revised Code, "extensive renovation" means the following:

(a) An ICF/IID's betterment, improvement, or restoration to which both of the following apply:
(i) It was started before July 1, 1993.

(ii) It meets the definition of "extensive renovation" established in rules that were adopted by the director of job and family services and in effect on December 22, 1992.

(b) An ICF/IID's betterment, improvement, or restoration to which all of the following apply:

(i) It was started on or after July 1, 1993.

(ii) Except as provided in division (V)(2) of this section, it costs more than sixty-five per cent and not more than eighty-five per cent of the cost of constructing a new bed.

(iii) It extends the useful life of the assets for at least ten years.

(2) The department of developmental disabilities may treat a renovation that costs more than eighty-five per cent of the cost of constructing new beds as an extensive renovation if the department determines that the renovation is more prudent than construction of new beds.

(3) For the purpose of division (V)(1)(b)(ii) of this section, the cost of constructing a new bed shall be considered to be forty thousand dollars, adjusted for the estimated rate of inflation from January 1, 1993, to the end of the calendar year during which the extensive renovation is completed, using the consumer price index for shelter costs for all urban consumers for the north central region, as published by the United States bureau of labor statistics.

(W)(1) Subject to divisions (W)(2) (V)(2) and (3) of this section, "facility closure" means either of the following:

(a) Discontinuance of the use of the building, or part of the building, that houses the facility as an ICF/IID that results in the relocation of all of the facility's residents;
(b) Conversion of the building, or part of the building, that houses an ICF/IID to a different use with any necessary license or other approval needed for that use being obtained and one or more of the facility's residents remaining in the facility to receive services under the new use.

(2) A facility closure occurs regardless of any of the following:

(a) The operator completely or partially replacing the ICF/IID by constructing a new ICF/IID or transferring the ICF/IID's license to another ICF/IID;

(b) The ICF/IID's residents relocating to another of the operator's ICFs/IID;

(c) Any action the department of health takes regarding the ICF/IID's medicaid certification that may result in the transfer of part of the ICF/IID's survey findings to another of the operator's ICFs/IID;

(d) Any action the department of developmental disabilities takes regarding the ICF/IID's license under section 5123.19 of the Revised Code.

(3) A facility closure does not occur if all of the ICF/IID's residents are relocated due to an emergency evacuation and one or more of the residents return to a medicaid-certified bed in the ICF/IID not later than thirty days after the evacuation occurs.

"Fiscal year" means the fiscal year of this state, as specified in section 9.34 of the Revised Code.

"Franchise permit fee" means the fee imposed by sections 5168.60 to 5168.71 of the Revised Code.

"Home and community-based services" has the same meaning as in section 5123.01 of the Revised Code.

"ICF/IID services" has the same meaning as in 42
"Indirect care costs" means all reasonable costs incurred by an ICF/IID other than capital costs, direct care costs, and other protected costs. "Indirect care costs" includes costs of habilitation supplies, pharmacy consultants, medical and habilitation records, program supplies, incontinence supplies, food, enterals, dietary supplies and personnel, laundry, housekeeping, security, administration, liability insurance, bookkeeping, purchasing department, human resources, communications, travel, dues, license fees, subscriptions, home office costs not otherwise allocated, legal services, accounting services, minor equipment, maintenance and repair expenses, help-wanted advertising, informational advertising, start-up costs, organizational expenses, other interest, property insurance, employee training and staff development, employee benefits, payroll taxes, and workers' compensation premiums or costs for self-insurance claims and related costs, as specified in rules adopted under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code, for personnel listed in this division. Notwithstanding division (J) of this section, "indirect care costs" also means the cost of equipment, including vehicles, acquired by operating lease executed before December 1, 1992, if the costs are reported as administrative and general costs on the ICF/IID's cost report for the cost reporting period ending December 31, 1992.

(2) For the purpose of division (BB)(1)(AA)(1) of this section, an operating lease shall be construed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

"Inpatient days" means both of the following:

(1) All days during which a resident, regardless of payment source, occupies a bed in an ICF/IID that is included in the ICF/IID's medicaid-certified capacity;
(2) All days for which payment is made under section 5124.34 of the Revised Code.

(CC) Intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities" and "ICF/IID" mean an intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded as defined in the "Social Security Act," section 1905(d), 42 U.S.C. 1396d(d).

(DD) "Involuntary termination" means the department of medicaid's termination of, cancellation of, or refusal to revalidate the operator's provider agreement for the ICF/IID when such action is not taken at the operator's request.

(EE) "Maintenance and repair expenses" means, except as provided in division (XX)(2)(b) of this section, expenditures that are necessary and proper to maintain an asset in a normally efficient working condition and that do not extend the useful life of the asset two years or more. "Maintenance and repair expenses" includes the costs of ordinary repairs such as painting and wallpapering.

(FF) "Medicaid-certified capacity" means the number of an ICF/IID's beds that are certified for participation in medicaid as ICF/IID beds.

(GG) "Medicaid days" means both of the following:

(1) All days during which a resident who is a medicaid recipient eligible for ICF/IID services occupies a bed in an ICF/IID that is included in the ICF/IID's medicaid-certified capacity;

(2) All days for which payment is made under section 5124.34 of the Revised Code.

(HH) "New ICF/IID" means an ICF/IID for which the provider obtains an initial provider agreement following the director of health's medicaid certification of the ICF/IID,
including such an ICF/IID that replaces one or more ICFs/IID for which a provider previously held a provider agreement.

(2) "New ICF/IID" does not mean either of the following:

(a) An ICF/IID for which the entering operator seeks a provider agreement pursuant to section 5124.511 or 5124.512 or (pursuant to section 5124.515) section 5124.07 of the Revised Code;

(b) A downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID.

"Nursing home" has the same meaning as in section 3721.01 of the Revised Code.

"Operator" means the person or government entity responsible for the daily operating and management decisions for an ICF/IID.

"Other protected costs" means costs incurred by an ICF/IID for medical supplies; real estate, franchise, and property taxes; natural gas, fuel oil, water, electricity, sewage, and refuse and hazardous medical waste collection; allocated other protected home office costs; and any additional costs defined as other protected costs in rules adopted under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code.

"Owner" means any person or government entity that has at least five per cent ownership or interest, either directly, indirectly, or in any combination, in any of the following regarding an ICF/IID:

(a) The land on which the ICF/IID is located;

(b) The structure in which the ICF/IID is located;

(c) Any mortgage, contract for deed, or other obligation secured in whole or in part by the land or structure on or in which the ICF/IID is located;

(d) Any lease or sublease of the land or structure on or in which the ICF/IID is located;
which the ICF/IID is located.

(2) "Owner" does not mean a holder of a debenture or bond related to an ICF/IID and purchased at public issue or a regulated lender that has made a loan related to the ICF/IID unless the holder or lender operates the ICF/IID directly or through a subsidiary.

"Partially converted ICF/IID" means an ICF/IID that converted some, but not all, of its beds to providing home and community-based services under the individual options waiver pursuant to section 5124.60 or 5124.61 of the Revised Code.

For the purpose of the total per medicaid day payment rate determined for an ICF/IID under division (B)(A) of section 5124.15 of the Revised Code and the initial total per medicaid day payment rate determined for a new ICF/IID under section 5124.151 of the Revised Code:

(a) "Peer group 1-A" means each ICF/IID with a medicaid-certified capacity exceeding sixteen.

(b) "Peer group 2-A" means each ICF/IID with a medicaid-certified capacity exceeding eight but not exceeding sixteen.

(c) "Peer group 3-A" means each ICF/IID with a medicaid-certified capacity of seven or eight.

(d) "Peer group 4-A" means each ICF/IID with a medicaid-certified capacity not exceeding six, other than an ICF/IID that is in peer group 5-A.

(e) "Peer group 5-A" means each ICF/IID to which all of the following apply:

(a) The ICF/IID is first certified as an ICF/IID after July 1, 2014.

(b) The ICF/IID has a medicaid-certified capacity not
exceeding six.

(iii) (c) The ICF/IID has a contract with the department of developmental disabilities that is for fifteen years and includes a provision for the department to approve all admissions to, and discharges from, the ICF/IID.

(iv) (d) The ICF/IID's residents are admitted to the ICF/IID directly from a developmental center or have been determined by the department to be at risk of admission to a developmental center.

(2) For the purpose of the total per medicaid day payment rate determined for an ICF/IID under division (C) of section 5124.15 of the Revised Code:

(a) "Peer group 1-B" means each ICF/IID with a medicaid-certified capacity exceeding eight.

(b) "Peer group 2-B" means each ICF/IID with a medicaid-certified capacity not exceeding eight, other than an ICF/IID that is in peer group 3.

(c) "Peer group 3-B" means each ICF/IID to which all of the following apply:

(i) The ICF/IID is first certified as an ICF/IID after July 1, 2014;

(ii) The ICF/IID has a medicaid-certified capacity not exceeding six;

(iii) The ICF/IID has a contract with the department of developmental disabilities that is for fifteen years and includes a provision for the department to approve all admissions to, and discharges from, the ICF/IID;

(iv) The ICF/IID's residents are admitted to the ICF/IID directly from a developmental center or have been determined by the department to be at risk of admission to a developmental center.
center.

(PP) (1) (OO) (1) Except as provided in divisions (PP) (2) and 
(2) division (OO) (2) of this section, "per diem" means an 
ICF/IID's desk-reviewed, actual, allowable costs in a given cost 
center in a cost reporting period, divided by the facility's 
inpatient days for that cost reporting period.

(2) When determining capital costs for the purpose of section 
5124.171 of the Revised Code, "per diem" means an ICF/IID's 
actual, allowable capital costs in a cost reporting period divided 
by the greater of the facility's inpatient days for that period or 
the number of inpatient days the ICF/IID would have had during 
that period if its occupancy rate had been ninety-five per cent.

(3) When determining indirect care costs for the purpose of 
section 5124.21 or 5124.211 of the Revised Code, "per diem" means 
an ICF/IID's actual, allowable indirect care costs in a cost 
reporting period divided by the greater of the ICF/IID's inpatient 
days for that period or the number of inpatient days the ICF/IID 
would have had during that period if its occupancy rate had been 
eighty-five per cent.

(OO) (PP) "Provider" means an operator with a valid provider 
agreement.

(RR) (QQ) "Provider agreement" means a provider agreement, as 
defined in section 5164.01 of the Revised Code, that is between 
the department of medicaid and the operator of an ICF/IID for the 
provision of ICF/IID services under the medicaid program.

(SS) (RR) "Purchased nursing services" means services that are 
provided in an ICF/IID by registered nurses, licensed practical 
nurses, or nurse aides who are not employees of the ICF/IID.

(TT) (SS) "Reasonable" means that a cost is an actual cost 
that is appropriate and helpful to develop and maintain the 
operation of resident care facilities and activities, including
normal standby costs, and that does not exceed what a prudent buyer pays for a given item or services. Reasonable costs may vary from provider to provider and from time to time for the same provider.

"Related party" means an individual or organization that, to a significant extent, has common ownership with, is associated or affiliated with, has control of, or is controlled by, a provider.

(1) An individual who is a relative of an owner is a related party.

(2) Common ownership exists when an individual or individuals possess significant ownership or equity in both the provider and the other organization. Significant ownership or equity exists when an individual or individuals possess five per cent ownership or equity in both the provider and a supplier. Significant ownership or equity is presumed to exist when an individual or individuals possess ten per cent ownership or equity in both the provider and another organization from which the provider purchases or leases real property.

(3) Control exists when an individual or organization has the power, directly or indirectly, to significantly influence or direct the actions or policies of an organization.

(4) An individual or organization that supplies goods or services to a provider shall not be considered a related party if all of the following conditions are met:

(a) The supplier is a separate bona fide organization.

(b) A substantial part of the supplier's business activity of the type carried on with the provider is transacted with others than the provider and there is an open, competitive market for the types of goods or services the supplier furnishes.
(c) The types of goods or services are commonly obtained by other ICFs/IID from outside organizations and are not a basic element of resident care ordinarily furnished directly to residents by the ICFs/IID.

(d) The charge to the provider is in line with the charge for the goods or services in the open market and no more than the charge made under comparable circumstances to others by the supplier.

"Relative of owner" means an individual who is related to an owner of an ICF/IID by one of the following relationships:

1. Spouse;
2. Natural parent, child, or sibling;
3. Adopted parent, child, or sibling;
4. Stepparent, stepchild, stepbrother, or stepsister;
5. Father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law;
6. Grandparent or grandchild;
7. Foster caregiver, foster child, foster brother, or foster sister.

For the purpose of determining an ICF/IID's per medicaid day capital component rate under section 5124.17 of the Revised Code, "renovation" means an ICF/IID's betterment, improvement, or restoration, other than an addition, through a capital expenditure.

For the purpose of determining an ICF/IID's per medicaid day payment rate for reasonable capital costs under section 5124.171 of the Revised Code, "renovation" means the following:
(a) An ICF/IID's betterment, improvement, or restoration to which both of the following apply:

(i) It was started before July 1, 1993.

(ii) It meets the definition of "renovation" established in rules that were adopted by the director of job and family services and in effect on December 22, 1992.

(b) An ICF/IID's betterment, improvement, or restoration to which both of the following apply:

(i) It was started on or after July 1, 1993.

(ii) It betteres, improves, or restores the ICF/IID beyond its current functional capacity through a structural change that costs at least five hundred dollars per bed.

(2) For the purpose of division (XX)(1) of this section, a renovation started on or after July 1, 1993, may include both of the following:

(a) A betterment, improvement, restoration, or replacement of assets that are affixed to a building and have a useful life of at least five years.

(b) Costs that otherwise would be considered maintenance and repair expenses if they are an integral part of the structural change that makes up the renovation project.

(3) For the purpose of division (XX)(1) of this section, "renovation" does not mean construction of additional space for beds that will be added to an ICF/IID's licensed capacity or medicaid-certified capacity.

(YY) "Residential facility" has the same meaning as in section 5123.19 of the Revised Code.

(XX) "Secondary building" means a building or part of a building, other than an ICF/IID, in which the owner of one or more ICFs/IID has administrative work regarding the ICFs/IID performed
or records regarding the ICFs/IID stored.

(AAA) (YY) "Sponsor" means an adult relative, friend, or guardian of an ICF/IID resident who has an interest or responsibility in the resident's welfare.

(BBB) (ZZ) "Title XIX" means Title XIX of the "Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C. 1396, et seq.

(CCC) (AAA) "Title XVIII" means Title XVIII of the "Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C. 1395, et seq.

(DDD) (BBB) "Voluntary termination" means an operator's voluntary election to terminate the participation of an ICF/IID in the medicaid program but to continue to provide service of the type provided by a residential facility as defined in section 5123.19 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5124.101. (A) The provider of an ICF/IID in peer group 1-A, peer group 2-A, peer group 3-A, or peer group 4-A, peer group 1-B, or peer group 2-B that becomes a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID on or after July 1, 2013, or becomes a new ICF/IID on or after that date, may file with the department of developmental disabilities a cost report covering the period specified in division (B) of this section if the following applies to the ICF/IID:

(1) In the case of an ICF/IID that becomes a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID, the ICF/IID has either of the following on the day it becomes a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID:

(a) A medicaid-certified capacity that is at least ten percent less than its medicaid-certified capacity on the day immediately preceding the day it becomes a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID;

(b) At least five fewer beds certified as ICF/IID beds than
it has on the day immediately preceding the day it becomes a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID.

(2) In the case of a new ICF/IID, the ICF/IID's beds are from a downsized ICF/IID and the downsized ICF/IID has either of the following on the day it becomes a downsized ICF/IID:

(a) A medicaid-certified capacity that is at least ten per cent less than its medicaid-certified capacity on the day immediately preceding the day it becomes a downsized ICF/IID;

(b) At least five fewer beds certified as ICF/IID beds than it has on the day immediately preceding the day it becomes a downsized ICF/IID.

(B) A cost report filed under division (A) of this section shall cover the period that begins and ends as follows:

(1) In the case of an ICF/IID that becomes a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID:

(a) The period begins with the day that the ICF/IID becomes a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID.

(b) The period ends on the last day of the last month of the first three full months of operation as a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID.

(2) In the case of a new ICF/IID:

(a) The period begins with the day that the provider agreement for the ICF/IID takes effect.

(b) The period ends on the last day of the last month of the first three full months that the provider agreement is in effect.

(C)(1) If the department accepts a cost report filed under division (A) of this section for an ICF/IID that becomes a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID on or before the first day of October of a calendar year, the provider also shall do both of the following:
(a) File with the department a cost report for the ICF/IID in accordance with division (A) of section 5124.10 of the Revised Code;

(b) File with the department another cost report for the ICF/IID that covers the portion of the initial calendar year that the ICF/IID operated as a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID.

(2) If the department accepts a cost report filed under division (A) of this section for an ICF/IID that becomes a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID after the first day of October of a calendar year, the provider is not required to file a cost report that covers that calendar year in accordance with division (A) of section 5124.10 of the Revised Code. Instead, the provider shall file a cost report for the ICF/IID in accordance with division (A) of section 5124.10 of the Revised Code covering the immediately following calendar year.

(3) If the department accepts a cost report filed under division (A) of this section for a new ICF/IID that has a provider agreement that takes effect on or before the first day of October of a calendar year, the provider also shall file a cost report for the ICF/IID in accordance with division (A) of section 5124.10 of the Revised Code covering the portion of that calendar year that the provider agreement was in effect.

(4) If the department accepts a cost report filed under division (A) of this section for a new ICF/IID that has a provider agreement that takes effect after the first day of October of a calendar year, the provider is not required to file a cost report that covers that calendar year in accordance with division (A) of section 5124.10 of the Revised Code. The provider shall file a cost report for the ICF/IID in accordance with division (A) of section 5124.10 of the Revised Code covering the immediately following calendar year.
(D) The department shall refuse to accept a cost report filed under division (A) or (C)(1)(b) of this section if either of the following apply:

(1) Except as provided in division (E) of section 5124.10 of the Revised Code, the provider fails to file the cost report with the department not later than ninety days after the last day of the period the cost report covers;

(2) The cost report is incomplete or inadequate.

(E) If the department accepts a cost report filed under division (A) or (C)(1)(b) of this section, the department shall use that cost report, rather than the cost report that otherwise would be used pursuant to section 5124.17, 5124.171, 5124.19, 5124.195, 5124.21, 5124.211, or 5124.23 or 5124.231 of the Revised Code, to determine the ICF/IID's medicaid payment rate in accordance with this chapter for ICF/IID services the ICF/IID provides during the period that begins and ends as follows:

(1) For a cost report filed under division (A) of this section, the period begins on the following:

(a) In the case of an ICF/IID that becomes a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID:

(i) The day that the ICF/IID becomes a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID if that day is the first day of a month;

(ii) The first day of the month immediately following the month that the ICF/IID becomes a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID if division (E)(1)(a)(i) of this section does not apply.

(b) In the case of a new ICF/IID, the day that the ICF/IID's provider agreement takes effect.

(2) For a cost report filed under division (A) of this
section, the period ends on the following:

(a) In the case of an ICF/IID that becomes a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID:

(i) The last day of the fiscal year that immediately precedes the fiscal year for which the ICF/IID is paid a rate determined using a cost report filed under division (C)(1)(b) of this section if the ICF/IID became a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID on or before the first day of October of a calendar year;

(ii) The last day of the fiscal year that immediately precedes the fiscal year for which the ICF/IID begins to be paid a rate determined using a cost report that division (C)(2) of this section requires be filed in accordance with division (A) of section 5124.10 of the Revised Code if the ICF/IID became a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID after the first day of October of a calendar year.

(b) In the case of a new ICF/IID, the last day of the fiscal year that immediately precedes the fiscal year for which the ICF/IID begins to be paid a rate determined using a cost report that division (C)(3) or (4) of this section requires be filed in accordance with division (A) of section 5124.10 of the Revised Code.

(3) For a cost report filed under division (C)(1)(b) of this section, the period begins on the day immediately following the day specified in division (E)(2)(a)(i) of this section.

(4) For a cost report filed under division (C)(1)(b) of this section, the period ends on the last day of the fiscal year that immediately precedes the fiscal year for which the ICF/IID begins to be paid a rate determined using the cost report filed with the department in accordance with division (A) of section 5124.10 of the Revised Code that covers the calendar year that immediately follows the initial calendar year that the ICF/IID operated as a...
downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID.

(F) If the department accepts a cost report filed under division (A) or (C)(1)(b) of this section by the provider of a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID, the following modifications shall be made for the purpose of determining the medicaid payment rate for ICF/IID services the ICF/IID provides during the period specified in division (E) of this section:

(1) In place of the quarterly case-mix score otherwise used in determining the ICF/IID's per medicaid day direct care costs component rate under division (A) of section 5124.19 of the Revised Code, the ICF/IID's case-mix score in effect on the last day of the calendar quarter that ends during the period the cost report covers (or, if more than one calendar quarter ends during that period, the last of those calendar quarters) shall be used to determine the ICF/IID's per medicaid day direct care costs component rate if the department accepts a cost report filed under division (A) or (C)(1)(b) of this section by the provider of a downsized ICF/IID or partially converted ICF/IID.

(2) In place of the annual average casemix score otherwise used in determining the ICF/IID's per medicaid day payment rate for direct care costs under division (A) of section 5124.195 of the Revised Code, the ICF/IID's casemix score in effect on the last day of the calendar quarter that ends during the period the cost report covers (or, if more than one calendar quarter ends during that period, the last of those calendar quarters) shall be used to determine the ICF/IID's per medicaid day payment rate for direct care costs.

(3) The ICF/IID shall not be subject to the limit on the costs of ownership per diem payment rate specified in divisions (B) and (C) of section 5124.171 of the Revised Code.

(4) The ICF/IID shall not be subject to the limit on the
payment rate for per diem capitalized costs of nonextensive
gen
renovations specified in division (E)(1) of section 5124.171 of
the Revised Code. 40691

(5) The ICF/IID shall be subject to the limit on the total
payment rate for costs of ownership, capitalized costs of
nonextensive renovations, and the efficiency incentive specified
in division (H) of section 5124.171 of the Revised Code regardless
of whether the ICF/IID is in peer group 1-B or peer group 2-B. 40692

Sec. 5124.15. (A) Except as otherwise provided by section
5124.101 of the Revised Code, sections 5124.151 to 5124.154 of the
Revised Code, and divisions (B)(B) and (E)(C) of this section, the
total per medicaid day payment rate that the department of
developmental disabilities shall pay to an ICF/IID provider for
ICF/IID services the provider's ICF/IID provides during a fiscal
year shall equal the sum of all of the following: 40693

(1) Until July 1, 2021, the greater of the total per medicaid
day payment rates determined under divisions (B) and (C) of this
section; 40694

(2) Beginning July 1, 2021, the total per medicaid day
payment rate determined under division (B) of this section. 40695

(B) The total per medicaid day payment rate determined under
this division is the sum of all of the following: 40696

(1) The per medicaid day capital component rate determined
for the ICF/IID under section 5124.17 of the Revised Code; 40697

(2) The per medicaid day direct care costs component rate
determined for the ICF/IID under section 5124.19 of the Revised
Code; 40698

(3) The per medicaid day indirect care costs component rate
determined for the ICF/IID under section 5124.21 of the Revised
Code; 40699
(4) The per medicaid day other protected costs component rate determined for the ICF/IID under section 5124.23 of the Revised Code;

(5) Until July 1, 2021, a direct support personnel payment equal to three and four-hundredths per cent of the ICF/IID's desk-reviewed, actual, allowable, per medicaid day direct care costs from the applicable cost report year;

(6) Beginning July 1, 2021, the sum of the following:

(a) The per medicaid day quality incentive payment determined for the ICF/IID under section 5124.24 of the Revised Code;

(b) A direct support personnel payment equal to two and four-hundredths per cent of the ICF/IID's desk-reviewed, actual, allowable, per medicaid day direct care costs from the applicable cost report year.

(C) The total per medicaid day payment rate determined under this division is the sum of all of the following:

(1) The per medicaid day payment rate for capital costs determined for the ICF/IID under section 5124.171 of the Revised Code;

(2) The per medicaid day payment rate for direct care costs determined for the ICF/IID under section 5124.195 of the Revised Code;

(3) The per medicaid day payment rate for indirect care costs determined for the ICF/IID under section 5124.211 of the Revised Code;

(4) The per medicaid day payment rate for other protected costs determined for the ICF/IID under section 5124.231 of the Revised Code;

(5) A direct support personnel payment equal to three and four-hundredths per cent of the ICF/IID's desk-reviewed, actual,
allowable, per medicaid day direct care costs from the applicable cost report year.

(D)(B) The total per medicaid day payment rate for the following an ICF/IID that is in peer group 5 shall not exceed the average total per medicaid day payment rate in effect on July 1, 2013, for developmental centers:

(1) An ICF/IID that is in peer group 5 A for the purpose of the total per medicaid day payment rate determined under division (B) of this section;

(2) An ICF/IID that is in peer group 3 B for the purpose of the total per medicaid day payment rate determined under division (C) of this section.

(E)(C) The department shall adjust the total per medicaid day payment rate otherwise determined for an ICF/IID under divisions (B) and (C) of this section as directed by the general assembly through the enactment of law governing medicaid payments to ICF/IID providers.

(F)(1) In addition to paying an ICF/IID provider the total per medicaid day payment rate determined for the provider's ICF/IID under divisions (A), (B), and (C), (D), and (E) of this section for a fiscal year, the department may do either or both of the following:

(a) In accordance with section 5124.25 of the Revised Code, pay the provider a rate add-on for ventilator-dependent outlier ICF/IID services if the rate add-on is to be paid under that section and the department approves the provider's application for the rate add-on;

(b) In accordance with section 5124.26 of the Revised Code, pay the provider for outlier ICF/IID services the ICF/IID provides to residents identified as needing intensive behavioral health support services if the rate add-on is to be paid under that
section and the department approves the provider's application for the rate add-on.

(2) The rate add-ons are not to be part of the ICF/IID's total per medicaid day payment rate.

**Sec. 5124.151.** (A) The total per medicaid day payment rate determined under section 5124.15 of the Revised Code shall not be the initial rate for ICF/IID services provided by a new ICF/IID. Instead, the initial total per medicaid day payment rate for ICF/IID services provided by a new ICF/IID shall be determined in accordance with this section.

(B) The initial total per medicaid day payment rate for ICF/IID services provided by a new ICF/IID, other than an ICF/IID in peer group 5–A5, shall be determined in the following manner:

(1) The initial per medicaid day capital component rate shall be the median per medicaid day capital component rate for the ICF/IID's peer group for the fiscal year.

(2) The initial per medicaid day direct care costs component rate shall be determined as follows:

(a) If there are no cost or resident assessment data for the new ICF/IID as necessary to determine a rate under section 5124.19 of the Revised Code, the rate shall be determined as follows:

(i) Determine the median cost per case-mix unit under division (B) of section 5124.19 of the Revised Code for the new ICF/IID's peer group for the applicable cost report year;

(ii) Multiply the amount determined under division (B)(2)(a)(i) of this section by the median annual average case-mix score for the new ICF/IID's peer group for that period;

(iii) Adjust the product determined under division (B)(2)(a)(ii) of this section by the rate of inflation estimated under division (D) of section 5124.19 of the Revised Code.
(b) If the new ICF/IID is a replacement ICF/IID and the ICF/IID or ICFs/IID that are being replaced are in operation immediately before the new ICF/IID opens, the rate shall be the same as the rate for the replaced ICF/IID or ICFs/IID, proportionate to the number of ICF/IID beds in each replaced ICF/IID.

(c) If the new ICF/IID is a replacement ICF/IID and the ICF/IID or ICFs/IID that are being replaced are not in operation immediately before the new ICF/IID opens, the rate shall be determined under division (B)(2)(a) of this section.

(3) The initial per medicaid day indirect care costs component rate shall be the maximum rate for the new ICF/IID's peer group as determined for the fiscal year in accordance with division (C) of section 5124.21 of the Revised Code.

(4) The initial per medicaid day other protected costs component rate shall be one hundred fifteen per cent of the median rate for ICFs/IID determined for the fiscal year under section 5124.23 of the Revised Code.

(C) The initial total medicaid day payment rate for ICF/IID services provided by a new ICF/IID in peer group 5 shall be determined in the following manner:

(1) The initial per medicaid day capital component rate shall be $29.61.

(2) The initial per medicaid day direct care costs component rate shall be $264.89.

(3) The initial per medicaid day indirect care costs component rate shall be $59.85.

(4) The initial per medicaid day other protected costs component rate shall be $25.99.

(D)(1) Except as provided in division (D)(2) of this section,
the department of developmental disabilities shall adjust a new ICF/IID's initial total per medicaid day payment rate determined under this section effective the first day of July, to reflect new rate determinations for all ICFs/IID under this chapter.

(2) If the department accepts, under division (A) of section 5124.101 of the Revised Code, a cost report filed by the provider of a new ICF/IID, the department shall adjust the ICF/IID's initial total per medicaid day payment rate in accordance with divisions (E) and (F) of that section rather than division (D)(1) of this section.

Sec. 5124.152. (A) The total per medicaid day payment rate determined under section 5124.15 of the Revised Code shall not be paid for ICF/IID services provided by an ICF/IID, or discrete unit of an ICF/IID, designated by the department of developmental disabilities as an outlier ICF/IID or unit. Instead, the provider of a designated outlier ICF/IID or unit shall be paid each fiscal year a total per medicaid day payment rate that the department shall prospectively determine in accordance with a methodology established in rules authorized by this section.

(B) The department may designate an ICF/IID, or discrete unit of an ICF/IID, as an outlier ICF/IID or unit if the ICF/IID or unit serves residents who have either of the following:

(1) Diagnoses or special care needs that require direct care resources that are not measured adequately by the resident assessment instrument specified in rules authorized by sections 5124.191 and 5124.196 of the Revised Code;

(2) Diagnoses or special care needs that are specified in rules authorized by this section as otherwise qualifying for consideration under this section.

(C) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the
costs incurred by a designated outlier ICF/IID or unit shall not be considered in establishing medicaid payment rates for other ICFs/IID or units.

(D) The director of developmental disabilities shall adopt rules under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code as necessary to implement this section.

(1)(a) The rules shall do both of the following:

(i) Specify the criteria and procedures the department will apply when designating an ICF/IID, or discrete unit of an ICF/IID, as an outlier ICF/IID or unit;

(ii) Establish a methodology for prospectively determining the total per medicaid day payment rate that will be paid each fiscal year for ICF/IID services provided by a designated outlier ICF/IID or unit.

(b) The rules adopted under division (D)(1)(a)(i) of this section regarding the criteria for designating outlier ICFs/IID and units shall do both of the following:

(i) Provide for consideration of whether all of the allowable costs of an ICF/IID, or discrete unit of an ICF/IID, would be paid by the rate determined under section 5124.15 of the Revised Code;

(ii) Specify the minimum number of ICF/IID beds that an ICF/IID, or discrete unit of an ICF/IID, must have to be designated an outlier ICF/IID or unit.

(c) The rules authorized by division (D)(1)(a)(i) of this section regarding the criteria for designating outlier ICFs/IID and units shall not limit the designation to ICFs/IID, or discrete units of ICFs/IID, located in large cities.

(d) The rules authorized by division (D)(1)(a)(ii) of this section regarding the methodology for prospectively determining the rates of designated outlier ICFs/IID and units shall provide...
for the methodology to consider the historical costs of providing ICF/IID services to the residents of designated outlier ICFs/IID and units.

(2)(a) The rules may do both of the following:

(i) Include for designation as an outlier ICF/IID or unit, an ICF/IID, or discrete unit of an ICF/IID, that serves residents who have complex medical conditions or severe behavioral problems;

(ii) Require that a designated outlier ICF/IID or unit receive authorization from the department before admitting or retaining a resident.

(b) If the director adopts rules authorized by division (D)(2)(a)(ii) of this section regarding the authorization of a designated outlier ICF/IID or unit to admit or retain a resident, the rules shall specify the criteria and procedures the department will apply when granting the authorization.

Sec. 5124.17. (A) For each fiscal year, the department of developmental disabilities shall determine each ICF/IID's per medicaid day capital component rate. An ICF/IID's rate for a fiscal year shall equal the sum of the following:

(1) The lesser of the following:

(a) The sum of all of the following:

(i) The ICF/IID's per diem fair rental value rate for the fiscal year as determined under division (B) of this section;

(ii) The ICF/IID's per diem equipment rate for the fiscal year as determined under division (D) of this section;

(iii) The ICF/IID's per diem secondary building rate for the fiscal year as determined under division (E) of this section.

(b) The sum determined for the fiscal year under division (G) of this section.
(2) The ICF/IID's per diem nonextensive renovation rate for the fiscal year as determined under division (H) of this section.

(B) An ICF/IID's per diem fair rental value rate for a fiscal year is the quotient of the following:

(1) The ICF/IID's fair rental value as determined under division (C) of this section;

(2) The greater of the following:

(a) The number of the ICF/IID's inpatient days for the applicable cost report year;

(b) The number of inpatient days the ICF/IID would have had during the applicable cost report year if its occupancy rate had been ninety-two per cent that year.

(C)(1) An ICF/IID's fair rental value is the product of the following:

(a) The sum of the following:

(i) The ICF/IID's depreciated current asset value as determined under division (C)(2) of this section;

(ii) The ICF/IID's land value as determined under division (C)(10) of this section.

(b) Eleven per cent.

(2) An ICF/IID's depreciated current asset value is its current asset value, as determined under division (C)(3) of this section, depreciated by the product of the following:

(a) The ICF/IID's effective age as determined under division (C)(5) of this section;

(b) One and six-tenths per cent.

(3) An ICF/IID's current asset value is the product of the following:
(a) The ICF/IID's value per square foot as determined under division (C)(4) of this section;

(b) The lesser of the ICF/IID's square footage and the following:

(i) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 1-A1 and is a downsized ICF/IID, its medicaid-certified capacity on the last day of the applicable cost report year multiplied by one thousand;

(ii) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 1-A1 and is not a downsized ICF/IID, its medicaid-certified capacity on the last day of the applicable cost report year multiplied by five hundred fifty;

(iii) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 2-A2 and is a downsized ICF/IID, its medicaid-certified capacity on the last day of the applicable cost report year multiplied by one thousand;

(iv) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 2-A2 and is not a downsized ICF/IID, its medicaid-certified capacity on the last day of the applicable cost report year multiplied by seven hundred fifty;

(v) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 3-A3, its medicaid-certified capacity on the last day of the applicable cost report year multiplied by eight hundred fifty;

(vi) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 4-A4 or peer group 5-A5, its medicaid-certified capacity on the last day of the applicable cost report year multiplied by nine hundred.

(4)(a) An ICF/IID's value per square foot shall be determined by using the version of the following RS means data that was most recently published at the time the determination is made:

(i) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 1-A1 or peer group 2-A2, the RS means data for assisted-senior living facility construction costs;
(ii) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 3-A, peer group 4-A, or peer group 5-A, the RS means data for nursing home construction costs.

(b) Except as provided in division (C)(4)(c) of this section, in determining an ICF/IID's value per square foot, the following modifier shall be used:

(i) If the ICF/IID is located in Summit county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Akron;

(ii) If the ICF/IID is located in Athens county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Athens;

(iii) If the ICF/IID is located in Ashtabula, Geauga, Lake, Medina, Portage, Stark, Trumbull, or Wayne county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Canton;

(iv) If the ICF/IID is located in Ross county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Chillicothe;

(v) If the ICF/IID is located in Hamilton county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Cincinnati;

(vi) If the ICF/IID is located in Cuyahoga county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Cleveland;

(vii) If the ICF/IID is located in Franklin county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Columbus;

(viii) If the ICF/IID is located in Montgomery county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Dayton;

(ix) If the ICF/IID is located in Brown, Butler, Clermont, Clinton, Champaign, Darke, Greene, Logan, Miami, Preble, Shelby, or Warren county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Hamilton;

(x) If the ICF/IID is located in Allen, Auglaize, Defiance, Erie, Fulton, Hancock, Henry, Huron, Mercer, Paulding, Putnam, Ottawa, Sandusky, Seneca, Van Wert, Williams, or Wood county, the
modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Lima; 41019

  (xi) If the ICF/IID is located in Lorain county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Lorain; 41020

  (xii) If the ICF/IID is located in Ashland, Crawford, Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Hardin, Knox, Licking, Madison, Morrow, Pickaway, Richland, Union, or Wyandot county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Mansfield; 41021

  (xiii) If the ICF/IID is located in Marion county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Marion; 41022

  (xiv) If the ICF/IID is located in Clark county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Springfield; 41023

  (xv) If the ICF/IID is located in Jefferson county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Steubenville; 41024

  (xvi) If the ICF/IID is located in Lucas county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Toledo; 41025

  (xvii) If the ICF/IID is located in Mahoning county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Youngstown; 41026

  (xviii) If the ICF/IID is located in Adams, Belmont, Carroll, Columbiana, Coshocton, Gallia, Guernsey, Harrison, Highland, Hocking, Holmes, Jackson, Lawrence, Meigs, Monroe, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, Perry, Pike, Scioto, Tuscarawas, Vinton, or Washington county, the modifier specified in the applicable RS means data for Zanesville. 41027

  (c) If a modifier ceases to be specified in the applicable RS means data for a city listed in division (C)(4)(b) of this section, the director of developmental disabilities shall specify in rules adopted under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code a different modifier for the counties that are affected by the change. 41028
(5) An ICF/IID's effective age shall be determined as follows:

(a) Determine the sum of the numbers of the ICF/IID's new bed equivalents for renovations for the applicable cost report year and the immediately preceding thirty-nine calendar years as determined for each of those years under division (C)(7)(a) of this section;

(b) Determine the sum of the numbers of the ICF/IID's new bed equivalents for additions that do not increase the ICF/IID's medicaid-certified capacity for the applicable cost report year and the immediately preceding thirty-nine calendar years as determined for each of those years under division (C)(8)(a) of this section;

(c) Determine the sum of the numbers of the ICF/IID's new beds resulting from additions that increase the ICF/IID's medicaid-certified capacity for the applicable cost report year and the immediately preceding thirty-nine calendar years as determined for each of those years under division (C)(9)(a) of this section;

(d) Determine the sum of the sums determined under divisions (C)(5)(a), (b), and (c) of this section;

(e) Determine the difference of the following:

(i) The ICF/IID's medicaid-certified capacity on the last day of the applicable cost report year;

(ii) The lesser of the amount specified in division (C)(5)(e)(i) of this section and the sum determined under division (C)(5)(d) of this section.

(f) For the purpose of determining the weighted age of the ICF/IID's original beds, determine the product of the following:

(i) The difference determined under division (C)(5)(e) of...
this section;

(ii) The ICF/IID's age as determined under division (C)(6) of this section.

(g) Determine the sum of the weighted ages of the ICF/IID's new bed equivalents for renovations for the applicable cost report year and the immediately preceding thirty-nine calendar years as determined for each of those years under division (C)(7)(c) of this section;

(h) Determine the sum of the weighted ages of the ICF/IID's new bed equivalents for additions that do not increase its medicaid-certified capacity for the applicable cost report year and the immediately preceding thirty-nine calendar years as determined for each of those years under division (C)(8)(d) of this section;

(i) Determine the sum of the weighted ages of the ICF/IID's new beds resulting from additions that increase its medicaid-certified capacity for the applicable cost report year and the immediately preceding thirty-nine calendar years as determined for that period and each of those years under division (C)(9)(b) of this section;

(j) Determine the sum of the following:

(i) The product determined under division (C)(5)(f) of this section;

(ii) The sum of the sums determined under divisions (C)(5)(g), (h), and (i) of this section.

(k) Determine the quotient of the following:

(i) The sum determined under division (C)(5)(j) of this section;

(ii) The ICF/IID's medicaid-certified capacity on the last day of the applicable cost report year.
(6) An ICF/IID's age is the lesser of the following:

(a) The difference between the following:

(i) The calendar year in which occurs the last day of the period covered by the cost report being used to determine the ICF/IID's rate under this section;

(ii) The calendar year in which the ICF/IID was initially constructed.

(b) Forty.

(7)(a) The number, for a year, of an ICF/IID's new bed equivalents for renovations is the quotient of the following:

(i) The ICF/IID's desk-reviewed, actual, allowable renovation costs for the year;

(ii) Seventy thousand dollars.

(b) The age of an ICF/IID's new bed equivalents for renovations is the difference of the following:

(i) The calendar year in which occurs the last day of the period covered by the cost report being used to determine the ICF/IID's rate under this section;

(ii) The calendar year the renovations were completed.

(c) The weighted age, for a year, of an ICF/IID's new bed equivalents for renovations is the product of the following:

(i) The number, for that year, of the ICF/IID's new bed equivalents for renovations as determined under division (C)(7)(a) of this section;

(ii) The age of those new bed equivalents as determined under division (C)(7)(b) of this section.

(8)(a) The number, for a year, of an ICF/IID's new bed equivalents for additions that do not increase its medicaid-certified capacity is the quotient of the following:
(i) The value of such additions made to the ICF/IID that year as determined under division (C)(8)(b) of this section;

(ii) Seventy thousand dollars.

(b) The value of additions that do not increase an ICF/IID's medicaid-certified capacity is the product of the following:

(i) The total square footage of the additions;

(ii) The ICF/IID's value per square foot as determined under division (C)(4) of this section.

(c) The age of an ICF/IID's new bed equivalents for additions that do not increase its medicaid-certified capacity is the difference of the following:

(i) The calendar year in which occurs the last day of the period covered by the cost report being used to determine the ICF/IID's rate under this section;

(ii) The calendar year the additions were completed.

(d) The weighted age, for a year, of an ICF/IID's new bed equivalents for additions that do not increase its medicaid-certified capacity is the product of the following:

(i) The number, for that year, of the ICF/IID's new bed equivalents for such additions as determined under division (C)(8)(a) of this section;

(ii) The age of those new bed equivalents as determined under division (C)(8)(c) of this section.

(9)(a) The number, for a year, of new beds resulting from additions that increase an ICF/IID's medicaid-certified capacity is the number by which the new beds increased the ICF/IID's medicaid-certified capacity that year.

(b) The weighted age, for a year, of new beds resulting from additions that increase an ICF/IID's medicaid-certified capacity
is the product of the following:

(i) The number by which those new beds increased the
ICF/IID's medicaid-certified capacity that year;

(ii) The difference of the calendar year in which occurs the
last day of the period covered by the cost report being used to
determine the ICF/IID's rate under this section and the calendar
year the ICF/IID's medicaid-certified capacity was so increased.

(10) An ICF/IID's land value is the product of the following:

(a) The ICF/IID's current asset value as determined under
division (C)(3) of this section;

(b) Ten per cent.

(D) An ICF/IID's per diem equipment rate for a fiscal year
shall be the lesser of the following:

(1) The quotient of the following:

(a) The ICF/IID's costs for capital equipment for the
applicable cost report year;

(b) The greater of the following:

(i) The number of the ICF/IID's inpatient days for the
applicable cost report year;

(ii) The number of inpatient days the ICF/IID would have had
during the applicable cost report year if its occupancy rate had
been ninety-two per cent that year.

(2) The following amount:

(a) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 1-A

(b) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 2-A,

(c) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 3-A,

(d) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 4-A or peer group 5-A,
nine dollars.

(E) An ICF/IID's per diem secondary building rate for a fiscal year is the quotient of the following:

(1) The ICF/IID's secondary building value as determined under division (F) of this section;

(2) The greater of the following:

(a) The number of the ICF/IID's inpatient days for the applicable cost report year;

(b) The number of inpatient days the ICF/IID would have had during the applicable cost report year if its occupancy rate had been ninety-two per cent that year.

(F)(1) An ICF/IID's secondary building value is the product of the following:

(a) The sum of the following:

(i) The sum of the depreciated current asset values of the ICF/IID's secondary buildings as determined under division (F)(2) of this section;

(ii) The sum of the land values of the ICF/IID's secondary buildings as determined under division (F)(6) of this section.

(b) A rental rate of eleven per cent.

(2) The depreciated current asset value of an ICF/IID's secondary building is the current asset value of the secondary building, as determined under division (F)(3) of this section, depreciated by the product of the following:

(a) The age of the secondary building as determined under division (F)(5) of this section;

(b) One and six-tenths per cent.

(3) The current asset value of an ICF/IID's secondary building is the product of the following:
(a) The part of the secondary building's square footage that is allocated to the ICF/IID;

(b) The secondary building's value per square foot as determined under division (F)(4) of this section.

(4) The value per square foot of an ICF/IID's secondary building shall be determined by using the following:

(a) Except as provided in division (F)(4)(b) of this section, the most recent national average commercial cost estimate for office/warehouse buildings according to information available at buildingjournal.com on the last day of the applicable cost report year;

(b) If the national average commercial cost estimate for office/warehouse buildings ceases to be available at buildingjournal.com, the most recent comparable cost estimate as specified in rules the director of developmental disabilities shall adopt under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code.

(5) The age of an ICF/IID's secondary building is the lesser of the following:

(a) The difference of the following:

(i) The calendar year in which occurs the last day of the period covered by the cost report being used to determine the ICF/IID's rate under this section;

(ii) The calendar year the secondary building was initially constructed.

(b) Forty.

(6) The land value of an ICF/IID's secondary building is the product of the following:

(a) The current asset value of the ICF/IID's secondary building as determined under division (F)(3) of this section;
(b) Ten per cent.

(G) For the purposes of divisions (A)(1)(b) and (H)(1)(b)(ii) of this section, the department shall determine the sum of the following for each ICF/IID for each fiscal year:

(1) The quotient of the following:

(a) The ICF/IID's desk-reviewed, actual, allowable capital costs for the applicable cost report year;

(b) The greater of the following:

(i) The number of the ICF/IID's inpatient days for the applicable cost report year;

(ii) The number of inpatient days the ICF/IID would have had during the applicable cost report year if its occupancy rate had been ninety-two per cent that year.

(2) The following amount:

(a) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 1-A or peer group 2-A, three dollars;

(b) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 3-A, peer group 4-A, or peer group 5-A, five dollars.

(3) The greater of the following:

(a) Ten per cent of the difference of the following:

(i) The sum of the quotient determined for the fiscal year under division (G)(1) of this section and the applicable amount specified in division (G)(2) of this section;

(ii) The sum determined for the fiscal year under division (A)(1)(a) of this section.

(b) Zero.

(H) An ICF/IID's per diem nonextensive renovation rate for a fiscal year is the following:
(1) If the sum of the ICF/IID's per diem costs of nonextensive renovations for the applicable cost report year as determined under division (I) of this section and the ICF/IID's per diem costs of ownership for the applicable cost report year as determined under division (J) of this section is greater than the sum determined for the ICF/IID for the fiscal year under division (G) of this section, the lesser of the following:

(a) The ICF/IID's per diem costs of nonextensive renovations for the applicable cost report year as determined under division (I) of this section;

(b) The difference of the following:

(i) The sum of the ICF/IID's per diem costs of nonextensive renovation for the applicable cost report year as determined under division (I) of this section and the ICF/IID's per diem costs of ownership for the applicable cost report year as determined under division (J) of this section;

(ii) The sum determined for the ICF/IID for the fiscal year under division (G) of this section.

(2) If the sum of the ICF/IID's per diem costs of nonextensive renovation for the applicable cost report year as determined under division (I) of this section and the ICF/IID's per diem costs of ownership for the applicable cost report year as determined under division (J) of this section is less than or equal to the sum determined for the ICF/IID for the fiscal year under division (G) of this section, zero.

(I) An ICF/IID's per diem costs of nonextensive renovations for an applicable cost report year are the quotient of the following:

(1) The ICF/IID's desk-reviewed, actual, allowable costs of nonextensive renovations for the applicable cost report year;
(2) The greater of the following:

   (a) The number of the ICF/IID's inpatient days for the applicable cost report year;

   (b) The number of inpatient days the ICF/IID would have had during the applicable cost report year if its occupancy rate had been ninety-two per cent that year.

   (J) An ICF/IID's per diem costs of ownership for an applicable cost report year are the quotient of the following:

   (1) The ICF/IID's desk-reviewed, actual, allowable costs of ownership for the applicable cost report year;

   (2) The greater of the following:

      (a) The number of the ICF/IID's inpatient days for the applicable cost report year;

      (b) The number of inpatient days the ICF/IID would have had during the applicable cost report year if its occupancy rate had been ninety-two per cent that year.

Sec. 5124.19. (A) For each fiscal year, the department of developmental disabilities shall determine each ICF/IID's per medicaid day direct care costs component rate. An ICF/IID's rate shall be determined as follows:

   (1) Determine the product of the following:

      (a) The ICF/IID's quarterly case-mix score determined or assigned under section 5124.193 of the Revised Code for the following calendar quarter:

         (i) For the rate determined for fiscal year 2019, the calendar quarter ending December 31, 2017;

         (ii) For the rate determined for each subsequent fiscal year, the calendar quarter ending on the last day of March of the calendar year in which the fiscal year begins.
(b) The lesser of the following:

(i) The ICF/IID's cost per case-mix unit for the applicable cost report year as determined under division (B) of this section;

(ii) The maximum cost per case-mix unit for the ICF/IID's peer group for the fiscal year for which the rate is determined as determined under division (C) of this section.

(2) Adjust the product determined under division (A)(1) of this section by the inflation rate estimated under division (D) of this section.

(B) To determine an ICF/IID's cost per case-mix unit for a cost report year, the department shall determine the quotient of the following:

(1) The ICF/IID's desk-reviewed, actual, allowable, per diem direct care costs for the cost report year;

(2) The ICF/IID's annual average case-mix score as determined under section 5124.193 of the Revised Code for the fiscal year for which the rate is determined.

(C)(1) The maximum cost per case-mix unit for a peer group for a fiscal year, other than peer group 5-A, is the following percentage above the peer group's median cost per case-mix unit for that fiscal year:

(a) For peer group 1-A, sixteen per cent;

(b) For peer group 2-A, fourteen per cent;

(c) For peer group 3-A, eighteen per cent;

(d) For peer group 4-A, twenty-two per cent.

(2) The maximum cost per case-mix unit for peer group 5-A for a fiscal year is the ninety-fifth percentile of all ICFs/IID in peer group 5-A for the applicable cost report year.

(3) In determining the maximum cost per case-mix unit for a
peer group under division (C)(1) of this section, the department shall exclude from its determination the cost per case-mix unit of any ICF/IID in the peer group that participated in the medicaid program under the same provider for less than twelve months during the applicable cost report year.

(4) In determining the maximum cost per case-mix unit for a peer group under division (C)(1) or (2) of this section, the department shall exclude from its determination the cost per case-mix unit of any ICF/IID in the peer group that has a case-mix score that was assigned by the department to the ICF/IID under division (B) of section 5124.193 of the Revised Code.

(5) The department shall not reset a peer group's maximum cost per case-mix unit for a fiscal year under division (C)(1) or (2) of this section based on additional information that the department receives after it sets the maximum for that fiscal year. The department shall reset a peer group's maximum cost per case-mix unit for a fiscal year only if it made an error in setting the maximum for that fiscal year based on information available to the department at the time it originally sets the maximum for that fiscal year.

(D) The department shall estimate the rate of inflation for the eighteen-month period beginning on the first day of July of the applicable cost report year and ending on the last day of December of the fiscal year for which the rate is determined, using the following:

(1) Subject to division (D)(2) of this section, the employment cost index for total compensation, health care and social assistance component, published by the United States bureau of labor statistics;

(2) If the United States bureau of labor statistics ceases to publish the index specified in division (D)(1) of this section,
the index that is subsequently published by the bureau and covers the staff costs of ICFs/IID.

Sec. 5124.191. (A) As used in sections 5124.191 to 5124.193 of the Revised Code, "ICF/IID resident" includes an individual who is on hospital or therapeutic leave from an ICF/IID.

(B) In accordance with rules adopted under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code, the department of developmental disabilities shall assess each ICF/IID resident regardless of payment source and compile complete assessment data on the residents. The department shall perform the initial assessment of an ICF/IID resident. The department may perform a subsequent assessment of an ICF/IID resident under any of the following circumstances:

(1) The provider of the ICF/IID in which the resident resides or from which the resident is on hospital or therapeutic leave has submitted to the department under division (D) of this section revised assessment data for the resident or an attestation of no changes in the resident's assessment data and the department has reason to believe that the revised assessment data or attestation is inaccurate;

(2) The department has reason to believe that the resident's most recent assessment no longer accurately reflects the resident's condition;

(3) The department determines that the resident's most recent assessment should be updated because of the passage of time since that assessment was performed.

(C) If an ICF/IID provider disagrees with the results of an assessment performed by the department under this section, the provider may request that the department reconsider the results in accordance with rules adopted under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code.
(D) After the department assesses an ICF/IID resident under this section, the provider of the ICF/IID in which the resident resides or from which the resident is on hospital or therapeutic leave shall submit to the department, not later than fifteen days after the end of each subsequent calendar quarter and through the medium or media specified in rules adopted under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code, either of the following:

(1) Revised assessment data for the resident if there are changes in the resident's assessment data;

(2) An attestation that there are no changes in the resident's assessment data.

(E) A resident assessment instrument specified in rules adopted under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code shall be used to compile or revise assessment data of ICF/IID residents under this section. The resident assessment instrument used for the purpose of this section may be different from the resident assessment instrument used for the purpose of section 5124.196 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5124.21. (A) For each fiscal year, the department of developmental disabilities shall determine each ICF/IID's per medicaid day indirect care costs component rate. An ICF/IID's rate shall be the lesser of the individual rate determined under division (B) of this section and the maximum rate determined for the ICF/IID's peer group under division (C) of this section.

(B) An ICF/IID's individual rate is the sum of the following:

(1) The ICF/IID's desk-reviewed, actual, allowable, per diem indirect care costs for the applicable cost report year, adjusted for the inflation rate estimated under division (E) of this section;

(2) Subject to division (D) of this section, an efficiency
incentive equal to the difference between the amount of the per
diem indirect care costs for the applicable cost report year
determined for the ICF/IID under division (B)(1) of this section
and the maximum rate established for the ICF/IID's peer group
under division (C) of this section for that year.

(C)(1) The maximum rate for an ICF/IID's peer group shall be
the following percentage above the peer group's median per diem
indirect care costs for the applicable cost report year:

(a) For ICFs/IID in peer group 1-A1, eight per cent;
(b) For ICFs/IID in peer group 2-A2 or peer group 3-A3, ten per cent;
(c) For ICFs/IID in peer group 4-A4 or peer group 5-A5, twelve per cent.

(2) The department shall not redetermine a peer group's
maximum rate under division (C)(1) of this section based on
additional information that it receives after the maximum rate is
set. The department shall redetermine a peer group's maximum rate
only if the department made an error in computing the maximum rate
based on the information available to the department at the time
of the original calculation.

(D) The efficiency incentive for an ICF/IID shall not exceed
the following:

(1) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 1-A1, five per cent of
the peer group's maximum rate established under division (C)(1)(a)
of this section;

(2) If the ICF/IID is in peer group 2-A2, peer group 3-A3,
peer group 4-A4, or peer group 5-A5, six per cent of the peer
group's maximum rate established under division (C)(1)(b) or (c)
of this section.

(E) When adjusting rates for inflation under division (B)(1)
of this section, the department shall estimate the rate of inflation for the eighteen-month period beginning on the first day of July of the applicable cost report year and ending on the thirty-first day of December of the fiscal year for which the rate is determined. To estimate the rate of inflation, the department shall use the following:

1) Subject to division (E)(2) of this section, the consumer price index for all items for all urban consumers for the midwest region, published by the United States bureau of labor statistics;

2) If the United States bureau of labor statistics ceases to publish the index specified in division (E)(1) of this section, a comparable index that the bureau publishes and the department determines is appropriate.

Sec. 5124.23. For each fiscal year, the department of developmental disabilities shall determine each ICF/IID's per medicaid day other protected costs component rate. An ICF/IID's rate shall be the ICF/IID's desk-reviewed, actual, allowable, per diem other protected costs from the applicable cost report year, adjusted for inflation using the following:

A) Subject to division (B) of this section, the consumer price index for all urban consumers for nonprescription drugs and medical supplies, as published by the United States bureau of labor statistics;

B) If the United States bureau of labor statistics ceases to publish the index specified in division (E)(1)(A) of this section, the index that is subsequently published by the bureau and covers nonprescription drugs and medical supplies.

Sec. 5124.29. Except as otherwise provided in section 5124.30 of the Revised Code, the department of developmental disabilities, in determining whether an ICF/IID's direct care costs and indirect
care costs are allowable, shall place no limit on specific categories of reasonable costs other than compensation of owners, compensation of relatives of owners, and compensation of administrators.

Compensation cost limits for owners and relatives of owners shall be based on compensation costs for individuals who hold comparable positions but who are not owners or relatives of owners, as reported on ICFs/IID's cost reports. As used in this section, "comparable position" means the position that is held by the owner or the owner's relative, if that position is listed separately on the cost report form, or if the position is not listed separately, the group of positions that is listed on the cost report form and that includes the position held by the owner or the owner's relative. In the case of an owner or owner's relative who serves the ICFs/IID in a capacity such as corporate officer, proprietor, or partner for which no comparable position or group of positions is listed on the cost report form, the compensation cost limit shall be based on civil service equivalents and shall be specified in rules adopted under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code.

Compensation cost limits for administrators shall be based on compensation costs for administrators who are not owners or relatives of owners, as reported on ICFs/IID's cost reports. For the purpose of determining an ICF/IID's total per Medicaid day payment rate under division (C) of section 5124.15 of the Revised Code, compensation cost limits for administrators of four or more ICFs/IID shall be the same as the limits for administrators of ICFs/IID with one hundred fifty or more beds.

Sec. 5124.30. Except as provided in sections 5124.17 and 5124.171 of the Revised Code, the costs of goods, services, and facilities, furnished to an ICF/IID provider by a related
party are includable in the allowable costs of the provider at the reasonable cost to the related party.

Sec. 5124.38. (A) The director of developmental disabilities shall establish a process under which an ICF/IID provider, or a group or association of ICF/IID providers, may seek reconsideration of medicaid payment rates established under this chapter, including a rate for direct care costs redetermined before the effective date of the rate as a result of an exception review conducted under section 5124.198 of the Revised Code. Except as provided in divisions (B) to (E) of this section, the only issue that a provider, group, or association may raise in the rate reconsideration is whether the rate was calculated in accordance with this chapter and the rules adopted under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code. The provider, group, or association may submit written arguments or other materials that support its position. The provider, group, or association and department shall take actions regarding the rate reconsideration within time frames specified in rules authorized by this section.

If the department determines, as a result of the rate reconsideration, that the rate established for one or more ICFs/IID is less than the rate to which the ICF/IID is entitled, the department shall increase the rate. If the department has paid the incorrect rate for a period of time, the department shall pay the provider of the ICF/IID the difference between the amount the provider was paid for that period for the ICF/IID and the amount the provider should have been paid for the ICF/IID.

(B)(1) The department, through the rate reconsideration process, may increase during a fiscal year the medicaid payment rate determined for an ICF/IID under this chapter if the provider demonstrates that the ICF/IID's actual, allowable costs have increased because of any of the following extreme circumstances:
(a) A natural disaster;

(b) A nonextensive renovation approved under division (E) of section 5124.171 of the Revised Code;

(c) If the ICF/IID has an appropriate claims management program, an increase in the ICF/IID's workers' compensation experience rating of greater than five per cent;

(d) If the ICF/IID is an inner-city ICF/IID, increased security costs;

(e) A change of ownership that results from bankruptcy, foreclosure, or findings by the department of health of violations of medicaid certification requirements;

(f) Other extreme circumstances specified in rules authorized by this section.

(2) An ICF/IID may qualify for a rate increase under this division only if its per diem, actual, allowable costs have increased to a level that exceeds its total rate. An increase under this division is subject to any rate limitations or maximum rates established by this chapter for specific cost centers. Any rate increase granted under this division shall take effect on the first day of the first month after the department receives the request.

(C) The department, through the rate reconsideration process, may increase an ICF/IID's rate as determined under this chapter if the department, in the department's sole discretion, determines that the rate as determined under those sections works an extreme hardship on the ICF/IID.

(D) When subject to any applicable limitation under section 5124.17 of the Revised Code, when beds certified for the medicaid program are added to an existing ICF/IID or replaced at the same site, the department, through the rate reconsideration
process, may do either of the following to account for the costs of the beds that are added or replaced:

(a) Subject to any applicable limitation under section 5124.17 of the Revised Code, proportionately increase the ICF/IID's per medicaid day capital component rate determined under that section;

(b) Subject to any applicable limitation under section 5124.171 of the Revised Code, proportionately increase the ICF/IID's per medicaid day payment rate for reasonable capital costs determined under that section to account for the costs of the beds that are added or replaced.

(2) If the department grants an increase under division (D)(1)(a) or (b) of this section, the increase shall go into effect one month after the first day of the month after the department receives sufficient documentation needed to determine the amount of the increase.

(3) Any rate increase of an ICF/IID's per medicaid day payment rate for reasonable capital costs determined under section 5124.171 of the Revised Code that is granted under division (D)(1)(b) of this section after June 30, 1993, shall remain in effect until the earlier of the following:

(a) The effective date of a per medicaid day payment rate for reasonable capital costs determined under section 5124.171 of the Revised Code that includes costs incurred for a full calendar year for the bed addition or bed replacement;

(b) The date the provider of the ICF/IID begins to be paid a rate determined under division (B) of section 5124.15 of the Revised Code.

(4) The provider of an ICF/IID that has its per medicaid day payment rate for reasonable capital costs increased under division (D)(1)(b) of this section shall report double accumulated
depreciation in an amount equal to the depreciation included in
the rate adjustment on its cost report for the first year of
operation. During the term of any loan used to finance a project
for which the rate increase is granted, the provider, if the
ICF/IID is operated by the same provider, shall subtract from the
interest costs it reports on the ICF/IID's cost report an amount
equal to the difference between the following:

   (a) The actual, allowable interest costs for the loan during
the calendar year for which the costs are being reported;

   (b) The actual, allowable interest costs attributable to the
loan that were used to calculate the rates paid to the provider
for the ICF/IID during the same calendar year.

   (E) If the provider of an ICF/IID submits to the department
revised assessment data for a resident of the ICF/IID under
division (D) of section 5124.191 of the Revised Code and the
revised assessment data results in at least a fifteen per cent
increase in the ICF/IID's case-mix score determined under section
5124.193 of the Revised Code, the provider may request that the
department, through the rate reconsideration process, increase the
ICF/IID's per medicaid day direct care costs component rate
determined under section 5124.19 of the Revised Code to account
for the increase in the ICF/IID's case-mix score. If the
department determines that the revised assessment data so
increases the ICF/IID's case-mix score, the department shall grant
the rate increase. The increase shall go into effect one month
after the first day of the month after the department receives
sufficient documentation needed to determine the amount of the
increase.

   (F) The department's decision at the conclusion of a rate
reconsideration process is not subject to any administrative
proceedings under Chapter 119. or any other provision of the
Revised Code.
(G) The director of developmental disabilities shall adopt rules under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code as necessary to implement this section.

Sec. 5124.39. (A) Except as provided in divisions (B) and (C) of this section, if the provider of an ICF/IID in former peer group 1-B, as that group existed on the date immediately preceding the effective date of this amendment, obtained approval from the department of developmental disabilities to become a downsized ICF/IID not later than July 1, 2018, and the ICF/IID does not become a downsized ICF/IID by that date, the department shall recoup from the provider an amount equal to the sum of the following:

(1) The difference between the amount of the efficiency incentive payments the ICF/IID earned under former sections 5124.171 and 5124.211 of the Revised Code, as those sections existed on the date immediately preceding the effective date of this amendment, because the provider obtained such approval and the amount of the efficiency incentive payments the ICF/IID would have earned under those sections had the provider not obtained such approval;

(2) An amount of interest on the difference determined under division (A)(1) of this section.

(B) The department shall exempt an ICF/IID provider from a recoupment otherwise required by this section if the provider voluntarily repays the department the difference determined under division (A)(1) of this section. No interest shall be charged on the amount voluntarily repaid.

(C) The department may exempt an ICF/IID provider from a recoupment otherwise required by this section if both of the following apply:
(1) The provider, on or before July 1, 2018, demonstrates to the department's satisfaction that the provider made a good faith effort to complete the downsizing by July 1, 2018, but the ICF/IID did not become a downsized ICF/IID by that date for reasons beyond the provider's control;

(2) The ICF/IID becomes a downsized ICF/IID within a period of time after July 1, 2018, that the department determines is reasonable.

(D) An ICF/IID provider subject to a recoupment under division (A) of this section or voluntarily making a repayment under division (B) of this section shall choose one of the following methods by which the recoupment or voluntary repayment shall be made:

(1) In a lump sum payment;

(2) Subject to the department's approval, in installment payments;

(3) In a single deduction from the next available medicaid payment made to the provider if that payment at least equals the total amount of the recoupment or voluntary repayment;

(4) Subject to the department's approval, in installment deductions from medicaid payments made to the provider.

(E) An ICF/IID provider may request that the director of developmental disabilities reconsider either or both of the following:

(1) A decision that the provider is subject to a recoupment under this section;

(2) A determination under this section of the amount to be recouped from the provider.

(F) The director shall adopt rules under section 5124.03 of the Revised Code as necessary to implement this section, including
rules specifying how the amount of interest charged under division (A)(2) of this section is to be determined.

Sec. 5124.40. If an ICF/IID provider properly amends a cost report for an ICF/IID under section 5124.107 of the Revised Code and the amended report shows that the provider received a lower medicaid payment rate under the original cost report than the provider was entitled to receive, the department of developmental disabilities shall adjust the provider's rate for the ICF/IID prospectively to reflect the corrected information. The department shall pay the adjusted rate beginning two months after the first day of the month after the provider files the amended cost report.

If the department finds, from an exception review of resident assessment data conducted pursuant to section 5124.198 of the Revised Code after the effective date of an ICF/IID's rate for direct care costs that is based on the resident assessment data, that inaccurate resident assessment data resulted in the provider receiving a lower rate for the ICF/IID than the provider was entitled to receive, the department prospectively shall adjust the provider's rate for the ICF/IID accordingly. The department shall make payments to the provider using the adjusted rate for the remainder of the calendar quarter for which the resident assessment data is used to determine the rate, beginning one month after the first day of the month after the exception review is completed.

Sec. 5124.41. (A) The department of developmental disabilities shall redetermine a provider's medicaid payment rate for an ICF/IID using revised information if any either of the following results in a determination that the provider received a higher medicaid payment rate for the ICF/IID than the provider was entitled to receive:
(1) The provider properly amends a cost report for the ICF/IID under section 5124.107 of the Revised Code;

(2) The department makes a finding based on an audit under section 5124.109 of the Revised Code;

(3) The department makes a finding based on an exception review of resident assessment data conducted under section 5124.198 of the Revised Code after the effective date of the ICF/IID's rate for direct care costs that is based on the resident assessment data.

(B) The department shall apply the redetermined rate to the periods when the provider received the incorrect rate to determine the amount of the overpayment. The provider shall refund the amount of the overpayment. The department may charge the provider the following amount of interest from the time the overpayment was made:

(1) If the overpayment resulted from costs reported for calendar year 1993, the interest shall be not greater than one and one-half times the current average bank prime rate.

(2) If the overpayment resulted from costs reported for a subsequent calendar year:

(a) The interest shall be not greater than two times the current average bank prime rate if the overpayment was not more than one per cent of the total medicaid payments to the provider for the fiscal year for which the incorrect information was used to determine a rate.

(b) The interest shall be not greater than two and one-half times the current average bank prime rate if the overpayment was more than one per cent of the total medicaid payments to the provider for the fiscal year for which the incorrect information was used to determine a rate.
Sec. 5124.46. All of the following are subject to an adjudication conducted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code:

(A) Any audit disallowance that the department of developmental disabilities makes as the result of an audit under section 5124.109 of the Revised Code;

(B) Any adverse finding that results from an exception review of resident assessment data conducted for an ICF/IID under section 5124.198 of the Revised Code after the effective date of the ICF/IID's medicaid payment rate for direct care costs that is based on the resident assessment data;

(C) Any medicaid payment deemed an overpayment under section 5124.523 of the Revised Code;

(D) Any penalty the department imposes under section 5124.42 of the Revised Code or section 5124.523 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5126.044. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Eligible person" has the same meaning as in section 5126.03 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Treatment" means the provision, coordination, or management of services provided to an eligible person.

(3) "Payment" means activities undertaken by a service provider or governmental entity to obtain or provide reimbursement for services to an eligible person.

(B) Except as provided in division (C) of this section, no person shall disclose the identity of an individual who requests programs or services under this chapter or release a record or report regarding an eligible person that is maintained by a county board of developmental disabilities or an entity under contract.
with a county board unless one of the following circumstances exists:

(1) The individual, eligible person, or the individual's guardian, or, if the individual is a minor, the individual's parent or guardian, makes a written request to the county board or entity for or approves in writing disclosure of the individual's identity or release of the record or report regarding the eligible person.

(2) Disclosure of the identity of an individual is needed for approval of a direct services contract under section 5126.032 or 5126.033 of the Revised Code. The county board shall release only the individual's name and the general nature of the services to be provided.

(3) Disclosure of the identity of the individual is needed to ascertain that the county board's waiting lists for programs or services are being maintained in accordance with section 5126.042 of the Revised Code and the rules adopted under that section. The county board shall release only the individual's name, the general nature of the programs or services to be provided the individual, the individual's rank on each waiting list that includes the individual, and any circumstances under which the individual was given priority when placed on a waiting list.

(4) Disclosure of the identity of an individual who is an eligible person is needed for treatment of or payment for services provided to the individual.

(5) Release of a record or report regarding an individual that is maintained by the county board or an entity under contract with a county board is requested by a probate court pursuant to a proceeding under Chapter 2111 of the Revised Code. Any record or report released under this division shall only be released to the parties to the proceeding.
(6) Release of a record or report regarding an individual that is maintained by the county board or an entity under contract with a county board is requested by the department of developmental disabilities for purposes of a proceeding under sections 5123.69 to 5123.79 of the Revised Code or for the department to comply with any court order issued under sections 2945.371 to 2945.402 of the Revised Code.

(C)(1) At the request of an eligible person or the person's guardian or, if the eligible person is a minor, the person's parent or guardian, a county board or entity under contract with a county board shall provide the person who made the request access to records and reports regarding the eligible person. On written request, the county board or entity shall provide copies of the records and reports to the eligible person, guardian, or parent. The county board or entity may charge a reasonable fee to cover the costs of copying. The county board or entity may waive the fee in cases of hardship.

(2) A county board shall provide access to any waiting list or record or report regarding an eligible person maintained by the board to any state agency responsible for monitoring and reviewing programs and services provided or arranged by the county board, any state agency involved in the coordination of services for an eligible person, and any agency under contract with the department of developmental disabilities for the provision of protective service pursuant to section 5123.56 of the Revised Code.

(3) When an eligible person who requests programs or services under this chapter dies, the county board or entity under contract with the county board, shall, on written request, provide to both of the following persons any reports and records in the board or entity's possession concerning the eligible person:

(a) If the report or records are necessary to administer the estate of the person who is the subject of the reports or records,
to the executor or administrator of the person's estate;

(b) To the guardian of the person who is the subject of the reports or records or, if the individual had no guardian at the time of death, to a person in the first applicable of the following categories:

(i) The person's spouse;
(ii) The person's children;
(iii) The person's parents;
(iv) The person's brothers or sisters;
(v) The person's uncles or aunts;
(vi) The person's closest relative by blood or adoption;
(vii) The person's closest relative by marriage.

The county board or entity shall provide the reports and records as required by division (C)(3) of this section not later than thirty days after receipt of the request.

(D) A county board shall notify an eligible person, the person's guardian, or, if the eligible person is a minor, the person's parent or guardian, prior to destroying any record or report regarding the eligible person.

Sec. 5126.05. (A) Subject to the rules established by the director of developmental disabilities pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code for programs and services offered pursuant to this chapter, and subject to the rules established by the state board of education pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code for programs and services offered pursuant to Chapter 3323. of the Revised Code, the county board of developmental disabilities shall:

(1) Administer and operate facilities, programs, and services as provided by this chapter and Chapter 3323. of the Revised Code
and establish policies for their administration and operation;

(2) Coordinate, monitor, and evaluate existing services and facilities available to individuals with developmental disabilities;

(3) Provide early childhood services, supportive home services, and adult services, according to the plan and priorities developed under section 5126.04 of the Revised Code;

(4) Provide or contract for special education services pursuant to Chapters 3317. and 3323. of the Revised Code and ensure that related services, as defined in section 3323.01 of the Revised Code, are available according to the plan and priorities developed under section 5126.04 of the Revised Code;

(5) Adopt a budget, authorize expenditures for the purposes specified in this chapter and do so in accordance with section 319.16 of the Revised Code, approve attendance of board members and employees at professional meetings and approve expenditures for attendance, and exercise such powers and duties as are prescribed by the director;

(6) Submit annual reports of its work and expenditures, pursuant to sections 3323.09 and 5126.12 of the Revised Code, to the director, the superintendent of public instruction, and the board of county commissioners at the close of the fiscal year and at such other times as may reasonably be requested;

(7) Authorize all positions of employment, establish compensation, including but not limited to salary schedules and fringe benefits for all board employees, approve contracts of employment for management employees that are for a term of more than one year, employ legal counsel under section 309.10 of the Revised Code, and contract for employee benefits. A county board may provide benefits through an individual or joint self-insurance program as provided under section 9.833 of the Revised Code.
(8) Provide service and support administration in accordance
with section 5126.15 of the Revised Code;

(9) Certify respite care homes pursuant to rules adopted
under section 5123.171 of the Revised Code by the director of
developmental disabilities;

(10) Implement an employment first policy that clearly
identifies community employment as the desired outcome for every
individual of working age who receives services from the board;

(11) Set benchmarks for improving community employment
outcomes.

(B) To the extent that rules adopted under this section apply
to the identification and placement of children with disabilities
under Chapter 3323. of the Revised Code, they shall be consistent
with the standards and procedures established under sections
3323.03 to 3323.05 of the Revised Code.

(C) Any county board may enter into contracts with other such
boards and with public or private, nonprofit, or profit-making
agencies or organizations of the same or another county, to
provide the facilities, programs, and services authorized or
required, upon such terms as may be agreeable, and in accordance
with this chapter and Chapter 3323. of the Revised Code and rules
adopted thereunder and in accordance with sections 307.86 and
5126.071 of the Revised Code.

(D) A county board may combine transportation for children
and adults enrolled in programs and services offered under Chapter
5126. of the Revised Code with transportation for children
enrolled in classes funded under sections 3317.0213 and 3317.20 of
the Revised Code.

(E) A county board may purchase all necessary insurance
policies, may purchase equipment and supplies through the
department of administrative services or from other sources, and
may enter into agreements with public agencies or nonprofit organizations for cooperative purchasing arrangements.

(F) A county board may receive by gift, grant, devise, or bequest any moneys, lands, or property for the benefit of the purposes for which the board is established and hold, apply, and dispose of the moneys, lands, and property according to the terms of the gift, grant, devise, or bequest. All money received by gift, grant, bequest, or disposition of lands or property received by gift, grant, devise, or bequest shall be deposited in the county treasury to the credit of such board and shall be available for use by the board for purposes determined or stated by the donor or grantor, but may not be used for personal expenses of the board members. Any interest or earnings accruing from such gift, grant, devise, or bequest shall be treated in the same manner and subject to the same provisions as such gift, grant, devise, or bequest.

(G) The board of county commissioners shall levy taxes and make appropriations sufficient to enable the county board of developmental disabilities to perform its functions and duties, and may utilize any available local, state, and federal funds for such purpose.

**Sec. 5126.054.** Annually, on or before the thirty-first day of December each year, each county board of developmental disabilities shall, by resolution, develop and submit to the department of developmental disabilities an annual plan that includes both of the following components:

(A) The number of individuals with developmental disabilities residing in the county who are placed on the county board's waiting list established for the services pursuant to section 5126.042 of the Revised Code; the service needs of these individuals; and the projected annualized cost for services;
(B) The annual waiver allocation projection that contains the projected number of individuals to whom the board intends to provide home and community-based services based on available funding as projected in the board's annual five-year projection report submitted pursuant to section 5126.053 of the Revised Code;

(C) How the services are to be phased in over the period the plan covers, including how the county board will serve the individuals identified in divisions (A)(1) and (2) of this section;

(D) Any other applicable information or conditions that the department requires as a condition of approving the plan under section 5123.046 of the Revised Code.

(B) Assurances that the county board does both of the following:

(1) Employs or contracts with a business manager, or has entered into an agreement with another county board that employs or contracts with a business manager to have that business manager serve both counties. The superintendent of a county board shall not serve as the business manager of the county board.

(2) Employs or contracts with a medicaid services manager, or has entered into an agreement with another county board that employs or contracts with a medicaid services manager to have that medicaid services manager serve both counties. The superintendent of a county board shall not serve as the medicaid services manager of the county board.

Sec. 5126.055. (A) Except as provided in section 5126.056 of the Revised Code, a county board of developmental disabilities has medicaid local administrative authority to, and shall, do all of the following for an individual with a developmental disability who resides in the county that the county board serves and seeks or receives home and community-based services:
(1) Perform assessments and evaluations of the individual. As part of the assessment and evaluation process, all of the following apply:

(a) The county board shall make a recommendation to the department of developmental disabilities on whether the department should approve or deny the individual's application for the services, including on the basis of whether the individual needs the level of care an ICF/IID provides.

(b) If the individual's application is denied because of the county board's recommendation and the individual appeals pursuant to section 5160.31 of the Revised Code, the county board shall present, with the department of developmental disabilities or department of medicaid, whichever denies the application, the reasons for the recommendation and denial at the hearing.

(c) If the individual's application is approved, the county board shall recommend to the departments of developmental disabilities and medicaid the services that should be included in the individual service plan. If either department under section 5166.21 of the Revised Code approves, reduces, denies, or terminates a service included in the plan because of the county board's recommendation, the board shall present, with the department that made the approval, reduction, denial, or termination, the reasons for the recommendation and approval, reduction, denial, or termination at a hearing held pursuant to an appeal made under section 5160.31 of the Revised Code.

(2) Perform any duties assigned to the county board in rules adopted under section 5126.046 of the Revised Code regarding the individual's right to choose a qualified and willing provider of the services and, at a hearing held pursuant to an appeal made under section 5160.31 of the Revised Code, present evidence of the process for appropriate assistance in choosing providers;
(3) If the county board is certified under section 5123.161 of the Revised Code to provide the services and agrees to provide the services to the individual and the individual chooses the county board to provide the services, furnish, in accordance with the county board's medicaid provider agreement and for the authorized reimbursement rate, the services the individual requires;

(4) Monitor the services provided to the individual and ensure the individual's health, safety, and welfare. The monitoring shall include quality assurance activities. If the county board provides the services, the department of developmental disabilities shall also monitor the services.

(5) Develop, with the individual and the provider of the individual's services, an effective individual service plan that includes coordination of services, recommend that the departments of developmental disabilities and medicaid approve the plan, and implement the plan unless either department disapproves it. The plan shall include a summary page, agreed to by the county board, provider, and individual receiving services, that clearly outlines the amount, duration, and scope of services to be provided under the plan.

(6) Have an investigative agent conduct investigations under section 5126.313 of the Revised Code that concern the individual;

(7) Have a service and support administrator perform the duties under division (B)(8) of section 5126.15 of the Revised Code that concern the individual.

(B) A county board shall perform its medicaid local administrative authority under this section in accordance with all of the following:

(1) The county board's plan that the department of developmental disabilities approves under section 5123.046 of the
Revised Code:

(2) All applicable federal and state laws;

(3) All applicable policies of the departments of developmental disabilities and medicaid and the United States department of health and human services;

(4) The department of medicaid's supervision under its authority as the single state medicaid agency;

(5) The department of developmental disabilities' oversight.

(C) The departments of developmental disabilities and medicaid shall communicate with and provide training to county boards regarding medicaid local administrative authority granted by this section. The communication and training shall include issues regarding audit protocols and other standards established by the United States department of health and human services that the departments determine appropriate for communication and training. County boards shall participate in the training. The departments shall assess the county board's compliance against uniform standards that the departments shall establish.

(D) A county board may not delegate its medicaid local administrative authority granted under this section but may contract with a person or government entity, including a council of governments, for assistance with its medicaid local administrative authority. A county board that enters into such a contract shall notify the director of developmental disabilities. The notice shall include the tasks and responsibilities that the contract gives to the person or government entity. The person or government entity shall comply in full with all requirements to which the county board is subject regarding the person or government entity's tasks and responsibilities under the contract. The county board remains ultimately responsible for the tasks and
responsibilities.

(E) A county board that has medicaid local administrative authority under this section shall, through the departments of developmental disabilities and medicaid, reply to, and cooperate in arranging compliance with, a program or fiscal audit or program violation exception that a state or federal audit or review discovers. The department of medicaid shall timely notify the department of developmental disabilities and the county board of any adverse findings. After receiving the notice, the county board, in conjunction with the department of developmental disabilities, shall cooperate fully with the department of medicaid and timely prepare and send to the department a written plan of correction or response to the adverse findings. The county board is liable for any adverse findings that result from an action it takes or fails to take in its implementation of medicaid local administrative authority.

(F) If the department of developmental disabilities or department of medicaid determines that a county board's implementation of its medicaid local administrative authority under this section is deficient, the department that makes the determination shall require that county board do the following:

(1) If the deficiency affects the health, safety, or welfare of an individual with a developmental disability, correct the deficiency within twenty-four hours;

(2) If the deficiency does not affect the health, safety, or welfare of an individual with a developmental disability, receive technical assistance from the department or submit a plan of correction to the department that is acceptable to the department within sixty days and correct the deficiency within the time required by the plan of correction.

Sec. 5126.056. (A) The department of developmental
disabilities shall take action under division (B) of this section against a county board of developmental disabilities if any either of the following are the case:

(1) The county board fails to submit to the department all the components of its annual plan required by section 5126.054 of the Revised Code.

(2) The department disapproves the county board's annual plan under section 5123.046 of the Revised Code.

(3) The county board fails to implement its annual plan approved by the department.

(4) The county board fails to correct a deficiency within the time required by division (F) of section 5126.055 of the Revised Code to the satisfaction of the department.

(5) The county board fails to submit an acceptable plan of correction to the department within the time required by division (F)(2) of section 5126.055 of the Revised Code.

(B) If required by division (A) of this section to take action against a county board, the department shall issue an order terminating the county board's medicaid local administrative authority over all or part of home and community-based services, medicaid case management services, or all or part of both of those services. The department shall provide a copy of the order to the board of county commissioners, senior probate judge, county auditor, and president and superintendent of the county board. The department shall specify in the order the medicaid local administrative authority that the department is terminating, the reason for the termination, and the county board's option and responsibilities under this division.

A county board whose medicaid local administrative authority is terminated may, not later than thirty days after the department issues the termination order, recommend to the department that
another county board that has not had any of its medicaid local administrative authority terminated or another entity the department approves administer the services for which the county board's medicaid local administrative authority is terminated. The department may contract with the other county board or entity to administer the services. If the department enters into such a contract, the county board shall adopt a resolution giving the other county board or entity full medicaid local administrative authority over the services that the other county board or entity is to administer. The other county board or entity shall be known as the contracting authority.

If the department rejects the county board's recommendation regarding a contracting authority, the county board may appeal the rejection under section 5123.043 of the Revised Code.

If the county board does not submit a recommendation to the department regarding a contracting authority within the required time or the department rejects the county board's recommendation and the rejection is upheld pursuant to an appeal, if any, under section 5123.043 of the Revised Code, the department shall appoint an administrative receiver to administer the services for which the county board's medicaid local administrative authority is terminated. To the extent necessary for the department to appoint an administrative receiver, the department may utilize employees of the department, management personnel from another county board, or other individuals who are not employed by or affiliated with in any manner a person that provides home and community-based services or medicaid case management services pursuant to a contract with any county board. The administrative receiver shall assume full administrative responsibility for the county board's services for which the county board's medicaid local administrative authority is terminated.

The contracting authority or administrative receiver shall
develop and submit to the department a plan of correction to remediate the problems that caused the department to issue the termination order. If, after reviewing the plan, the department approves it, the contracting authority or administrative receiver shall implement the plan.

The county board shall transfer control of state and federal funds it is otherwise eligible to receive for the services for which the county board's medicaid local administrative authority is terminated and funds the county board may use under division (A) of section 5126.0511 of the Revised Code to pay the nonfederal share of the services that the county board is required by sections 5126.059 and 5126.0510 of the Revised Code to pay. The county board shall transfer control of the funds to the contracting authority or administrative receiver administering the services. The amount the county board shall transfer shall be the amount necessary for the contracting authority or administrative receiver to fulfill its duties in administering the services, including its duties to pay its personnel for time worked, travel, and related matters. If the county board fails to make the transfer, the department may withhold the state and federal funds from the county board and bring a mandamus action against the county board in the court of common pleas of the county served by the county board or in the Franklin county court of common pleas. The mandamus action may not require that the county board transfer any funds other than the funds the county board is required by division (B) of this section to transfer.

The contracting authority or administrative receiver has the right to authorize the payment of bills in the same manner that the county board may authorize payment of bills under this chapter and section 319.16 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5126.071. (A) As used in this section, "minority
business enterprise" has the meaning given in division (E)(1) of section 122.71 of the Revised Code.

(B) Any minority business enterprise that desires to bid on a contract under division (C) or (D) of this section shall first apply to the equal employment opportunity coordinator in the department of administrative servicesdevelopment for certification as a minority business enterprise. The coordinator of development shall approve the application of any minority business enterprise that complies with the rules adopted under section 122.71 of the Revised Code. The coordinator shall prepare and maintain a list of minority business enterprises certified under this section.

(C) From the contracts to be awarded for the purchases of equipment, materials, supplies, insurance, and nonprogram services, other than contracts entered into and exempt under sections 307.86 and 5126.05 of the Revised Code, each county board of developmental disabilities shall select a number of contracts with an aggregate value of approximately fifteen per cent of the total estimated value of such contracts to be awarded in the current calendar year. The board shall set aside the contracts so selected for bidding by minority business enterprises only. The bidding procedures for such contracts shall be the same as for all other contracts awarded under section 307.86 of the Revised Code, except that only minority business enterprises certified and listed under division (B) of this section shall be qualified to submit bids. Contracts set aside and awarded under this section shall not include contracts for the purchase of services such as direct and ancillary services, service and support administration, residential services, and family support services.

(D) To the extent that a board is authorized to enter into contracts for construction which are not exempt from the competitive bidding requirements of section 307.86 of the Revised
Code, the board shall set aside a number of contracts the aggregate value of which equals approximately five per cent of the aggregate value of construction contracts for the current calendar year for bidding by minority business enterprises only. The bidding procedures for the contracts set aside for minority business enterprises shall be the same as for all other contracts awarded by the board, except that only minority business enterprises certified and listed under division (B) of this section shall be qualified to submit bids.

Any contractor awarded a construction contract pursuant to this section shall make every effort to ensure that certified minority business subcontractors and materials suppliers participate in the contract. In the case of contracts specified in this division, the total value of subcontracts awarded to and materials and services purchased from minority businesses shall be at least ten per cent of the total value of the contract, wherever possible and whenever the contractor awards subcontracts or purchases materials or services.

(E) In the case of contracts set aside under divisions (C) and (D) of this section, if no bid is submitted by a minority business enterprise, the contract shall be awarded according to normal bidding procedures. The board shall from time to time set aside such additional contracts as are necessary to replace those contracts previously set aside on which no minority business enterprise bid.

(F) This section does not preclude any minority business enterprise from bidding on any other contract not specifically set aside for minority business enterprises.

(G) Within ninety days after the beginning of each calendar year, each county board of developmental disabilities shall file a report with the department of developmental disabilities that shows for that calendar year the name of each minority business
enterprise with which the board entered into a contract, the value and type of each such contract, the total value of contracts awarded under divisions (C) and (D) of this section, the total value of contracts awarded for the purchases of equipment, materials, supplies, or services, other than contracts entered into under the exemptions of sections 307.86 and 5126.05 of the Revised Code, and the total value of contracts entered into for construction.

(H) Any person who intentionally misrepresents that person as owning, controlling, operating, or participating in a minority business enterprise for the purpose of obtaining contracts or any other benefits under this section shall be guilty of theft by deception as provided for in section 2913.02 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5126.131. (A)(1) Each regional council established under section 5126.13 of the Revised Code shall file with the department of developmental disabilities an annual cost report detailing the regional council's income and expenditures.

(2) Each county board of developmental disabilities shall file with the department an annual cost report detailing the board's income and expenditures.

(B)(1)(a) Unless the department establishes a later date for all regional council cost reports, each council shall file its cost report not later than the last day of April. At the written request of a regional council, the department may grant a fourteen-day extension for filing the cost report.

(b) Unless the department establishes a later date for all county board cost reports, each board shall file its cost report not later than the last day of May. At the written request of a board, the department may grant a fourteen-day extension for filing the board's cost report.
(2) The cost report shall contain information on the previous calendar year's income and expenditures. Once filed by a regional council or board, no changes may be made to the cost report, including the submission of additional documentation, except as otherwise provided in this section.

(C) Each cost report filed under this section by a regional council or board shall may be audited by the department or an entity designated by the department, utilizing methodology approved by the United States centers for medicare and medicaid services. The department or designated entity shall notify the regional council or board of the date on which the audit is to begin. The department may permit a regional council or board to submit changes to the cost report before the audit begins.

If the department or designated entity determines that a filed cost report is not auditable, it shall provide written notification to the regional council or board of the cost report's deficiencies and may request additional documentation. If the department or designated entity requests additional documentation, the regional council or board shall be given sixty days after the request is made to provide the additional documentation. After sixty days, the department or designated entity shall determine whether the cost report is auditable with any additional documentation provided and shall notify the regional council or board of its determination. The determination of the department or designated entity is final.

(D) The department or designated entity shall certify its audit as complete and file a copy of the certified audit in the office of the clerk of the governing body, executive officer of the governing body, and chief fiscal officer of the audited regional council or board. Changes may not be made to a cost report once the department or designated entity files the certified audit. The cost report is not a public record under
section 149.43 of the Revised Code until copies of the cost report are filed pursuant to this section.

(E) The department may withhold any funds that it distributes to a regional council or board as subsidy payments if either of the following is the case:

1. The cost report is not timely filed by the regional council or board with the department in accordance with division (B) of this section.

2. The cost report is determined not auditable under division (C) of this section after the department or designated entity gives the regional council or board sixty days to provide additional documentation.

(F) Cost reports shall be retained by regional councils and boards for seven years. The department shall provide annual training to regional council and board employees regarding cost reports required by this section.

(G) The department, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, may adopt any rules necessary to implement this section.

Sec. 5145.31. (A) As used in this section, "computer," "computer network," "computer system," "computer services," "telecommunications service," and "information service" have the same meanings as in section 2913.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) No officer or employee of a correctional institution under the control or supervision of the department of rehabilitation and correction shall provide a prisoner access to or permit a prisoner to have access to the internet through the use of a computer, computer network, computer system, computer services, telecommunications service, or information service unless both of the following apply:
(1) The prisoner is participating in an approved educational program with direct supervision that requires the use of the internet for training or research purposes accessing the internet solely for a use or purpose approved by the managing officer of that prisoner's institution or by the managing officer's designee.

(2) The provision of and access to the internet is in accordance with rules promulgated by the department of rehabilitation and correction pursuant to section 5120.62 of the Revised Code.

(C)(1) No prisoner in a correctional institution under the control or supervision of the department of rehabilitation and correction shall access the internet through the use of a computer, computer network, computer system, computer services, telecommunications service, or information service unless both of the following apply:

(a) The prisoner is participating in an approved educational program with direct supervision that requires the use of the internet for training or research purposes accessing the internet solely for a use or purpose approved by the managing officer of that prisoner's institution or by the managing officer's designee.

(b) The provision of and access to the internet is in accordance with rules promulgated by the department of rehabilitation and correction pursuant to section 5120.62 of the Revised Code.

(2) Whoever violates division (C)(1) of this section is guilty of improper internet access, a misdemeanor of the first degree.

Sec. 5149.31. (A) The department of rehabilitation and correction shall do all of the following:

(1) Establish and administer a program of subsidies for
eligible counties and groups of counties for felony offenders and
a program of subsidies for eligible municipal corporations,
counties, and groups of counties for misdemeanor offenders for the
development, implementation, and operation of community
corrections programs. Department expenditures for administration
of both programs of subsidies shall not exceed ten per cent of the
moneys appropriated for each of the purposes of this division.

(2) Adopt and promulgate rules, under Chapter 119. of the
Revised Code, providing standards for community corrections
programs. The standards adopted by the department shall specify
the class of offender whose degree of felony, whose community
control sanction revocation history, or whose risk level as
assessed by the single validated risk assessment tool described in
section 5120.114 of the Revised Code, make the offender suitable
for participation in community corrections programs. The rules
shall make the level of subsidy provided to every county or group
of counties contingent upon the number of offenders participating
in community corrections programs each fiscal year who satisfy the
participation suitability standards established by the department
and upon the outcomes of any performance-based standards
established by the department. The standards shall be designed to
improve the quality and efficiency of the programs, to support
evidence-based policies and practices, as defined by the
department, and to reduce the number of persons committed to state
correctional institutions and to county, multicounty, municipal,
municipal-county, or multicounty-municipal jails or workhouses for
offenses for which community control sanctions are authorized
under section 2929.13, 2929.15, or 2929.25 of the Revised Code. In
developing the standards, the department shall consult with, and
seek the advice of, local corrections agencies, law enforcement
agencies, and other public and private agencies concerned with
corrections. The department shall conduct, and permit
participation by local corrections planning boards established
under section 5149.34 of the Revised Code and joint county corrections planning boards established under section 5149.35 of the Revised Code in, an annual review of the standards to measure their effectiveness in promoting the purposes specified in this division and shall amend or rescind any existing rule providing a standard or adopt and promulgate additional rules providing standards, under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, if the review indicates that the standards fail to promote the purposes.

(3) Accept and use any funds, goods, or services from the federal government or any other public or private source for the support of the subsidy programs established under division (A) of this section. The department may comply with any conditions and enter into any agreements that it considers necessary to obtain these funds, goods, or services.

(4) Adopt rules, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, and do all other things necessary to implement sections 5149.30 to 5149.37 of the Revised Code;

(5) Evaluate or provide for the evaluation of community corrections programs funded by the subsidy programs established under division (A)(1) of this section and establish means of measuring their effectiveness;

(6) Prepare an annual report evaluating the subsidy programs established under division (A)(1) of this section. The report shall include, but need not be limited to, analyses of the structure of the programs and their administration by the department, the effectiveness of the programs in the development and implementation of community corrections programs, the specific standards adopted and promulgated under division (A)(2) of this section and their effectiveness in promoting the purposes of the programs, and the findings of the evaluations conducted under division (A)(5) of this section. The director of rehabilitation and correction shall review and certify the accuracy of the report.
and provide copies of it, upon request, to members of the general assembly.

(7) Provide training or assistance, upon the request of a local corrections planning board or a joint county corrections planning board, to any local unit of government, subject to available resources of the department.

(B)(1) In order to be eligible for the subsidies under this section, counties, groups of counties, and municipal corporations shall satisfy all applicable requirements under sections 2301.27 and 2301.30 of the Revised Code and, except for sentencing decisions made by a court when use of the risk assessment tool is discretionary, shall utilize the single validated risk assessment tool selected by the department under section 5120.114 of the Revised Code.

(2) The department shall give any county, group of counties, or municipal corporation found to be noncompliant with the requirements described in division (B)(1) of this section a reasonable period of time to come into compliance. If the noncompliant county, group of counties, or municipal corporation does not become compliant after a reasonable period of time, the department shall reduce or eliminate the subsidy granted to that county, group of counties, or municipal corporation.

Sec. 5153.16. (A) Except as provided in section 2151.422 of the Revised Code, in accordance with rules adopted under section 5153.166 of the Revised Code, and on behalf of children in the county whom the public children services agency considers to be in need of public care or protective services, the public children services agency shall do all of the following:

(1) Make an investigation concerning any child alleged to be an abused, neglected, or dependent child;
(2) Enter into agreements with the parent, guardian, or other person having legal custody of any child, or with the department of job and family services, department of mental health and addiction services, department of developmental disabilities, other department, any certified organization within or outside the county, or any agency or institution outside the state, having legal custody of any child, with respect to the custody, care, or placement of any child, or with respect to any matter, in the interests of the child, provided the permanent custody of a child shall not be transferred by a parent to the public children services agency without the consent of the juvenile court;

(3) Accept custody of children committed to the public children services agency by a court exercising juvenile jurisdiction;

(4) Provide such care as the public children services agency considers to be in the best interests of any child adjudicated to be an abused, neglected, or dependent child the agency finds to be in need of public care or service;

(5) Provide social services to any unmarried girl adjudicated to be an abused, neglected, or dependent child who is pregnant with or has been delivered of a child;

(6) Make available to the bureau for children with medical handicaps of the department of health at its request any information concerning a crippled child found to be in need of treatment under sections 3701.021 to 3701.028 of the Revised Code who is receiving services from the public children services agency;

(7) Provide temporary emergency care for any child considered by the public children services agency to be in need of such care, without agreement or commitment;

(8) Find certified foster homes, within or outside the
county, for the care of children, including handicapped children 42569
from other counties attending special schools in the county; 42570

(9) Subject to the approval of the board of county 42571
commissioners and the state department of job and family services, 42572
establish and operate a training school or enter into an agreement 42573
with any municipal corporation or other political subdivision of 42574
the county respecting the operation, acquisition, or maintenance 42575
of any children's home, training school, or other institution for 42576
the care of children maintained by such municipal corporation or 42577
political subdivision; 42578

(10) Acquire and operate a county children's home, establish, 42579
maintain, and operate a receiving home for the temporary care of 42580
children, or procure certified foster homes for this purpose; 42581

(11) Enter into an agreement with the trustees of any 42582
district children's home, respecting the operation of the district 42583
children's home in cooperation with the other county boards in the 42584
district; 42585

(12) Cooperate with, make its services available to, and act 42586
as the agent of persons, courts, the department of job and family 42587
services, the department of health, and other organizations within 42588
and outside the state, in matters relating to the welfare of 42589
children, except that the public children services agency shall 42590
not be required to provide supervision of or other services 42591
related to the exercise of parenting time rights granted pursuant 42592
to section 3109.051 or 3109.12 of the Revised Code or 42593
companionship or visitation rights granted pursuant to section 42594
3109.051, 3109.11, or 3109.12 of the Revised Code unless a 42595
juvenile court, pursuant to Chapter 2151. of the Revised Code, or 42596
a common pleas court, pursuant to division (E)(6) of section 42597
3113.31 of the Revised Code, requires the provision of supervision 42598
or other services related to the exercise of the parenting time 42599
rights or companionship or visitation rights; 42600
(13) Make investigations at the request of any superintendent of schools in the county or the principal of any school concerning the application of any child adjudicated to be an abused, neglected, or dependent child for release from school, where such service is not provided through a school attendance department;


(15) In addition to administering Title IV-E adoption assistance funds, enter into agreements to make adoption assistance payments under section 5153.163 of the Revised Code;

(16) Implement a system of safety and risk assessment, in accordance with rules adopted by the director of job and family services, to assist the public children services agency in determining the risk of abuse or neglect to a child;

(17) Enter into a plan of cooperation with the board of county commissioners under section 307.983 of the Revised Code and comply with each fiscal agreement the board enters into under section 307.98 of the Revised Code that include family services duties of public children services agencies and contracts the board enters into under sections 307.981 and 307.982 of the Revised Code that affect the public children services agency;

(18) Make reasonable efforts to prevent the removal of an alleged or adjudicated abused, neglected, or dependent child from the child's home, eliminate the continued removal of the child from the child's home, or make it possible for the child to return home safely, except that reasonable efforts of that nature are not required when a court has made a determination under division (A)(2) of section 2151.419 of the Revised Code;

(19) Make reasonable efforts to place the child in a timely
manner in accordance with the permanency plan approved under division (E) of section 2151.417 of the Revised Code and to complete whatever steps are necessary to finalize the permanent placement of the child;

(20) Administer a Title IV-A program identified under division (A)(4)(c) or (g) of section 5101.80 of the Revised Code that the department of job and family services provides for the public children services agency to administer under the department's supervision pursuant to section 5101.801 of the Revised Code;

(21) Administer the kinship permanency incentive program created under section 5101.802 of the Revised Code under the supervision of the director of job and family services;

(22) Provide independent living services pursuant to sections 2151.81 to 2151.84 of the Revised Code;

(23) File a missing child report with a local law enforcement agency upon becoming aware that a child in the custody of the public children services agency is or may be missing.

(B) The public children services agency shall use the system implemented pursuant to division (A)(16) of this section in connection with an investigation undertaken pursuant to division (G)(1) of section 2151.421 of the Revised Code to assess both of the following:

(1) The ongoing safety of the child;

(2) The appropriateness of the intensity and duration of the services provided to meet child and family needs throughout the duration of a case.

(C) Except as provided in section 2151.422 of the Revised Code, in accordance with rules of the director of job and family services, and on behalf of children in the county whom the public
children services agency considers to be in need of public care or protective services, the public children services agency may do the following:

(1) Provide or find, with other child serving systems, specialized foster care for the care of children in a specialized foster home, as defined in section 5103.02 of the Revised Code, certified under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code;

(2)(a) Except as limited by divisions (C)(2)(b) and (c) of this section, contract with the following for the purpose of assisting the agency with its duties:

(i) County departments of job and family services;

(ii) Boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services;

(iii) County boards of developmental disabilities;

(iv) Regional councils of political subdivisions established under Chapter 167. of the Revised Code;

(v) Private and government providers of services;

(vi) Managed care organizations and prepaid health plans.

(b) A public children services agency contract under division (C)(2)(a) of this section regarding the agency's duties under section 2151.421 of the Revised Code may not provide for the entity under contract with the agency to perform any service not authorized by the department's rules.

(c) Only a county children services board appointed under section 5153.03 of the Revised Code that is a public children services agency may contract under division (C)(2)(a) of this section. If an entity specified in division (B) or (C) of section 5153.02 of the Revised Code is the public children services agency for a county, the board of county commissioners may enter into contracts pursuant to section 307.982 of the Revised Code.
regarding the agency's duties.

**Sec. 5153.163.** (A) As used in this section, "adoptive:

1) "Adoptive parent" means, as the context requires, a prospective adoptive parent or an adoptive parent.

2) "Relative" has the same meaning as in section 5101.141 of the Revised Code.

(B)(1) Before a child's adoption is finalized, a public children services agency may enter into an agreement with the child's adoptive parent under which the agency, to the extent state funds are available, may make state adoption maintenance subsidy payments as needed on behalf of the child when all of the following apply:

(a) The child is a child with special needs.

(b) The child was placed in the adoptive home by a public children services agency or a private child placing agency and may legally be adopted.

(c) The adoptive parent has the capability of providing the permanent family relationships needed by the child.

(d) The needs of the child are beyond the economic resources of the adoptive parent.

(e) Acceptance of the child as a member of the adoptive parent's family would not be in the child's best interest without payments on the child's behalf under this section.

(f) The gross income of the adoptive parent's family does not exceed one hundred twenty per cent of the median income of a family of the same size, including the child, as most recently determined for this state by the secretary of health and human services under Title XX of the "Social Security Act," 88 Stat. 2337, 42 U.S.C.A. 1397, as amended.

(2) State adoption maintenance subsidy payment agreements must be made by either the public children services agency that has permanent custody of the child or the public children services agency of the county in which the private child placing agency that has permanent custody of the child is located.

(3) State adoption maintenance subsidy payments shall be made in accordance with the agreement between the public children services agency and the adoptive parent and are subject to an annual redetermination of need.

(4) Payments under this division may begin either before or after issuance of the final adoption decree, except that payments made before issuance of the final adoption decree may be made only while the child is living in the adoptive parent's home. Preadoption payments may be made for not more than twelve months, unless the final adoption decree is not issued within that time because of a delay in court proceedings. Payments that begin before issuance of the final adoption decree may continue after its issuance.

(C)(1) If, after the child's adoption is finalized, a public children services agency considers a child residing in the county served by the agency to be in need of public care or protective services, the agency may, to the extent state funds are available for this purpose, enter into an agreement with the child's adoptive parent under which the agency may make post-adoption special services subsidy payments on behalf of the child as needed when both of the following apply:

(a) The child has a physical or developmental handicap or mental or emotional condition that either:
(i) Existed before the adoption petition was filed; or

(ii) Developed after the adoption petition was filed and can be directly attributed to factors in the child's preadoption background, medical history, or biological family's background or medical history.

(b) The agency determines the expenses necessitated by the child's handicap or condition are beyond the adoptive parent's economic resources.

(2) Services for which a public children services agency may make post adoption special services subsidy payments on behalf of a child under this division shall include medical, surgical, psychiatric, psychological, and counseling services, including residential treatment.

(3) The department of job and family services shall establish clinical standards to evaluate a child's physical or developmental handicap or mental or emotional condition and assess the child's need for services.

(4) The total dollar value of post adoption special services subsidy payments made on a child's behalf shall not exceed ten thousand dollars in any fiscal year, unless the department determines that extraordinary circumstances exist that necessitate further funding of services for the child. Under such extraordinary circumstances, the value of the payments made on the child's behalf shall not exceed fifteen thousand dollars in any fiscal year.

(5) The adoptive parent or parents of a child who receives post adoption special services subsidy payments shall pay at least five per cent of the total cost of all services provided to the child; except that a public children services agency may waive this requirement if the gross annual income of the child's adoptive family is not more than two hundred per cent of the
federal poverty guideline.

(6) A public children services agency may use other sources of revenue to make post adoption special services subsidy payments, in addition to any state funds appropriated for that purpose. A public children services agency may enter into an agreement with a child's relative under which the agency, to the extent state funds are available, may provide state kinship guardianship assistance as needed on behalf of the child when all of the following apply:

(a) The relative has cared for the eligible child as a foster caregiver as defined by section 5103.02 of the Revised Code for at least six consecutive months.

(b) Both of the following apply:

(i) A juvenile court issued an order granting legal custody of the child to the relative, or a probate court issued an order granting guardianship of the child to the relative, and the order is not a temporary court order.

(ii) The relative has committed to care for the child on a permanent basis.

(c) The relative signed a state kinship guardianship assistance agreement prior to assuming legal guardianship or legal custody of the child.

(d) The child had been removed from home pursuant to a voluntary placement agreement or as a result of a judicial determination to the effect that continuation in the home would be contrary to the welfare of the child.

(e) Returning the child home or adoption are not appropriate permanency options for the child.

(f) The child demonstrates a strong attachment to the relative and the relative has a strong commitment to caring
permanently for the child.

(g) With respect to a child who has attained fourteen years of age, the child has been consulted regarding the state kinship guardianship assistance arrangement.

(h) The child is not eligible for kinship guardianship assistance payments under Title IV-E of the "Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C. 673(d), as amended.

(2) The public children services agency that had custody of a child immediately prior to a court granting legal custody or guardianship of the child to a relative of the child described in division (C)(1) of this section is authorized to enter into a state kinship guardianship assistance agreement with that relative.

(3) State kinship guardianship assistance for a child shall be provided in accordance with a state kinship guardianship assistance agreement entered into between the public children services agency and relative of the child described in division (C)(1) of this section and is subject to an annual redetermination of need.

(4) Not later than fifteen months after the effective date of this section, if the amended state plan submitted under Title IV-E to implement 42 U.S.C. 673(d) as described in section 5101.1416 of the Revised Code is approved, division (C) of this section shall be implemented.

(D) No payment shall be made under division (B) or (C) of this section on behalf of any person eighteen years of age or older beyond the end of the school year during which the person attains the age of eighteen or on behalf of a mentally or physically handicapped person twenty-one years of age or older.

(E) The director of job and family services shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code that are
needed to implement this section. The rules shall establish all of the following:

(1) The application process for all forms of assistance provided under this section;

(2) The method to determine the amount of assistance payable under division (B) of this section;

(3) The definition of "child with special needs" for this section;

(4) The process whereby a child's continuing need for services provided under division (B) or (C) of this section is annually redetermined;

(5) The method of determining the amount, duration, and scope of services provided to a child under division (C) of this section;

(6) Any other rule, requirement, or procedure the department considers appropriate for the implementation of this section.

(F) The state adoption special services subsidy program ceases to exist on July 1, 2004, except that, subject to the findings of the annual redetermination process established under division (E) of this section and the child's individual need for services, a public children services agency may continue to provide state adoption special services subsidy payments on behalf of a child for whom payments were being made prior to July 1, 2004.

(G) No public children services agency shall, pursuant to either section 2151.353 or 5103.15 of the Revised Code, place or maintain a child with special needs who is in the permanent custody of an institution or association certified by the department of job and family services under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code in a setting other than with a person seeking to
adopt the child, unless the agency has determined and redetermined at intervals of not more than six months the impossibility of adoption by a person who wishes to adopt children, and is approved by an agency so empowered under Chapter 5103. of the Revised Code, or by a person who wishes to adopt a child with special needs as defined in rules adopted under this section, and who is approved by an agency so empowered under Chapter 5103. of the Revised Code, including the impossibility of entering into a payment agreement with such a person. The agency so maintaining such a child shall report its reasons for doing so to the department of job and family services.

The department may take any action permitted under section 5101.24 of the Revised Code for an agency's failure to determine, redetermine, and report on a child's status.

**Sec. 5153.176.** As used in this section, "license" has the same meaning as in section 3319.31 of the Revised Code.

(A) Notwithstanding division (I)(1) of section 2151.421, section 5153.17, or any other section of the Revised Code pertaining to confidentiality, the director of a public children services agency shall promptly provide to the superintendent of public instruction information regarding the agency's investigation of a report of child abuse or neglect made pursuant to section 2151.421 of the Revised Code involving a person who holds a license issued by the state board of education where the agency has determined that child abuse or neglect occurred and that abuse or neglect is related to the person's duties and responsibilities under the license. The information provided by the director shall include the following:

1. A summary of the nature of the allegations contained in the report of which the person is the subject and the final disposition of the investigation conducted in response to that
report or, if the investigation is not complete, the status of the investigation;

(2) Upon written request of the superintendent of public instruction, the additional information described in division (C) of this section regarding the agency's investigation of the report, unless the prosecuting attorney of the county served by the agency determines that such information may not be released pursuant to division (B) of this section.

(B) Upon receipt of a written request from the superintendent of public instruction for the additional information described in division (C) of this section, the director shall determine if the prosecuting attorney of the county served by the public children services agency intends to prosecute the subject of the report based on the allegations contained in the report. If the prosecuting attorney intends to prosecute the subject of the report, the prosecuting attorney shall determine the information described in division (C) of this section that may be released, if any, and shall provide the director with written authorization to release the information so determined. The director shall provide the superintendent of public instruction with any information described in division (C) of this section that the prosecuting attorney determines may be released, but in no case shall the director provide any information that the prosecuting attorney determines shall not be released. If the prosecuting attorney does not intend to prosecute the subject of the report, the prosecuting attorney shall notify the director of that fact and the director shall provide all of the information described in division (C) of this section to the superintendent of public instruction.

(C) In accordance with division (B) of this section, the director shall provide information to the superintendent of public instruction regarding the public children services agency's investigation of the report described in division (A) of this section.
section, including, but not limited to, the following:

(1) The following information about the alleged child victim of the abuse or neglect:

(a) Full name;

(b) Date of birth;

(c) Address and telephone number;

(d) Grade level;

(e) Name and contact information of the child's parent, guardian, or legal custodian;

(f) Name and contact information of any medical facility that provided treatment to the child, if the child was injured in connection with the abuse or neglect and if that information is available;

(g) A summary of interviews with the child or, if an entity other than the agency conducted the interviews, the contact information for that entity. The summary shall include an accounting of the facts and circumstances of the alleged abuse or neglect, including, but not limited to, the time and place that the abuse or neglect occurred.

(h) Copies of any written correspondence between the child and the alleged perpetrator of the abuse or neglect that was used by the agency to determine that abuse or neglect occurred, the release of which is not otherwise prohibited by law.

(2) The following information about the alleged perpetrator of the abuse or neglect:

(a) Full name;

(b) Date of birth;

(c) Address and telephone number;

(d) Name of school district and school building that employed
the alleged perpetrator at the time the report was made;

(e) Name and contact information of any medical facility that provided treatment to the alleged perpetrator, if the alleged perpetrator was injured in connection with the abuse or neglect and if that information is available;

(f) A summary of interviews with the alleged perpetrator or, if an entity other than the agency conducted the interviews, the contact information for that entity. The summary shall include an accounting of the facts and circumstances of the alleged abuse or neglect, including, but not limited to, the time and place that the abuse or neglect occurred.

(g) Copies of any written correspondence between the alleged child victim and the alleged perpetrator that was used by the agency to determine that abuse or neglect occurred, the release of which is not otherwise prohibited by law;

(h) If the alleged perpetrator has been the subject of any previous reports made pursuant to section 2151.421 of the Revised Code where the agency determined that physical or sexual child abuse occurred, a summary of the chronology of those reports; the final disposition of the investigations conducted in response to those reports, or if an investigation is not complete, the status of that investigation; and any underlying documentation concerning those reports.

(3) The following information about each person, other than the alleged child victim and the alleged perpetrator, whom the agency has determined to be important to the investigation, except that the information shall not be provided about the person who made the report unless that person grants written permission for the director to release the information:

(a) Full name;

(b) Address and telephone number;
(c) If the person has been interviewed regarding the alleged abuse or neglect, a summary of those interviews or, if an entity other than the agency conducted the interviews, the contact information for such entity.

(D) Upon provision of any information to the superintendent of public instruction under this section, the director shall notify the superintendent of both of the following:

(1) That the information is confidential;

(2) That unauthorized dissemination of the information is a violation of division (I)(2) of section 2151.421 and section 3319.311 of the Revised Code and any person who permits or encourages unauthorized dissemination of the information is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree pursuant to section 2151.99 of the Revised Code.

If the director determines that the superintendent of public instruction or any person involved in the conduct of an investigation under section 3319.311 of the Revised Code committed, caused, permitted, or encouraged the unauthorized dissemination of any information provided under this section, the director shall provide written notification of the unauthorized dissemination to the prosecuting attorney of the county or the village solicitor, city director of law, or similar chief legal officer of the municipal corporation in which the unauthorized dissemination occurred. A copy of the notification shall be retained in the investigative record maintained by the public children services agency.

(E) The director shall include documentation of the information provided to the superintendent of public instruction under this section in the investigative record maintained by the public children services agency. The documentation shall include the following:
(1) A list of the information provided;

(2) The date the information was provided;

(3) If the superintendent of public instruction designates a person to receive the information on the superintendent's behalf, the name of that person;

(4) The reason for providing the information;

(5) If written authorization to provide the information is required from the prosecuting attorney under division (B) of this section, a copy of that authorization.

(F) No director of a public children services agency shall knowingly fail to comply with division (A) or (C) of this section.

(G) A director of a public children services agency who provides information to the superintendent of public instruction in accordance with this section in good faith shall be immune from any civil or criminal liability that otherwise might be incurred or imposed for injury, death, or loss to person or property as a result of the provision of that information.

(H) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in Chapter 4117. of the Revised Code, the provisions of this section prevail over any conflicting provisions of a collective bargaining agreement or contract for employment entered into after March 30, 2007.

Sec. 5165.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Affiliated operator" means an operator affiliated with either of the following:

(1) The exiting operator for whom the affiliated operator is to assume liability for the entire amount of the exiting operator's debt under the medicaid program or the portion of the debt that represents the franchise permit fee the exiting operator
owes;

(2) The entering operator involved in the change of operator with the exiting operator specified in division (A)(1) of this section.

(B) "Allowable costs" are a nursing facility's costs that the department of medicaid determines are reasonable. Fines paid under sections 5165.60 to 5165.89 and section 5165.99 of the Revised Code are not allowable costs.

(C) "Ancillary and support costs" means all reasonable costs incurred by a nursing facility other than direct care costs, tax costs, or capital costs. "Ancillary and support costs" includes, but is not limited to, costs of activities, social services, pharmacy consultants, habilitation supervisors, qualified intellectual disability professionals, program directors, medical and habilitation records, program supplies, incontinence supplies, food, enterals, dietary supplies and personnel, laundry, housekeeping, security, administration, medical equipment, utilities, liability insurance, bookkeeping, purchasing department, human resources, communications, travel, dues, license fees, subscriptions, home office costs not otherwise allocated, legal services, accounting services, minor equipment, maintenance and repairs, help-wanted advertising, informational advertising, start-up costs, organizational expenses, other interest, property insurance, employee training and staff development, employee benefits, payroll taxes, and workers' compensation premiums or costs for self-insurance claims and related costs as specified in rules adopted under section 5165.02 of the Revised Code, for personnel listed in this division. "Ancillary and support costs" also means the cost of equipment, including vehicles, acquired by operating lease executed before December 1, 1992, if the costs are reported as administrative and general costs on the nursing facility's cost report for the cost reporting period ending.
(D) "Applicable calendar year" means the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year that precedes the first of the state fiscal years for which a rebasing is conducted.

(F)(1) For purposes of calculating a critical access nursing facility's occupancy rate and utilization rate under this chapter, "as of the last day of the calendar year" refers to the occupancy and utilization rates for the entire cost reporting period for which the nursing facility participated in the medicaid program during the calendar year and identified in the cost report filed under section 5165.10 of the Revised Code.

(F)(1) "Capital costs" means the actual expense incurred by a nursing facility for all of the following:

(a) Depreciation and interest on any capital assets that cost five hundred dollars or more per item, including the following:

(i) Buildings;

(ii) Building improvements;

(iii) Except as provided in division (C)(D) of this section, equipment;

(iv) Transportation equipment.

(b) Amortization and interest on land improvements and leasehold improvements;

(c) Amortization of financing costs;

(d) Lease and rent of land, buildings, and equipment.

(2) The costs of capital assets of less than five hundred dollars per item may be considered capital costs in accordance with a provider's practice.

(G) "Capital lease" and "operating lease" shall be construed in accordance with generally accepted accounting
principles.

(G) "Case-mix score" means a measure determined under section 5165.192 of the Revised Code of the relative direct-care resources needed to provide care and habilitation to a nursing facility resident.

(H) "Change of operator" means an entering operator becoming the operator of a nursing facility in the place of the exiting operator.

(I) Actions that constitute a change of operator include the following:

(a) A change in an exiting operator's form of legal organization, including the formation of a partnership or corporation from a sole proprietorship;

(b) A transfer of all the exiting operator's ownership interest in the operation of the nursing facility to the entering operator, regardless of whether ownership of any or all of the real property or personal property associated with the nursing facility is also transferred;

(c) A lease of the nursing facility to the entering operator or the exiting operator's termination of the exiting operator's lease;

(d) If the exiting operator is a partnership, dissolution of the partnership;

(e) If the exiting operator is a partnership, a change in composition of the partnership unless both of the following apply:

(i) The change in composition does not cause the partnership's dissolution under state law.

(ii) The partners agree that the change in composition does not constitute a change in operator.

(f) If the operator is a corporation, dissolution of the
corporation, a merger of the corporation into another corporation that is the survivor of the merger, or a consolidation of one or more other corporations to form a new corporation.

(2) The following, alone, do not constitute a change of operator:

(a) A contract for an entity to manage a nursing facility as the operator's agent, subject to the operator's approval of daily operating and management decisions;

(b) A change of ownership, lease, or termination of a lease of real property or personal property associated with a nursing facility if an entering operator does not become the operator in place of an exiting operator;

(c) If the operator is a corporation, a change of one or more members of the corporation's governing body or transfer of ownership of one or more shares of the corporation's stock, if the same corporation continues to be the operator.

(J) "Cost center" means the following:

(1) Ancillary and support costs;

(2) Capital costs;

(3) Direct care costs;

(4) Tax costs.

(K) "Custom wheelchair" means a wheelchair to which both of the following apply:

(1) It has been measured, fitted, or adapted in consideration of either of the following:

(a) The body size or disability of the individual who is to use the wheelchair;

(b) The individual's period of need for, or intended use of, the wheelchair.
(2) It has customized features, modifications, or components, such as adaptive seating and positioning systems, that the supplier who assembled the wheelchair, or the manufacturer from which the wheelchair was ordered, added or made in accordance with the instructions of the physician of the individual who is to use the wheelchair.

(K)(1)(L)(l) "Date of licensure" means the following:

(a) In the case of a nursing facility that was required by law to be licensed as a nursing home under Chapter 3721. of the Revised Code when it originally began to be operated as a nursing home, the date the nursing facility was originally so licensed;

(b) In the case of a nursing facility that was not required by law to be licensed as a nursing home when it originally began to be operated as a nursing home, the date it first began to be operated as a nursing home, regardless of the date the nursing facility was first licensed as a nursing home.

(2) If, after a nursing facility's original date of licensure, more nursing home beds are added to the nursing facility, the nursing facility has a different date of licensure for the additional beds. This does not apply, however, to additional beds when both of the following apply:

(a) The additional beds are located in a part of the nursing facility that was constructed at the same time as the continuing beds already located in that part of the nursing facility;

(b) The part of the nursing facility in which the additional beds are located was constructed as part of the nursing facility at a time when the nursing facility was not required by law to be licensed as a nursing home.

(3) The definition of "date of licensure" in this section applies in determinations of nursing facilities' medicaid payment rates but does not apply in determinations of nursing facilities'
franchise permit fees.

(M) "Desk-reviewed" means that a nursing facility's costs as reported on a cost report submitted under section 5165.10 of the Revised Code have been subjected to a desk review under section 5165.108 of the Revised Code and preliminarily determined to be allowable costs.

(N) "Direct care costs" means all of the following costs incurred by a nursing facility:

(1) Costs for registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, and nurse aides employed by the nursing facility;

(2) Costs for direct care staff, administrative nursing staff, medical directors, respiratory therapists, and except as provided in division (8) of this section, other persons holding degrees qualifying them to provide therapy;

(3) Costs of purchased nursing services;

(4) Costs of quality assurance;

(5) Costs of training and staff development, employee benefits, payroll taxes, and workers' compensation premiums or costs for self-insurance claims and related costs as specified in rules adopted under section 5165.02 of the Revised Code, for personnel listed in divisions (1), (2), (4), and (8) of this section;

(6) Costs of consulting and management fees related to direct care;

(7) Allocated direct care home office costs;

(8) Costs of habilitation staff (other than habilitation supervisors), medical supplies, emergency oxygen, over-the-counter pharmacy products, physical therapists, physical therapy assistants, occupational therapists, occupational therapy assistants, speech therapists, audiologists, habilitation
supplies, and universal precautions supplies;

(9) Costs of wheelchairs other than the following:

(a) Custom wheelchairs;

(b) Repairs to and replacements of custom wheelchairs and parts that are made in accordance with the instructions of the physician of the individual who uses the custom wheelchair.

(10) Costs of other direct-care resources that are specified as direct care costs in rules adopted under section 5165.02 of the Revised Code.

"Dual eligible individual" has the same meaning as in section 5160.01 of the Revised Code.

"Effective date of a change of operator" means the day the entering operator becomes the operator of the nursing facility.

"Effective date of a facility closure" means the last day that the last of the residents of the nursing facility resides in the nursing facility.

"Effective date of an involuntary termination" means the date the department of medicaid terminates the operator's provider agreement for the nursing facility.

"Effective date of a voluntary withdrawal of participation" means the day the nursing facility ceases to accept new medicaid residents other than the individuals who reside in the nursing facility on the day before the effective date of the voluntary withdrawal of participation.

"Entering operator" means the person or government entity that will become the operator of a nursing facility when a change of operator occurs or following an involuntary termination.

"Exiting operator" means any of the following:
(1) An operator that will cease to be the operator of a nursing facility on the effective date of a change of operator;

(2) An operator that will cease to be the operator of a nursing facility on the effective date of a facility closure;

(3) An operator of a nursing facility that is undergoing or has undergone a voluntary withdrawal of participation;

(4) An operator of a nursing facility that is undergoing or has undergone an involuntary termination.

(U)(1) Subject to divisions (U)(2), (V)(2) and (3) of this section, "facility closure" means either of the following:

(a) Discontinuance of the use of the building, or part of the building, that houses the facility as a nursing facility that results in the relocation of all of the nursing facility's residents;

(b) Conversion of the building, or part of the building, that houses a nursing facility to a different use with any necessary license or other approval needed for that use being obtained and one or more of the nursing facility's residents remaining in the building, or part of the building, to receive services under the new use.

(2) A facility closure occurs regardless of any of the following:

(a) The operator completely or partially replacing the nursing facility by constructing a new nursing facility or transferring the nursing facility's license to another nursing facility;

(b) The nursing facility's residents relocating to another of the operator's nursing facilities;

(c) Any action the department of health takes regarding the nursing facility's medicaid certification that may result in the
transfer of part of the nursing facility's survey findings to another of the operator's nursing facilities;

(d) Any action the department of health takes regarding the nursing facility's license under Chapter 3721. of the Revised Code.

(3) A facility closure does not occur if all of the nursing facility's residents are relocated due to an emergency evacuation and one or more of the residents return to a medicaid-certified bed in the nursing facility not later than thirty days after the evacuation occurs.

(W) "Franchise permit fee" means the fee imposed by sections 5168.40 to 5168.56 of the Revised Code.

(X) "Inpatient days" means both of the following:

(1) All days during which a resident, regardless of payment source, occupies a licensed bed in a nursing facility that is included in the nursing facility's medicaid-certified capacity;

(2) Fifty per cent of the days for which payment is made under section 5165.34 of the Revised Code.

(Y) "Involuntary termination" means the department of medicaid's termination of the operator's provider agreement for the nursing facility when the termination is not taken at the operator's request.

(Z) "Low resource utilization resident" means a medicaid recipient residing in a nursing facility who, for purposes of calculating the nursing facility's medicaid payment rate for direct care costs, is placed in either of the two lowest resource utilization groups, excluding any resource utilization group that is a default group used for residents with incomplete assessment data.

(AA) "Maintenance and repair expenses" means a nursing
facility's expenditures that are necessary and proper to maintain an asset in a normally efficient working condition and that do not extend the useful life of the asset two years or more.

"Maintenance and repair expenses" includes but is not limited to the costs of ordinary repairs such as painting and wallpapering.

(AA) (BB) "Medicaid-certified capacity" means the number of a nursing facility's beds that are certified for participation in medicaid as nursing facility beds.

(BB) (CC) "Medicaid days" means both of the following:

1. All days during which a resident who is a medicaid recipient eligible for nursing facility services occupies a bed in a nursing facility that is included in the nursing facility's medicaid-certified capacity;

2. Fifty per cent of the days for which payment is made under section 5165.34 of the Revised Code.

(CC) (DD) (1) "New nursing facility" means a nursing facility for which the provider obtains an initial provider agreement following medicaid certification of the nursing facility by the director of health, including such a nursing facility that replaces one or more nursing facilities for which a provider previously held a provider agreement.

(2) "New nursing facility" does not mean a nursing facility for which the entering operator seeks a provider agreement pursuant to section 5165.511 or 5165.512 or (pursuant to section 5165.07 of the Revised Code.

(DD) (EE) "Nursing facility" has the same meaning as in the "Social Security Act," section 1919(a), 42 U.S.C. 1396r(a).

(EE) (FF) "Nursing facility services" has the same meaning as in the "Social Security Act," section 1905(f), 42 U.S.C. 1396d(f).

(FF) (GG) "Nursing home" has the same meaning as in section
3721.01 of the Revised Code.

(4G) (HH) "Occupancy rate" means the percentage of licensed beds that, regardless of payer source, are either of the following:

(1) Reserved for use under section 5165.34 of the Revised Code;

(2) Actually being used.

(II) "Operator" means the person or government entity responsible for the daily operating and management decisions for a nursing facility.

(HH) (1) "Owner" means any person or government entity that has at least five per cent ownership or interest, either directly, indirectly, or in any combination, in any of the following regarding a nursing facility:

(a) The land on which the nursing facility is located;

(b) The structure in which the nursing facility is located;

(c) Any mortgage, contract for deed, or other obligation secured in whole or in part by the land or structure on or in which the nursing facility is located;

(d) Any lease or sublease of the land or structure on or in which the nursing facility is located.

(2) "Owner" does not mean a holder of a debenture or bond related to the nursing facility and purchased at public issue or a regulated lender that has made a loan related to the nursing facility unless the holder or lender operates the nursing facility directly or through a subsidiary.

(II) (KK) "Per diem" means a nursing facility's actual, allowable costs in a given cost center in a cost reporting period, divided by the nursing facility's inpatient days for that cost reporting period.
"Provider" means an operator with a provider agreement.

"Provider agreement" means a provider agreement, as defined in section 5164.01 of the Revised Code, that is between the department of medicaid and the operator of a nursing facility for the provision of nursing facility services under the medicaid program.

"Purchased nursing services" means services that are provided in a nursing facility by registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, or nurse aides who are not employees of the nursing facility.

"Reasonable" means that a cost is an actual cost that is appropriate and helpful to develop and maintain the operation of patient care facilities and activities, including normal standby costs, and that does not exceed what a prudent buyer pays for a given item or services. Reasonable costs may vary from provider to provider and from time to time for the same provider.

"Rebasing" means a redetermination of each of the following using information from cost reports for an applicable calendar year that is later than the applicable calendar year used for the previous rebasing:

1. Each peer group's rate for ancillary and support costs as determined pursuant to division (C) of section 5165.16 of the Revised Code;

2. Each peer group's rate for capital costs as determined pursuant to division (C) of section 5165.17 of the Revised Code;

3. Each peer group's cost per case-mix unit as determined pursuant to division (C) of section 5165.19 of the Revised Code;

4. Each nursing facility's rate for tax costs as determined
pursuant to section 5165.21 of the Revised Code.

(1) "Related party" means an individual or organization that, to a significant extent, has common ownership with, is associated or affiliated with, has control of, or is controlled by, the provider.

(1) An individual who is a relative of an owner is a related party.

(2) Common ownership exists when an individual or individuals possess significant ownership or equity in both the provider and the other organization. Significant ownership or equity exists when an individual or individuals possess five per cent ownership or equity in both the provider and a supplier. Significant ownership or equity is presumed to exist when an individual or individuals possess ten per cent ownership or equity in both the provider and another organization from which the provider purchases or leases real property.

(3) Control exists when an individual or organization has the power, directly or indirectly, to significantly influence or direct the actions or policies of an organization.

(4) An individual or organization that supplies goods or services to a provider shall not be considered a related party if all of the following conditions are met:

(a) The supplier is a separate bona fide organization.

(b) A substantial part of the supplier's business activity of the type carried on with the provider is transacted with others than the provider and there is an open, competitive market for the types of goods or services the supplier furnishes.

(c) The types of goods or services are commonly obtained by other nursing facilities from outside organizations and are not a basic element of patient care ordinarily furnished directly to
patients by nursing facilities.

   (d) The charge to the provider is in line with the charge for
the goods or services in the open market and no more than the
charge made under comparable circumstances to others by the
supplier.

   (PP)  (RR) "Relative of owner" means an individual who is
related to an owner of a nursing facility by one of the following
relationships:

    (1) Spouse;

    (2) Natural parent, child, or sibling;

    (3) Adopted parent, child, or sibling;

    (4) Stepparent, stepchild, stepbrother, or stepsister;

    (5) Father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law,
daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law;

    (6) Grandparent or grandchild;

    (7) Foster caregiver, foster child, foster brother, or foster
sister.

   (QQ)  (SS) "Residents' rights advocate" has the same meaning as
in section 3721.10 of the Revised Code.

   (RR)  (TT) "Skilled nursing facility" has the same meaning as
in the "Social Security Act," section 1819(a), 42 U.S.C.
1395i-3(a).

   (SS)  (UU) "State fiscal year" means the fiscal year of this
state, as specified in section 9.34 of the Revised Code.

   (TT)  (VV) "Sponsor" has the same meaning as in section 3721.10
of the Revised Code.

   (UU)  (WW) "Tax costs" means the costs of taxes imposed under
Chapter 5751. of the Revised Code, real estate taxes, personal
property taxes, and corporate franchise taxes.
"Title XIX" means Title XIX of the "Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.

"Title XVIII" means Title XVIII of the "Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C. 1395 et seq.

"Voluntary withdrawal of participation" means an operator's voluntary election to terminate the participation of a nursing facility in the medicaid program but to continue to provide service of the type provided by a nursing facility.

Sec. 5165.15. Except as otherwise provided by sections 5165.151 to 5165.157 and 5165.34 of the Revised Code, the total per medicaid day payment rate that the department of medicaid shall pay a nursing facility provider for nursing facility services the provider's nursing facility provides during a state fiscal year shall be determined as follows:

(A) Determine the sum of all of the following:

(1) The per medicaid day payment rate for ancillary and support costs determined for the nursing facility under section 5165.16 of the Revised Code;

(2) The per medicaid day payment rate for capital costs determined for the nursing facility under section 5165.17 of the Revised Code;

(3) The per medicaid day payment rate for direct care costs determined for the nursing facility under section 5165.19 of the Revised Code;

(4) The per medicaid day payment rate for tax costs determined for the nursing facility under section 5165.21 of the Revised Code;

(5) If the nursing facility qualifies as a critical access nursing facility, the nursing facility's critical access incentive payment paid under section 5165.23 of the Revised Code.
(B) To the sum determined under division (A) of this section, add sixteen dollars and forty-four cents.

(C) From the sum determined under division (B) of this section, subtract one dollar and seventy-nine cents.

(D) To the difference determined under division (C) of this section, add the per medicaid day quality payment rate determined for the nursing facility under section 5165.25 of the Revised Code.

(E) To the sum determined under division (D) of this section, add, for state fiscal year 2021, the per medicaid day quality incentive payment rate determined for the nursing facility under section 5165.26 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5165.151. (A) The total per medicaid day payment rate determined under section 5165.15 of the Revised Code shall not be the initial rate for nursing facility services provided by a new nursing facility. Instead, the initial total per medicaid day payment rate for nursing facility services provided by a new nursing facility shall be determined in the following manner:

(1) The initial rate for ancillary and support costs shall be the rate for the new nursing facility's peer group determined under division (C) of section 5165.16 of the Revised Code.

(2) The initial rate for capital costs shall be the rate for the new nursing facility's peer group determined under division (C) of section 5165.17 of the Revised Code;

(3) The initial rate for direct care costs shall be the product of the cost per case-mix unit determined under division (C) of section 5165.19 of the Revised Code for the new nursing facility's peer group and the new nursing facility's case-mix score determined under division (B) of this section.

(4) The initial rate for tax costs shall be the following:
(a) If the provider of the new nursing facility submits to the department of medicaid the nursing facility's projected tax costs for the calendar year in which the provider obtains an initial provider agreement for the new nursing facility, an amount determined by dividing those projected tax costs by the number of inpatient days the nursing facility would have for that calendar year if its occupancy rate were one hundred per cent;

(b) If division (A)(4)(a) of this section does not apply, the median rate for tax costs for the new nursing facility's peer group in which the nursing facility is placed under division (B) of section 5165.16 of the Revised Code.

(5) The quality payment shall be the mean quality payment rate determined for nursing facilities under section 5165.25 of the Revised Code.

(6) Fourteen dollars and sixty-five cents shall be added to the sum of the rates and payment specified in divisions (A)(1) to (5)(4) of this section.

(B) For the purpose of division (A)(3) of this section, a new nursing facility's case-mix score shall be the following:

(1) Unless the new nursing facility replaces an existing nursing facility that participated in the medicaid program immediately before the new nursing facility begins participating in the medicaid program, the median annual average case-mix score for the new nursing facility's peer group;

(2) If the nursing facility replaces an existing nursing facility that participated in the medicaid program immediately before the new nursing facility begins participating in the medicaid program, the semiannual case-mix score most recently determined under section 5165.192 of the Revised Code for the replaced nursing facility as adjusted, if necessary, to reflect any difference in the number of beds in the replaced and new
nursing facilities.

(C) Subject to division (D) of this section, the department of medicaid shall adjust the rates established under division (A) of this section effective the first day of July, to reflect new rate calculations for all nursing facilities under this chapter.

(D) If a rate for direct care costs is determined under this section for a new nursing facility using the median annual average case-mix score for the new nursing facility's peer group, the rate shall be redetermined to reflect the new nursing facility's actual semiannual average case-mix score determined under section 5165.192 of the Revised Code after the new nursing facility submits its first two quarterly assessment data that qualify for use in calculating a case-mix score in accordance with rules authorized by section 5165.192 of the Revised Code. If the new nursing facility's quarterly submissions do not qualify for use in calculating a case-mix score, the department shall continue to use the median annual average case-mix score for the new nursing facility's peer group in lieu of the new nursing facility's semiannual case-mix score until the new nursing facility submits two consecutive quarterly assessment data that qualify for use in calculating a case-mix score.

Sec. 5165.16. (A) The department of medicaid shall determine each nursing facility's per medicaid day payment rate for ancillary and support costs. A nursing facility's rate shall be the rate determined under division (C) of this section for the nursing facility's peer group.

(B) For the purpose of determining nursing facilities' rates for ancillary and support costs, the department shall establish six peer groups composed as follows:

(1) Each nursing facility located in any of the following counties shall be placed in peer group one or two: Brown, Butler,
Clermont, Clinton, Hamilton, and Warren. Each nursing facility located in any of those counties that has fewer than one hundred beds shall be placed in peer group one. Each nursing facility located in any of those counties that has one hundred or more beds shall be placed in peer group two.

(2) Each nursing facility located in any of the following counties shall be placed in peer group three or four: Allen, Ashtabula, Champaign, Clark, Cuyahoga, Darke, Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Fulton, Geauga, Greene, Hancock, Knox, Lake, Licking, Lorain, Lucas, Madison, Mahoning, Marion, Medina, Miami, Montgomery, Morrow, Ottawa, Pickaway, Portage, Preble, Ross, Sandusky, Seneca, Stark, Summit, Trumbull, Union, and Wood. Each nursing facility located in any of those counties that has fewer than one hundred beds shall be placed in peer group three. Each nursing facility located in any of those counties that has one hundred or more beds shall be placed in peer group four.

(3) Each nursing facility located in any of the following counties shall be placed in peer group five or six: Adams, Ashland, Athens, Auglaize, Belmont, Carroll, Columbiana, Coshocton, Crawford, Defiance, Erie, Gallia, Guernsey, Hardin, Harrison, Henry, Highland, Hocking, Holmes, Huron, Jackson, Jefferson, Lawrence, Logan, Meigs, Mercer, Monroe, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, Paulding, Perry, Pike, Putnam, Richland, Scioto, Shelby, Tuscarawas, Van Wert, Vinton, Washington, Wayne, Williams, and Wyandot. Each nursing facility located in any of those counties that has fewer than one hundred beds shall be placed in peer group five. Each nursing facility located in any of those counties that has one hundred or more beds shall be placed in peer group six.

(C)(1) The department shall determine the rate for ancillary and support costs for each peer group established under division (B) of this section. The rate for ancillary and support costs
determined under this division for a peer group shall be used for subsequent years until the department conducts a rebasing. To determine a peer group's rate for ancillary and support costs, the department shall do all of the following:

(a) Subject to division (C)(2) of this section, determine the rate for ancillary and support costs for each nursing facility in the peer group for the applicable calendar year by using the greater of the nursing facility's actual inpatient days for the applicable calendar year or the inpatient days the nursing facility would have had for the applicable calendar year if its occupancy rate had been ninety per cent;

(b) Subject to division (C)(3) of this section, identify which nursing facility in the peer group is at the twenty-fifth percentile of the rate for ancillary and support costs for the applicable calendar year determined under division (C)(1)(a) of this section;

(c) Multiply the rate for ancillary and support costs determined under division (C)(1)(a) of this section for the nursing facility identified under division (C)(1)(b) of this section by the rate of inflation for the eighteen-month period beginning on the first day of July of the applicable calendar year and ending the last day of December of the calendar year immediately following the applicable calendar year using the following:

(i) Except as provided in division (C)(1)(c)(ii) of this section, the consumer price index for all items for all urban consumers for the midwest region, published by the United States bureau of labor statistics;

(ii) If the United States bureau of labor statistics ceases to publish the index specified in division (C)(1)(c)(i) of this section, the index the bureau subsequently publishes that covers
urban consumers' prices for items for the region that includes this state.

(2) For the purpose of determining a nursing facility's occupancy rate under division (C)(1)(a) of this section, the department shall include any beds that the nursing facility removes from its medicaid-certified capacity unless the nursing facility also removes the beds from its licensed bed capacity.

(3) In making the identification under division (C)(1)(b) of this section, the department shall exclude both of the following:

(a) Nursing facilities that participated in the medicaid program under the same provider for less than twelve months in the applicable calendar year;

(b) Nursing facilities whose ancillary and support costs are more than one standard deviation from the mean desk-reviewed, actual, allowable, per diem ancillary and support cost for all nursing facilities in the nursing facility's peer group for the applicable calendar year.

(4) The department shall not redetermine a peer group's rate for ancillary and support costs under this division based on additional information that it receives after the rate is determined. The department shall redetermine a peer group's rate for ancillary and support costs only if the department made an error in determining the rate based on information available to the department at the time of the original determination.

Sec. 5165.17. (A) The department of medicaid shall determine each nursing facility's per medicaid day payment rate for capital costs. A nursing facility's rate shall be the rate determined under division (C) of this section for the nursing facility's peer group.

(B) For the purpose of determining nursing facilities' rates
for capital costs, the department shall establish six peer groups.

(1) Each nursing facility located in any of the following counties shall be placed in peer group one or two: Brown, Butler, Clermont, Clinton, Hamilton, and Warren. Each nursing facility located in any of those counties that has fewer than one hundred beds shall be placed in peer group one. Each nursing facility located in any of those counties that has one hundred or more beds shall be placed in peer group two.

(2) Each nursing facility located in any of the following counties shall be placed in peer group three or four: Allen, Ashtabula, Champaign, Clark, Cuyahoga, Darke, Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Fulton, Geauga, Greene, Hancock, Knox, Lake, Licking, Lorain, Lucas, Madison, Mahoning, Marion, Medina, Miami, Montgomery, Morrow, Ottawa, Pickaway, Portage, Preble, Ross, Sandusky, Seneca, Stark, Summit, Trumbull, Union, and Wood. Each nursing facility located in any of those counties that has fewer than one hundred beds shall be placed in peer group three. Each nursing facility located in any of those counties that has one hundred or more beds shall be placed in peer group four.

(3) Each nursing facility located in any of the following counties shall be placed in peer group five or six: Adams, Ashland, Athens, Auglaize, Belmont, Carroll, Columbiana, Coshocton, Crawford, Defiance, Erie, Gallia, Guernsey, Hardin, Harrison, Henry, Highland, Hocking, Holmes, Huron, Jackson, Jefferson, Lawrence, Logan, Meigs, Mercer, Monroe, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, Paulding, Perry, Pike, Putnam, Richland, Scioto, Shelby, Tuscarawas, Van Wert, Vinton, Washington, Wayne, Williams, and Wyandot. Each nursing facility located in any of those counties that has fewer than one hundred beds shall be placed in peer group five. Each nursing facility located in any of those counties that has one hundred or more beds shall be placed in peer group six.
(C)(1) The department shall determine the rate for capital costs for each peer group established under division (B) of this section. The rate for capital costs determined under this division for a peer group shall be used for subsequent years until the department conducts a rebasing. A peer group's rate for capital costs shall be the rate for capital costs for the nursing facility in the peer group that is at the twenty-fifth percentile of the rate for capital costs for the applicable calendar year.

(2) To identify the nursing facility in a peer group that is at the twenty-fifth percentile of the rate for capital costs for the applicable calendar year, the department shall do both of the following:

   (a) Subject to division (C)(3) of this section, use the greater of each nursing facility's actual inpatient days for the applicable calendar year or the inpatient days the nursing facility would have had for the applicable calendar year if its occupancy rate had been one hundred per cent;

   (b) Exclude both of the following:

      (i) Nursing facilities that participated in the medicaid program under the same provider for less than twelve months in the applicable calendar year;

      (ii) Nursing facilities whose capital costs are more than one standard deviation from the mean desk-reviewed, actual, allowable, per diem capital cost for all nursing facilities in the nursing facility's peer group for the applicable calendar year.

(3) For the purpose of determining a nursing facility's occupancy rate under division (C)(2)(a) of this section, the department shall include any beds that the nursing facility removes from its medicaid-certified capacity after June 30, 2005, unless the nursing facility also removes the beds from its licensed bed capacity.
The department shall not redetermine a peer group's rate for capital costs under this division based on additional information that it receives after the rate is determined. The department shall redetermine a peer group's rate for capital costs only if the department made an error in determining the rate based on information available to the department at the time of the original determination.

Buildings shall be depreciated using the straight line method over forty years or over a different period approved by the department. Components and equipment shall be depreciated using the straight-line method over a period designated in rules adopted under section 5165.02 of the Revised Code, consistent with the guidelines of the American hospital association, or over a different period approved by the department. Any rules authorized by this division that specify useful lives of buildings, components, or equipment apply only to assets acquired on or after July 1, 1993. Depreciation for costs paid or reimbursed by any government agency shall not be included in capital costs unless that part of the payment under this chapter is used to reimburse the government agency.

The capital cost basis of nursing facility assets shall be determined in the following manner:

1. Except as provided in division (E)(3) of this section, for purposes of calculating the rates to be paid for facilities with dates of licensure on or before June 30, 1993, the capital cost basis of each asset shall be equal to the desk-reviewed, actual, allowable, capital cost basis that is listed on the facility's cost report for the calendar year preceding the state fiscal year during which the rate will be paid.

2. For facilities with dates of licensure after June 30, 1993, the capital cost basis shall be determined in accordance with the principles of the medicare program, except as otherwise
provided in this chapter.

(3) Except as provided in division (E)(4) of this section, if a provider transfers an interest in a facility to another provider after June 30, 1993, there shall be no increase in the capital cost basis of the asset if the providers are related parties or the provider to which the interest is transferred authorizes the provider that transferred the interest to continue to operate the facility under a lease, management agreement, or other arrangement. If the previous sentence does not prohibit the adjustment of the capital cost basis under this division, the basis of the asset shall be adjusted by one-half of the change in the consumer price index for all items for all urban consumers, as published by the United States bureau of labor statistics, during the time that the transferor held the asset.

(4) If a provider transfers an interest in a facility to another provider who is a related party, the capital cost basis of the asset shall be adjusted as specified in division (E)(3) of this section if all of the following conditions are met:

(a) The related party is a relative of owner;

(b) Except as provided in division (E)(4)(c)(ii) of this section, the provider making the transfer retains no ownership interest in the facility;

(c) The department determines that the transfer is an arm's length transaction pursuant to rules adopted under section 5165.02 of the Revised Code. The rules shall provide that a transfer is an arm's length transaction if all of the following apply:

(i) Once the transfer goes into effect, the provider that made the transfer has no direct or indirect interest in the provider that acquires the facility or the facility itself, including interest as an owner, officer, director, employee, independent contractor, or consultant, but excluding interest as a
creditor.

(ii) The provider that made the transfer does not reacquire an interest in the facility except through the exercise of a creditor's rights in the event of a default. If the provider reacquires an interest in the facility in this manner, the department shall treat the facility as if the transfer never occurred when the department calculates its reimbursement rates for capital costs.

(iii) The transfer satisfies any other criteria specified in the rules.

(d) Except in the case of hardship caused by a catastrophic event, as determined by the department, or in the case of a provider making the transfer who is at least sixty-five years of age, not less than twenty years have elapsed since, for the same facility, the capital cost basis was adjusted most recently under division (E)(4) of this section or actual, allowable capital costs was determined most recently under division (F)(9) of this section.

(F) As used in this division:

"Imputed interest" means the lesser of the prime rate plus two per cent or ten per cent.

"Lease expense" means lease payments in the case of an operating lease and depreciation expense and interest expense in the case of a capital lease.

"New lease" means a lease, to a different lessee, of a nursing facility that previously was operated under a lease.

(1) Subject to division (A) of this section, for a lease of a facility that was effective on May 27, 1992, the entire lease expense is an actual, allowable capital cost during the term of the existing lease. The entire lease expense also is an actual,
allowable capital cost if a lease in existence on May 27, 1992, is renewed under either of the following circumstances:

(a) The renewal is pursuant to a renewal option that was in existence on May 27, 1992;

(b) The renewal is for the same lease payment amount and between the same parties as the lease in existence on May 27, 1992.

(2) Subject to division (A) of this section, for a lease of a facility that was in existence but not operated under a lease on May 27, 1992, actual, allowable capital costs shall include the lesser of the annual lease expense or the annual depreciation expense and imputed interest expense that would be calculated at the inception of the lease using the lessor's entire historical capital asset cost basis, adjusted by one-half of the change in the consumer price index for all items for all urban consumers, as published by the United States bureau of labor statistics, during the time the lessor held each asset until the beginning of the lease.

(3) Subject to division (A) of this section, for a lease of a facility with a date of licensure on or after May 27, 1992, that is initially operated under a lease, actual, allowable capital costs shall include the annual lease expense if there was a substantial commitment of money for construction of the facility after December 22, 1992, and before July 1, 1993. If there was not a substantial commitment of money after December 22, 1992, and before July 1, 1993, actual, allowable capital costs shall include the lesser of the annual lease expense or the sum of the following:

(a) The annual depreciation expense that would be calculated at the inception of the lease using the lessor's entire historical capital asset cost basis;
(b) The greater of the lessor's actual annual amortization of financing costs and interest expense at the inception of the lease or the imputed interest expense calculated at the inception of the lease using seventy per cent of the lessor's historical capital asset cost basis.

(4) Subject to division (A) of this section, for a lease of a facility with a date of licensure on or after May 27, 1992, that was not initially operated under a lease and has been in existence for ten years, actual, allowable capital costs shall include the lesser of the annual lease expense or the annual depreciation expense and imputed interest expense that would be calculated at the inception of the lease using the entire historical capital asset cost basis of one-half of the change in the consumer price index for all items for all urban consumers, as published by the United States bureau of labor statistics, during the time the lessor held each asset until the beginning of the lease.

(5) Subject to division (A) of this section, for a new lease of a facility that was operated under a lease on May 27, 1992, actual, allowable capital costs shall include the lesser of the annual new lease expense or the annual old lease payment. If the old lease was in effect for ten years or longer, the old lease payment from the beginning of the old lease shall be adjusted by one-half of the change in the consumer price index for all items for all urban consumers, as published by the United States bureau of labor statistics, from the beginning of the old lease to the beginning of the new lease.

(6) Subject to division (A) of this section, for a new lease of a facility that was not in existence or that was in existence but not operated under a lease on May 27, 1992, actual, allowable capital costs shall include the lesser of annual new lease expense or the annual amount calculated for the old lease under division (F)(2), (3), (4), or (6) of this section, as applicable. If the
old lease was in effect for ten years or longer, the lessor's 43910
historical capital asset cost basis shall be, for purposes of 43911
calculating the annual amount under division (F)(2), (3), (4), or 43912
(6) of this section, adjusted by one-half of the change in the 43913
consumer price index for all items for all urban consumers, as 43914
published by the United States bureau of labor statistics, from 43915
the beginning of the old lease to the beginning of the new lease. 43916

In the case of a lease under division (F)(3) of this section 43917
of a facility for which a substantial commitment of money was made 43918
after December 22, 1992, and before July 1, 1993, the old lease 43919
payment shall be adjusted for the purpose of determining the 43920
annual amount.

(7) For any revision of a lease described in division (F)(1), 43922
(2), (3), (4), (5), or (6) of this section, or for any subsequent 43923
lease of a facility operated under such a lease, other than 43924
execution of a new lease, the portion of actual, allowable capital 43925
costs attributable to the lease shall be the same as before the 43926
revision or subsequent lease.

(8) Except as provided in division (F)(9) of this section, if 43928
a provider leases an interest in a facility to another provider 43929
who is a related party or previously operated the facility, the 43930
related party's or previous operator's actual, allowable capital 43931
costs shall include the lesser of the annual lease expense or the 43932
reasonable cost to the lessor.

(9) If a provider leases an interest in a facility to another 43934
provider who is a related party, regardless of the date of the 43935
lease, the related party's actual, allowable capital costs shall 43936
include the annual lease expense, subject to the limitations 43937
specified in divisions (F)(1) to (7) of this section, if all of 43938
the following conditions are met:

(a) The related party is a relative of owner; 43940
(b) If the lessor retains an ownership interest, it is, except as provided in division (F)(9)(c)(ii) of this section, in only the real property and any improvements on the real property;

(c) The department determines that the lease is an arm's length transaction pursuant to rules adopted under section 5165.02 of the Revised Code. The rules shall provide that a lease is an arm's length transaction if all of the following apply:

(i) Once the lease goes into effect, the lessor has no direct or indirect interest in the lessee or, except as provided in division (F)(9)(b) of this section, the facility itself, including interest as an owner, officer, director, employee, independent contractor, or consultant, but excluding interest as a lessor.

(ii) The lessor does not reacquire an interest in the facility except through the exercise of a lessor's rights in the event of a default. If the lessor reacquires an interest in the facility in this manner, the department shall treat the facility as if the lease never occurred when the department calculates its reimbursement rates for capital costs.

(iii) The lease satisfies any other criteria specified in the rules.

(d) Except in the case of hardship caused by a catastrophic event, as determined by the department, or in the case of a lessor who is at least sixty-five years of age, not less than twenty years have elapsed since, for the same facility, the capital cost basis was adjusted most recently under division (E)(4) of this section or actual, allowable capital costs were determined most recently under division (F)(9) of this section.

(10) This division does not apply to leases of specific items of equipment.

Sec. 5165.191. Each calendar quarter, each nursing facility
provider shall compile complete assessment data for each resident of each of the provider's nursing facilities, regardless of payment source, who is in the nursing facility, or on hospital or therapeutic leave from the nursing facility, on the last day of the quarter. A resident assessment instrument specified in rules authorized by this section shall be used to compile the resident assessment data. Each provider shall submit the resident assessment data to the department of health and, if required by the rules, the department of medicaid. The resident assessment data shall be submitted not later than fifteen days after the end of the calendar quarter for which the data is compiled. If the resident assessment data is to be submitted to the department of medicaid, it shall be submitted to the department through the medium or media specified in the rules.

Rules adopted under section 5165.02 of the Revised Code shall do all of the following:

(A) In a manner consistent with the "Social Security Act," section 1919(e)(5), 42 U.S.C. 1396r(e)(5), specify a resident assessment instrument to be used by nursing facility providers under this section;

(B) Specify whether nursing facility providers must submit the resident assessment data to the department of medicaid;

(C) Specify any resident assessment data that is excluded from the case mix calculation made under section 5165.192 of the Revised Code;

(D) If the rules specify that nursing facility providers must submit the resident assessment data to the department, specify the medium or media through which the data is to be submitted.

Sec. 5165.771. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "SFF list" means the list of nursing facilities that the
United States department of health and human services creates under the special focus facility program.

(2) "Special focus facility program" means the program conducted by the United States secretary of health and human services pursuant to the "Social Security Act," section 1919(f)(10), 42 U.S.C. 1396r(f)(10).

(3) "Table A" means the table included in the SFF list that identifies nursing facilities that are newly added to the SFF list.

(4) "Table B" means the table included in the SFF list that identifies nursing facilities that have not improved.

(5) "Table C" means the table included in the SFF list that identifies nursing facilities that have shown improvement.

(6) "Table D" means the table included in the SFF list that identifies nursing facilities that have recently graduated from the special focus facility program.

(B) The department of medicaid shall issue an order terminating a nursing facility's participation in the medicaid program if any of the following apply:

(1) The nursing facility is placed in table A or table B on the effective date of this section and fails to be placed in table C not later than twelve months after the effective date of this section the facility is placed in table A or table B.

(2) The nursing facility is placed in table A, table B, or table C on the effective date of this section and fails to be placed in table D not later than twenty-four months after the effective date of this section the facility is placed in table A, table B, or table C.

(3) The nursing facility is placed in table A after the effective date of this section and fails to be placed in table C
not later than twelve months after the nursing facility is placed in table A.

(4) The nursing facility is placed in table A after the effective date of this section and fails to be placed in table D not later than twenty-four months after the nursing facility is placed in table A.

(C) An order issued under this section is not subject to appeal. A nursing facility may appeal, under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the length of time the facility is listed in a table as described under division (B) of this section. The medicaid director shall adopt rules under section 5165.02 of the Revised Code as necessary to provide for an appeal under this division. Notwithstanding the timeframes listed in section 119.07 of the Revised Code, the rules may provide for an expedited appeal under this division.

(D) A nursing facility shall take all steps necessary to improve its quality of care to avoid having its participation in the medicaid program terminated pursuant to division (B) of this section. Technical assistance and quality improvement initiatives to help a nursing facility avoid having its participation in the medicaid program terminated pursuant to division (B) of this section, the department of aging shall provide the nursing facility technical assistance are available through the nursing home quality initiative established under section 173.60 of the Revised Code at least four months before the department of medicaid would be required to terminate the nursing facility's participation or initiatives offered through a quality improvement organization under contract with the United States secretary of health and human services to carry out in this state the functions described in section 1154 of the "Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C. 1320c-3.
Sec. 5166.01. As used in this chapter:

"209(b) option" means the option described in section 1902(f) of the "Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C. 1396a(f), under which the medicaid program's eligibility requirements for aged, blind, and disabled individuals are more restrictive than the eligibility requirements for the supplemental security income program.

"Administrative agency" means, with respect to a home and community-based services medicaid waiver component, the department of medicaid or, if a state agency or political subdivision contracts with the department under section 5162.35 of the Revised Code to administer the component, that state agency or political subdivision.

"Care management system" has the same meaning as in section 5167.01 of the Revised Code.

"Dual eligible individual" has the same meaning as in section 5160.01 of the Revised Code.

"Enrollee" has the same meaning as in section 5167.01 of the Revised Code.

"Expansion eligibility group" has the same meaning as in section 5163.01 of the Revised Code.

"Federal poverty line" has the same meaning as in section 5162.01 of the Revised Code.

"Home and community-based services medicaid waiver component" means a medicaid waiver component under which home and community-based services are provided as an alternative to hospital services, nursing facility services, or ICF/IID services.

"Hospital" has the same meaning as in section 3727.01 of the Revised Code.

"Hospital long-term care unit" has the same meaning as in
section 5168.40 of the Revised Code.

"ICDS participant" has the same meaning as in section 5164.01
of the Revised Code.

"ICF/IID" and "ICF/IID services" have the same meanings as in
section 5124.01 of the Revised Code.

"Integrated care delivery system" and "ICDS" have the same
meanings as in section 5164.01 of the Revised Code.

"Level of care determination" means a determination of
whether an individual needs the level of care provided by a
hospital, nursing facility, or ICF/IID and whether the individual,
if determined to need that level of care, would receive hospital
services, nursing facility services, or ICF/IID services if not
for a home and community-based services medicaid waiver component.

"Medicaid buy-in for workers with disabilities program" has
the same meaning as in section 5163.01 of the Revised Code.

"Medicaid MCO plan" has the same meaning as in section
5167.01 of the Revised Code.

"Medicaid provider" has the same meaning as in section
5164.01 of the Revised Code.

"Medicaid services" has the same meaning as in section
5164.01 of the Revised Code.

"Medicaid waiver component" means a component of the medicaid
program authorized by a waiver granted by the United States
department of health and human services under section 1115 or 1915
of the "Social Security Act," section 1115 or 1915, 42 U.S.C. 1315
or 1396n. "Medicaid waiver component" does not include the care
management system or services delivered under a prepaid inpatient
health plan, as defined in 42 C.F.R. 438.2.

"Medically fragile child" means an individual who is under
eighteen years of age, has intensive health care needs, and is
considered blind or disabled under section 1614(a)(2) or (3) of the "Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C. 1382c(a)(2) or (3).

"Nursing facility" and "nursing facility services" have the same meanings as in section 5165.01 of the Revised Code.

"Ohio home care waiver program" means the home and community-based services medicaid waiver component that is known as Ohio home care and was created pursuant to section 5166.11 of the Revised Code.

"Provider agreement" has the same meaning as in section 5164.01 of the Revised Code.

"Residential treatment facility" means a residential facility licensed by the department of mental health and addiction services under section 5119.34 of the Revised Code, or an institution certified by the department of job and family services under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code, that serves children and either has more than sixteen beds or is part of a campus of multiple facilities or institutions that, combined, have a total of more than sixteen beds.

"Skilled nursing facility" has the same meaning as in section 5165.01 of the Revised Code.

"Unified long-term services and support medicaid waiver component" means the medicaid waiver component authorized by section 5166.14 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5167.16. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Help me grow program" means the program established by the department of health pursuant to section 3701.61 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Targeted case management" has the same meaning as in 42 C.F.R. 440.169(b).
(B) A medicaid managed care organization shall provide to a medicaid recipient who meets the criteria in division (C) of this section, or arrange for such recipient to receive, both of the following types of services:

1. Home visits, which shall include depression screenings, for which federal financial participation is available under the targeted case management benefit;

2. Cognitive behavioral therapy, provided by a community mental health services provider, that is determined to be medically necessary through a depression screening conducted as part of a home visit.

(C) A medicaid recipient qualifies to receive the services specified in division (B) of this section if the medicaid recipient is enrolled in the help me grow program, enrolled in the medicaid managed care organization providing or arranging for the services, and is either pregnant or the birth mother of an infant or toddler, an child under three five years of age.

(D) If requested by a medicaid recipient eligible for the cognitive behavioral therapy covered under division (B)(2) of this section, the therapy shall be provided in the recipient's home. The medicaid managed care organization shall inform the medicaid recipient of the right to make the request and how to make it.

Sec. 5168.60. As used in sections 5168.60 to 5168.71 of the Revised Code:

(A) "Franchise permit fee rate" means the following:

1. For fiscal year 2020, twenty-three dollars and ninety-five cents;

2. For fiscal year 2021 and each fiscal year thereafter,
twenty-four dollars and eighty-nine cents.

(B) "Indirect guarantee percentage" means the percentage specified in the "Social Security Act," section 1903(w)(4)(C)(ii), 42 U.S.C. 1396b(w)(4)(C)(ii), that is to be used in determining whether a class of providers is indirectly held harmless for any portion of the costs of a broad-based health-care-related tax. If the indirect guarantee percentage changes during a fiscal year, the indirect guarantee percentage is the following:

(1) For the part of the fiscal year before the change takes effect, the percentage in effect before the change;

(2) For the part of the fiscal year beginning with the date the indirect guarantee percentage changes, the new percentage.

(C) "ICF/IID" has the same meaning as in section 5124.01 of the Revised Code.

(D) Except as provided in division (B) of section 5168.62 of the Revised Code, "inpatient days" has the same meaning as in section 5124.01 of the Revised Code.

(E) "Medicaid-certified capacity" has the same meaning as in section 5124.01 of the Revised Code.

(F) "Provider agreement" has the same meaning as in section 5124.01 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5168.61. The department of developmental disabilities shall do all of the following:

(A) Subject to section 5168.64 of the Revised Code and divisions (B) and (C) of this section and for the purposes specified in section 5168.69 of the Revised Code, quarterly assess each ICF/IID a franchise permit fee equal to the product of the following:

(1) The franchise permit fee rate;
(2) The number of the ICF/IID's inpatient days for the quarter as determined using the monthly reports submitted to the department under section 5168.62 of the Revised Code.

(B) If the total amount of the franchise permit fee assessed under division (A) of this section for a fiscal year exceeds the indirect guarantee percentage of the actual net patient revenue for all ICFs/IID for that fiscal year and seventy-five per cent or more of the total number of ICFs/IID receive enhanced medicaid payments or other state payments equal to seventy-five per cent or more of their total franchise permit fee assessments, do both of the following:

(1) Recalculate the assessments under division (A) of this section using a per inpatient day rate equal to the indirect guarantee percentage of actual net patient revenue for all ICFs/IID for that fiscal year;

(2) Refund the difference between the total amount of the franchise permit fee assessed for that fiscal year under division (A) of this section and the amount recalculated under division (B)(1) of this section as a credit against the assessments imposed under division (A) of this section for the quarters of the subsequent fiscal year.

(C)(1) If the United States secretary of health and human services determines that the franchise permit fee established by sections 5168.60 to 5168.71 of the Revised Code would be an impermissible health care-related tax under section 1903(w) of the "Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C. 1396b(w), take all necessary actions to cease implementation of those sections in accordance with rules adopted under section 5168.71 of the Revised Code.

(2) If the United States secretary of health and human services adjusts the indirect guarantee percentage at any time during the fiscal year, adjust the franchise permit fee rate and
associated ICF/IID invoices so as not to exceed the indirect guarantee percentage.

Sec. 5301.13. All conveyances of real estate, or any interest therein, sold on behalf of the state, with the exception of those agreements made pursuant to divisions (A), (B), (C), (D), and (E) of section 123.53 of the Revised Code, shall be drafted by the auditor of state director of administrative services, executed in the name of the state, signed by the governor, countersigned by the secretary of state, and sealed with the great seal of the state. The auditor of state director of administrative services thereupon must record such conveyance in books to be kept by him the director of administrative services for that purpose, deliver them to the persons entitled thereto, and keep a record of such delivery, showing to whom delivered and the date thereof.

Sec. 5301.14. When a title deed, recorded by the auditor of state director of administrative services as required by section 5301.13 of the Revised Code, or recorded in the office of the secretary of state, the record of which is required to be kept in the office of the auditor of state director of administrative services, has been lost or destroyed by accident, without having been recorded in the county recorder's office, on demand and tender of the fees therefor, the auditor of state director of administrative services shall furnish to any person a copy of such deed certified under the auditor of state's director of administrative services' official seal, which copy shall be received everywhere in this state as prima-facie evidence of the existence of the deed, and in all respects shall have the effect of certified copies from the official records of the county where such lands are situated.

Sec. 5301.15. When a deed executed for land purchase from the
state is lost or destroyed, or when a person who has an interest in such land, by the use of diligence cannot find it, and no record exists from which a certified copy can be made to supply the evidence of such deed, or when a certificate of the purchase of land sold at a land office of this state, or any other contract, bond, or memorandum evidencing a purchase of land has been lost or destroyed, or when from any cause the owner of such land, by the use of diligence, cannot find such certificate, contract, bond, or memorandum, the governor, when satisfied that the original purchase money for such land has been fully paid, shall execute a deed therefor in the name of the original purchaser which must recite the facts authorizing its making. Such deed shall be recorded in the office of the auditor of state director of administrative services who shall transmit it to the present claimant.

Such deed has the same effect as the original deed, had it been preserved and recorded, or as a deed would have had, made to the original purchaser upon the date of the full payment of the purchase money.

Sec. 5301.18. All deeds executed under sections 5301.15, 5301.16, and 5301.17 of the Revised Code must recite the facts, as ascertained by the governor and attorney general, upon the proof of which they are executed, and shall be recorded in the office of the auditor of state director of administrative services.

Sec. 5301.21. When the owners of adjoining tracts of land, or of lots in a municipal corporation, agree upon the site of a corner or line common to such tracts or lots, in a written instrument containing a pertinent description thereof, either with or without a plat, executed, acknowledged, and recorded as are deeds, such corner or line thenceforth shall be established as between the parties to such agreement, and all persons
subsequently deriving title from them.

        Such agreement shall be recorded by the county recorder in
        the official records. The original agreement, after being so
        recorded, or a certified copy thereof from the record, is
        competent evidence in any court in this state against a party
        thereto, or person in privity with a party.

        When a tract of land is owned by the state, the officer or
        board having administrative control thereof, with the approval of
        the attorney general, may execute said written instrument and
        following recording in the county where the land is situated, said
        instrument shall be filed with the auditor of state director of
        administrative services with the evidence of title to the land
        affected.

    Sec. 5501.332. Upon the occurrence of the condition stated in
    a deed pursuant to division (C) of section 5501.331 of the Revised
    Code, the director of transportation shall prepare and issue a
    certification of the occurrence to the grantor or his the
    grantor's successors or assigns, the governor, and the auditor of
    state director of administrative services.

    Upon receipt of the certification, the auditor of state
    director of administrative services, with the assistance of the
    attorney general, shall prepare a deed releasing the property
    donated under section 5501.33 of the Revised Code to the grantor
    or his the grantor's successors or assigns. The deed shall declare
    the occurrence of the condition and the consequent reversion. The
    deed shall be executed by the governor, countersigned by the
    secretary of state, recorded in the office of the auditor of state
    director of administrative services, and delivered to the grantor
    or his the grantor's successors or assigns.

    Sec. 5502.14. (A) As used in this section, "felony" has the
same meaning as in section 109.511 of the Revised Code.

(B)(1) Any person who is employed by the department of public safety and designated by the director of public safety to enforce Title XLIII of the Revised Code, the rules adopted under it, section 2927.02 of the Revised Code, and the laws and rules regulating the use of supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits shall be known as an enforcement agent. The employment by the department of public safety and the designation by the director of public safety of a person as an enforcement agent shall be subject to division (D) of this section. An enforcement agent has the authority vested in peace officers pursuant to section 2935.03 of the Revised Code to keep the peace, to enforce all applicable laws and rules on any retail liquor permit premises, or on any other premises of public or private property, where a violation of Title XLIII of the Revised Code or any rule adopted under it is occurring, to enforce section 2927.02 of the Revised Code wherever the violation occurs, and to enforce all laws and rules governing the use of supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits, women, infants, and children's coupons, electronically transferred benefits, or any other access device that is used alone or in conjunction with another access device to obtain payments, allotments, benefits, money, goods, or other things of value, or that can be used to initiate a transfer of funds, pursuant to the supplemental nutrition assistance program established under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.) or any supplemental food program administered by any department of this state pursuant to the "Child Nutrition Act of 1966," 80 Stat. 885, 42 U.S.C.A. 1786. Enforcement agents, in enforcing compliance with the laws and rules described in this division, may keep the peace and make arrests for violations of those laws and rules.

(2) In addition to the authority conferred by division (B)(1)
of this section, an enforcement agent also may execute search
warrants and seize and take into custody any contraband, as
defined in section 2901.01 of the Revised Code, or any property
that is otherwise necessary for evidentiary purposes related to
any violations of the laws or rules described in division (B)(1)
of this section. An enforcement agent may enter public or private
premises where activity alleged to violate the laws or rules
described in division (B)(1) of this section is occurring.

(3) Enforcement agents who are on, immediately adjacent to,
or across from retail liquor permit premises and who are
performing investigative duties relating to that premises,
enforcement agents who are on premises that are not liquor permit
premises but on which a violation of Title XLIII of the Revised
Code or any rule adopted under it allegedly is occurring, and
enforcement agents who view a suspected violation of Title XLIII
of the Revised Code, of a rule adopted under it, and enforcement
agents investigating a violation of section 2927.02 of the Revised
Code or of another law or rule described in division (B)(1) of
this section have the authority to enforce the laws and rules
described in division (B)(1) of this section, authority to enforce
any section in Title XXIX of the Revised Code or any other section
of the Revised Code listed in section 5502.13 of the Revised Code
if they witness a violation of the section under any of the
circumstances described in this division, and authority to make
arrests for violations of the laws and rules described in division
(B)(1) of this section and violations of any of those sections.

(4) The jurisdiction of an enforcement agent under division
(B) of this section shall be concurrent with that of the peace
officers of the county, township, or municipal corporation in
which the violation occurs.

(C) Enforcement agents of the department of public safety who
are engaged in the enforcement of the laws and rules described in
division (B)(1) of this section may carry concealed weapons when conducting undercover investigations pursuant to their authority as law enforcement officers and while acting within the scope of their authority pursuant to this chapter.

(D)(1) The department of public safety shall not employ, and the director of public safety shall not designate, a person as an enforcement agent on a permanent basis, on a temporary basis, for a probationary term, or on other than a permanent basis if the person previously has been convicted of or has pleaded guilty to a felony.

(2)(a) The department of public safety shall terminate the employment of a person who is designated as an enforcement agent and who does either of the following:

(i) Pleads guilty to a felony;

(ii) Pleads guilty to a misdemeanor pursuant to a negotiated plea agreement as provided in division (D) of section 2929.43 of the Revised Code in which the enforcement agent agrees to surrender the certificate awarded to that agent under section 109.77 of the Revised Code.

(b) The department shall suspend the employment of a person who is designated as an enforcement agent if the person is convicted, after trial, of a felony. If the enforcement agent files an appeal from that conviction and the conviction is upheld by the highest court to which the appeal is taken or if no timely appeal is filed, the department shall terminate the employment of that agent. If the enforcement agent files an appeal that results in that agent's acquittal of the felony or conviction of a misdemeanor, or in the dismissal of the felony charge against the agent, the department shall reinstate the agent. An enforcement agent who is reinstated under division (D)(2)(b) of this section shall not receive any back pay unless the conviction of that agent
of the felony was reversed on appeal, or the felony charge was dismissed, because the court found insufficient evidence to
convict the agent of the felony.

(3) Division (D) of this section does not apply regarding an offense that was committed prior to January 1, 1997.

(4) The suspension or termination of the employment of a person designated as an enforcement agent under division (D)(2) of this section shall be in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5502.30. (A) The state, any political subdivision, any municipal agency, any emergency management volunteer, another state, or an emergency management agency thereof or of the federal government or of another country or province or subdivision thereof performing emergency management services in this state pursuant to an arrangement, agreement, or compact for mutual aid and assistance, or any agency, member, agent, or representative of any of them, or any individual, partnership, corporation, association, trustee, or receiver, or any of the agents thereof, in good faith carrying out, complying with, or attempting to comply with any state or federal law or any arrangement, agreement, or compact for mutual aid and assistance, or any order issued by federal or state military authorities relating to emergency management, is not liable for any injury to or death of persons or damage to property as the result thereof during training periods, test periods, practice periods, or other emergency management operations, or false alerts, as well as during any hazard, actual or imminent, and subsequent to the same except in cases of willful misconduct. As used in this division, "emergency management volunteer" means only an individual who is authorized to assist any agency performing emergency management during a hazard.

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(B) The state, any political subdivision, any individual, partnership, corporation, association, trustee, or receiver, or any agent, agency, representative, officer, or employee of any of them that owns, maintains, occupies, operates, or controls all or part of any building, structure, or premises shall not be liable for any injury or death sustained by any person or damage caused to any property while that person or property is in the building, structure, or premises for duty, training, or shelter purposes during a hazard, drill, test, or false warning, or is entering therein for such purposes or departing therefrom, or for any injury, death, or property damage as the result of any condition in or on the building, structure, or premises or of any act or omission with respect thereto, except a willful act intended to cause injury or damage.

(C) Any employee of a political subdivision of this state that is rendering aid in another state is considered an officer or employee of the state for purposes of the immunity established under Article VI of the emergency management assistance compact enacted under section 5502.40 of the Revised Code. Nothing in this division entitles an employee of a political subdivision to any other right or benefit of a state employee.

(D) This section does not affect the right of any person to receive benefits to which he the person may be entitled under Chapter 4123. of the Revised Code or any pension law, nor the rights of any person to receive any benefits or compensation under any act of congress or under any law of this state.

Sec. 5701.11. The effective date to which this section refers is the effective date of this section as amended by H.B. 197 of the 133rd general assembly.

(A)(1) Except as provided under division (A)(2) or (B) of this section, any reference in Title LVII or sections 3123.90,
3770.073, or 3772.37 of the Revised Code to the Internal Revenue Code, to the Internal Revenue Code "as amended," to other laws of the United States, or to other laws of the United States, "as amended," means the Internal Revenue Code or other laws of the United States as they exist on the effective date.

(2) This section does not apply to any reference in Title LVII of the Revised Code to the Internal Revenue Code as of a date certain specifying the day, month, and year, or to other laws of the United States as of a date certain specifying the day, month, and year.

(B)(1) For purposes of applying section 5733.04, 5745.01, or 5747.01 of the Revised Code to a taxpayer's taxable year ending after March 30, 2018, and before the effective date, a taxpayer may irrevocably elect to incorporate the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code or other laws of the United States that are in effect for federal income tax purposes for that taxable year if those provisions differ from the provisions that, under division (A) of this section, would otherwise apply. The filing by the taxpayer for that taxable year of a report or return that incorporates the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code or other laws of the United States applicable for federal income tax purposes for that taxable year, and that does not include any adjustments to reverse the effects of any differences between those provisions and the provisions that would otherwise apply, constitutes the making of an irrevocable election under this division for that taxable year.

(2) Elections under prior versions of division (B)(1) of this section remain in effect for the taxable years to which they apply.

Sec. 5703.21. (A) Except as provided in divisions (B) and (C) of this section, no agent of the department of taxation, except in
the agent's report to the department or when called on to testify in any court or proceeding, shall divulge any information acquired by the agent as to the transactions, property, or business of any person while acting or claiming to act under orders of the department. Whoever violates this provision shall thereafter be disqualified from acting as an officer or employee or in any other capacity under appointment or employment of the department.

(B)(1) For purposes of an audit pursuant to section 117.15 of the Revised Code, or an audit of the department pursuant to Chapter 117. of the Revised Code, or an audit, pursuant to that chapter, the objective of which is to express an opinion on a financial report or statement prepared or issued pursuant to division (A)(7) or (9) of section 126.21 of the Revised Code, the officers and employees of the auditor of state charged with conducting the audit shall have access to and the right to examine any state tax returns and state tax return information in the possession of the department to the extent that the access and examination are necessary for purposes of the audit. Any information acquired as the result of that access and examination shall not be divulged for any purpose other than as required for the audit or unless the officers and employees are required to testify in a court or proceeding under compulsion of legal process. Whoever violates this provision shall thereafter be disqualified from acting as an officer or employee or in any other capacity under appointment or employment of the auditor of state.

(2) For purposes of an internal audit pursuant to section 126.45 of the Revised Code, the officers and employees of the office of internal audit in the office of budget and management charged with directing the internal audit shall have access to and the right to examine any state tax returns and state tax return information in the possession of the department to the extent that
the access and examination are necessary for purposes of the internal audit. Any information acquired as the result of that access and examination shall not be divulged for any purpose other than as required for the internal audit or unless the officers and employees are required to testify in a court or proceeding under compulsion of legal process. Whoever violates this provision shall thereafter be disqualified from acting as an officer or employee or in any other capacity under appointment or employment of the office of internal audit.

(3) As provided by section 6103(d)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, any federal tax returns or federal tax information that the department has acquired from the internal revenue service, through federal and state statutory authority, may be disclosed to the auditor of state or the office of internal audit solely for purposes of an audit of the department.

(4) For purposes of Chapter 3739. of the Revised Code, an agent of the department of taxation may share information with the division of state fire marshal that the agent finds during the course of an investigation.

(C) Division (A) of this section does not prohibit any of the following:

(1) Divulging information contained in applications, complaints, and related documents filed with the department under section 5715.27 of the Revised Code or in applications filed with the department under section 5715.39 of the Revised Code;

(2) Providing information to the office of child support within the department of job and family services pursuant to section 3125.43 of the Revised Code;

(3) Disclosing to the motor vehicle repair board any information in the possession of the department that is necessary for the board to verify the existence of an applicant's valid
vendor's license and current state tax identification number under section 4775.07 of the Revised Code;

(4) Providing information to the administrator of workers' compensation pursuant to sections 4123.271 and 4123.591 of the Revised Code;

(5) Providing to the attorney general information the department obtains under division (J) of section 1346.01 of the Revised Code;

(6) Permitting properly authorized officers, employees, or agents of a municipal corporation from inspecting reports or information pursuant to section 718.84 of the Revised Code or rules adopted under section 5745.16 of the Revised Code;

(7) Providing information regarding the name, account number, or business address of a holder of a vendor's license issued pursuant to section 5739.17 of the Revised Code, a holder of a direct payment permit issued pursuant to section 5739.031 of the Revised Code, or a seller having a use tax account maintained pursuant to section 5741.17 of the Revised Code, or information regarding the active or inactive status of a vendor's license, direct payment permit, or seller's use tax account;

(8) Releasing invoices or invoice information furnished under section 4301.433 of the Revised Code pursuant to that section;

(9) Providing to a county auditor notices or documents concerning or affecting the taxable value of property in the county auditor's county. Unless authorized by law to disclose documents so provided, the county auditor shall not disclose such documents;

(10) Providing to a county auditor sales or use tax return or audit information under section 333.06 of the Revised Code;

(11) Subject to section 4301.441 of the Revised Code,
disclosing to the appropriate state agency information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary to verify a permit holder's gallonage or noncompliance with taxes levied under Chapter 4301. or 4305. of the Revised Code;

(12) Disclosing to the department of natural resources information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary for the department of taxation to verify the taxpayer's compliance with section 5749.02 of the Revised Code or to allow the department of natural resources to enforce Chapter 1509. of the Revised Code;

(13) Disclosing to the department of job and family services, industrial commission, and bureau of workers' compensation information in the possession of the department of taxation solely for the purpose of identifying employers that misclassify employees as independent contractors or that fail to properly report and pay employer tax liabilities. The department of taxation shall disclose only such information that is necessary to verify employer compliance with law administered by those agencies.

(14) Disclosing to the Ohio casino control commission information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary to verify a casino operator's compliance with section 5747.063 or 5753.02 of the Revised Code and sections related thereto;

(15) Disclosing to the state lottery commission information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary to verify a lottery sales agent's compliance with section 5747.064 of the Revised Code.

(16) Disclosing to the department of development services agency information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary to ensure compliance with the laws of this state
governing taxation and to verify information reported to the
department of development services agency for the purpose of
evaluating potential tax credits, grants, or loans. Such
information shall not include information received from the
internal revenue service the disclosure of which is prohibited by
section 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code. No officer, employee,
or agent of the department of development services agency shall
disclose any information provided to the department of development
services agency by the department of taxation under division (C)(16)
of this section except when disclosure of the information
is necessary for, and made solely for the purpose of facilitating,
the evaluation of potential tax credits, grants, or loans.

(17) Disclosing to the department of insurance information in
the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary to
ensure a taxpayer's compliance with the requirements with any tax
credit administered by the department of development services
agency and claimed by the taxpayer against any tax administered by
the superintendent of insurance. No officer, employee, or agent of
the department of insurance shall disclose any information
provided to the department of insurance by the department of
taxation under division (C)(17) of this section.

(18) Disclosing to the division of liquor control information
in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary
for the division and department to comply with the requirements of
sections 4303.26 and 4303.271 of the Revised Code.

(19) Disclosing to the department of education, upon that
department's request, information in the possession of the
department of taxation that is necessary only to verify whether
the family income of a student applying for or receiving a
scholarship under the educational choice scholarship pilot program
is equal to, less than, or greater than the income thresholds
prescribed by section 3310.02 or 3310.032 of the Revised Code. The
department of education shall provide sufficient information about
the student and the student's family to enable the department of
taxation to make the verification.

(20) Disclosing to the state racing commission information in
the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary for
verification of compliance with and for enforcement and
administration of the taxes levied by Chapter 3769. of the Revised
Code. Such information shall include information that is necessary
for the state racing commission to verify compliance with Chapter
3769. of the Revised Code for the purposes of issuance, denial,
suspension, or revocation of a permit pursuant to section 3769.03
or 3769.06 of the Revised Code and related sections. Unless
disclosure is otherwise authorized by law, information provided to
the state racing commission under this section shall remain
confidential and is not subject to public disclosure pursuant to
section 3769.041 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5703.70. (A) On the filing of an application for refund
under section 718.91, 3734.905, 4307.05, 4307.07, 5726.30,
5727.28, 5727.91, 5728.061, 5733.12, 5735.122, 5735.13, 5735.14,
5735.141, 5735.142, 5735.18, 5736.08, 5739.07, 5739.071, 5739.104,
5741.10, 5743.05, 5743.53, 5747.11, 5749.08, 5751.08, or 5753.06
of the Revised Code, or an application for compensation under
section 5739.061 of the Revised Code, if the tax commissioner
determines that the amount of the refund or compensation to which
the applicant is entitled is less than the amount claimed in the
application, the commissioner shall give the applicant written
notice by ordinary mail of the amount. The notice shall be sent to
the address shown on the application unless the applicant notifies
the commissioner of a different address. The applicant shall have
sixty days from the date the commissioner mails the notice to
provide additional information to the commissioner or request a
hearing, or both.
(B) If the applicant neither requests a hearing nor provides additional information to the tax commissioner within the time prescribed by division (A) of this section, the commissioner shall take no further action, and the refund or compensation amount denied becomes final.

(C)(1) If the applicant requests a hearing within the time prescribed by division (A) of this section, the tax commissioner shall assign a time and place for the hearing and notify the applicant of such time and place, but the commissioner may continue the hearing from time to time, as necessary. After the hearing, the commissioner may make such adjustments to the refund or compensation as the commissioner finds proper, and shall issue a final determination thereon.

(2) If the applicant does not request a hearing, but provides additional information, within the time prescribed by division (A) of this section, the commissioner shall review the information, make such adjustments to the refund or compensation as the commissioner finds proper, and issue a final determination thereon. The commissioner may review such information and make such adjustments as many times as the commissioner finds proper before the issuance of a final determination.

(3) If the applicant requests a hearing and provides additional information within the time prescribed by division (A) of this section, the commissioner may review the information and make such adjustments to the refund or compensation as the commissioner finds proper. The commissioner may review such information and make such adjustments as many times as the commissioner finds proper before the issuance of a final determination.

The commissioner shall assign a time and place for the hearing and notify the applicant of such time and place, but the commissioner may continue the hearing from time to time, as
necessary. After the hearing, the commissioner may make any additional adjustments to the refund or compensation as the commissioner finds proper and shall issue a final determination thereon.

(4) The commissioner shall serve a copy of the final determination made under division (C)(1), (2), or (3) of this section on the applicant in the manner provided in section 5703.37 of the Revised Code, and the decision is final, subject to appeal under section 5717.02 of the Revised Code.

(D) The tax commissioner shall certify to the director of budget and management and treasurer of state for payment from the tax refund fund created by section 5703.052 of the Revised Code, the amount of the refund to be refunded under division (B) or (C) of this section. The commissioner also shall certify to the director and treasurer of state for payment from the general revenue fund the amount of compensation to be paid under division (B) or (C) of this section.

Sec. 5705.16. A resolution of the taxing authority of any political subdivision shall be passed by a majority of all the members thereof, declaring the necessity for the transfer of funds authorized by section 5705.15 of the Revised Code, and such taxing authority shall submit to the tax commissioner a petition that includes the name and amount of the fund, the fund to which it is desired to be transferred, a copy of such resolution with a full statement of the proceedings pertaining to its passage, and the reason or necessity for the transfer. The commissioner shall approve the transfer of such funds upon determining each of the following:

(A) The petition states sufficient facts;

(B) That there are good reasons, or that a necessity exists, for the transfer;
(C) No injury will result from the transfer of such funds.

If the petition is disapproved by the commissioner, it shall be returned within ten thirty days of its receipt to the officers who submitted it, with a memorandum of the commissioner's objections, and the taxing authority shall not transfer the funds as requested by the petition. This disapproval shall not prejudice a later application for approval. If the petition is approved by the commissioner, it shall be returned within ten thirty days of its receipt to the officers who submitted it, and the taxing authority may transfer the funds as requested by the petition.

Sec. 5709.121. (A) Real property and tangible personal property belonging to a charitable or educational institution or to the state or a political subdivision, shall be considered as used exclusively for charitable or public purposes by such institution, the state, or political subdivision, if it meets one of the following requirements:

(1) It is used by such institution, the state, or political subdivision, or by one or more other such institutions, the state, or political subdivisions under a lease, sublease, or other contractual arrangement:

(a) As a community or area center in which presentations in music, dramatics, the arts, and related fields are made in order to foster public interest and education therein;

(b) As a children's, science, history, or natural history museum that is open to the general public;

(c) For other charitable, educational, or public purposes.

(2) It is made available under the direction or control of such institution, the state, or political subdivision for use in furtherance of or incidental to its charitable, educational, or public purposes and not with the view to profit.
(3) It is used by an organization described in division (D) of section 5709.12 of the Revised Code. If the organization is a corporation that receives a grant under the Thomas Alva Edison grant program authorized by division (C) of section 122.33 of the Revised Code at any time during the tax year, "used," for the purposes of this division, includes holding property for lease or resale to others.

(B)(1) Property described in division (A)(1)(a) or (b) of this section shall continue to be considered as used exclusively for charitable or public purposes even if the property is conveyed through one conveyance or a series of conveyances to an entity that is not a charitable or educational institution and is not the state or a political subdivision, provided that all of the following conditions apply with respect to that property:

(a) The property was listed as exempt on the county auditor's tax list and duplicate for the county in which it is located for the tax year immediately preceding the year in which the property is conveyed through one conveyance or a series of conveyances;

(b) The property is conveyed through one conveyance or a series of conveyances to an entity that does any of the following:

(i) Leases at least forty-five per cent of the property, through one lease or a series of leases, to the entity that owned or occupied the property for the tax year immediately preceding the year in which the property is conveyed or to an affiliate of that entity;

(ii) Contracts, directly or indirectly to have renovations performed as described in division (B)(1)(d) of this section and is at least partially owned by a nonprofit organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code that is exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of that code.

(c) The property includes improvements that are at least
fifty years old;

(d) The property is being renovated in connection with a claim for historic preservation tax credits available under federal law;

(e) All or a portion of the property continues to be used for the purposes described in division (A)(1)(a) or (b) of this section after its conveyance; and

(f) The property is certified by the United States secretary of the interior as a "certified historic structure" or certified as part of a certified historic structure.

(2) Notwithstanding section 5715.27 of the Revised Code, an application for exemption from taxation of property described in division (B)(1) of this section may be filed by either the owner of the property or an occupant.

(C) For purposes of this section, an institution that meets all of the following requirements is conclusively presumed to be a charitable institution:

(1) The institution is a nonprofit corporation or association, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual;

(2) The institution is exempt from federal income taxation under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code;

(3) The majority of the institution's board of directors are appointed by the mayor or legislative authority of a municipal corporation or a board of county commissioners, or a combination thereof;

(4) The primary purpose of the institution is to assist in the development and revitalization of downtown urban areas.

(D) For purposes of division (A)(1)(b) of this section, the status of a museum as open to the general public shall be
conclusive if the museum is accredited by the American alliance of museums or a successor organization.

(E)(1) Qualifying real property owned by an institution that meets all of the following requirements shall be considered as used exclusively for charitable purposes, and the institution shall be considered a charitable institution for purposes of this section and section 5709.12 of the Revised Code:

(a) The institution is an organization described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and exempt from federal income taxation under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(b) The institution's primary purpose is to acquire, develop, lease, or otherwise provide suitable housing to individuals with developmental disabilities.

(c) The institution receives at least a portion of its funding from one or more county boards of developmental disabilities to assist in the institution's primary purpose described in division (E)(1)(b) of this section.

(2) As used in division (E) of this section, "qualifying real property" means real property that is used primarily in one of the following manners:

(a) The property is used by the institution described in division (E)(1) of this section for the purpose described in division (E)(1)(b) of this section.

(b) The property is leased or otherwise provided by the institution described in division (E)(1) of this section to individuals with developmental disabilities and used by those individuals as housing.

(c) The property is leased or otherwise provided by the institution described in division (E)(1) of this section to
another charitable institution, and that charitable institution
uses the property exclusively for charitable purposes.

(F)(1) Qualifying real property owned by an institution that
meets all of the following requirements shall be considered as
used exclusively for charitable purposes, and the institution
shall be considered a charitable institution for purposes of this
section and section 5709.12 of the Revised Code:

(a) The institution is either (i) an organization described
under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and exempt
from federal income taxation under section 501(a) of the Internal
Revenue Code that has as a primary purpose to acquire, develop,
lease, or otherwise provide suitable supportive housing to
individuals diagnosed with mental illness or substance use
disorder and to families residing with such individuals or (ii) a
limited liability company or limited partnership whose controlling
or managing member or partner either is an organization described
in division (F)(1)(a)(i) of this section or is wholly owned by one
or more such organizations.

(b) One or more of the tax-exempt organizations identified in
division (F)(1)(a) of this section receives at least a portion of
its funding to assist in the organization’s primary purpose
described in division (F)(1)(a)(i) of this section from the
department of mental health and addiction services; one or more
county boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health
services; or a local continuum of care program governed by 42

(2) As used in division (F) of this section, "qualifying real
property" means real property that is used primarily in one of the
following manners:

(a) The property is used by the institution described in
division (F)(1) of this section for the purpose described in
division (F)(1)(a)(i) of this section.

(b) The institution (i) leases or otherwise provides the
property to individuals diagnosed with mental illness or substance
use disorder and to the families residing with such individuals
and (ii) makes supportive services available to such individuals
and families.

(c) The property is leased or otherwise provided by that
institution to another charitable institution, and that charitable
institution uses the property exclusively for charitable purposes.

Sec. 5709.21. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Exclusive property" means real and personal property
that is installed, used, and necessary for the operation of an
exempt facility, and that is not auxiliary property unless the
auxiliary property exempt cost equals or exceeds eighty-five per
cent of the total cost of the property.

(2) "Auxiliary property" means personal property installed,
used, and necessary for the operation of an exempt facility that
is also used in other operations of the business other than an
exempt facility purpose described in section 5709.20 of the
Revised Code. "Auxiliary property" does not include property with
an auxiliary property exempt cost that is less than or equal to
fifteen per cent of the total cost of such property.

(3) "Auxiliary property exempt cost" means the cost of
auxiliary property calculated as follows:

(a) If the auxiliary property is used for an exempt facility
purpose for discrete periods of time, the exempt cost shall be
determined by the ratio of time the auxiliary property is in use
in such exempt capacity to the total time it is in use. Division
(A)(3)(a) of this section does not apply if the property is
concurrently used for an exempt facility purpose and a nonexempt
facility purpose.

(b) The applicant has the burden of proving the exempt cost of all auxiliary property not described in division (A)(3)(a) of this section.

(c) Any cost related to an expansion of the commercial or industrial site that is not related to the operation of the exempt facility shall not be included as an auxiliary exempt cost under division (A)(3) of this section.

(B) Application An application for an exempt facility certificate shall be filed with the tax commissioner in such manner and in such form as prescribed by the tax commissioner. The application shall contain plans and specifications of the property, including all materials incorporated or to be incorporated therein and their associated costs, and a descriptive list of all equipment acquired or to be acquired by the applicant for the exempt facility and its associated cost, and a list of exclusive property installed, used, and necessary for the operation of the exempt facility. If the commissioner finds that the property was designed primarily as an exempt facility and is suitable and reasonably adequate for such purpose and is intended for such purpose, the commissioner shall enter a finding and issue a certificate to that effect. The effective date of the certificate shall be the date the application was made for such certificate or the date of the construction of the facility, whichever is earlier.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to extend the time period to file, to keep the time period to file open, or supersede the requirement of filing a tax refund or other tax reduction request in the manner and within the time prescribed by law.

(C)(1) Except as provided in division (C)(2) of this section, the exempt facility certificate shall permit tax exemption
pursuant to section 5709.25 of the Revised Code only for that portion of such exempt facility that is exclusive property used for a purpose enumerated in section 5709.20 of the Revised Code.

(2) Auxiliary property shall be permitted a partial tax exemption under section 5709.25 of the Revised Code, but only to the extent allowed pursuant to division (A)(3) of this section.

(D) The tax commissioner may allow an applicant to file one application that applies to more than one exempt facility that are the same or substantially similar, so long as such facilities are located within the same county.

Sec. 5726.20. (A) The tax commissioner may make an assessment, based on any information in the commissioner's possession, against any person that fails to file a return or report or pay any tax as required by this chapter. The reporting person for a taxpayer shall file the annual report required under section 5726.02 5726.03 of the Revised Code and remit the tax imposed by this chapter. Each person included in the annual report of the taxpayer is jointly and severally liable for the tax imposed by this chapter and any penalties and interest thereon. If the reporting person fails, for any reason, to file and remit any tax, the amount due may be collected by assessment against the reporting person and against any or all other persons required to be included in the annual report of the taxpayer as provided in section 5703.90 of the Revised Code. The commissioner shall make the assessment in the manner provided in this section. The commissioner shall give the person assessed written notice of the assessment as provided in section 5703.37 of the Revised Code. With the notice, the commissioner shall provide instructions on the manner in which to petition for reassessment and request a hearing with respect to the petition.

(B) No assessment shall be made or issued against a person
under this section more than four years after the later of the final date the report subject to assessment was required to be filed or the date such report was filed. Such time limit may be extended if both the person and the commissioner consent in writing to the extension or if an agreement waiving or extending the time limit has been entered into pursuant to section 122.171 of the Revised Code. Any such extension shall extend the four-year time limit prescribed in division (A) of section 5726.30 of the Revised Code for the same period of time. There shall be no bar or limit to an assessment against a person that fails to file a report subject to assessment as required by this chapter, or that files a fraudulent report.

(C) Unless the person assessed, within sixty days after service of the notice of assessment, files with the tax commissioner, either in person or by certified mail, a written petition for reassessment signed by the person or the person's authorized agent having knowledge of the facts, the assessment shall become final, and the amount of the assessment is due and payable from the person assessed to the treasurer of state. A petition shall indicate the objections of the person assessed, but additional objections may be raised in writing if received by the commissioner prior to the date shown on the final determination. If a petition for reassessment has been properly filed, the commissioner shall proceed under section 5703.60 of the Revised Code.

(D)(1) After an assessment becomes final, if any portion of the assessment, including any accrued interest, remains unpaid, a certified copy of the tax commissioner's entry making the assessment final may be filed in the office of the clerk of the court of common pleas in the county in which the person resides or has its principal place of business in this state, or in the office of the clerk of court of common pleas of Franklin county.
(2) Immediately upon the filing of the entry, the clerk shall enter judgment for the state against the person assessed in the amount shown on the entry. The judgment may be filed by the clerk in a loose-leaf book entitled, "special judgments for the financial institution tax" and shall have the same effect as other judgments. Execution shall issue upon the judgment at the request of the tax commissioner, and all laws applicable to sales on execution shall apply to sales made under the judgment.

(3) If the assessment is not paid in its entirety within sixty days after the day the assessment was issued, the portion of the assessment consisting of tax due shall bear interest at the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code from the date the tax commissioner issues the assessment until the date the assessment is paid or until it is certified to the attorney general for collection under section 131.02 of the Revised Code, whichever comes first. If the unpaid portion of the assessment is certified to the attorney general for collection, the entire unpaid portion of the assessment shall bear interest at the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code from the date of certification until the date it is paid in its entirety. Interest shall be paid in the same manner as the tax and may be collected by the issuance of an assessment under this section.

(E) If the tax commissioner believes that collection of the tax imposed by this chapter will be jeopardized unless proceedings to collect or secure collection of the tax are instituted without delay, the commissioner may issue a jeopardy assessment against the person liable for the tax. Immediately upon the issuance of the jeopardy assessment, the commissioner shall file an entry with the clerk of the court of common pleas in the manner prescribed by division (D) of this section. Notice of the jeopardy assessment shall be served on the person assessed or the person's authorized
agent in the manner provided in section 5703.37 of the Revised Code within five days of the filing of the entry with the clerk. The total amount assessed shall be immediately due and payable, unless the person assessed files a petition for reassessment in accordance with division (C) of this section and provides security in a form satisfactory to the commissioner and in an amount sufficient to satisfy the unpaid balance of the assessment. Full or partial payment of the assessment shall not prejudice the commissioner's consideration of the petition for reassessment.

(F) The tax commissioner shall immediately forward to the treasurer of state all amounts the commissioner receives under this section. Such amounts shall be considered as revenue arising from the tax imposed by this chapter.

(G) If the tax commissioner possesses information indicating that the amount of tax a taxpayer is required to pay under this chapter exceeds the amount the reporting person for the taxpayer paid, the tax commissioner may audit a sample of the taxpayer's gross receipts over a representative period of time to ascertain the amount of tax due, and may issue an assessment based on the audit. The tax commissioner shall make a good faith effort to reach agreement with the taxpayer in selecting a representative sample. The tax commissioner may apply a sampling method only if the commissioner has prescribed the method by rule.

(H) If the whereabouts of a person subject to this chapter is not known to the tax commissioner, the secretary of state is hereby deemed to be that person's agent for purposes of service of process or notice of any assessment, action, or proceedings instituted in this state against the person under this chapter. Such process or notice shall be served on such person by the commissioner or by an agent of the commissioner by leaving a true and attested copy of the process or notice at the office of the secretary of state at least fifteen days before the return day of
such process or notice, and by sending a copy of the process or notice to such person by ordinary mail, with an endorsement thereon of the service upon the secretary of state, addressed to such person at the person's last known address.

Sec. 5731.21. (A)(1)(a) Except as provided under division (A)(3) of this section, the executor or administrator, or, if no executor or administrator has been appointed, another person in possession of property the transfer of which is subject to estate taxes under section 5731.02 or division (A) of section 5731.19 of the Revised Code, shall file an estate tax return, within nine months of the date of the decedent's death, in the form prescribed by the tax commissioner, in duplicate, with the probate court of the county. The return shall include all property the transfer of which is subject to estate taxes, whether that property is transferred under the last will and testament of the decedent or otherwise. The time for filing the return may be extended by the tax commissioner.

(b) The estate tax return described in division (A)(1)(a) of this section shall be accompanied by a certificate, in the form prescribed by the tax commissioner, that is signed by the executor, administrator, or other person required to file the return, and that states all of the following:

(i) The fact that the return was filed;

(ii) The date of the filing of the return;

(iii) The fact that the estate taxes under section 5731.02 or division (A) of section 5731.19 of the Revised Code, that are shown to be due in the return, have been paid in full;

(iv) If applicable, the fact that real property listed in the inventory for the decedent's estate is included in the return;

(v) If applicable, the fact that real property not listed in
the inventory for the decedent's estate, including, but not limited to, survivorship tenancy property as described in section 5302.17 of the Revised Code or transfer on death property as described in sections 5302.22 and 5302.23 of the Revised Code, also is included in the return. In this regard, the certificate additionally shall describe that real property by the same description used in the return.

(2) The probate court shall forward one copy of the estate tax return described in division (A)(1)(a) of this section to the tax commissioner.

(3) A person shall not be required to file a return under division (A) of this section if the decedent was a resident of this state and the value of the decedent's gross estate is twenty-five thousand dollars or less in the case of a decedent dying on or after July 1, 1968, but before January 1, 2001; two hundred thousand dollars or less in the case of a decedent dying on or after January 1, 2001, but before January 1, 2002; or three hundred thirty-eight thousand three hundred thirty-three dollars or less in the case of a decedent dying on or after January 1, 2002. No return shall be filed for estates of decedents dying on or after January 1, 2013.

(4)(a) Upon receipt of the estate tax return described in division (A)(1)(a) of this section and the accompanying certificate described in division (A)(1)(b) of this section, the probate court promptly shall give notice of the return, by a form prescribed by the tax commissioner, to the county auditor. The auditor then shall make a charge based upon the notice and shall certify a duplicate of the charge to the county treasurer. The treasurer then shall collect, subject to division (A) of section 5731.25 of the Revised Code or any other statute extending the time for payment of an estate tax, the tax so charged.

(b) Upon receipt of the return and the accompanying
certificate, the probate court also shall forward the certificate to the auditor. When satisfied that the estate taxes under section 5731.02 or division (A) of section 5731.19 of the Revised Code, that are shown to be due in the return, have been paid in full, the auditor shall stamp the certificate so forwarded to verify that payment. The auditor then shall return the stamped certificate to the probate court.

(5)(a) The certificate described in division (A)(1)(b) of this section is a public record subject to inspection and copying in accordance with section 149.43 of the Revised Code. It shall be kept in the records of the probate court pertaining to the decedent's estate and is not subject to the confidentiality provisions of section 5731.90 of the Revised Code.

(b) All persons are entitled to rely on the statements contained in a certificate as described in division (A)(1)(b) of this section if it has been filed in accordance with that division, forwarded to a county auditor and stamped in accordance with division (A)(4) of this section, and placed in the records of the probate court pertaining to the decedent's estate in accordance with division (A)(5)(a) of this section. The real property referred to in the certificate shall be free of, and may be regarded by all persons as being free of, any lien for estate taxes under section 5731.02 and division (A) of section 5731.19 of the Revised Code.

(B) An estate tax return filed under this section, in the form prescribed by the tax commissioner, and showing that no estate tax is due shall result in a determination that no estate tax is due, if the tax commissioner within three months after the receipt of the return by the department of taxation, fails to file exceptions to the return in the probate court of the county in which the return was filed. A copy of exceptions to a return of that nature, when the tax commissioner files them within that
period, shall be sent by ordinary mail to the person who filed the return. The tax commissioner is not bound under this division by a determination that no estate tax is due, with respect to property not disclosed in the return.

(C) If the executor, administrator, or other person required to file an estate tax return fails to file it within nine months of the date of the decedent's death, the tax commissioner may determine the estate tax in that estate and issue a certificate of determination in the same manner as is provided in division (B) of section 5731.27 of the Revised Code. A certificate of determination of that nature has the same force and effect as though a return had been filed and a certificate of determination issued with respect to the return.

(D) No return shall be filed under this section or section 5731.24 of the Revised Code, and no tax shall be due under this chapter, with respect to either of the following:

(1) Property first discovered after December 31, 2021, that would otherwise be subject to the tax imposed by this chapter;

(2) Property first discovered on or before December 31, 2021, but not disclosed on a return or included in a certificate of determination issued by the tax commissioner on or before December 31, 2021.

Nothing in this division shall be construed to affect any estate tax liability determined by the tax commissioner for returns filed on or before December 31, 2021, or any tax liability determined under an agreement entered into under division (C) of section 5731.26 of the Revised Code. The estate shall pay any such liability.

Sec. 5731.24. Except as provided in division (D) of section 5731.21 of the Revised Code, if an additional tax
prescribed by section 5731.18 of the Revised Code is due, the executor, administrator, or other person required to file the estate tax return, within sixty days after the date of the final determination of the federal estate tax liability, shall file an additional tax return, in the form prescribed by the tax commissioner, in the same manner as is prescribed for the filing of the estate tax return. Subject to division (A) of section 5731.25 of the Revised Code or any other statute extending the time for payment of an estate tax, the additional tax shall be paid, without notice or demand by the tax commissioner, with the return, and shall be charged and collected in the same manner as the estate tax, except that no interest shall accrue until sixty days after the date of the final determination of the federal estate tax liability.

Sec. 5731.28. If any debts deductible under section 5731.16 of the Revised Code are proved against the gross estate after the tax levied by section 5731.02 or division (A) of section 5731.19 of the Revised Code has been determined, or if the determination of taxes so made is erroneous due to a mistake of fact or law, a claim for refund of tax may be filed by an executor, administrator, trustee, person in possession of property subject to tax, or any transferee thereof, within three years from the time the return was required to be filed (determined without regard to any extension of time for filing) or before January 1, 2022, whichever is earlier, in the form prescribed by the tax commissioner. The claim for refund shall be filed in the same manner as is prescribed for the filing of a return in section 5731.21 of the Revised Code and the determination of its correctness shall be made in the same manner as is provided for in the case of the return itself.

Sec. 5731.41. To enforce section 5731.39 of the Revised Code,
and to administer Chapters 5713. and 4503. of the Revised Code the tax commissioner may appoint agents in the unclassified civil service who shall perform such duties as are prescribed by the commissioner. Such agents shall, as compensation, receive annually eight cents per capita for each full one thousand of the first twenty thousand of the population of the county and two cents per capita for each full one thousand over twenty thousand of the population of the county, as shown by the last 2010 federal census, which shall be paid in equal monthly installments from the undivided inheritance or estate tax fund in the county treasury on the warrant of the county auditor or, if the balance of that fund is not sufficient to make such payments, from the county real estate assessment fund pursuant to division (B)(6) of section 325.31 of the Revised Code, any other provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding. The amount paid to any agent in the unclassified service for all of the duties performed under this section, as directed by the commissioner, shall not exceed three thousand nor be less than twelve hundred dollars in any calendar year.

**Sec. 5741.01.** As used in this chapter:

(A) "Person" includes individuals, receivers, assignees, trustees in bankruptcy, estates, firms, partnerships, associations, joint-stock companies, joint ventures, clubs, societies, corporations, business trusts, governments, and combinations of individuals of any form.

(B) "Storage" means and includes any keeping or retention in this state for use or other consumption in this state.

(C) "Use" means and includes the exercise of any right or power incidental to the ownership of the thing used. A thing is also "used" in this state if its consumer gives or otherwise distributes it, without charge, to recipients in this state.
(D) "Purchase" means acquired or received for a consideration, whether such acquisition or receipt was effected by a transfer of title, or of possession, or of both, or a license to use or consume; whether such transfer was absolute or conditional, and by whatever means the transfer was effected; and whether the consideration was money, credit, barter, or exchange. Purchase includes production, even though the article produced was used, stored, or consumed by the producer. The transfer of copyrighted motion picture films for exhibition purposes is not a purchase, except such films as are used solely for advertising purposes.

(E) "Seller" means the person from whom a purchase is made, and includes every person engaged in this state or elsewhere in the business of selling tangible personal property or providing a service for storage, use, or other consumption or benefit in this state; and when, in the opinion of the tax commissioner, it is necessary for the efficient administration of this chapter, to regard any salesperson, representative, peddler, or canvasser as the agent of a dealer, distributor, supervisor, or employer under whom the person operates, or from whom the person obtains tangible personal property, sold by the person for storage, use, or other consumption in this state, irrespective of whether or not the person is making such sales on the person's own behalf, or on behalf of such dealer, distributor, supervisor, or employer, the commissioner may regard the person as such agent, and may regard such dealer, distributor, supervisor, or employer as the seller. A marketplace facilitator shall be treated as the "seller" with respect to all sales facilitated by the marketplace facilitator on behalf of one or more marketplace sellers on and after the first day of the first month that begins at least thirty days after the marketplace facilitator first has substantial nexus with this state. Otherwise, "seller" does not include any person to the extent the person provides a communications medium, such as, but not limited to, newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or cable...
television, by means of which sellers solicit purchases of their goods or services.

(F) "Consumer" means any person who has purchased tangible personal property or has been provided a service for storage, use, or other consumption or benefit in this state. "Consumer" does not include a person who receives, without charge, tangible personal property or a service.

A person who performs a facility management or similar service contract for a contractee is a consumer of all tangible personal property and services purchased for use in connection with the performance of such contract, regardless of whether title to any such property vests in the contractee. The purchase of such property and services is not subject to the exception for resale under division (E) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code.

(G)(1) "Price," except as provided in divisions (G)(2) to (6) of this section, has the same meaning as in division (H)(1) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) In the case of watercraft, outboard motors, or new motor vehicles, "price" has the same meaning as in divisions (H)(2) and (3) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) In the case of a nonresident business consumer that purchases and uses tangible personal property outside this state and subsequently temporarily stores, uses, or otherwise consumes such tangible personal property in the conduct of business in this state, the consumer or the tax commissioner may determine the price based on the value of the temporary storage, use, or other consumption, in lieu of determining the price pursuant to division (G)(1) of this section. A price determination made by the consumer is subject to review and redetermination by the commissioner.

(4) In the case of tangible personal property held in this state as inventory for sale or lease, and that is temporarily
stored, used, or otherwise consumed in a taxable manner, the price is the value of the temporary use. A price determination made by the consumer is subject to review and redetermination by the commissioner.

(5) In the case of tangible personal property originally purchased and used by the consumer outside this state, and that becomes permanently stored, used, or otherwise consumed in this state more than six months after its acquisition by the consumer, the consumer or the commissioner may determine the price based on the current value of such tangible personal property, in lieu of determining the price pursuant to division (G)(1) of this section. A price determination made by the consumer is subject to review and redetermination by the commissioner.

(6) If a consumer produces tangible personal property for sale and removes that property from inventory for the consumer's own use, the price is the produced cost of that tangible personal property.

(H) "Nexus with this state" means that the seller engages in continuous and widespread solicitation of purchases from residents of this state or otherwise purposefully directs its business activities at residents of this state.

(I)(1) "Substantial nexus with this state" means that the seller has sufficient contact with this state, in accordance with Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution of the United States, to allow the state to require the seller to collect and remit use tax on sales of tangible personal property or services made to consumers in this state.

(2) "Substantial nexus with this state" is presumed to exist when the seller does any of the following:

(a) Uses an office, distribution facility, warehouse, storage facility, or similar place of business within this state, whether
operated by the seller or any other person, other than a common carrier acting in its capacity as a common carrier.

(b) Regularly uses employees, agents, representatives, solicitors, installers, repairers, salespersons, or other persons in this state for the purpose of conducting the business of the seller or either to engage in a business with the same or a similar industry classification as the seller selling a similar product or line of products as the seller, or to use trademarks, service marks, or trade names in this state that are the same or substantially similar to those used by the seller.

(c) Uses any person, other than a common carrier acting in its capacity as a common carrier, in this state for any of the following purposes:

(i) Receiving or processing orders of the seller's goods or services;

(ii) Using that person's employees or facilities in this state to advertise, promote, or facilitate sales by the seller to customers;

(iii) Delivering, installing, assembling, or performing maintenance services for the seller's customers;

(iv) Facilitating the seller's delivery of tangible personal property to customers in this state by allowing the seller's customers to pick up property sold by the seller at an office, distribution facility, warehouse, storage facility, or similar place of business.

(d) Makes regular deliveries of tangible personal property into this state by means other than common carrier.

(e) Has an affiliated person that has substantial nexus with this state.

(f) Owns tangible personal property that is rented or leased
to a consumer in this state, or offers tangible personal property, on approval, to consumers in this state.

(g) Has gross receipts in excess of one hundred thousand dollars in the current or preceding calendar year from the sale of tangible personal property for storage, use, or consumption in this state or from providing services the benefit of which is realized in this state.

(h) Engages, in the current or preceding calendar year, in two hundred or more separate transactions selling tangible personal property for storage, use, or consumption in this state or providing services the benefit of which is realized in this state.

(3) A seller presumed to have substantial nexus with this state under divisions (I)(2)(a) to (f), (g), and (h) of this section may rebut that presumption by demonstrating that activities described in any of those divisions that are conducted by a person in this state on the seller's behalf are not significantly associated with the seller's ability to establish or maintain a market in this state for the seller's sales.

(4) A marketplace facilitator is presumed to have substantial nexus with this state if either of the following apply in the current or preceding calendar year:

(a) The aggregate gross receipts derived from sales of tangible personal property for storage, use, or consumption in this state or services the benefit of which is realized in this state, including sales made by the marketplace facilitator on its own behalf and sales facilitated by the marketplace facilitator on behalf of one or more marketplace sellers, exceed one hundred thousand dollars;

(b) The marketplace facilitator engages in on its own behalf, or facilitates on behalf of one or more marketplace sellers, two
hundred or more separate transactions selling tangible personal property for storage, use, or consumption in this state or services the benefit of which is realized in this state.

(5) A seller that does not have substantial nexus with this state, and any affiliated person of the seller, before selling or leasing tangible personal property or services to a state agency, shall register with the tax commissioner in the same manner as a seller described in division (A)(1) of section 5741.17 of the Revised Code.

(6) As used in division (I) of this section:

(a) "Affiliated person" means any person that is a member of the same controlled group of corporations as the seller or any other person that, notwithstanding the form of organization, bears the same ownership relationship to the seller as a corporation that is a member of the same controlled group of corporations.

(b) "Controlled group of corporations" has the same meaning as in section 1563(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(c) "State agency" has the same meaning as in section 1.60 of the Revised Code.

(J) "Fiscal officer" means, with respect to a regional transit authority, the secretary-treasurer thereof, and with respect to a county which is a transit authority, the fiscal officer of the county transit board appointed pursuant to section 306.03 of the Revised Code or, if the board of county commissioners operates the county transit system, the county auditor.

(K) "Territory of the transit authority" means all of the area included within the territorial boundaries of a transit authority as they from time to time exist. Such territorial boundaries must at all times include all the area of a single county or all the area of the most populous county which is a part
of such transit authority. County population shall be measured by
the most recent census taken by the United States census bureau.

(L) "Transit authority" means a regional transit authority
created pursuant to section 306.31 of the Revised Code or a county
in which a county transit system is created pursuant to section
306.01 of the Revised Code. For the purposes of this chapter, a
transit authority must extend to at least the entire area of a
single county. A transit authority which includes territory in
more than one county must include all the area of the most
populous county which is a part of such transit authority. County
population shall be measured by the most recent census taken by
the United States census bureau.

(M) "Providing a service" has the same meaning as in section
5739.01 of the Revised Code.

(N) "Other consumption" includes receiving the benefits of a
service.

(O) "Lease" or "rental" has the same meaning as in section
5739.01 of the Revised Code.

(P) "Certified service provider" has the same meaning as in
section 5740.01 of the Revised Code.

(Q) "Remote sale" means a sale for which the seller could not
be legally required to pay, collect, or remit a tax imposed under
this chapter or Chapter 5739. of the Revised Code, unless
otherwise provided by the laws of the United States.

(R) "Remote seller" means a seller that lacks substantial
nexus with this state but is required to register with the tax
commissioner under section 5741.17 of the Revised Code pursuant to
federal law authorizing states to require such sellers to
register, collect, and remit use tax. A seller that is not
required to register with the commissioner under division (A) of
section 5741.17 of the Revised Code but registers voluntarily
under division (B) of that section is not a "remote seller." A seller that registers with the commissioner under section 5741.17 of the Revised Code after the effective date of any federal law that authorizes states to require sellers that lack substantial nexus with the state to register, collect, and remit use tax is presumed to be a "remote seller." The seller or the commissioner may rebut this presumption with evidence that the seller has substantial nexus with this state.

(S) "Remote small seller" means a remote seller that has gross annual receipts from remote sales in the United States not exceeding one million dollars for the preceding calendar year. For the purposes of determining whether a person is a small remote seller, the sales of all persons related within the meaning of subsection (b) or (c) of section 267 or section 707(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be aggregated, and persons with one or more ownership relationships shall be aggregated if those relationships were designed with the principal purpose to qualify as a remote small seller.

(T) "Marketplace facilitator" means a person that owns, operates, or controls a physical or electronic marketplace through which retail sales are facilitated on behalf of one or more marketplace sellers, or an affiliate of such a person. "Marketplace facilitator" does not include a person that provides advertising services, including tangible personal property or services listed for sale, if the advertising service platform or forum does not engage directly or indirectly through one or more affiliated persons in the activities described in division (W)(2) (T)(2) of this section.

(U) (R) "Marketplace seller" means a person on behalf of which a marketplace facilitator facilitates the sale of tangible personal property for storage, use, or consumption in this state or services the benefit of which are realized in this state,
regardless of whether or not the person has a substantial nexus with this state.

(V) "Electronic marketplace" includes digital distribution services, digital distribution platforms, online portals, application stores, computer software applications, in-app purchase mechanisms, or other digital products.

(W) A sale is "facilitated" by a marketplace facilitator on behalf of a marketplace seller if it satisfies divisions (W)(1), (2), and (3) of this section:

1) The marketplace facilitator, directly or indirectly, does any of the following:

(a) Lists, makes available, or advertises the tangible personal property or services that are the subject of the sale in a physical or electronic marketplace owned, operated, or controlled by the marketplace facilitator;

(b) Transmits or otherwise communicates an offer or acceptance of the sale between the marketplace seller and the purchaser in a shop, store, booth, catalog, internet site, or other similar forum;

(c) Owns, rents, licenses, makes available, or operates any electronic or physical infrastructure or any property, process, method, copyright, trademark, or patent that connects the marketplace seller to the purchaser for the purpose of making sales;

(d) Provides the marketplace in which the sale was made or otherwise facilitates the sale regardless of ownership or control of the tangible personal property or services that are the subject of the sale;

(e) Provides software development or research and development services directly related to a physical or electronic marketplace.
that is involved in one or more of the activities described in division (W)(1) (T)(1) of this section;

(f) Provides fulfillment or storage services for the marketplace seller that are related to the tangible personal property or services that are the subject of the sale;

(g) Sets the price of the sale on behalf of the marketplace seller;

(h) Provides or offers customer service to the marketplace seller or the marketplace seller's customers, or accepts or assists with taking orders, returns, or exchanges of the tangible personal property or services that are the subject of the sale;

(i) Brands or otherwise identifies the sale as a sale of the marketplace facilitator.

(2) The marketplace facilitator, directly or indirectly, does any of the following:

(a) Collects the price of the tangible personal property or services sold to the consumer;

(b) Provides payment processing services for the sale;

(c) Collects payment in connection with the sale from the consumer through terms and conditions, agreements, or arrangements with a third party, and transmits that payment to the marketplace seller, regardless of whether the person collecting and transmitting such payment receives compensation or other consideration in exchange for the service;

(d) Provides virtual currency that consumers are allowed or required to use to purchase the tangible personal property or services that are the subject of the sale.

(3) The subject of the sale is tangible personal property or services other than lodging by a hotel that is or is to be furnished to transient guests.
Sec. 5741.03. (A) One hundred per cent of all money deposited into the state treasury under sections 5741.01 to 5741.22 of the Revised Code that is not required to be distributed as provided in division (B) of this section shall be credited to the general revenue fund.

(B) In any case where any county or transit authority has levied a tax or taxes pursuant to section 5741.021, 5741.022, or 5741.023 of the Revised Code, the tax commissioner shall, within forty-five days after the end of each month, determine and certify to the director of budget and management the amount of the proceeds of such tax or taxes from billings and assessments received during that month, or shown on tax returns or reports filed during that month, to be returned to the county or transit authority levying the tax or taxes, which amounts shall be determined in the manner provided in section 5739.21 of the Revised Code. The director of budget and management shall transfer, from the general revenue fund, to the permissive tax distribution fund created by division (B)(1) of section 4301.423 of the Revised Code and to the local sales tax administrative fund created by division (C) of section 5739.21 of the Revised Code, the amounts certified by the tax commissioner. The tax commissioner shall then, on or before the twentieth day of the month in which such certification is made, provide for payment of such respective amounts to the county treasurer or to the fiscal officer of the transit authority levying the tax or taxes. The amount transferred to the local sales tax administrative fund is for use by the tax commissioner in defraying costs the commissioner incurs in administering such taxes levied by a county or transit authority.

(C)(1) Not later than the first day of each January and July following the date remote sellers are first required to register, collect, and remit use tax under this chapter, the tax...
commissioner and the director of budget and management shall jointly determine the amount of tax imposed by section 5741.02 of the Revised Code and remitted under this chapter by remote sellers during the six-month period ending on the preceding last day of November and of May, respectively, reduced by any refunds issued during the six-month period to remote sellers from the tax refund fund on account of that tax.

(2) Not later than that last day of each January and July following the date the commissioner and the director make a determination under division (C)(1) of this section, the director of budget and management shall transfer from the general revenue fund to the income tax reduction fund the amount determined under that division. Amounts transferred to the income tax reduction fund under this division shall be included in the determination of the percentage under division (B)(2) of section 131.44 of the Revised Code required to be made by the thirty-first day of July of the calendar year in which the commissioner makes the certifications under this division.

Sec. 5747.01. Except as otherwise expressly provided or clearly appearing from the context, any term used in this chapter that is not otherwise defined in this section has the same meaning as when used in a comparable context in the laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes or if not used in a comparable context in those laws, has the same meaning as in section 5733.40 of the Revised Code. Any reference in this chapter to the Internal Revenue Code includes other laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes.

As used in this chapter:

(A) "Adjusted gross income" or "Ohio adjusted gross income" means federal adjusted gross income, as defined and used in the Internal Revenue Code, adjusted as provided in this section:
(1) Add interest or dividends on obligations or securities of any state or of any political subdivision or authority of any state, other than this state and its subdivisions and authorities.

(2) Add interest or dividends on obligations of any authority, commission, instrumentality, territory, or possession of the United States to the extent that the interest or dividends are exempt from federal income taxes but not from state income taxes.

(3) Deduct interest or dividends on obligations of the United States and its territories and possessions or of any authority, commission, or instrumentality of the United States to the extent that the interest or dividends are included in federal adjusted gross income but exempt from state income taxes under the laws of the United States.

(4) Deduct disability and survivor's benefits to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income.

(5) Deduct the following, to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income:

   (a) Benefits under Title II of the Social Security Act and tier 1 railroad retirement benefits to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income under section 86 of the Internal Revenue Code.

   (b) Railroad retirement benefits, other than tier 1 railroad retirement benefits, to the extent such amounts are exempt from state taxation under federal law.

(6) Deduct the amount of wages and salaries, if any, not otherwise allowable as a deduction but that would have been allowable as a deduction in computing federal adjusted gross income for the taxable year, had the targeted jobs work opportunity tax credit allowed and determined under sections 38,
51, and 52 of the Internal Revenue Code not been in effect.

(7) Deduct any interest or interest equivalent on public obligations and purchase obligations to the extent that the interest or interest equivalent is included in federal adjusted gross income.

(8) Add any loss or deduct any gain resulting from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of public obligations to the extent that the loss has been deducted or the gain has been included in computing federal adjusted gross income.

(9) Deduct or add amounts, as provided under section 5747.70 of the Revised Code, related to contributions to variable college savings program accounts made or tuition units purchased pursuant to Chapter 3334. of the Revised Code.

(10)(a) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise allowable as a deduction or exclusion in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for the taxable year, the amount the taxpayer paid during the taxable year for medical care insurance and qualified long-term care insurance for the taxpayer, the taxpayer's spouse, and dependents. No deduction for medical care insurance under division (A)(10)(a) of this section shall be allowed either to any taxpayer who is eligible to participate in any subsidized health plan maintained by any employer of the taxpayer or of the taxpayer's spouse, or to any taxpayer who is entitled to, or on application would be entitled to, benefits under part A of Title XVIII of the "Social Security Act," 49 Stat. 620 (1935), 42 U.S.C. 301, as amended. For the purposes of division (A)(10)(a) of this section, "subsidized health plan" means a health plan for which the employer pays any portion of the plan's cost. The deduction allowed under division (A)(10)(a) of this section shall be the net of any related premium refunds, related premium reimbursements, or related insurance premium dividends received during the taxable year.
(b) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income during the taxable year, the amount the taxpayer paid during the taxable year, not compensated for by any insurance or otherwise, for medical care of the taxpayer, the taxpayer's spouse, and dependents, to the extent the expenses exceed seven and one-half per cent of the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income.

(c) For purposes of division (A)(10) of this section, "medical care" has the meaning given in section 213 of the Internal Revenue Code, subject to the special rules, limitations, and exclusions set forth therein, and "qualified long-term care" has the same meaning given in section 7702B(c) of the Internal Revenue Code. Solely for purposes of division (A)(10)(a) of this section, "dependent" includes a person who otherwise would be a "qualifying relative" and thus a "dependent" under section 152 of the Internal Revenue Code but for the fact that the person fails to meet the income and support limitations under section 152(d)(1)(B) and (C) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(11)(a) Deduct any amount included in federal adjusted gross income solely because the amount represents a reimbursement or refund of expenses that in any year the taxpayer had deducted as an itemized deduction pursuant to section 63 of the Internal Revenue Code and applicable United States department of the treasury regulations. The deduction otherwise allowed under division (A)(11)(a) of this section shall be reduced to the extent the reimbursement is attributable to an amount the taxpayer deducted under this section in any taxable year.

(b) Add any amount not otherwise included in Ohio adjusted gross income for any taxable year to the extent that the amount is attributable to the recovery during the taxable year of any amount deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income in any taxable year.
(12) Deduct any portion of the deduction described in section 1341(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, for repaying previously reported income received under a claim of right, that meets both of the following requirements:

(a) It is allowable for repayment of an item that was included in the taxpayer's adjusted gross income for a prior taxable year and did not qualify for a credit under division (A) or (B) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code for that year;

(b) It does not otherwise reduce the taxpayer's adjusted gross income for the current or any other taxable year.

(13) Deduct an amount equal to the deposits made to, and net investment earnings of, a medical savings account during the taxable year, in accordance with section 3924.66 of the Revised Code. The deduction allowed by division (A)(13) of this section does not apply to medical savings account deposits and earnings otherwise deducted or excluded for the current or any other taxable year from the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income.

(14)(a) Add an amount equal to the funds withdrawn from a medical savings account during the taxable year, and the net investment earnings on those funds, when the funds withdrawn were used for any purpose other than to reimburse an account holder for, or to pay, eligible medical expenses, in accordance with section 3924.66 of the Revised Code;

(b) Add the amounts distributed from a medical savings account under division (A)(2) of section 3924.68 of the Revised Code during the taxable year.

(15) Add any amount claimed as a credit under section 5747.059 of the Revised Code to the extent that such amount satisfies either of the following:

(a) The amount was deducted or excluded from the computation of the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income as required to be
reported for the taxpayer's taxable year under the Internal Revenue Code;

(b) The amount resulted in a reduction of the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income as required to be reported for any of the taxpayer's taxable years under the Internal Revenue Code.

(16) Deduct the amount contributed by the taxpayer to an individual development account program established by a county department of job and family services pursuant to sections 329.11 to 329.14 of the Revised Code for the purpose of matching funds deposited by program participants. On request of the tax commissioner, the taxpayer shall provide any information that, in the tax commissioner's opinion, is necessary to establish the amount deducted under division (A)(16) of this section.

(17)(a)(i) Subject to divisions (A)(17)(a)(iii), (iv), and (v) of this section, add five-sixths of the amount of depreciation expense allowed by subsection (k) of section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code, including the taxpayer's proportionate or distributive share of the amount of depreciation expense allowed by that subsection to a pass-through entity in which the taxpayer has a direct or indirect ownership interest.

(ii) Subject to divisions (A)(17)(a)(iii), (iv), and (v) of this section, add five-sixths of the amount of qualifying section 179 depreciation expense, including the taxpayer's proportionate or distributive share of the amount of qualifying section 179 depreciation expense allowed to any pass-through entity in which the taxpayer has a direct or indirect ownership interest.

(iii) Subject to division (A)(17)(a)(v) of this section, for taxable years beginning in 2012 or thereafter, if the increase in income taxes withheld by the taxpayer is equal to or greater than ten per cent of income taxes withheld by the taxpayer during the taxpayer's immediately preceding taxable year, "two-thirds" shall
be substituted for "five-sixths" for the purpose of divisions (A)(17)(a)(i) and (ii) of this section.

(iv) Subject to division (A)(17)(a)(v) of this section, for taxable years beginning in 2012 or thereafter, a taxpayer is not required to add an amount under division (A)(17) of this section if the increase in income taxes withheld by the taxpayer and by any pass-through entity in which the taxpayer has a direct or indirect ownership interest is equal to or greater than the sum of (I) the amount of qualifying section 179 depreciation expense and (II) the amount of depreciation expense allowed to the taxpayer by subsection (k) of section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code, and including the taxpayer's proportionate or distributive shares of such amounts allowed to any such pass-through entities.

(v) If a taxpayer directly or indirectly incurs a net operating loss for the taxable year for federal income tax purposes, to the extent such loss resulted from depreciation expense allowed by subsection (k) of section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code and by qualifying section 179 depreciation expense, "the entire" shall be substituted for "five-sixths of the" for the purpose of divisions (A)(17)(a)(i) and (ii) of this section.

The tax commissioner, under procedures established by the commissioner, may waive the add-backs related to a pass-through entity if the taxpayer owns, directly or indirectly, less than five per cent of the pass-through entity.

(b) Nothing in division (A)(17) of this section shall be construed to adjust or modify the adjusted basis of any asset.

(c) To the extent the add-back required under division (A)(17)(a) of this section is attributable to property generating nonbusiness income or loss allocated under section 5747.20 of the Revised Code, the add-back shall be sitused to the same location as the nonbusiness income or loss generated by the property for
the purpose of determining the credit under division (A) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code. Otherwise, the add-back shall be apportioned, subject to one or more of the four alternative methods of apportionment enumerated in section 5747.21 of the Revised Code.

(d) For the purposes of division (A)(17)(a)(v) of this section, net operating loss carryback and carryforward shall not include the allowance of any net operating loss deduction carryback or carryforward to the taxable year to the extent such loss resulted from depreciation allowed by section 168(k) of the Internal Revenue Code and by the qualifying section 179 depreciation expense amount.

(e) For the purposes of divisions (A)(17) and (18) of this section:

(i) "Income taxes withheld" means the total amount withheld and remitted under sections 5747.06 and 5747.07 of the Revised Code by an employer during the employer's taxable year.

(ii) "Increase in income taxes withheld" means the amount by which the amount of income taxes withheld by an employer during the employer's current taxable year exceeds the amount of income taxes withheld by that employer during the employer's immediately preceding taxable year.

(iii) "Qualifying section 179 depreciation expense" means the difference between (I) the amount of depreciation expense directly or indirectly allowed to a taxpayer under section 179 of the Internal Revised Code, and (II) the amount of depreciation expense directly or indirectly allowed to the taxpayer under section 179 of the Internal Revenue Code as that section existed on December 31, 2002.

(18)(a) If the taxpayer was required to add an amount under division (A)(17)(a) of this section for a taxable year, deduct one
of the following:

(i) One-fifth of the amount so added for each of the five succeeding taxable years if the amount so added was five-sixths of qualifying section 179 depreciation expense or depreciation expense allowed by subsection (k) of section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code;

(ii) One-half of the amount so added for each of the two succeeding taxable years if the amount so added was two-thirds of such depreciation expense;

(iii) One-sixth of the amount so added for each of the six succeeding taxable years if the entire amount of such depreciation expense was so added.

(b) If the amount deducted under division (A)(18)(a) of this section is attributable to an add-back allocated under division (A)(17)(c) of this section, the amount deducted shall be sitused to the same location. Otherwise, the add-back shall be apportioned using the apportionment factors for the taxable year in which the deduction is taken, subject to one or more of the four alternative methods of apportionment enumerated in section 5747.21 of the Revised Code.

(c) No deduction is available under division (A)(18)(a) of this section with regard to any depreciation allowed by section 168(k) of the Internal Revenue Code and by the qualifying section 179 depreciation expense amount to the extent that such depreciation results in or increases a federal net operating loss carryback or carryforward. If no such deduction is available for a taxable year, the taxpayer may carry forward the amount not deducted in such taxable year to the next taxable year and add that amount to any deduction otherwise available under division (A)(18)(a) of this section for that next taxable year. The carryforward of amounts not so deducted shall continue until the
entire addition required by division (A)(17)(a) of this section has been deducted.

(19) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for the taxable year, the amount the taxpayer received during the taxable year as reimbursement for life insurance premiums under section 5919.31 of the Revised Code.

(20) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for the taxable year, the amount the taxpayer received during the taxable year as a death benefit paid by the adjutant general under section 5919.33 of the Revised Code.

(21) Deduct, to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income and not otherwise allowable as a deduction or exclusion in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for the taxable year, military pay and allowances received by the taxpayer during the taxable year for active duty service in the United States army, air force, navy, marine corps, or coast guard or reserve components thereof or the national guard. The deduction may not be claimed for military pay and allowances received by the taxpayer while the taxpayer is stationed in this state.

(22) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise allowable as a deduction or exclusion in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for the taxable year and not otherwise compensated for by any other source, the amount of qualified organ donation expenses incurred by the taxpayer during the taxable year, not to exceed ten thousand dollars. A taxpayer may deduct qualified organ donation expenses only once for all taxable years beginning with taxable years beginning in 2007.

For the purposes of division (A)(22) of this section:

(a) "Human organ" means all or any portion of a human liver,
pancreas, kidney, intestine, or lung, and any portion of human bone marrow.

(b) "Qualified organ donation expenses" means travel expenses, lodging expenses, and wages and salary forgone by a taxpayer in connection with the taxpayer's donation, while living, of one or more of the taxpayer's human organs to another human being.

(23) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for the taxable year, amounts received by the taxpayer as retired personnel pay for service in the uniformed services or reserve components thereof, or the national guard, or received by the surviving spouse or former spouse of such a taxpayer under the survivor benefit plan on account of such a taxpayer's death. If the taxpayer receives income on account of retirement paid under the federal civil service retirement system or federal employees retirement system, or under any successor retirement program enacted by the congress of the United States that is established and maintained for retired employees of the United States government, and such retirement income is based, in whole or in part, on credit for the taxpayer's uniformed service, the deduction allowed under this division shall include only that portion of such retirement income that is attributable to the taxpayer's uniformed service, to the extent that portion of such retirement income is otherwise included in federal adjusted gross income and is not otherwise deducted under this section. Any amount deducted under division (A)(23) of this section is not included in a taxpayer's adjusted gross income for the purposes of section 5747.055 of the Revised Code. No amount may be deducted under division (A)(23) of this section on the basis of which a credit was claimed under section 5747.055 of the Revised Code.

(24) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded...
(25) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for the taxable year, the amount the taxpayer received as a veterans bonus during the taxable year from the Ohio department of veterans services as authorized by Section 2r of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution.

(26) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for the taxable year, any income derived from a transfer agreement or from the enterprise transferred under that agreement under section 4313.02 of the Revised Code.

(27) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for the taxable year, Ohio college opportunity or federal Pell grant amounts received by the taxpayer or the taxpayer's spouse or dependent pursuant to section 3333.122 of the Revised Code or 20 U.S.C. 1070a, et seq., and used to pay room or board furnished by the educational institution for which the grant was awarded at the institution's facilities, including meal plans administered by the institution. For the purposes of this division, receipt of a grant includes the distribution of a grant directly to an educational institution and the crediting of the grant to the enrollee's account with the institution.

(28) Deduct from the portion of an individual's federal adjusted gross income that is business income, to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded in computing federal adjusted gross income for the taxable year, one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars for each spouse if spouses file separate returns under section 5747.08 of the Revised Code or two hundred fifty thousand dollars.
dollars for all other individuals.

(29) Deduct, as provided under section 5747.78 of the Revised Code, contributions to ABLE savings accounts made in accordance with sections 113.50 to 113.56 of the Revised Code.

(30)(a) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income during the taxable year, all of the following:

(i) Compensation paid to a qualifying employee described in division (A)(14)(a) of section 5703.94 of the Revised Code to the extent such compensation is for disaster work conducted in this state during a disaster response period pursuant to a qualifying solicitation received by the employee's employer;

(ii) Compensation paid to a qualifying employee described in division (A)(14)(b) of section 5703.94 of the Revised Code to the extent such compensation is for disaster work conducted in this state by the employee during the disaster response period on critical infrastructure owned or used by the employee's employer;

(iii) Income received by an out-of-state disaster business for disaster work conducted in this state during a disaster response period, or, if the out-of-state disaster business is a pass-through entity, a taxpayer's distributive share of the pass-through entity's income from the business conducting disaster work in this state during a disaster response period, if, in either case, the disaster work is conducted pursuant to a qualifying solicitation received by the business.

(b) All terms used in division (A)(30) of this section have the same meanings as in section 5703.94 of the Revised Code.

(31) For a taxpayer who is a qualifying Ohio educator, deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for the taxable year, the lesser of two hundred fifty dollars or the amount of
expenses described in subsections (a)(2)(D)(i) and (ii) of section 62 of the Internal Revenue Code paid or incurred by the taxpayer during the taxpayer's taxable year in excess of the amount the taxpayer is authorized to deduct for that taxable year under subsection (a)(2)(D) of that section.

(34)(32) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for the taxable year, amounts received by the taxpayer as a disability severance payment, computed under 10 U.S.C. 1212, following discharge or release under honorable conditions from the armed forces, as defined by 10 U.S.C. 101.

(33) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded in computing federal adjusted gross income or Ohio adjusted gross income, amounts not subject to tax due to an agreement entered into under division (A)(2) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code.

(B) "Business income" means income, including gain or loss, arising from transactions, activities, and sources in the regular course of a trade or business and includes income, gain, or loss from real property, tangible property, and intangible property if the acquisition, rental, management, and disposition of the property constitute integral parts of the regular course of a trade or business operation. "Business income" includes income, including gain or loss, from a partial or complete liquidation of a business, including, but not limited to, gain or loss from the sale or other disposition of goodwill.

(C) "Nonbusiness income" means all income other than business income and may include, but is not limited to, compensation, rents and royalties from real or tangible personal property, capital gains, interest, dividends and distributions, patent or copyright royalties, or lottery winnings, prizes, and awards.

(D) "Compensation" means any form of remuneration paid to an
employee for personal services.

(E) "Fiduciary" means a guardian, trustee, executor, administrator, receiver, conservator, or any other person acting in any fiduciary capacity for any individual, trust, or estate.

(F) "Fiscal year" means an accounting period of twelve months ending on the last day of any month other than December.

(G) "Individual" means any natural person.


(I) "Resident" means any of the following:

1. An individual who is domiciled in this state, subject to section 5747.24 of the Revised Code;

2. The estate of a decedent who at the time of death was domiciled in this state. The domicile tests of section 5747.24 of the Revised Code are not controlling for purposes of division (I)(2) of this section.

3. A trust that, in whole or part, resides in this state. If only part of a trust resides in this state, the trust is a resident only with respect to that part.

   For the purposes of division (I)(3) of this section:
   
   (a) A trust resides in this state for the trust's current taxable year to the extent, as described in division (I)(3)(d) of this section, that the trust consists directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, of assets, net of any related liabilities, that were transferred, or caused to be transferred, directly or indirectly, to the trust by any of the following:

   (i) A person, a court, or a governmental entity or instrumentality on account of the death of a decedent, but only if the trust is described in division (I)(3)(e)(i) or (ii) of this section;
(ii) A person who was domiciled in this state for the purposes of this chapter when the person directly or indirectly transferred assets to an irrevocable trust, but only if at least one of the trust's qualifying beneficiaries is domiciled in this state for the purposes of this chapter during all or some portion of the trust's current taxable year;

(iii) A person who was domiciled in this state for the purposes of this chapter when the trust document or instrument or part of the trust document or instrument became irrevocable, but only if at least one of the trust's qualifying beneficiaries is a resident domiciled in this state for the purposes of this chapter during all or some portion of the trust's current taxable year. If a trust document or instrument became irrevocable upon the death of a person who at the time of death was domiciled in this state for purposes of this chapter, that person is a person described in division (I)(3)(a)(iii) of this section.

(b) A trust is irrevocable to the extent that the transferor is not considered to be the owner of the net assets of the trust under sections 671 to 678 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(c) With respect to a trust other than a charitable lead trust, "qualifying beneficiary" has the same meaning as "potential current beneficiary" as defined in section 1361(e)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, and with respect to a charitable lead trust "qualifying beneficiary" is any current, future, or contingent beneficiary, but with respect to any trust "qualifying beneficiary" excludes a person or a governmental entity or instrumentality to any of which a contribution would qualify for the charitable deduction under section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(d) For the purposes of division (I)(3)(a) of this section, the extent to which a trust consists directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, of assets, net of any related liabilities, that
were transferred directly or indirectly, in whole or part, to the trust by any of the sources enumerated in that division shall be ascertained by multiplying the fair market value of the trust's assets, net of related liabilities, by the qualifying ratio, which shall be computed as follows:

(i) The first time the trust receives assets, the numerator of the qualifying ratio is the fair market value of those assets at that time, net of any related liabilities, from sources enumerated in division (I)(3)(a) of this section. The denominator of the qualifying ratio is the fair market value of all the trust's assets at that time, net of any related liabilities.

(ii) Each subsequent time the trust receives assets, a revised qualifying ratio shall be computed. The numerator of the revised qualifying ratio is the sum of (1) the fair market value of the trust's assets immediately prior to the subsequent transfer, net of any related liabilities, multiplied by the qualifying ratio last computed without regard to the subsequent transfer, and (2) the fair market value of the subsequently transferred assets at the time transferred, net of any related liabilities, from sources enumerated in division (I)(3)(a) of this section. The denominator of the revised qualifying ratio is the fair market value of all the trust's assets immediately after the subsequent transfer, net of any related liabilities.

(iii) Whether a transfer to the trust is by or from any of the sources enumerated in division (I)(3)(a) of this section shall be ascertained without regard to the domicile of the trust's beneficiaries.

(e) For the purposes of division (I)(3)(a)(i) of this section:

(i) A trust is described in division (I)(3)(e)(i) of this section if the trust is a testamentary trust and the testator of
that testamentary trust was domiciled in this state at the time of
the testator's death for purposes of the taxes levied under
Chapter 5731. of the Revised Code.

(ii) A trust is described in division (I)(3)(e)(ii) of this
section if the transfer is a qualifying transfer described in any
of divisions (I)(3)(f)(i) to (vi) of this section, the trust is an
irrevocable inter vivos trust, and at least one of the trust's
qualifying beneficiaries is domiciled in this state for purposes
of this chapter during all or some portion of the trust's current
taxable year.

(f) For the purposes of division (I)(3)(e)(ii) of this
section, a "qualifying transfer" is a transfer of assets, net of
any related liabilities, directly or indirectly to a trust, if the
transfer is described in any of the following:

(i) The transfer is made to a trust, created by the decedent
before the decedent's death and while the decedent was domiciled
in this state for the purposes of this chapter, and, prior to the
death of the decedent, the trust became irrevocable while the
decedent was domiciled in this state for the purposes of this
chapter.

(ii) The transfer is made to a trust to which the decedent,
prior to the decedent's death, had directly or indirectly
transferred assets, net of any related liabilities, while the
decedent was domiciled in this state for the purposes of this
chapter, and prior to the death of the decedent the trust became
irrevocable while the decedent was domiciled in this state for the
purposes of this chapter.

(iii) The transfer is made on account of a contractual
relationship existing directly or indirectly between the
transferor and either the decedent or the estate of the decedent
at any time prior to the date of the decedent's death, and the
decedent was domiciled in this state at the time of death for purposes of the taxes levied under Chapter 5731. of the Revised Code.

(iv) The transfer is made to a trust on account of a contractual relationship existing directly or indirectly between the transferor and another person who at the time of the decedent's death was domiciled in this state for purposes of this chapter.

(v) The transfer is made to a trust on account of the will of a testator who was domiciled in this state at the time of the testator's death for purposes of the taxes levied under Chapter 5731. of the Revised Code.

(vi) The transfer is made to a trust created by or caused to be created by a court, and the trust was directly or indirectly created in connection with or as a result of the death of an individual who, for purposes of the taxes levied under Chapter 5731. of the Revised Code, was domiciled in this state at the time of the individual's death.

(g) The tax commissioner may adopt rules to ascertain the part of a trust residing in this state.

(J) "Nonresident" means an individual or estate that is not a resident. An individual who is a resident for only part of a taxable year is a nonresident for the remainder of that taxable year.

(K) "Pass-through entity" has the same meaning as in section 5733.04 of the Revised Code.

(L) "Return" means the notifications and reports required to be filed pursuant to this chapter for the purpose of reporting the tax due and includes declarations of estimated tax when so required.
(M) "Taxable year" means the calendar year or the taxpayer's fiscal year ending during the calendar year, or fractional part thereof, upon which the adjusted gross income is calculated pursuant to this chapter.

(N) "Taxpayer" means any person subject to the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code or any pass-through entity that makes the election under division (D) of section 5747.08 of the Revised Code.

(O) "Dependents" means one of the following:

(1) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2018, and before January 1, 2026, dependents as defined in the Internal Revenue Code;

(2) For all other taxable years, dependents as defined in the Internal Revenue Code and as claimed in the taxpayer's federal income tax return for the taxable year or which the taxpayer would have been permitted to claim had the taxpayer filed a federal income tax return.

(P) "Principal county of employment" means, in the case of a nonresident, the county within the state in which a taxpayer performs services for an employer or, if those services are performed in more than one county, the county in which the major portion of the services are performed.

(Q) As used in sections 5747.50 to 5747.55 of the Revised Code:

(1) "Subdivision" means any county, municipal corporation, park district, or township.

(2) "Essential local government purposes" includes all functions that any subdivision is required by general law to exercise, including like functions that are exercised under a charter adopted pursuant to the Ohio Constitution.
(R) "Overpayment" means any amount already paid that exceeds the figure determined to be the correct amount of the tax.

(S) "Taxable income" or "Ohio taxable income" applies only to estates and trusts, and means federal taxable income, as defined and used in the Internal Revenue Code, adjusted as follows:

1. Add interest or dividends, net of ordinary, necessary, and reasonable expenses not deducted in computing federal taxable income, on obligations or securities of any state or of any political subdivision or authority of any state, other than this state and its subdivisions and authorities, but only to the extent that such net amount is not otherwise includible in Ohio taxable income and is described in either division (S)(1)(a) or (b) of this section:

   a. The net amount is not attributable to the S portion of an electing small business trust and has not been distributed to beneficiaries for the taxable year;

   b. The net amount is attributable to the S portion of an electing small business trust for the taxable year.

2. Add interest or dividends, net of ordinary, necessary, and reasonable expenses not deducted in computing federal taxable income, on obligations of any authority, commission, instrumentality, territory, or possession of the United States to the extent that the interest or dividends are exempt from federal income taxes but not from state income taxes, but only to the extent that such net amount is not otherwise includible in Ohio taxable income and is described in either division (S)(1)(a) or (b) of this section;

3. Add the amount of personal exemption allowed to the estate pursuant to section 642(b) of the Internal Revenue Code;

4. Deduct interest or dividends, net of related expenses deducted in computing federal taxable income, on obligations of
the United States and its territories and possessions or of any 
authority, commission, or instrumentality of the United States to 
the extent that the interest or dividends are exempt from state 
taxes under the laws of the United States, but only to the extent 
that such amount is included in federal taxable income and is 
described in either division (S)(1)(a) or (b) of this section; 

(5) Deduct the amount of wages and salaries, if any, not 
otherwise allowable as a deduction but that would have been 
allowable as a deduction in computing federal taxable income for 
the taxable year, had the targeted jobs work opportunity tax 
credit allowed under sections 38, 51, and 52 of the Internal 
Revenue Code not been in effect, but only to the extent such 
amount relates either to income included in federal taxable income 
for the taxable year or to income of the S portion of an electing 
small business trust for the taxable year; 

(6) Deduct any interest or interest equivalent, net of 
related expenses deducted in computing federal taxable income, on 
public obligations and purchase obligations, but only to the 
extent that such net amount relates either to income included in 
federal taxable income for the taxable year or to income of the S 
portion of an electing small business trust for the taxable year; 

(7) Add any loss or deduct any gain resulting from sale, 
exchange, or other disposition of public obligations to the extent 
that such loss has been deducted or such gain has been included in 
computing either federal taxable income or income of the S portion 
of an electing small business trust for the taxable year; 

(8) Except in the case of the final return of an estate, add 
any amount deducted by the taxpayer on both its Ohio estate tax 
return pursuant to section 5731.14 of the Revised Code, and on its 
federal income tax return in determining federal taxable income; 

(9)(a) Deduct any amount included in federal taxable income
solely because the amount represents a reimbursement or refund of expenses that in a previous year the decedent had deducted as an itemized deduction pursuant to section 63 of the Internal Revenue Code and applicable treasury regulations. The deduction otherwise allowed under division (S)(9)(a) of this section shall be reduced to the extent the reimbursement is attributable to an amount the taxpayer or decedent deducted under this section in any taxable year.

(b) Add any amount not otherwise included in Ohio taxable income for any taxable year to the extent that the amount is attributable to the recovery during the taxable year of any amount deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio taxable income in any taxable year, but only to the extent such amount has not been distributed to beneficiaries for the taxable year.

(10) Deduct any portion of the deduction described in section 1341(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, for repaying previously reported income received under a claim of right, that meets both of the following requirements:

(a) It is allowable for repayment of an item that was included in the taxpayer's taxable income or the decedent's adjusted gross income for a prior taxable year and did not qualify for a credit under division (A) or (B) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code for that year.

(b) It does not otherwise reduce the taxpayer's taxable income or the decedent's adjusted gross income for the current or any other taxable year.

(11) Add any amount claimed as a credit under section 5747.059 of the Revised Code to the extent that the amount satisfies either of the following:

(a) The amount was deducted or excluded from the computation of the taxpayer's federal taxable income as required to be
 reported for the taxpayer's taxable year under the Internal Revenue Code;

(b) The amount resulted in a reduction in the taxpayer's federal taxable income as required to be reported for any of the taxpayer's taxable years under the Internal Revenue Code.

(12) Deduct any amount, net of related expenses deducted in computing federal taxable income, that a trust is required to report as farm income on its federal income tax return, but only if the assets of the trust include at least ten acres of land satisfying the definition of "land devoted exclusively to agricultural use" under section 5713.30 of the Revised Code, regardless of whether the land is valued for tax purposes as such land under sections 5713.30 to 5713.38 of the Revised Code. If the trust is a pass-through entity investor, section 5747.231 of the Revised Code applies in ascertaining if the trust is eligible to claim the deduction provided by division (S)(12) of this section in connection with the pass-through entity's farm income.

Except for farm income attributable to the S portion of an electing small business trust, the deduction provided by division (S)(12) of this section is allowed only to the extent that the trust has not distributed such farm income.

(13) Add the net amount of income described in section 641(c) of the Internal Revenue Code to the extent that amount is not included in federal taxable income.

(14) Add or deduct the amount the taxpayer would be required to add or deduct under division (A)(17) or (18) of this section if the taxpayer's Ohio taxable income were computed in the same manner as an individual's Ohio adjusted gross income is computed under this section.

(T) "School district income" and "school district income tax" have the same meanings as in section 5748.01 of the Revised Code.
(U) As used in divisions (A)(7), (A)(8), (S)(6), and (S)(7) of this section, "public obligations," "purchase obligations," and "interest or interest equivalent" have the same meanings as in section 5709.76 of the Revised Code.

(V) "Limited liability company" means any limited liability company formed under Chapter 1705. or 1706. of the Revised Code or under the laws of any other state.

(W) "Pass-through entity investor" means any person who, during any portion of a taxable year of a pass-through entity, is a partner, member, shareholder, or equity investor in that pass-through entity.

(X) "Banking day" has the same meaning as in section 1304.01 of the Revised Code.

(Y) "Month" means a calendar month.

(Z) "Quarter" means the first three months, the second three months, the third three months, or the last three months of the taxpayer's taxable year.

(AA)(1) "Modified business income" means the business income included in a trust's Ohio taxable income after such taxable income is first reduced by the qualifying trust amount, if any.

(2) "Qualifying trust amount" of a trust means capital gains and losses from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of equity or ownership interests in, or debt obligations of, a qualifying investee to the extent included in the trust's Ohio taxable income, but only if the following requirements are satisfied:

(a) The book value of the qualifying investee's physical assets in this state and everywhere, as of the last day of the qualifying investee's fiscal or calendar year ending immediately prior to the date on which the trust recognizes the gain or loss, is available to the trust.
(b) The requirements of section 5747.011 of the Revised Code are satisfied for the trust's taxable year in which the trust recognizes the gain or loss.

Any gain or loss that is not a qualifying trust amount is modified business income, qualifying investment income, or modified nonbusiness income, as the case may be.

(3) "Modified nonbusiness income" means a trust's Ohio taxable income other than modified business income, other than the qualifying trust amount, and other than qualifying investment income, as defined in section 5747.012 of the Revised Code, to the extent such qualifying investment income is not otherwise part of modified business income.

(4) "Modified Ohio taxable income" applies only to trusts, and means the sum of the amounts described in divisions (AA)(4)(a) to (c) of this section:

(a) The fraction, calculated under section 5747.013, and applying section 5747.231 of the Revised Code, multiplied by the sum of the following amounts:

(i) The trust's modified business income;

(ii) The trust's qualifying investment income, as defined in section 5747.012 of the Revised Code, but only to the extent the qualifying investment income does not otherwise constitute modified business income and does not otherwise constitute a qualifying trust amount.

(b) The qualifying trust amount multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the sum of the book value of the qualifying investee's physical assets in this state on the last day of the qualifying investee's fiscal or calendar year ending immediately prior to the day on which the trust recognizes the qualifying trust amount, and the denominator of which is the sum of the book value of the qualifying investee's total physical assets.
everywhere on the last day of the qualifying investee's fiscal or calendar year ending immediately prior to the day on which the trust recognizes the qualifying trust amount. If, for a taxable year, the trust recognizes a qualifying trust amount with respect to more than one qualifying investee, the amount described in division (AA)(4)(b) of this section shall equal the sum of the products so computed for each such qualifying investee.

(c)(i) With respect to a trust or portion of a trust that is a resident as ascertained in accordance with division (I)(3)(d) of this section, its modified nonbusiness income.

(ii) With respect to a trust or portion of a trust that is not a resident as ascertained in accordance with division (I)(3)(d) of this section, the amount of its modified nonbusiness income satisfying the descriptions in divisions (B)(2) to (5) of section 5747.20 of the Revised Code, except as otherwise provided in division (AA)(4)(c)(ii) of this section. With respect to a trust or portion of a trust that is not a resident as ascertained in accordance with division (I)(3)(d) of this section, the trust's portion of modified nonbusiness income recognized from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of a debt interest in or equity interest in a section 5747.212 entity, as defined in section 5747.212 of the Revised Code, without regard to division (A) of that section, shall not be allocated to this state in accordance with section 5747.20 of the Revised Code but shall be apportioned to this state in accordance with division (B) of section 5747.212 of the Revised Code without regard to division (A) of that section.

If the allocation and apportionment of a trust's income under divisions (AA)(4)(a) and (c) of this section do not fairly represent the modified Ohio taxable income of the trust in this state, the alternative methods described in division (C) of section 5747.21 of the Revised Code may be applied in the manner...
and to the same extent provided in that section.

(5)(a) Except as set forth in division (AA)(5)(b) of this section, "qualifying investee" means a person in which a trust has an equity or ownership interest, or a person or unit of government the debt obligations of either of which are owned by a trust. For the purposes of division (AA)(2)(a) of this section and for the purpose of computing the fraction described in division (AA)(4)(b) of this section, all of the following apply:

(i) If the qualifying investee is a member of a qualifying controlled group on the last day of the qualifying investee's fiscal or calendar year ending immediately prior to the date on which the trust recognizes the gain or loss, then "qualifying investee" includes all persons in the qualifying controlled group on such last day.

(ii) If the qualifying investee, or if the qualifying investee and any members of the qualifying controlled group of which the qualifying investee is a member on the last day of the qualifying investee's fiscal or calendar year ending immediately prior to the date on which the trust recognizes the gain or loss, separately or cumulatively own, directly or indirectly, on the last day of the qualifying investee's fiscal or calendar year ending immediately prior to the date on which the trust recognizes the qualifying trust amount, more than fifty per cent of the equity of a pass-through entity, then the qualifying investee and the other members are deemed to own the proportionate share of the pass-through entity's physical assets which the pass-through entity directly or indirectly owns on the last day of the pass-through entity's calendar or fiscal year ending within or with the last day of the qualifying investee's fiscal or calendar year ending immediately prior to the date on which the trust recognizes the qualifying trust amount.

(iii) For the purposes of division (AA)(5)(a)(iii) of this
section, "upper level pass-through entity" means a pass-through entity directly or indirectly owning any equity of another pass-through entity, and "lower level pass-through entity" means that other pass-through entity.

An upper level pass-through entity, whether or not it is also a qualifying investee, is deemed to own, on the last day of the upper level pass-through entity's calendar or fiscal year, the proportionate share of the lower level pass-through entity's physical assets that the lower level pass-through entity directly or indirectly owns on the last day of the lower level pass-through entity's calendar or fiscal year ending within or with the last day of the upper level pass-through entity's fiscal or calendar year. If the upper level pass-through entity directly and indirectly owns less than fifty per cent of the equity of the lower level pass-through entity on each day of the upper level pass-through entity's calendar or fiscal year in which or with which ends the calendar or fiscal year of the lower level pass-through entity and if, based upon clear and convincing evidence, complete information about the location and cost of the physical assets of the lower pass-through entity is not available to the upper level pass-through entity, then solely for purposes of ascertaining if a gain or loss constitutes a qualifying trust amount, the upper level pass-through entity shall be deemed as owning no equity of the lower level pass-through entity for each day during the upper level pass-through entity's calendar or fiscal year in which or with which ends the lower level pass-through entity's calendar or fiscal year. Nothing in division (AA)(5)(a)(iii) of this section shall be construed to provide for any deduction or exclusion in computing any trust's Ohio taxable income.

(b) With respect to a trust that is not a resident for the taxable year and with respect to a part of a trust that is not a
resident for the taxable year, "qualifying investee" for that taxable year does not include a C corporation if both of the following apply:

(i) During the taxable year the trust or part of the trust recognizes a gain or loss from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of equity or ownership interests in, or debt obligations of, the C corporation.

(ii) Such gain or loss constitutes nonbusiness income.

(6) "Available" means information is such that a person is able to learn of the information by the due date plus extensions, if any, for filing the return for the taxable year in which the trust recognizes the gain or loss.

(BB) "Qualifying controlled group" has the same meaning as in section 5733.04 of the Revised Code.

(CC) "Related member" has the same meaning as in section 5733.042 of the Revised Code.

(DD)(1) For the purposes of division (DD) of this section:

(a) "Qualifying person" means any person other than a qualifying corporation.

(b) "Qualifying corporation" means any person classified for federal income tax purposes as an association taxable as a corporation, except either of the following:

(i) A corporation that has made an election under subchapter S, chapter one, subtitle A, of the Internal Revenue Code for its taxable year ending within, or on the last day of, the investor's taxable year;

(ii) A subsidiary that is wholly owned by any corporation that has made an election under subchapter S, chapter one, subtitle A of the Internal Revenue Code for its taxable year ending within, or on the last day of, the investor's taxable year.
(2) For the purposes of this chapter, unless expressly stated otherwise, no qualifying person indirectly owns any asset directly or indirectly owned by any qualifying corporation.

(EE) For purposes of this chapter and Chapter 5751. of the Revised Code:

(1) "Trust" does not include a qualified pre-income tax trust.

(2) A "qualified pre-income tax trust" is any pre-income tax trust that makes a qualifying pre-income tax trust election as described in division (EE)(3) of this section.

(3) A "qualifying pre-income tax trust election" is an election by a pre-income tax trust to subject to the tax imposed by section 5751.02 of the Revised Code the pre-income tax trust and all pass-through entities of which the trust owns or controls, directly, indirectly, or constructively through related interests, five per cent or more of the ownership or equity interests. The trustee shall notify the tax commissioner in writing of the election on or before April 15, 2006. The election, if timely made, shall be effective on and after January 1, 2006, and shall apply for all tax periods and tax years until revoked by the trustee of the trust.

(4) A "pre-income tax trust" is a trust that satisfies all of the following requirements:

(a) The document or instrument creating the trust was executed by the grantor before January 1, 1972;

(b) The trust became irrevocable upon the creation of the trust; and

(c) The grantor was domiciled in this state at the time the trust was created.

(FF) "Uniformed services" has the same meaning as in 10
(GG) "Taxable business income" means the amount by which an individual's business income that is included in federal adjusted gross income exceeds the amount of business income the individual is authorized to deduct under division (A)(31) (A)(28) of this section for the taxable year.

(HH) "Employer" does not include a franchisor with respect to the franchisor's relationship with a franchisee or an employee of a franchisee, unless the franchisor agrees to assume that role in writing or a court of competent jurisdiction determines that the franchisor exercises a type or degree of control over the franchisee or the franchisee's employees that is not customarily exercised by a franchisor for the purpose of protecting the franchisor's trademark, brand, or both. For purposes of this division, "franchisor" and "franchisee" have the same meanings as in 16 C.F.R. 436.1.

(II) "Modified adjusted gross income" means Ohio adjusted gross income plus any amount deducted under division (A)(28) of this section for the taxable year.

(JJ) "Qualifying Ohio educator" means an individual who, for a taxable year, qualifies as an eligible educator, as that term is defined in section 62 of the Internal Revenue Code, and who holds a certificate, license, or permit described in Chapter 3319. or section 3301.071 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5747.05. As used in this section, "income tax" includes both a tax on net income and a tax measured by net income.

The following credits shall be allowed against the aggregate income tax liability imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code on individuals and estates:

(A)(1) The amount of tax otherwise due under section 5747.02
of the Revised Code on such portion of the combined adjusted gross income and business income of any nonresident taxpayer that is not allocable or apportionable to this state pursuant to sections 5747.20 to 5747.23 of the Revised Code. The credit provided under this division shall not exceed the total tax due under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code.

(2) The tax commissioner may enter into an agreement with the taxing authorities of any state or of the District of Columbia that imposes an income tax to provide that compensation paid in this state to a nonresident taxpayer shall not be subject to the tax levied in section 5747.02 of the Revised Code so long as compensation paid in such other state or in the District of Columbia to a resident taxpayer shall likewise not be subject to the income tax of such other state or of the District of Columbia.

(B) The lesser of division (B)(1) or (2) of this section:

(1) The aggregate amount of tax otherwise due under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code on such portion of the combined adjusted gross income and business income of a resident taxpayer that in another state or in the District of Columbia is subjected to an income tax. The credit provided under division (B)(1) of this section shall not exceed the total tax due under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code.

(2) The amount of income tax liability to another state or the District of Columbia on the portion of the combined adjusted gross income and business income of a resident taxpayer that in another state or in the District of Columbia is subjected to an income tax. The credit provided under division (B)(2) of this section shall not exceed the total amount of tax otherwise due under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code.

(3) If the credit provided under division (B) of this section is affected by a change in either the portion of the combined
adjusted gross income and business income of a resident taxpayer
subjected to an income tax in another state or the District of Columbia or the amount of income tax liability that has been paid to another state or the District of Columbia, the taxpayer shall report the change to the tax commissioner within sixty ninety days of the change in such form as the commissioner requires.

(a) In the case of an underpayment, the report shall be accompanied by payment of any additional tax due as a result of the reduction in credit together with interest on the additional tax and is a return subject to assessment under section 5747.13 of the Revised Code solely for the purpose of assessing any additional tax due under this division, together with any applicable penalty and interest. It shall not reopen the computation of the taxpayer's tax liability under this chapter from a previously filed return no longer subject to assessment except to the extent that such liability is affected by an adjustment to the credit allowed by division (B) of this section.

(b) In the case of an overpayment, an application for refund may be filed under this division within the sixty-day ninety-day period prescribed for filing the report even if it is beyond the period prescribed in section 5747.11 of the Revised Code if it otherwise conforms to the requirements of such section. An application filed under this division shall only claim refund of overpayments resulting from an adjustment to the credit allowed by division (B) of this section unless it is also filed within the time prescribed in section 5747.11 of the Revised Code. It shall not reopen the computation of the taxpayer's tax liability except to the extent that such liability is affected by an adjustment to the credit allowed by division (B) of this section.

(4) No credit shall be allowed under division (B) of this section:

(a) For income tax paid or accrued to another state or to the
District of Columbia if the taxpayer, when computing federal
adjusted gross income, has directly or indirectly deducted, or was
required to directly or indirectly deduct, the amount of that
income tax;

(b) For compensation that is not subject to the income tax of
another state or the District of Columbia as the result of an
agreement entered into by the tax commissioner under division
(A)(3) of this section; or

(c) For income tax paid or accrued to another state or the
District of Columbia if the taxpayer fails to furnish such proof
as the tax commissioner shall require that such income tax
liability has been paid.

(C) An individual who is a resident for part of a taxable
year and a nonresident for the remainder of the taxable year is
allowed the credits under divisions (A) and (B) of this section in
accordance with rules prescribed by the tax commissioner. In no
event shall the same income be subject to both credits.

(D) The credit allowed under division (A) of this section
shall be calculated based upon the amount of tax due under section
5747.02 of the Revised Code after subtracting any other credits
that precede the credit under that division in the order required
under section 5747.98 of the Revised Code. The credit allowed
under division (B) of this section shall be calculated based upon
the amount of tax due under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code
after subtracting any other credits that precede the credit under
that division in the order required under section 5747.98 of the
Revised Code.

(E)(1) On a joint return filed by a husband and wife, each of
whom had adjusted gross income of at least five hundred dollars,
exclusive of interest, dividends and distributions, royalties,
rent, and capital gains, a credit equal to the lesser of six
hundred fifty dollars or the percentage shown in column B that corresponds with the taxpayer's modified adjusted gross income, less exemptions for the taxable year, of the total amount of tax due after allowing for any other credit that precedes this credit as required under section 5747.98 of the Revised Code:

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(2) The credit shall be claimed in the order required under section 5747.98 of the Revised Code.

(F) No claim for credit under this section shall be allowed unless the claimant furnishes such supporting information as the tax commissioner prescribes by rules.

Sec. 5747.08. An annual return with respect to the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code and each tax imposed under Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code shall be made by every taxpayer for any taxable year for which the taxpayer is liable for the tax imposed by that section or under that chapter, unless the total credits allowed under division (E) of section 5747.05 and divisions (F) and (G) of section 5747.055 of the Revised Code for the year are equal to or exceed the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code, in which case no return shall be required unless the taxpayer is liable for a tax imposed pursuant to Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code.
(A) If an individual is deceased, any return or notice required of that individual under this chapter shall be made and filed by that decedent's executor, administrator, or other person charged with the property of that decedent.

(B) If an individual is unable to make a return or notice required by this chapter, the return or notice required of that individual shall be made and filed by the individual's duly authorized agent, guardian, conservator, fiduciary, or other person charged with the care of the person or property of that individual.

(C) Returns or notices required of an estate or a trust shall be made and filed by the fiduciary of the estate or trust.

(D)(1)(a) Except as otherwise provided in division (D)(1)(b) of this section, any pass-through entity may file a single return on behalf of one or more of the entity's investors other than an investor that is a person subject to the tax imposed under section 5733.06 of the Revised Code. The single return shall set forth the name, address, and social security number or other identifying number of each of those pass-through entity investors and shall indicate the distributive share of each of those pass-through entity investor's income taxable in this state in accordance with sections 5747.20 to 5747.231 of the Revised Code. Such pass-through entity investors for whom the pass-through entity elects to file a single return are not entitled to the exemption or credit provided for by sections 5747.02 and 5747.022 of the Revised Code; shall calculate the tax before business credits at the highest rate of tax set forth in section 5747.02 of the Revised Code for the taxable year for which the return is filed; and are entitled to only their distributive share of the business credits as defined in division (D)(2) of this section. A single check drawn by the pass-through entity shall accompany the return in full payment of the tax due, as shown on the single return, for
such investors, other than investors who are persons subject to the tax imposed under section 5733.06 of the Revised Code.

(b)(i) A pass-through entity shall not include in such a single return any investor that is a trust to the extent that any direct or indirect current, future, or contingent beneficiary of the trust is a person subject to the tax imposed under section 5733.06 of the Revised Code.

(ii) A pass-through entity shall not include in such a single return any investor that is itself a pass-through entity to the extent that any direct or indirect investor in the second pass-through entity is a person subject to the tax imposed under section 5733.06 of the Revised Code.

(c) Nothing in division (D) of this section precludes the tax commissioner from requiring such investors to file the return and make the payment of taxes and related interest, penalty, and interest penalty required by this section or section 5747.02, 5747.09, or 5747.15 of the Revised Code. Nothing in division (D) of this section precludes such an investor from filing the annual return under this section, utilizing the refundable credit equal to the investor's proportionate share of the tax paid by the pass-through entity on behalf of the investor under division (I) of this section, and making the payment of taxes imposed under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code. Nothing in division (D) of this section shall be construed to provide to such an investor or pass-through entity any additional deduction or credit, other than the credit provided by division (I) of this section, solely on account of the entity's filing a return in accordance with this section. Such a pass-through entity also shall make the filing and payment of estimated taxes on behalf of the pass-through entity investors other than an investor that is a person subject to the tax imposed under section 5733.06 of the Revised Code.

(2) For the purposes of this section, "business credits"
means the credits listed in section 5747.98 of the Revised Code excluding the following credits:

(a) The retirement income credit under division (B) of section 5747.055 of the Revised Code;

(b) The senior citizen credit under division (F) of section 5747.055 of the Revised Code;

(c) The lump sum distribution credit under division (G) of section 5747.055 of the Revised Code;

(d) The dependent care credit under section 5747.054 of the Revised Code;

(e) The lump sum retirement income credit under division (C) of section 5747.055 of the Revised Code;

(f) The lump sum retirement income credit under division (D) of section 5747.055 of the Revised Code;

(g) The lump sum retirement income credit under division (E) of section 5747.055 of the Revised Code;

(h) The credit for displaced workers who pay for job training under section 5747.27 of the Revised Code;

(i) The twenty-dollar personal exemption credit under section 5747.022 of the Revised Code;

(j) The joint filing credit under division (E) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code;

(k) The nonresident credit under division (A) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code;

(l) The credit for a resident's out-of-state income under division (B) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code;

(m) The earned income tax credit under section 5747.71 of the Revised Code;

(n) The lead abatement credit under section 5747.26 of the Revised Code;
(3) The election provided for under division (D) of this section applies only to the taxable year for which the election is made by the pass-through entity. Unless the tax commissioner provides otherwise, this election, once made, is binding and irrevocable for the taxable year for which the election is made. Nothing in this division shall be construed to provide for any deduction or credit that would not be allowable if a nonresident pass-through entity investor were to file an annual return.

(4) If a pass-through entity makes the election provided for under division (D) of this section, the pass-through entity shall be liable for any additional taxes, interest, interest penalty, or penalties imposed by this chapter if the tax commissioner finds that the single return does not reflect the correct tax due by the pass-through entity investors covered by that return. Nothing in this division shall be construed to limit or alter the liability, if any, imposed on pass-through entity investors for unpaid or underpaid taxes, interest, interest penalty, or penalties as a result of the pass-through entity's making the election provided for under division (D) of this section. For the purposes of division (D) of this section, "correct tax due" means the tax that would have been paid by the pass-through entity had the single return been filed in a manner reflecting the commissioner's findings. Nothing in division (D) of this section shall be construed to make or hold a pass-through entity liable for tax attributable to a pass-through entity investor's income from a source other than the pass-through entity electing to file the single return.

(E) If a husband and wife file a joint federal income tax return for a taxable year, they shall file a joint return under this section for that taxable year, and their liabilities are joint and several, but, if the federal income tax liability of
either spouse is determined on a separate federal income tax return, they shall file separate returns under this section.

If either spouse is not required to file a federal income tax return and either or both are required to file a return pursuant to this chapter, they may elect to file separate or joint returns, and, pursuant to that election, their liabilities are separate or joint and several. If a husband and wife file separate returns pursuant to this chapter, each must claim the taxpayer's own exemption, but not both, as authorized under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code on the taxpayer's own return.

(F) Each return or notice required to be filed under this section shall contain the signature of the taxpayer or the taxpayer's duly authorized agent and of the person who prepared the return for the taxpayer, and shall include the taxpayer's social security number. Each return shall be verified by a declaration under the penalties of perjury. The tax commissioner shall prescribe the form that the signature and declaration shall take.

(G) Each return or notice required to be filed under this section shall be made and filed as required by section 5747.04 of the Revised Code, on or before the fifteenth day of April of each year, on forms that the tax commissioner shall prescribe, together with remittance made payable to the treasurer of state in the combined amount of the state and all school district income taxes shown to be due on the form.

Upon good cause shown, the commissioner may extend the period for filing any notice or return required to be filed under this section and may adopt rules relating to extensions. If the extension results in an extension of time for the payment of any state or school district income tax liability with respect to which the return is filed, the taxpayer shall pay at the time the tax liability is paid an amount of interest computed at the rate
per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code on
that liability from the time that payment is due without extension
to the time of actual payment. Except as provided in section
5747.132 of the Revised Code, in addition to all other interest
charges and penalties, all taxes imposed under this chapter or
Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code and remaining unpaid after they
become due, except combined amounts due of one dollar or less,
bear interest at the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47
of the Revised Code until paid or until the day an assessment is
issued under section 5747.13 of the Revised Code, whichever occurs
first.

If the commissioner considers it necessary in order to ensure
the payment of the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised
Code or any tax imposed under Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code,
the commissioner may require returns and payments to be made
otherwise than as provided in this section.

To the extent that any provision in this division conflicts
with any provision in section 5747.026 of the Revised Code, the
provision in that section prevails.

(H) The amounts withheld by an employer pursuant to section
5747.06 of the Revised Code, a casino operator pursuant to
section, 5747.062, 5747.063 of the Revised Code, or a lottery
sales agent pursuant to section, 5747.064, or 5747.071 of the
Revised Code shall be allowed to the ultimate recipient of the
compensation, casino winnings, or lottery prize award income as
credits against payment of the appropriate taxes imposed on the
ultimate recipient by section 5747.02 and under Chapter 5748. of
the Revised Code. As used in this division, "ultimate recipient"
means the person who is required to report income from which
amounts are withheld pursuant to section 5747.06, 5747.062,
5747.063, 5747.064, or 5747.071 of the Revised Code on the annual
return required to be filed under this section.
(I) If a pass-through entity elects to file a single return under division (D) of this section and if any investor is required to file the annual return and make the payment of taxes required by this chapter on account of the investor's other income that is not included in a single return filed by a pass-through entity or any other investor elects to file the annual return, the investor is entitled to a refundable credit equal to the investor's proportionate share of the tax paid by the pass-through entity on behalf of the investor. The investor shall claim the credit for the investor's taxable year in which or with which ends the taxable year of the pass-through entity. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to allow any credit provided in this chapter to be claimed more than once. For the purpose of computing any interest, penalty, or interest penalty, the investor shall be deemed to have paid the refundable credit provided by this division on the day that the pass-through entity paid the estimated tax or the tax giving rise to the credit.

(J) The tax commissioner shall ensure that each return required to be filed under this section includes a box that the taxpayer may check to authorize a paid tax preparer who prepared the return to communicate with the department of taxation about matters pertaining to the return. The return or instructions accompanying the return shall indicate that by checking the box the taxpayer authorizes the department of taxation to contact the preparer concerning questions that arise during the processing of the return and authorizes the preparer only to provide the department with information that is missing from the return, to contact the department for information about the processing of the return or the status of the taxpayer's refund or payments, and to respond to notices about mathematical errors, offsets, or return preparation that the taxpayer has received from the department and has shown to the preparer.
(K) The tax commissioner shall permit individual taxpayers to instruct the department of taxation to cause any refund of overpaid taxes to be deposited directly into a checking account, savings account, or an individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity, or preexisting college savings plan or program account offered by the Ohio tuition trust authority under Chapter 3334. of the Revised Code, as designated by the taxpayer, when the taxpayer files the annual return required by this section electronically.

(L) A taxpayer claiming the deduction under division (A)(31) of section 5747.01 of the Revised Code for a taxable year shall indicate on the taxpayer's return the north American industry classification system code of each business or professional activity from which the taxpayer's business income was derived. The tax commissioner shall provide space on the return for this purpose and shall prescribe, by rule adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the manner by which such a taxpayer shall determine the taxpayer's proper classification codes and business or professional activities from which the taxpayer derives business income.

(M) The tax commissioner may adopt rules to administer this section.

Sec. 5747.10. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Audited partnership" means a partnership subject to an examination by the internal revenue service pursuant to subchapter C, chapter 63, subtitle F of the Internal Revenue Code resulting in a federal adjustment.

(2)(a) "Direct investor" means a partner or other investor that holds a direct interest in a pass-through entity.

(b) "Indirect investor" means a partner or other investor
that holds an interest in a pass-through entity that itself holds an interest, directly or through another indirect partner or other investor, in a pass-through entity.

(3) "Exempt partner" means a partner that is neither a pass-through entity nor a person subject to the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Federal adjustment" means a change to an item or amount required to be determined under the Internal Revenue Code that directly or indirectly affects a taxpayer's aggregate tax liability under section 5747.02 or Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code and that results from an action or examination by the internal revenue service, or from the filing of an amended federal tax return, a claim for a federal tax refund, or an administrative adjustment request filed by a partnership under section 6227 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(5) "Federal adjustments return" means the form or other document prescribed by the tax commissioner for use by a taxpayer in reporting final federal adjustments.

(6) "State partnership representative" means either of the following:

(a) The person who served as the partnership's representative for federal income tax purposes, pursuant to section 6223(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, during the corresponding federal partnership audit;

(b) The person designated, on a form prescribed by the tax commissioner, to serve as the partnership's representative during the state partnership audit. The commissioner may establish reasonable qualifications and procedures for a person to be designated as a state partnership representative under this division.

(7) A federal adjustment is "final" or "agreed to or finally
determined for federal income tax purposes" on any of the following:

(a) The day after which the period for appeal of a federal assessment has expired;

(b) The date on a refund check issued by the internal revenue service; or

(c) For agreements required to be signed by the internal revenue service and the taxpayer or audited partnership, the date on which the last party signed the agreement.

(B)(1) If any of the facts, figures, computations, or attachments required in a taxpayer's annual return to determine the tax charged by this chapter or Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code must be altered as the result of a final federal adjustment, and the federal adjustment is not required to be reported under division (C) of this section, the taxpayer shall file an amended return with the tax commissioner in such form as the commissioner requires. The amended return shall be filed not later than ninety days after the federal adjustment has been agreed to or finally determined for federal income tax purposes.

(2) "One hundred eighty" shall be substituted for "ninety" in divisions (B)(1) and (E)(1) of this section if, for any taxable year, the final federal adjustment results from taxes paid by the taxpayer on an amount described in division (A)(34) of section 5747.01 of the Revised Code.

(C) Except for adjustments required to be reported for federal purposes pursuant to section 6225(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code and adjustments that are taken into account on a federal amended return or similar report filed pursuant to section 6225(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, partnerships and partners shall report final federal adjustments and make payments as required under division (C) of this section.
(1) With respect to an action required or permitted to be taken by a partnership under this section, and any petition for reassessment or appeal to the board of tax appeals or any court with respect to such an action, the state partnership representative shall have the sole authority to act on behalf of the audited partnership, and the partnership's direct and indirect investors shall be bound by those actions.

(2) Unless an audited partnership makes the election under division (C)(3) of this section:

(a) The audited partnership, through its state partnership representative, shall do all of the following within ninety days after the federal adjustment is final:

(i) File a federal adjustments return with the tax commissioner, including a copy of the notifications provided under division (C)(2)(a)(ii) of this section;

(ii) Notify each of its direct investors, on a form prescribed by the commissioner, of the investor's distributive share of the final federal adjustments;

(iii) File an amended tax return on behalf of its nonresident direct investors and pay any additional tax that would have been due under sections 5733.41 and 5747.41, or division (D) of section 5747.08, of the Revised Code with respect to those direct investors had the final federal adjustments been reported properly on the original filing.

(b) Each direct investor that is subject to the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code shall file an original or amended tax return to include the investor's distributive share of the adjustments reported to the direct investor under division (C)(2)(a) of this section, and pay any additional tax due, within ninety days after the audited partnership files its federal adjustments return with the commissioner.
(c)(i) Each direct and indirect investor of an audited partnership that is a pass-through entity and all investors in such a pass-through entity that are subject to the filing and payment requirements of Chapters 5733. and 5747. of the Revised Code are subject to the reporting and payment requirements of division (C)(2) or, upon a timely election, division (C)(3) of this section.

(ii) Such direct and indirect investors shall make the required returns and payments within ninety days after the deadline for filing and furnishing statements under section 6226(b)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code and applicable treasury regulations.

(3) If an audited partnership makes the election under this division, the audited partnership, through its state partnership representative, shall do all of the following within ninety days after all federal adjustments are final:

(a) File a federal adjustments return with the tax commissioner indicating the partnership has made the election under division (C)(3) of this section;

(b) Pay the amount of combined additional tax due under division (D)(2) of this section, calculated by multiplying the highest rate of tax set forth in section 5747.02 of the Revised Code by the sum of the following:

(i) The distributive shares of the final federal adjustments that are allocable or apportionable to this state of each investor who is a nonresident taxpayer or pass-through entity;

(ii) The distributive share of the final federal adjustments for each investor who is a resident taxpayer.

(c) Notify each of its direct investors, on a form prescribed by the commissioner, of the investor's distributive share of the final federal adjustments and the amount paid on their behalf.
pursuant to division (C)(3)(b) of this section.

(4) (a) A direct investor of an audited partnership is not required to file an amended return or pay tax otherwise due under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code if the audited partnership properly reports and pays the tax under division (C)(3) of this section.

(b)(i) Nothing in division (C) of this section precludes a direct or indirect investor in the audited partnership from filing a return to report the investor's share of the final federal adjustments. Such an investor who files a return and reports the income related to the final federal adjustments is entitled to a refundable credit for taxes paid by the audited partnership under division (C)(3)(b) of this section. The credit shall be computed and claimed in the same manner as the credit allowed under division (I) of section 5747.08 of the Revised Code.

(ii) Notwithstanding division (C)(4)(b)(i) of this section, an exempt partner, whether a direct or indirect investor, may file an application for refund of its proportionate share of the amounts erroneously paid by the audited partnership pursuant to division (C)(3)(b) of this section on the exempt partner's behalf.

(5) Upon request by an audited partnership, the tax commissioner may agree, in writing, to allow an alternative method of reporting and payment than required by divisions (C)(2) or (3) of this section. The request must be submitted to the commissioner in writing before the applicable deadline for filing a return under division (C)(2)(a) or (3) of this section. The commissioner's decision on whether to enter into an agreement under this division is not subject to further administrative review or appeal.

(6) Nothing in division (C) of this section precludes either of the following:
(a) A resident taxpayer from filing a return to claim the credit under division (B) of section 5747.05 or division (D)(2) of section 5747.02 of the Revised Code based upon any amounts paid by the audited partnership on such investor's behalf to another state.

(b) The tax commissioner from issuing an assessment under this chapter against any direct or indirect investor for taxes due from the investor if an audited partnership, or direct and indirect investor of an audited partnership that is a pass-through entity, fails to timely file any return or remit any payment required by this section or underreports income or underpays tax on behalf of an indirect investor who is a resident taxpayer.

(D) In the case of an underpayment, and unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the tax commissioner:

(1) The taxpayer's amended return shall be accompanied by payment of any combined additional tax due together with interest thereon. An amended return required by this section is a return subject to assessment under section 5747.13 of the Revised Code for the purpose of assessing any additional tax due under this section, together with any applicable penalty and interest. It shall not reopen those facts, figures, computations, or attachments from a previously filed return no longer subject to assessment that are not affected, either directly or indirectly, by the final federal adjustment to the taxpayer's federal income tax return.

(2) The audited partnership's federal adjustments return shall be accompanied by payment of any combined additional tax due together with interest thereon. The federal adjustments return required by this section is a return subject to assessment under section 5747.13 of the Revised Code for the purpose of assessing any additional tax due under this section, together with any applicable penalty and interest. It shall not reopen those facts,
figures, computations, or attachments from a previously filed return no longer subject to assessment that are not affected, either directly or indirectly, by the final federal adjustment.

(3) The tax commissioner may accept estimated payments of the tax arising from pending federal adjustments before the date for filing a federal adjustments return. The commissioner may adopt rules for the payment of such estimated taxes.

(E) In the case of an overpayment, and unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the tax commissioner:

(1) A taxpayer may file an application for refund under this division within the ninety-day period prescribed for filing the amended return even if it is filed beyond the period prescribed in section 5747.11 of the Revised Code if it otherwise conforms to the requirements of such section. An application filed under this division shall claim refund of overpayments resulting from alterations to only those facts, figures, computations, or attachments required in the taxpayer's annual return that are affected, either directly or indirectly, by the final federal adjustment to the taxpayer's federal income tax return unless it is also filed within the time prescribed in section 5747.11 of the Revised Code. It shall not reopen those facts, figures, computations, or attachments that are not affected, either directly or indirectly, by the adjustment to the taxpayer's federal income tax return.

(2)(a) Except as otherwise provided in division (E)(2)(b) of this section, an audited partnership may file an application for a refund under this division within the ninety-day period prescribed for filing the federal adjustments return, even if it is filed beyond the period prescribed by section 5747.11 of the Revised Code, if it otherwise conforms to the requirements of that section. An application filed under this division may claim a refund of overpayments resulting only from final federal
adjustments unless it is also filed within the time prescribed by
section 5747.11 of the Revised Code. It shall not reopen those
facts, figures, computations, or attachments that are not
affected, either directly or indirectly, by the federal
adjustment.

(b) An audited partnership may not file an application for
refund under division (E) of this section based on final federal
adjustments described in section 6225(a)(2) of the Internal
Revenue Code.

(3) Any refund granted to a pass-through entity filing an
application for refund under division (E) of this section shall be
reduced by amounts previously claimed as a credit under section
5747.059 or division (I) of section 5747.08 of the Revised Code by
the pass-through entity's direct or indirect investors.

(F) Excluding the deadline in division (C)(2)(c)(ii) of this
section, an audited partnership, or a direct or indirect investor
of an audited partnership that is a pass-through entity, may
automatically extend the deadline for reporting, payments, and
refunds under this section by sixty days if the entity has ten
thousand or more direct investors and notifies the commissioner of
such extension, in writing, before the unextended deadline.

Sec. 5751.015. For the purposes of determining the persons
included in consolidated elected taxpayer and combined taxpayer
groups under sections 5751.011 and 5751.012 of the Revised Code,
and the person that is the common owner that owns or controls,
directly or constructively through related interests, the
percentage of the value of the ownership interest of one or more
other persons required by those sections, the following apply:

(A) Except as provided in division (B) of this section, the
value of the ownership interest of a person shall be determined as
follows:
(1) In the case of a corporation, the value is calculated with respect to only those classes of stock having voting rights. Interests held in a corporation are attributable to a shareholder in the corporation based on the percentage of total value of the voting equity interests in the corporation owned and controlled by that shareholder.

(2) In the case of a partnership, limited liability company, business trust, unincorporated business interest, or other entity with membership interests or beneficial interests, the value is calculated with respect to the fair market value of the voting interest in the entity.

(3) In the case of a limited partnership, the value is calculated with respect to only the general partnership interests in the entity.

(4) In the case of two or more persons having an interest in an unincorporated business, including but not limited to rental property, where there is no formal partnership agreement between the persons, an implied partnership is deemed to exist. One implied partnership exists for all such commonly owned and controlled interests of the unincorporated business. The implied partnership is a separate entity for purposes of the tax imposed by this chapter and the ownership interests are determined as follows:

(a) If the owners file an internal revenue service form 1065, the ownership interests are based on the capital account contributions reported in tax filings as of the end of the previous calendar year.

(b) If the owners are not required to file an internal revenue service form 1065, and the business has an interest in rental property, the common ownership is based on the deed to the rental property. If two persons are listed on the deed, each of
those persons are considered to own and control fifty per cent of
the property. The burden is on those persons to prove an alternate
ownership structure.

(c) If divisions (A)(4)(a) and (b) of this section do not
apply, the common ownership of the implied partnership is based on
the number of persons in the group. The burden is on those persons
to prove an alternate ownership structure.

(B) With respect to trusts, a common owner shall be
determined as follows:

(1) In the case of a trust to which section 677 of the
Internal Revenue Code applies, the grantor is the common owner of
the trust.

(2) In the case of a trust to which section 678 of the
Internal Revenue Code applies, the person, other than the trust,
described in section 678 of the Internal Revenue Code is the
common owner of the trust.

(3) In the case of a trust treated as a corporation for
federal income tax purposes, including but not limited to real
estate investment trusts and business trusts, the beneficiaries of
the trust shall be treated as shareholders of a corporation and
division (A)(1) of this section applies.

(4) In the case of any other trust, there is no common owner.

Sec. 5751.03. (A) Except as provided in division (B) of this
section, the tax levied under this section for each tax period
shall be the product of two and six-tenths mills per dollar times
the remainder of the taxpayer's taxable gross receipts for the tax
period after subtracting the exclusion amount provided for in
division (C) of this section.

(B) Notwithstanding division (C) of this section, the tax on
the first one million dollars in taxable gross receipts each
calendar year shall be calculated as follows:

1. For taxpayers with annual taxable gross receipts of one million dollars or less for the immediately preceding calendar year, one hundred fifty dollars;

2. For taxpayers with annual taxable gross receipts greater than one million dollars, but less than or equal to two million dollars for the immediately preceding calendar year, eight hundred dollars;

3. For taxpayers with annual taxable gross receipts greater than two million dollars, but less than or equal to four million dollars for the immediately preceding calendar year, two thousand one hundred dollars;

4. For taxpayers with annual taxable gross receipts greater than four million dollars for the immediately preceding calendar year, two thousand six hundred dollars.

The tax imposed under division (B)(1) of this section shall be paid not later than the tenth day of May of each year along with the annual tax return. The tax imposed under divisions (B)(2), (3), and (4) of this section shall be paid not later than the tenth day of May of each year along with the first quarter tax return.

(C)(1) Each taxpayer may exclude the first one million dollars of taxable gross receipts for a calendar year. Calendar quarter taxpayers shall apply the full exclusion amount to the first calendar quarter return the taxpayer files that calendar year and may carry forward and apply any unused exclusion amount to subsequent calendar quarters within that same calendar year.

(2) A taxpayer switching from a calendar year tax period to a calendar quarter tax period may, for the first quarter of the change, apply the full one-million-dollar exclusion amount to the first calendar quarter return the taxpayer files that calendar
year. Such taxpayers may carry forward and apply any unused exclusion amount to subsequent calendar quarters within that same calendar year. The tax rate shall be based on the rate imposed that calendar quarter when the taxpayer switches from a calendar year to a calendar quarter tax period.

(3) A taxpayer shall not exclude more than one million dollars pursuant to division (C) of this section in a calendar year.

Sec. 5751.40. (A) As used in this section and division (F)(2)(z) of section 5751.01 of the Revised Code:

(1) "Qualifying distribution center receipts" means receipts of a supplier from qualified property that is delivered to a qualified distribution center, multiplied by a quantity that equals one minus the Ohio delivery percentage. If the qualified distribution center is a refining facility, "supplier" includes all dealers, brokers, processors, sellers, vendors, cosigners, and distributors of qualified property.

(2) "Qualified property" means tangible personal property delivered to a qualified distribution center that is shipped to that qualified distribution center solely for further shipping by the qualified distribution center to another location in this state or elsewhere or, in the case of gold, silver, platinum, or palladium delivered to a refining facility solely for refining to a grade and fineness acceptable for delivery to a registered commodities exchange. "Further shipping" includes storing and repackaging property into smaller or larger bundles, so long as the property is not subject to further manufacturing or processing. "Refining" is limited to extracting impurities from gold, silver, platinum, or palladium through smelting or some other process at a refining facility.

(3) "Qualified distribution center" means a warehouse, a
facility similar to a warehouse, or a refining facility in this state that, for the qualifying year, is operated by a person that is not part of a combined taxpayer group and that has a qualifying certificate. All warehouses or facilities similar to warehouses that are operated by persons in the same taxpayer group and that are located within one mile of each other shall be treated as one qualified distribution center. All refining facilities that are operated by persons in the same taxpayer group and that are located in the same or adjacent counties may be treated as one qualified distribution center.

(4) "Qualifying year" means the calendar year to which the qualifying certificate applies.

(5) "Qualifying period" means the period of the first day of July of the second year preceding the qualifying year through the thirtieth day of June of the year preceding the qualifying year.

(6) "Qualifying certificate" means the certificate issued by the tax commissioner after the operator of a distribution center files an annual application with the commissioner under division (B) of this section.

(7) "Ohio delivery percentage" means the proportion of the total property delivered to a destination inside Ohio from the qualified distribution center during the qualifying period compared with total deliveries from such distribution center everywhere during the qualifying period.

(8) "Refining facility" means one or more buildings located in a county in the Appalachian region of this state as defined by section 107.21 of the Revised Code and utilized for refining or smelting gold, silver, platinum, or palladium to a grade and fineness acceptable for delivery to a registered commodities exchange.

(9) "Registered commodities exchange" means a board of trade,
such as New York mercantile exchange, inc. or commodity exchange, inc., designated as a contract market by the commodity futures trading commission under the "Commodity Exchange Act," 7 U.S.C. 1 et seq., as amended.

(10) "Ineligible operator's supplier tax liability" means an amount equal to the tax liability of all suppliers of a distribution center had the distribution center not been issued a qualifying certificate for the qualifying year. Ineligible operator's supplier tax liability shall not include interest or penalties.

(B) For purposes of division (B) of this section, "supplier" excludes any person that is part of the consolidated elected taxpayer group, if applicable, of the operator of the qualified distribution center.

(1) An application for a qualifying certificate to be a qualified distribution center shall be filed, and an annual fee paid, for each qualified distribution center on or before the first day of September before the qualifying year or within forty-five days after the distribution center opens, whichever is later. The applicant must substantiate to the commissioner's satisfaction that, for the qualifying period, all persons operating the distribution center have more than fifty per cent of the cost of the qualified property shipped to a location such that it would be sitused outside this state under the provisions of division (E) of section 5751.033 of the Revised Code. The applicant must also substantiate that the distribution center cumulatively had costs from its suppliers equal to or exceeding five hundred million dollars during the qualifying period.

The commissioner may require an applicant to have an independent certified public accountant certify that the calculation of the minimum thresholds required for a qualified distribution center by the operator of a distribution center has
been made in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The commissioner shall issue or deny the issuance of a certificate within sixty days after the receipt of the application. A denial is subject to appeal under section 5717.02 of the Revised Code. If the operator files a timely appeal under section 5717.02 of the Revised Code, the operator shall be granted a qualifying certificate effective for the remainder of the qualifying year or until the appeal is finalized, whichever is earlier. If the operator does not prevail in the appeal, the operator shall pay the ineligible operator's supplier tax liability.

(2) If the distribution center is new and was not open for the entire qualifying period, the operator of the distribution center may request that the commissioner grant a qualifying certificate. If the certificate is granted and it is later determined that more than fifty per cent of the qualified property during that year was not shipped to a location such that it would be sitused outside of this state under the provisions of division (E) of section 5751.033 of the Revised Code or if it is later determined that the person that operates the distribution center had average monthly costs from its suppliers of less than forty million dollars during that year, then the operator of the distribution center shall pay the ineligible operator's supplier tax liability.

(3) The commissioner may grant a qualifying certificate to a distribution center that does not qualify as a qualified distribution center for an entire qualifying period if the operator of the distribution center demonstrates that the business operations of the distribution center have changed or will change such that the distribution center will qualify as a qualified distribution center within thirty-six months after the date the operator first applies for a certificate. If, at the end of that
thirty-six-month period, the business operations of the distribution center have not changed such that the distribution center qualifies as a qualified distribution center, the operator of the distribution center shall pay the ineligible operator's supplier tax liability for each year that the distribution center received a certificate but did not qualify as a qualified distribution center. For each year the distribution center receives a certificate under division (B)(3) of this section, the distribution center shall pay all applicable fees required under this section and shall submit an updated business plan showing the progress the distribution center made toward qualifying as a qualified distribution center during the preceding year.

(4) An operator may appeal a determination under division (B)(1), (B)(2), or (2)(3) of this section that the ineligible operator is liable for the operator's supplier tax liability as a result of not qualifying as a qualified distribution center, as provided in section 5717.02 of the Revised Code.

(C)(1) When filing an application for a qualifying certificate under division (B)(1) of this section, the operator of a qualified distribution center also shall provide documentation, as the commissioner requires, for the commissioner to ascertain the Ohio delivery percentage. The commissioner, upon issuing the qualifying certificate, also shall certify the Ohio delivery percentage. The operator of the qualified distribution center may appeal the commissioner's certification of the Ohio delivery percentage in the same manner as an appeal is taken from the denial of a qualifying certificate under division (B)(1) of this section.

(2) In the case where the distribution center is new and not open for the entire qualifying period, the operator shall make a good faith estimate of an Ohio delivery percentage for use by suppliers in their reports of taxable gross receipts for the
remainder of the qualifying period. The operator of the facility shall disclose to the suppliers that such Ohio delivery percentage is an estimate and is subject to recalculation. By the due date of the next application for a qualifying certificate, the operator shall determine the actual Ohio delivery percentage for the estimated qualifying period and proceed as provided in division (C)(1) of this section with respect to the calculation and recalculation of the Ohio delivery percentage. The supplier is required to file, within sixty days after receiving notice from the operator of the qualified distribution center, amended reports for the impacted calendar quarter or quarters or calendar year, whichever the case may be. Any additional tax liability or tax overpayment shall be subject to interest but shall not be subject to the imposition of any penalty so long as the amended returns are timely filed.

(3) The operator of a distribution center that receives a qualifying certificate under division (B)(3) of this section shall make a good faith estimate of the Ohio delivery percentage that the operator estimates will apply to the distribution center at the end of the thirty-six-month period after the operator first applied for a qualifying certificate under that division. The result of the estimate shall be multiplied by a factor of one and seventy-five one-hundredths. The product of that calculation shall be the Ohio delivery percentage used by suppliers in their reports of taxable gross receipts for each qualifying year that the distribution center receives a qualifying certificate under division (B)(3) of this section, except that, if the product is less than five per cent, the Ohio delivery percentage used shall be five per cent and that, if the product exceeds forty-nine per cent, the Ohio delivery percentage used shall be forty-nine per cent.

(D) Qualifying certificates and Ohio delivery percentages
issued by the commissioner shall be open to public inspection and shall be timely published by the commissioner. A supplier relying in good faith on a certificate issued under this section shall not be subject to tax on the qualifying distribution center receipts under this section and division (F)(2)(z) of section 5751.01 of the Revised Code. An operator receiving a qualifying certificate is liable for the ineligible operator's supplier tax liability for each year the operator received a certificate but did not qualify as a qualified distribution center.

(E) The tax commissioner shall determine an ineligible operator's supplier tax liability based on information that the commissioner may request from the operator of the distribution center. An operator shall provide a list of all suppliers of the distribution center and the corresponding costs of qualified property for the qualifying year at issue within sixty days of a request by the commissioner under this division.

(F) The annual fee for a qualifying certificate shall be one hundred thousand dollars for each qualified distribution center. If a qualifying certificate is not issued, the annual fee is subject to refund after the exhaustion of all appeals provided for in division (B)(1) of this section. The first one hundred thousand dollars of the annual application fees collected each calendar year shall be credited to the revenue enhancement fund. The remainder of the annual application fees collected shall be distributed in the same manner required under section 5751.20 of the Revised Code.

(G) The tax commissioner may require that adequate security be posted by the operator of the distribution center on appeal when the commissioner disagrees that the applicant has met the minimum thresholds for a qualified distribution center as set forth in this section.
Sec. 6109.10. (A)(1) As used in this section, (A) The director of environmental protection shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code establishing a definition of "lead free" means:

(a) Containing not more than two-tenths of one per cent lead when used with respect to solders or flux;

(b) Containing not more than a weighted average of twenty-five-hundredths per cent lead when used with respect to wetted surfaces of pipes, pipe fittings, or plumbing fittings or fixtures.

(2) For purposes of this section, the weighted average lead content of a pipe, pipe fitting, or plumbing fitting or fixture shall be calculated by using the following formula: for each wetted component, the percentage of lead in the component shall be multiplied by the ratio of the wetted surface area of that component to the total wetted surface area of the entire product to determine the weighted percentage of lead of the component. The weighted percentage of lead of each wetted component shall be added together, and the sum of the weighted percentages shall constitute the weighted average lead content of the product. The lead content of the material used to produce wetted components shall be used to determine whether the wetted surfaces are lead free pursuant to division (A)(1)(b) of this section. For purposes of the lead contents of materials that are provided as a range, the maximum content of the range shall be used for purposes of this section using standards that are not less stringent than those established under the Safe Drinking Water Act.

(B) Except as provided in division (D) of this section, no person shall do any of the following:

(1) Use any pipe, pipe fitting, plumbing fitting, plumbing fixture, including a drinking water fountain, solder, or flux that
is not lead free in the installation or repair of a public water system or of any plumbing in a residential or nonresidential facility providing water for human consumption;

(2) Introduce into commerce any pipe, pipe fitting, plumbing fitting, or plumbing fixture, including a drinking water fountain, that is not lead free;

(3) Sell solder or flux that is not lead free while engaged in the business of selling plumbing supplies;

(4) Introduce into commerce any solder or flux that is not lead free unless the solder or flux has a prominent label stating that it is illegal to use the solder or flux in the installation or repair of any plumbing providing water for human consumption.

(C) The owner or operator of a public water system shall identify and provide notice to persons that may be affected by lead contamination of their drinking water. The notice shall be in such form and manner as the director of environmental protection may reasonably require, but shall provide a clear and readily understandable explanation of all of the following:

(1) Potential sources of lead in the drinking water;

(2) Potential adverse health effects;

(3) Reasonably available methods of mitigating known or potential lead content in drinking water;

(4) Any steps the public water system is taking to mitigate lead content in drinking water;

(5) The necessity, if any, of seeking alternative water supplies.

The notice shall be provided notwithstanding the absence of a violation of any drinking water standard.

(D)(1) Division (B)(1) of this section does not apply to the use of leaded joints that are necessary for the repair of cast...
iron pipes.

(2) Division (B)(2) of this section does not apply to a pipe that is used in manufacturing or industrial processing.

(3) Division (B)(3) of this section does not apply to the selling of plumbing supplies by manufacturers of those supplies.

(4) Division (B) of this section does not apply to either of the following:

(a) Pipes, pipe fittings, or plumbing fittings or fixtures, including backflow preventers, that are used exclusively for nonpotable services such as manufacturing, industrial processing, irrigation, outdoor watering, or any other uses where the water is not anticipated to be used for human consumption;

(b) Toilets, bidets, urinals, fill valves, flushometer valves, tub fillers, shower valves, fire hydrants, service saddles, or water distribution main gate valves that are two inches in diameter or larger.

Sec. 6109.121. (A) Not later than one hundred twenty days after the effective date of this section, the director of environmental protection shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code that do all of the following:

(1) Require the owner or operator of a community or nontransient noncommunity water system to conduct sampling of the system for lead and copper;

(2) Establish a schedule for lead and copper sampling applicable to the owner or operator of a community or nontransient noncommunity water system that, at a minimum, does both of the following:

(a) Allows the director, in establishing the schedule, to consider the following factors when determining if a community or nontransient noncommunity water system must conduct sampling at
least once annually:

(i) The age of the water system;
(ii) Whether corrosion control requirements are met;
(iii) Any other relevant risk factors, as determined by the director, including aging infrastructure likely to contain lead service lines.

(b) Requires the owner or operator of a system where such risk factors are identified to conduct sampling at least once annually until the risk factors are mitigated in accordance with rules.

(3) Require the owner or operator of a community or nontransient noncommunity water system to provide collected samples to a certified laboratory for analysis;

(4) Authorize the director to require additional sampling for pH level and other water quality parameters to determine if corrosion control requirements are met;

(5) Authorize the director to establish corrosion control requirements for community and nontransient noncommunity water systems;

(6) Require the owner or operator of a community or nontransient noncommunity water system to conduct a new or updated corrosion control treatment study and submit a new or updated corrosion control treatment plan not later than eighteen months after any of the following events:

(a) The system changes or adds a source from which water is obtained.
(b) The system makes a substantial change in water treatment.
(c) The system operates outside of acceptable ranges for lead, copper, pH, or other corrosion indicators, as determined by the director.
(d) Any other event determined by the director to have the potential to impact the water quality or corrosiveness of water in the system.

(7) Authorize the director to waive the requirement to conduct a new or updated corrosion control study established in rules adopted under division (A)(6) of this section in appropriate circumstances;

(8) When the owner or operator of a community or nontransient noncommunity water system is required to complete a corrosion control treatment study and submit a plan in accordance with rules adopted under division (A)(6) of this section, require the owner or operator to complete the study and submit the plan to the director for approval even if sampling results conducted subsequent to the initiation of the study and plan do not exceed the lead action level established in rules adopted under this chapter;

(9) When the owner or operator of a community or nontransient noncommunity water system is required to complete a corrosion control treatment study and submit a plan in accordance with rules adopted under division (A)(6) of this section, require the owner or operator to submit to the director an interim status report of actions taken to implement the corrosion control study six months and twelve months from the date of initiation of the corrosion control study requirement;

(10) Establish a lead threshold for individual taps;

(11) Establish and revise content for public education materials;

(12) Authorize the director to develop procedures and requirements to document that notices were provided by the owner or operator of a community or nontransient noncommunity water system as required under the rules adopted under division
(C)(A)(15) of this section;

(13) Notwithstanding section 6109.23 of the Revised Code, establish the following Authorize the director to assess administrative penalties in accordance with section 6109.23 of the Revised Code for violations of the notice requirements established in rules adopted under divisions (C)(1)(A)(15)(b) and (C)(3)(a)(c)(i) of this section that are applicable to a community or nontransient noncommunity water system;

(a) For a violation of division (C)(1) of this section by a system that serves not less than twenty-five people, but not more than three thousand three hundred people, an administrative penalty of twenty-five dollars per day for each day that the system failed to provide each notice;

(b) For a violation of division (C)(1) of this section by a system that serves more than three thousand three hundred people, but not more than ten thousand people, an administrative penalty of fifty dollars per day for each day that the system failed to provide each notice;

(c) For a violation of division (C)(1) of this section by a system that serves more than ten thousand people, but not more than twenty-five thousand people, an administrative penalty of seventy-five dollars per day for each day that the system failed to provide each notice;

(d) For a violation of division (C)(1) of this section by a system that serves more than twenty-five thousand people, an administrative penalty of one hundred dollars per day for each day that the system failed to provide each notice;

(e) For a violation of division (C)(3)(a) of this section by a system that serves not less than twenty-five people, but not more than three thousand three hundred people, an administrative penalty of two hundred fifty dollars per day for each day the
system failed to provide the notice; 47750

(f) For a violation of division (C)(3)(a) of this section by a system that serves more than three thousand three hundred people, but not more than ten thousand people, an administrative penalty of five hundred dollars per day for each day the system failed to provide the notice; 47751

(g) For a violation of division (C)(3)(a) of this section by a system that serves more than ten thousand people, but not more than twenty-five thousand people, an administrative penalty of seven hundred fifty dollars per day for each day the system failed to provide the notice; 47756

(h) For a violation of division (C)(3)(a) of this section by a system that serves more than twenty-five thousand people, an administrative penalty of one thousand dollars per day for each day the system failed to provide the notice. 47761

(B) A (14) Require a laboratory that receives a lead or copper tap water sample from a community or nontransient noncommunity water system shall to do both of the following: 47765

(1)(a) Complete a lead or copper analysis of the sample, as applicable, not later than thirty business days after the receipt of the sample; 47766

(2)(b) Not later than the end of the next business day following the day the analysis of the sample is completed, report the results of the analysis and all identifying information about where the sample was collected to the community or nontransient noncommunity water system and the director. 47771

(C) The (15) Require the owner or operator of a community or nontransient noncommunity water system shall to do all of the following, as applicable, with regard to laboratory results received under rules adopted under division (B)(2)(A)(14) of this section:
(1) Not later than two business days after the receipt of the laboratory results (a) If the laboratory results show that a sample from an individual tap is below the applicable lead threshold as established in rules adopted under this chapter, provide notice of the results of each individual tap sample to the owner and persons served at the residence or other structure where the tap was sampled within a time period specified in rules that is not more than thirty business days after the receipt of the laboratory results;

(2) (b) If the results show that a sample from an individual tap is above the applicable lead threshold as established under rules adopted under this chapter, provide notice of the results of each individual tap sample to the owner and persons served at the residence or other structure where the tap was sampled within a time period specified in rules that is not more than two business days after the receipt of the laboratory results, and do all of the following, as applicable:

(a)(i) For the owner or operator of a nontransient noncommunity water system, immediately remove from service all fixtures identified as contributing to elevated lead levels;

(b)(ii) For the owner or operator of a community water system, include in the system's annual consumer confidence report the lead or copper laboratory results, an explanation of the associated health risks, what actions consumers of the system can take to reduce health risks, and the actions the system is taking to reduce public exposure;

(c)(iii) Not later than two business days after the receipt of the laboratory results, provide information on the availability of health screening and blood lead level testing to the owner and persons served at the residence or other structure where the sample was collected and provide notice of the laboratory results to the applicable local board of health.
(3)(c) If the laboratory results show that the community or nontransient noncommunity water system exceeds the lead action level established in rules adopted under this chapter, do all of the following, as applicable:

(a)(i) Not later than two business days after the receipt of the laboratory results, provide notice to all of the system's water consumers that the system exceeds the lead action level. The owner or operator shall provide the notice in a form specified by the director.

(b)(ii) Not later than five business days after the receipt of the laboratory results by the owner or operator of a community water system, provide information on the availability of tap water testing for lead to all consumers served by the system who are known or likely to have lead service lines, lead pipes, or lead solder as identified in the map required to be completed by rules adopted under division (F)(18) of this section;

(c)(iii) Not later than thirty business days after the receipt of the laboratory results, make an analysis of laboratory results available to all consumers served by the system, comply with public education requirements established in rules adopted under this chapter that apply when a public water system exceeds the lead action level, and provide information to consumers served by the system about the availability of health screenings and blood lead level testing in the area served by the water system;

(d)(iv) Subject to rules adopted under division (A)(7) of this section, perform a corrosion control treatment study and submit a corrosion control treatment plan to the director not later than eighteen months after the date on which laboratory results were received by the owner or operator indicating that the system exceeded the lead action level.

(D) Not (16) Require that not later than five business days
after the receipt of the laboratory results, the owner or operator shall certify to the director that the owner or operator has complied with the requirements of rules adopted under divisions (C)(1)(A)(15)(b), (C)(2)(e)(A)(15)(c)(i), (C)(3)(a), and (C)(3)(b)(A)(15)(c)(ii) of this section, as applicable.

(E) If the owner or operator of a community or nontransient noncommunity water system fails to provide the notices required under rules adopted under division (C)(1)(A)(15)(b) or (C)(3)(a)(c)(i) of this section, the director shall provide those notices beginning ten business days from the date that the director receives laboratory results under the rules adopted under division (B)(A)(14) of this section.

(F) Not later than six months after the effective date of this section, the owner or operator of a community or nontransient noncommunity water system shall do all of the following, as applicable:

(1) For the owner or operator of a community water system, identify and map areas of the system that are known or are likely to contain lead service lines and identify characteristics of buildings served by the system that may contain lead piping, solder, or fixtures;

(2) For the owner or operator of a nontransient noncommunity water system, identify and map areas of the system with lead piping, solder, or fixtures in buildings served by the system;

(3) Submit a copy of the applicable map to the department of health and the department of job and family services;

(4) Submit a report to the director containing at least both of the following:

(a) The applicable map;

(b) A list of sampling locations that are tier I sites used
to collect samples as required by rules adopted under this chapter, including contact information for the owner and occupant of each sampling site.

(C) The owner or operator of a community or nontransient noncommunity water system shall update and resubmit the information required under division (F) of this section once every five years beginning five years after the date of the initial submission.

(H) The director shall provide financial assistance from the drinking water assistance fund established under section 6109.22 of the Revised Code to community water systems and nontransient noncommunity water systems for the purpose of fulfilling the mapping requirements under division (F) of this section and complying with corrosion control requirements established in rules adopted under division (A) of this section. In addition, the (18) Require the owner or operator of a community or nontransient noncommunity water system to submit a map to the director showing areas of the system that are known or are likely to contain lead service lines and identifying characteristics of buildings served by the system that may contain lead piping, solder, or fixtures. The rules shall, at a minimum, require the owner or operator to do all of the following:

(a) Submit a copy of the applicable map to the department of health and the department of job and family services;

(b) Submit a report to the director containing at least the applicable map and a list of sampling locations that are tier I sites used to collect samples as required by rules adopted under this chapter, including contact information for the owner and occupant of each sampling site;

(c) Update and resubmit the information required by divisions (A)(18)(a) and (b) of this section according to a schedule.
determined by the director, but not less frequently than required under the Safe Drinking Water Act.

(B) The director shall post information on the environmental protection agency's web site about other sources of funding that are available to assist communities with lead service line identification and replacement and schools with fountain and water-service fixture replacement.

(I)(C) As required by the director, an owner or operator of a nontransient noncommunity water system that is a school or child day-care center shall collect additional tap water samples in buildings identified in the map required to be completed by rules adopted under division (F)(A)(18) of this section.

(D) As used in this section:

(1) "Child day-care center" has the same meaning as in section 5104.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "School" means a school operated by the board of education of a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district, the governing board of an educational service center, the governing authority of a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, the governing body of a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, the board of trustees of a college-preparatory boarding school established under Chapter 3328. of the Revised Code, or the governing authority of a chartered or nonchartered nonpublic school.

(3) "Local board of health" means the applicable board of health of a city or general health district or the authority having the duties of a board of health under section 3709.05 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 6111.027. (A) Mitigation for impacts to isolated
wetlands under sections 6111.02 to 6111.027 shall be conducted in accordance with the following ratios:

(1) For category 1 and category 2 isolated wetlands, other than forested category 2 isolated wetlands, mitigation located at an approved wetland mitigation bank shall be conducted, or mitigation shall be paid for under an in-lieu fee mitigation program, at a rate of two times the size of the area of isolated wetland that is being impacted.

(2) For forested category 2 isolated wetlands, mitigation located at an approved wetland mitigation bank shall be conducted, or mitigation shall be paid for under an in-lieu fee mitigation program, at a rate of two and one-half times the size of the area of isolated wetland that is being impacted.

(3) All other mitigation shall be subject to mitigation ratios established in division (F) of rule 3745-1-54 of the Administrative Code.

(B) Mitigation that involves the enhancement or preservation of isolated wetlands shall be calculated and performed in accordance with rule 3745-1-54 of the Administrative Code.

(C) An applicant for coverage under a general state isolated wetland permit or for an individual state isolated wetland permit under sections 6111.022 to 6111.024 of the Revised Code shall demonstrate that the mitigation site will be protected long term and that appropriate practicable management measures are, or will be, in place to restrict harmful activities that jeopardize the mitigation.

Sec. 6111.13. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Method detection limit" has the same meaning as in 40 C.F.R. part 136, appendix B, and shall be determined in accordance with the procedures set forth in that appendix.
(2) "Practical quantification level" means a concentration that is five times the method detection limit for the most sensitive available analytical procedure currently approved under 40 C.F.R. part 136 for a pollutant unless the director of environmental protection, by rules adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, establishes a different practical quantification level for the pollutant that is consistent with and no more stringent than the appropriate national consensus standard or other generally accepted standard.

(B) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter to the contrary, and until the director has adopted rules specifying a different basis for determining compliance consistent with and no more stringent than an appropriate national consensus standard or other generally accepted standard, if a discharge limit is set below the practical quantification level for a particular parameter, any value reported at or below the practical quantification level shall be considered to be in compliance with that limit.

(C) Whenever a discharge limit for a pollutant is less than the practical quantification level, the director may require the permit holder to identify the possible sources of that pollutant. The director, by rule, may specify additional actions that the permit holder may be required to take when the director finds the actions to be necessary to prevent or mitigate significant adverse effects on public health or environmental quality. Failure of a permit holder to comply with additional actions required by the director under this division constitutes a violation of the permit holder's discharge permit.

Section 101.02. That existing sections 9.318, 9.821, 9.822, 9.83, 102.02, 109.572, 109.79, 111.16, 111.28, 111.48, 119.12, 121.02, 121.03, 121.07, 121.08, 121.084, 121.22, 122.01, 122.011,
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3333.80, 3333.801, 3333.802, 3365.01, 3365.03, 3365.032, 3365.07, 48027
3501.302, 3701.132, 3701.61, 3701.613, 3701.831, 3703.01, 3703.03, 48028
Hereby repealed.

Section 105.01. That sections 109.802, 117.49, 117.50, 183.12, 183.13, 183.14, 183.15, 183.16, 183.17, 184.011, 1533.38, 3301.0724, 3301.122, 3301.46, 3301.922, 3313.901, 3314.033, 3314.30, 3314.31, 3314.37, 3317.029, 3317.27, 3326.05, 3326.111, 3333.611, 3333.612, 3333.614, 3333.67, 3735.01, 3746.07, 4503.515, 48054 and 6111.13 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.
Section 110.10. That the version of section 3319.227 of the Revised Code that is scheduled to take effect April 12, 2023, be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3319.227. (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Revised Code or any rule adopted by the state board of education to the contrary, the state board shall issue a resident educator license under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code to each person who is assigned to teach in this state as a participant in the teach for America program and who satisfies the following conditions for the duration of the program:

(1) Holds a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education;

(2) Maintained a cumulative undergraduate grade point average of at least 2.5 out of 4.0, or its equivalent;

(3) Has passed an examination prescribed by the state board in the subject area to be taught;

(4) Has successfully completed the summer training institute operated by teach for America;

(5) Remains an active member of the teach for America two-year support program.

(B) The state board shall issue a resident educator license under this section for teaching in any grade level or subject area for which a person may obtain a resident educator license under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code. The state board shall not adopt rules establishing any additional qualifications for the
license beyond those specified in this section.

(C) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Revised Code or any rule adopted by the state board to the contrary, the state board shall issue a resident educator license under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code to any applicant who has completed at least two years of teaching in another state as a participant in the teach for America program and meets all of the conditions of divisions (A)(1) to (4) of this section. The state board shall credit an applicant under this division as having completed the teacher residency program under section 3319.223 of the Revised Code.

(D) In order to place teachers in this state, the teach for America program shall enter into an agreement with one or more accredited four-year public or private institutions of higher education in the state to provide optional training of teach for America participants for the purpose of enabling those participants to complete an optional master's degree or an equivalent amount of coursework. Nothing in this division shall require any teach for America participant to complete a master's degree as a condition of holding a license issued under this section.

(E) The superintendent of public instruction, on behalf of the state board, shall revoke inactivate a resident educator license issued to a participant in the teach for America program who is assigned to teach in this state if the participant resigns or is dismissed from the program prior to completion of the two-year teach for America support program. The inactivation of a license under this division does not constitute a suspension or revocation of the license by the state board under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code and the state board and the state superintendent need not provide the person with an opportunity for a hearing with respect to the inactivation.
Section 110.11. That the existing version of section 3319.227 of the Revised Code that is scheduled to take effect April 12, 2023, is hereby repealed.

Section 110.12. Sections 110.10 and 110.11 of this act take effect on April 12, 2023.

Section 110.22. Sections 3319.31, 3319.39, and 3772.01 of the Revised Code as presented in this act take effect on the later of October 9, 2021, or the effective date of this section. (October 9, 2021, is the effective date of earlier amendments to those section by H.B. 263 of the 133rd General Assembly.)

Section 130.10. That sections 111.15, 140.01, 3701.07, 3701.351, 3701.503, 3701.5010, 3701.63, 3701.69, 3701.83, 3702.31, 3702.51, 3702.52, 3702.521, 3702.55, 3702.592, 3702.593, 3705.30, 3705.41, 3711.01, 3711.02, 3711.04, 3711.05, 3711.06, 3711.10, 3711.12, 3711.14, 3711.15, 3727.70, 3781.112, 3901.40, 3929.67, 4723.431, 4723.481, 4730.411, 4731.31, and 4761.01 be amended and sections 3722.01, 3722.02, 3722.03, 3722.04, 3722.05, 3722.06, 3722.07, 3722.08, 3722.09, 3722.10, 3722.11, 3722.12, 3722.13, 3722.14, and 3722.99 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 111.15. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Rule" includes any rule, regulation, bylaw, or standard having a general and uniform operation adopted by an agency under the authority of the laws governing the agency; any appendix to a rule; and any internal management rule. "Rule" does not include any guideline adopted pursuant to section 3301.0714 of the Revised Code, any order respecting the duties of employees, any finding, any determination of a question of law or fact in a matter
presented to an agency, or any rule promulgated pursuant to Chapter 119. or division (C)(1) or (2) of section 5117.02 of the Revised Code. "Rule" includes any amendment or rescission of a rule.

(2) "Agency" means any governmental entity of the state and includes, but is not limited to, any board, department, division, commission, bureau, society, council, institution, state college or university, community college district, technical college district, or state community college. "Agency" does not include the general assembly, the controlling board, the adjutant general's department, or any court.

(3) "Internal management rule" means any rule, regulation, bylaw, or standard governing the day-to-day staff procedures and operations within an agency.

(B)(1) Any rule, other than a rule of an emergency nature, adopted by any agency pursuant to this section shall be effective on the tenth day after the day on which the rule in final form and in compliance with division (B)(3) of this section is filed as follows:

(a) The rule shall be filed in electronic form with both the secretary of state and the director of the legislative service commission;

(b) The rule shall be filed in electronic form with the joint committee on agency rule review. Division (B)(1)(b) of this section does not apply to any rule to which division (D) of this section does not apply.

An agency that adopts or amends a rule that is subject to division (D) of this section shall assign a review date to the rule that is not later than five years after its effective date. If a review date assigned to a rule exceeds the five-year maximum, the review date for the rule is five years after its effective
date. A rule with a review date is subject to review under section 106.03 of the Revised Code. This paragraph does not apply to a rule of a state college or university, community college district, technical college district, or state community college.

If an agency in adopting a rule designates an effective date that is later than the effective date provided for by division (B)(1) of this section, the rule if filed as required by such division shall become effective on the later date designated by the agency.

Any rule that is required to be filed under division (B)(1) of this section is also subject to division (D) of this section if not exempted by that division.

If a rule incorporates a text or other material by reference, the agency shall comply with sections 121.71 to 121.75 of the Revised Code.

(2) A rule of an emergency nature necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety shall state the reasons for the necessity. The emergency rule, in final form and in compliance with division (B)(3) of this section, shall be filed in electronic form with the secretary of state, the director of the legislative service commission, and the joint committee on agency rule review. The emergency rule is effective immediately upon completion of the latest filing, except that if the agency in adopting the emergency rule designates an effective date, or date and time of day, that is later than the effective date and time provided for by division (B)(2) of this section, the emergency rule if filed as required by such division shall become effective at the later date, or later date and time of day, designated by the agency.

An emergency rule becomes invalid at the end of the one hundred twentieth day it is in effect. Prior to that date, the
agency may file the emergency rule as a nonemergency rule in compliance with division (B)(1) of this section. The agency may not refile the emergency rule in compliance with division (B)(2) of this section so that, upon the emergency rule becoming invalid under such division, the emergency rule will continue in effect without interruption for another one hundred twenty-day period.

(3) An agency shall file a rule under division (B)(1) or (2) of this section in compliance with the following standards and procedures:

(a) The rule shall be numbered in accordance with the numbering system devised by the director for the Ohio administrative code.

(b) The rule shall be prepared and submitted in compliance with the rules of the legislative service commission.

(c) The rule shall clearly state the date on which it is to be effective and the date on which it will expire, if known.

(d) Each rule that amends or rescinds another rule shall clearly refer to the rule that is amended or rescinded. Each amendment shall fully restate the rule as amended.

If the director of the legislative service commission or the director's designee gives an agency notice pursuant to section 103.05 of the Revised Code that a rule filed by the agency is not in compliance with the rules of the legislative service commission, the agency shall within thirty days after receipt of the notice conform the rule to the rules of the commission as directed in the notice.

(C) All rules filed pursuant to divisions (B)(1)(a) and (2) of this section shall be recorded by the secretary of state and the director under the title of the agency adopting the rule and shall be numbered according to the numbering system devised by the director. The secretary of state and the director shall preserve
the rules in an accessible manner. Each such rule shall be a public record open to public inspection and may be transmitted to any law publishing company that wishes to reproduce it.

(D) At least sixty-five days before a board, commission, department, division, or bureau of the government of the state files a rule under division (B)(1) of this section, it shall file the full text of the proposed rule in electronic form with the joint committee on agency rule review, and the proposed rule is subject to legislative review and invalidation under section 106.021 of the Revised Code. If a state board, commission, department, division, or bureau makes a revision in a proposed rule after it is filed with the joint committee, the state board, commission, department, division, or bureau shall promptly file the full text of the proposed rule in its revised form in electronic form with the joint committee. A state board, commission, department, division, or bureau shall also file the rule summary and fiscal analysis prepared under section 106.024 of the Revised Code in electronic form along with a proposed rule, and along with a proposed rule in revised form, that is filed under this division. If a proposed rule has an adverse impact on businesses, the state board, commission, department, division, or bureau also shall file the business impact analysis, any recommendations received from the common sense initiative office, and the associated memorandum of response, if any, in electronic form along with the proposed rule, or the proposed rule in revised form, that is filed under this division.

A proposed rule that is subject to legislative review under this division may not be adopted and filed in final form under division (B)(1) of this section unless the proposed rule has been filed with the joint committee on agency rule review under this division and the time for the joint committee to review the proposed rule has expired without recommendation of a concurrent
resolution to invalidate the proposed rule.

As used in this division, "commission" includes the public utilities commission when adopting rules under a federal or state statute.

This division does not apply to any of the following:

(1) A proposed rule of an emergency nature;

(2) A rule proposed under section 1121.05, 1121.06, 1349.33, 1707.201, 1733.412, 4123.29, 4123.34, 4123.341, 4123.342, 4123.40, 4123.411, 4123.44, or 4123.442 of the Revised Code;

(3) A rule proposed by an agency other than a board, commission, department, division, or bureau of the government of the state;

(4) A proposed internal management rule of a board, commission, department, division, or bureau of the government of the state;

(5) Any proposed rule that must be adopted verbatim by an agency pursuant to federal law or rule, to become effective within sixty days of adoption, in order to continue the operation of a federally reimbursed program in this state, so long as the proposed rule contains both of the following:

(a) A statement that it is proposed for the purpose of complying with a federal law or rule;

(b) A citation to the federal law or rule that requires verbatim compliance.

(6) An initial rule proposed by the director of health to impose safety standards and quality-of-care standards with respect to a health service specified in section 3702.11 of the Revised Code, or an initial rule proposed by the director of health to impose quality standards on a health care facility as defined in section 3702.30 of the Revised Code, if section 3702.12 of the
Revised Code requires that the rule be adopted under this section;

(7) A rule of the state lottery commission pertaining to instant game rules.

If a rule is exempt from legislative review under division (D)(5) of this section, and if the federal law or rule pursuant to which the rule was adopted expires, is repealed or rescinded, or otherwise terminates, the rule is thereafter subject to legislative review under division (D) of this section.

Whenever a state board, commission, department, division, or bureau files a proposed rule or a proposed rule in revised form under division (D) of this section, it shall also file the full text of the same proposed rule or proposed rule in revised form in electronic form with the secretary of state and the director of the legislative service commission. A state board, commission, department, division, or bureau shall file the rule summary and fiscal analysis prepared under section 106.024 of the Revised Code in electronic form along with a proposed rule or proposed rule in revised form that is filed with the secretary of state or the director of the legislative service commission.

Sec. 140.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Hospital agency" means any public hospital agency or any nonprofit hospital agency.

(B) "Public hospital agency" means any county, board of county hospital trustees established pursuant to section 339.02 of the Revised Code, county hospital commission established pursuant to section 339.14 of the Revised Code, municipal corporation, new community authority organized under Chapter 349. of the Revised Code, joint township hospital district, state or municipal university or college operating or authorized to operate a hospital facility, or the state.
(C) "Nonprofit hospital agency" means a corporation or association not for profit, no part of the net earnings of which inures or may lawfully inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, that has authority to own or operate a hospital facility or provides or is to provide services to one or more other hospital agencies.

(D) "Governing body" means, in the case of a county, the board of county commissioners or other legislative body; in the case of a board of county hospital trustees, the board; in the case of a county hospital commission, the commission; in the case of a municipal corporation, the council or other legislative authority; in the case of a new community authority, its board of trustees; in the case of a joint township hospital district, the joint township district hospital board; in the case of a state or municipal university or college, its board of trustees or board of directors; in the case of a nonprofit hospital agency, the board of trustees or other body having general management of the agency; and, in the case of the state, the director of development services or the Ohio higher educational facility commission.

(E) "Hospital facilities" means buildings, structures and other improvements, additions thereto and extensions thereof, furnishings, equipment, and real estate and interests in real estate, used or to be used for or in connection with one or more hospitals, emergency, intensive, intermediate, extended, long-term, or self-care facilities, diagnostic and treatment and out-patient facilities, facilities related to programs for home health services, clinics, laboratories, public health centers, research facilities, and rehabilitation facilities, for or pertaining to diagnosis, treatment, care, or rehabilitation of sick, ill, injured, infirm, impaired, disabled, or handicapped persons, or the prevention, detection, and control of disease, and also includes education, training, and food service facilities for
health professions personnel, housing facilities for such personnel and their families, and parking and service facilities in connection with any of the foregoing; and includes any one, part of, or any combination of the foregoing; and further includes site improvements, utilities, machinery, facilities, furnishings, and any separate or connected buildings, structures, improvements, sites, utilities, facilities, or equipment to be used in, or in connection with the operation or maintenance of, or supplementing or otherwise related to the services or facilities to be provided by, any one or more of such hospital facilities.

(F) "Costs of hospital facilities" means the costs of acquiring hospital facilities or interests in hospital facilities, including membership interests in nonprofit hospital agencies, costs of constructing hospital facilities, costs of improving one or more hospital facilities, including reconstructing, rehabilitating, remodeling, renovating, and enlarging, costs of equipping and furnishing such facilities, and all financing costs pertaining thereto, including, without limitation thereto, costs of engineering, architectural, and other professional services, designs, plans, specifications and surveys, and estimates of cost, costs of tests and inspections, the costs of any indemnity or surety bonds and premiums on insurance, all related direct or allocable administrative expenses pertaining thereto, fees and expenses of trustees, depositories, and paying agents for the obligations, cost of issuance of the obligations and financing charges and fees and expenses of financial advisors, attorneys, accountants, consultants and rating services in connection therewith, capitalized interest on the obligations, amounts necessary to establish reserves as required by the bond proceedings, the reimbursement of all moneys advanced or applied by the hospital agency or others or borrowed from others for the payment of any item or items of costs of such facilities, and all other expenses necessary or incident to planning or determining
feasibility or practicability with respect to such facilities, and such other expenses as may be necessary or incident to the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, remodeling, renovation, enlargement, improvement, equipment, and furnishing of such facilities, the financing thereof, and the placing of the same in use and operation, including any one, part of, or combination of such classes of costs and expenses, and means the costs of refinancing obligations issued by, or reimbursement of money advanced by, nonprofit hospital agencies or others the proceeds of which were used for the payment of costs of hospital facilities, if the governing body of the public hospital agency determines that the refinancing or reimbursement advances the purposes of this chapter, whether or not the refinancing or reimbursement is in conjunction with the acquisition or construction of additional hospital facilities.

(G) "Hospital receipts" means all moneys received by or on behalf of a hospital agency from or in connection with the ownership, operation, acquisition, construction, improvement, equipping, or financing of any hospital facilities, including, without limitation thereto, any rentals and other moneys received from the lease, sale, or other disposition of hospital facilities, and any gifts, grants, interest subsidies, or other moneys received under any federal program for assistance in financing the costs of hospital facilities, and any other gifts, grants, and donations, and receipts therefrom, available for financing the costs of hospital facilities.

(H) "Obligations" means bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness or obligation, including interest coupons pertaining thereto, issued or issuable by a public hospital agency to pay costs of hospital facilities.

(I) "Bond service charges" means principal, interest, and call premium, if any, required to be paid on obligations.
(J) "Bond proceedings" means one or more ordinances, resolutions, trust agreements, indentures, and other agreements or documents, and amendments and supplements to the foregoing, or any combination thereof, authorizing or providing for the terms, including any variable interest rates, and conditions applicable to, or providing for the security of, obligations and the provisions contained in such obligations.

(K) "Nursing home" has the same meaning as in division (A)(1) of section 5701.13 of the Revised Code.

(L) "Residential care facility" has the same meaning as in division (A)(2) of section 5701.13 of the Revised Code.

(M) "Independent living facility" means any self-care facility or other housing facility designed or used as a residence for elderly persons. An "independent living facility" does not include a residential facility, or that part of a residential facility, that is any of the following:

(1) A hospital required to be certified by section 3727.02 of the Revised Code;

(2) A nursing home or residential care facility;

(3) A facility operated by a hospice care program licensed under section 3712.04 of the Revised Code and used for the program's hospice patients;

(4) A residential facility licensed by the department of mental health and addiction services under section 5119.34 of the Revised Code that provides accommodations, supervision, and personal care services for three to sixteen unrelated adults;

(5) A residential facility licensed by the department of mental health and addiction services under section 5119.34 of the Revised Code that is not a residential facility described in division (M)(4) of this section;
(6) A facility licensed to operate an opioid treatment program under section 5119.37 of the Revised Code;

(7) A community addiction services provider, as defined in section 5119.01 of the Revised Code;

(8) A residential facility licensed under section 5123.19 of the Revised Code or a facility providing services under a contract with the department of developmental disabilities under section 5123.18 of the Revised Code;

(9) A residential facility used as part of a hospital to provide housing for staff of the hospital or students pursuing a course of study at the hospital.

Sec. 3701.07. (A) The director of health shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code defining and classifying hospitals and dispensaries and providing for the reporting of information by hospitals and dispensaries. Except as otherwise provided in the Revised Code, the rules providing for the reporting of information shall not require inclusion of any confidential patient data or any information concerning the financial condition, income, expenses, or net worth of the facilities. The rules may require the reporting of information in the following categories:

(1) Information needed to identify and classify the institution;

(2) Information on facilities and type and volume of services provided by the institution;

(3) The number of beds listed by category of care provided;

(4) The number of licensed or certified professional employees by classification;

(5) The number of births that occurred at the institution the previous calendar year;
(6) Any other information that the director considers relevant to the safety of patients served by the institution.

Every hospital and dispensary, public or private, annually shall register with and report to the department of health. Reports shall be submitted in the manner prescribed in rules adopted under this division.

(B) Every governmental entity or private nonprofit corporation or association whose employees or representatives are defined as residents' rights advocates under divisions (E)(1) and (2) of section 3721.10 of the Revised Code shall register with the department of health on forms furnished by the director of health and shall provide such reasonable identifying information as the director may prescribe.

The department shall compile a list of the governmental entities, corporations, or associations registering under this division and shall update the list annually. Copies of the list shall be made available to nursing home administrators as defined in division (C) of section 3721.10 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3701.351. (A) The governing body of every hospital shall set standards and procedures to be applied by the hospital and its medical staff in considering and acting upon applications for staff membership or professional privileges. These standards and procedures shall be available for public inspection.

(B) The governing body of any hospital, in considering and acting upon applications for staff membership or professional privileges within the scope of the applicants' respective licensures, shall not discriminate against a qualified person solely on the basis of whether that person is licensed to practice medicine, osteopathic medicine, or podiatry, is licensed to practice dentistry or psychology, or is licensed to practice nursing as an advanced practice registered nurse. Staff membership
or professional privileges shall be considered and acted on in accordance with standards and procedures established under division (A) of this section. This section does not permit a psychologist to admit a patient to a hospital in violation of section 3727.06 of the Revised Code.

(C) The governing body of any hospital that is licensed to provide maternity services, in considering and acting upon applications for clinical privileges, shall not discriminate against a qualified person solely on the basis that the person is authorized to practice nurse-midwifery. An application from a certified nurse-midwife who is not employed by the hospital shall contain the name of a physician member of the hospital's medical staff who holds clinical privileges in obstetrics at that hospital and who has agreed to be the collaborating physician for the applicant in accordance with section 4723.43 of the Revised Code.

(D) Any person may apply to the court of common pleas for temporary or permanent injunctions restraining a violation of division (A), (B), or (C) of this section. This action is an additional remedy not dependent on the adequacy of the remedy at law.

(E)(1) If a hospital does not provide or permit the provision of any diagnostic or treatment service for mental or emotional disorders or any other service that may be legally performed by a psychologist licensed under Chapter 4732. of the Revised Code, this section does not require the hospital to provide or permit the provision of any such service and the hospital shall be exempt from requirements of this section pertaining to psychologists.

(2) This section does not impair the right of a hospital to enter into an employment, personal service, or any other kind of contract with a licensed psychologist, upon any such terms as the parties may mutually agree, for the provision of any service that may be legally performed by a licensed psychologist.
Sec. 3701.503. As used in sections 3701.504 to 3701.509 of the Revised Code:

(A) "Parent" means either parent, unless the parents are separated or divorced or their marriage has been dissolved or annulled, in which case "parent" means the parent who is the residential parent and legal custodian.

(B) "Guardian" has the same meaning as in section 2111.01 of the Revised Code.

(C) "Custodian" means, except as used in division (A) of this section, a government agency or an individual, other than the parent or guardian, with legal or permanent custody of a child as defined in section 2151.011 of the Revised Code.

(D) "Hearing screening" means the identification of newborns and infants who may have a hearing impairment, through the use of a physiologic test.

(E) "Hearing evaluation" means evaluation through the use of audiological procedures by an audiologist or physician.

(F) "Hearing impairment" means a loss of hearing in one or both ears in the frequency region important for speech recognition and comprehension.

(G) "Newborn" means a child who is less than thirty days old.

(H) "Infant" means a child who is at least thirty days but less than twenty-four months old.

(I) "Freestanding birthing center" has the same meaning as in section 3702.141 of the Revised Code means any facility in which deliveries routinely occur, regardless of whether the facility is located on the campus of another health care facility.

(J) "Physician" means an individual authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or
osteopathic medicine and surgery.

(K) "Audiologist" means an individual authorized under section 4753.07 of the Revised Code to practice audiology.

(L) "Hospital" means a hospital that has a maternity unit or newborn nursery.

(M) "Maternity unit" means any unit or place in a hospital where women are regularly received and provided care during all or part of the maternity cycle, except that "maternity unit" does not include an emergency department or similar place dedicated to providing emergency health care.

(N) "Board of health" means the board of health of a city or general health district or the authority having the duties of a board of health under section 3709.05 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3701.5010. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Critical congenital heart defects screening" means the identification of a newborn that may have a critical congenital heart defect, through the use of a physiologic test.

(2) "Freestanding birthing center" has the same meaning as in section 3702.141 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Hospital," "maternity unit," "newborn," and "physician" have the same meanings as in section 3701.503 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Pulse oximetry" means a noninvasive test that estimates the percentage of hemoglobin in blood that is saturated with oxygen.

(B) Except as provided in division (C) of this section, each hospital and each freestanding birthing center shall conduct a critical congenital heart defects screening on each newborn born in the hospital or center, unless the newborn is being transferred...
to another hospital. The screening shall be performed before discharge. If the newborn is transferred to another hospital, that hospital shall conduct the screening when determined to be medically appropriate. The hospital or center shall promptly notify the newborn's parent, guardian, or custodian and attending physician of the screening results.

(C) A hospital or freestanding birthing center shall not conduct a critical congenital heart defects screening if the newborn's parent objects on the grounds that the screening conflicts with the parent's religious tenets and practices.

(D)(1) The director of health shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code establishing standards and procedures for the screening required by this section, including all of the following:

(a) Designating the person or persons responsible for causing the screening to be performed;

(b) Specifying screening equipment and methods;

(c) Identifying when the screening should be performed;

(d) Providing notice of the required screening to the newborn's parent, guardian, or custodian;

(e) Communicating screening results to the newborn's parent, guardian, or custodian and attending physician;

(f) Reporting screening results to the department of health;

(g) Referring newborns that receive abnormal screening results to providers of follow-up services.

(2) In adopting rules under division (D)(1)(b) of this section, the director shall specify screening equipment and methods that include the use of pulse oximetry or other screening equipment and methods that detect critical congenital heart defects at least as accurately as pulse oximetry. The screening
equipment and methods specified shall be consistent with recommendations issued by nationally recognized organizations that advocate on behalf of medical professionals or individuals with cardiovascular conditions.

**Sec. 3701.63.** (A) As used in this section and sections 3701.64, 3701.66, and 3701.67 of the Revised Code:

1. "Child day-care center," "type A family day-care home," and "licensed type B family day-care home" have the same meanings as in section 5104.01 of the Revised Code.

2. "Child care facility" means a child day-care center, a type A family day-care home, or a licensed type B family day-care home.

3. "Foster caregiver" has the same meaning as in section 5103.02 of the Revised Code.

4. "Freestanding birthing center" has the same meaning as in section 3702.141 of the Revised Code.

5. "Hospital" means a hospital classified pursuant to rules adopted under section 3701.07 of the Revised Code as a general hospital or children's hospital and has the same meaning as in section 3722.01 of the Revised Code to which either of the following applies:
   
   (a) The hospital has a maternity unit.
   
   (b) The hospital receives for care infants who have been transferred to it from other facilities and who have never been discharged to their residences following birth.

6. "Infant" means a child who is less than one year of age.

7. "Maternity unit" means the distinct portion of a hospital licensed as a maternity unit under Chapter 3711. of the Revised
Code in which maternity services are provided.

(8) "Other person responsible for the infant" includes a foster caregiver.

(9) "Parent" means either parent, unless the parents are separated or divorced or their marriage has been dissolved or annulled, in which case "parent" means the parent who is the residential parent and legal custodian of the child. "Parent" also means a prospective adoptive parent with whom a child is placed.

(10) "Shaken baby syndrome" means signs and symptoms, including, but not limited to, retinal hemorrhages in one or both eyes, subdural hematoma, or brain swelling, resulting from the violent shaking or the shaking and impacting of the head of an infant or small child.

(B) The director of health shall establish the shaken baby syndrome education program by doing all of the following:

(1) Developing educational materials that present readily comprehensible information on shaken baby syndrome;

(2) Making available on the department of health web site in an easily accessible format the educational materials developed under division (B)(1) of this section;

(3) Annually assessing the effectiveness of the shaken baby syndrome education program by doing all of the following:

(a) Evaluating the reports received pursuant to section 5101.135 of the Revised Code;

(b) Reviewing the content of the educational materials to determine if updates or improvements should be made;

(c) Reviewing the manner in which the educational materials are distributed, as described in section 3701.64 of the Revised Code, to determine if modifications to that manner should be made.

(C) In meeting the requirements under division (B) of this
section, the director shall develop educational materials that, to the extent possible, minimize administrative or financial burdens on any of the entities or persons listed in section 3701.64 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3701.69. (A)(1) The department of health shall create a Down syndrome information sheet that includes all of the following:

(a) A description of Down syndrome, including its causes, effects on development, and potential complications;

(b) Diagnostic tests;

(c) Options for treatment and therapy;

(d) Contact information for local, state, and national organizations that provide Down syndrome educational and support services and programs.

(2) With respect to the medical information included in the information sheet, the department shall include only information that is current and based on medical evidence.

(3) The department shall periodically review and update the information sheet and shall make it available on the department's internet web site.

(B) If a patient under the care of any of the following health care professionals or facilities receives either a test result indicating Down syndrome or a prenatal or postnatal diagnosis of Down syndrome, the health care professional or facility shall provide to the patient or the patient's representative a copy of the information sheet created under division (A) of this section:

(1) A physician authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery;
(2) A certified nurse-midwife who holds a certificate of authority issued under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code;

(3) A genetic counselor licensed under Chapter 4778. of the Revised Code;

(4) A hospital registered under section 3701.07 of the Revised Code licensed under Chapter 3722. of the Revised Code that operates a maternity unit or newborn care nursery;

(5) A maternity unit, newborn care nursery, or maternity home licensed under Chapter 3711. of the Revised Code;

(6) A freestanding birthing center licensed under section 3702.30 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3701.83. There is hereby created in the state treasury the general operations fund. Moneys in the fund shall be used for the purposes specified in sections 3701.04, 3701.344, 3702.20, 3711.16, 3717.45, 3718.06, 3721.02, 3721.022, 3729.07, 3733.43, 3748.04, 3748.05, 3748.07, 3748.12, 3748.13, 3749.04, 3749.07, 4736.06, and 4769.09 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3702.31. (A) The quality monitoring and inspection fund is hereby created in the state treasury. The director of health shall use the fund to administer and enforce this section and sections 3702.11 to 3702.20, 3702.30, 3702.301, 3702.32, and 3702.33 of the Revised Code and rules adopted pursuant to those sections. The director shall deposit in the fund any moneys collected pursuant to this section or section 3702.32 of the Revised Code. All investment earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund.

(B) The director of health shall adopt rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code establishing fees for both of the following:
(1) Initial and renewal license applications submitted under section 3702.30 of the Revised Code. The fees established under division (B)(1) of this section shall not exceed the actual and necessary costs of performing the activities described in division (A) of this section.

(2) Inspections conducted under section 3702.15 or 3702.30 of the Revised Code. The fees established under division (B)(2) of this section shall not exceed the actual and necessary costs incurred during an inspection, including any indirect costs incurred by the department for staff, salary, or other administrative costs. The director of health shall provide to each health care facility or provider inspected pursuant to section 3702.15 or 3702.30 of the Revised Code a written statement of the fee. The statement shall itemize and total the costs incurred. Within fifteen days after receiving a statement from the director, the facility or provider shall forward the total amount of the fee to the director.

(3) The fees described in divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this section shall meet both of the following requirements:

(a) For each service described in section 3702.11 of the Revised Code, the fee shall not exceed one thousand seven hundred fifty dollars annually, except that the total fees charged to a health care provider under this section shall not exceed five thousand dollars annually.

(4) The director shall not establish a fee for any service for which a licensure or inspection fee is paid by the health care provider to a state agency for the same or similar licensure or inspection.

Sec. 3702.51. As used in sections 3702.51 to 3702.62 of the Revised Code:

(A) "Applicant" means any person that submits an application for a certificate of need and who is designated in the application as the applicant.

(B) "Person" means any individual, corporation, business trust, estate, firm, partnership, association, joint stock company, insurance company, government unit, or other entity.

(C) "Certificate of need" means a written approval granted by the director of health to an applicant to authorize conducting a reviewable activity.

(D) "Service area" means the current and projected primary and secondary service areas to which the long-term care facility is, or will be, providing long-term care services.

(E) "Primary service area" means the geographic region, usually comprised of the Ohio zip code in which the long-term care facility is located and contiguous zip codes, from which approximately seventy-five to eighty per cent of the facility's residents currently originate or are expected to originate.

(F) "Secondary service area" means the geographic region, usually comprised of Ohio zip codes not included in the primary service area, excluding isolated exceptions, from which the facility's remaining residents currently originate or are expected to originate.

(G) "Third-party payer" means a health insuring corporation licensed under Chapter 1751. of the Revised Code, a health
maintenance organization as defined in division (I) of this section, an insurance company that issues sickness and accident insurance in conformity with Chapter 3923. of the Revised Code, a state-financed health insurance program under Chapter 3701. or 4123. of the Revised Code, the medicaid program, or any self-insurance plan.

(H) "Government unit" means the state and any county, municipal corporation, township, or other political subdivision of the state, or any department, division, board, or other agency of the state or a political subdivision.

(I) "Health maintenance organization" means a public or private organization organized under the law of any state that is qualified under section 1310(d) of Title XIII of the "Public Health Service Act," 87 Stat. 931 (1973), 42 U.S.C. 300e-9.

(J) "Existing long-term care facility" means either of the following:

(1) A long-term care facility that is licensed or otherwise authorized to operate in this state in accordance with applicable law, including a county home or a county nursing home that is certified under Title XVIII or Title XIX of the "Social Security Act," 49 Stat. 620 (1935), 42 U.S.C. 301, as amended, is staffed and equipped to provide long-term care services, and is actively providing long-term care services;

(2) A long-term care facility that is licensed or otherwise authorized to operate in this state in accordance with applicable law, including a county home or a county nursing home that is certified under Title XVIII or Title XIX of the "Social Security Act," 49 Stat. 620 (1935), 42 U.S.C. 301, as amended, or that has beds registered under section 3701.07 reported in an application submitted under section 3722.03 of the Revised Code as skilled nursing beds or long-term care beds and has provided long-term care services.
care services for at least three hundred sixty-five consecutive days within the twenty-four months immediately preceding the date a certificate of need application is filed with the director of health.

(K) "State" means the state of Ohio, including, but not limited to, the general assembly, the supreme court, the offices of all elected state officers, and all departments, boards, offices, commissions, agencies, institutions, and other instrumentalities of the state of Ohio. "State" does not include political subdivisions.

(L) "Political subdivision" means a municipal corporation, township, county, school district, and all other bodies corporate and politic responsible for governmental activities only in geographic areas smaller than that of the state to which the sovereign immunity of the state attaches.

(M) "Affected person" means:

(1) An applicant for a certificate of need, including an applicant whose application was reviewed comparatively with the application in question;

(2) The person that requested the reviewability ruling in question;

(3) Any person that resides or regularly uses long-term care facilities within the service area served or to be served by the long-term care services that would be provided under the certificate of need or reviewability ruling in question;

(4) Any long-term care facility that is located in the service area where the long-term care services would be provided under the certificate of need or reviewability ruling in question;

(5) Third-party payers that reimburse long-term care facilities for services in the service area where the long-term
care services would be provided under the certificate of need or reviewability ruling in question.

(N) "Long-term care facility" means, except as provided in section 3702.594 of the Revised Code, any of the following:

(1) A nursing home licensed under section 3721.02 of the Revised Code or by a political subdivision certified under section 3721.09 of the Revised Code;

(2) The portion of any facility, including a county home or county nursing home, that is certified as a skilled nursing facility or a nursing facility under Title XVIII or XIX of the "Social Security Act";

(3) The portion of any hospital that contains beds registered under section 3701.07 reported in an application submitted under section 3722.03 of the Revised Code as skilled nursing beds or long-term care beds.

(O) "Long-term care bed" or "bed" means a bed that is categorized as one of the following:

(1) A bed that is located in a facility that is a nursing home licensed under section 3721.02 of the Revised Code or a facility licensed by a political subdivision certified under section 3721.09 of the Revised Code and is included in the authorized maximum licensed capacity of the facility;

(2) A bed that is located in the portion of any facility, including a county home or county nursing home, that is certified as a skilled nursing facility under the medicare program or a nursing facility under the medicaid program and is included in the authorized maximum certified capacity of that portion of the facility;

(3) A bed that is registered under section 3701.07 of the Revised Code reported in an application submitted under section 3722.03 of the Revised Code as skilled nursing beds or long-term care beds.
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(4) A bed in a county home or county nursing home that has

been certified under section 5155.38 of the Revised Code as having

been in operation on July 1, 1993, and is eligible for licensure

as a nursing home bed;

(5) A bed held as an approved bed under a certificate of need

approved by the director.

A bed cannot simultaneously be both a bed described in

division (O)(1), (2), (3), or (4) of this section and a bed

described in division (O)(5) of this section.

(P) "Reviewability ruling" means a ruling issued by the
director of health under division (A) of section 3702.52 of the
Revised Code as to whether a particular proposed project is or is
not a reviewable activity.

(Q) "County nursing home" has the same meaning as in section

5155.31 of the Revised Code.

(R) "Principal participant" means both of the following:

(1) A person who has an ownership or controlling interest of

at least five per cent in an applicant, in a long-term care

facility that is the subject of an application for a certificate

of need, or in the owner or operator of the applicant or such a

facility;

(2) An officer, director, trustee, or general partner of an

applicant, of a long-term care facility that is the subject of an

application for a certificate of need, or of the owner or operator

of the applicant or such a facility.

(S) "Actual harm but not immediate jeopardy deficiency" means

a deficiency that, under 42 C.F.R. 488.404, either constitutes a

pattern of deficiencies resulting in actual harm that is not
immediate jeopardy or represents widespread deficiencies resulting in actual harm that is not immediate jeopardy.

(T) "Immediate jeopardy deficiency" means a deficiency that, under 42 C.F.R. 488.404, either constitutes a pattern of deficiencies resulting in immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety or represents widespread deficiencies resulting in immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety.

(U) "Existing bed" or "existing long-term care bed" means a bed from an existing long-term care facility, a bed described in division (O)(5) of this section, or a bed correctly reported as a long-term care bed pursuant to section 5155.38 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3702.52. The director of health shall administer a state certificate of need program in accordance with sections 3702.51 to 3702.62 of the Revised Code and rules adopted under those sections. Administration of the program shall include both a standard review process and an expedited review process.

(A) The director shall issue rulings on whether a particular proposed project is a reviewable activity. The director shall issue a ruling not later than forty-five days after receiving a request for a ruling accompanied by the information needed to make the ruling, except that if an expedited review is requested, the ruling shall be issued not later than thirty days after receiving the request for a ruling accompanied by the information needed to make the ruling. If the director does not issue a ruling in the required time, the project shall be considered to have been ruled not a reviewable activity.

(B)(1) Each application for a certificate of need shall be submitted to the director on forms and in the manner prescribed by the director. An application for which expedited review is requested must meet the same requirements as all other
applications.

Each application shall include a plan for obligating the capital expenditures or implementing the proposed project on a timely basis in accordance with section 3702.524 of the Revised Code. Each application shall also include all other information required by rules adopted under division (B) of section 3702.57 of the Revised Code.

(2) Each application shall be accompanied by the application fee established in rules adopted under division (G) of section 3702.57 of the Revised Code. Application fees received by the director under this division shall be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the certificate of need fund, which is hereby created. The director shall use the fund only to pay the costs of administering sections 3702.11 to 3702.20, 3702.30, and 3702.51 to 3702.62 of the Revised Code and rules adopted under those sections. An application fee is nonrefundable unless the director determines that the application cannot be accepted.

(3) The director shall review applications for certificates of need. As part of a review, the director shall determine whether an application is complete. The director shall not consider an application to be complete unless the application meets all criteria for a complete application specified in rules adopted under section 3702.57 of the Revised Code. For an application being considered under the standard review process, the director shall mail to the applicant a written notice that the application is complete, or a written request for additional information, not later than thirty days after receiving an application or a response to an earlier request for information. For an application for which expedited review is requested, the director's notice or request shall be mailed not later than fourteen days after the director receives the application or a response to an earlier request for information. Except as provided in section 3702.522 of
the Revised Code, the director shall not make more than two requests for additional information. For either the standard or expedited review process, the director shall make a final determination regarding an application's completeness and issue a notice of the determination not later than one hundred eighty days after the date the director received the initial application.

The director's determination that an application is not complete is final and not subject to appeal.

(4) Except as necessary to comply with a subpoena issued under division (F) of this section, after a notice of completeness has been received, no person shall make revisions to information that was submitted to the director before the director mailed the notice of completeness or knowingly discuss in person or by telephone the merits of the application with the director. A person may supplement an application after a notice of completeness has been received by submitting clarifying information to the director.

(C) All of the following apply to the process of granting or denying a certificate of need:

(1) If the project proposed in a certificate of need application meets all of the applicable certificate of need criteria for approval under sections 3702.51 to 3702.62 of the Revised Code and the rules adopted under those sections, the director shall grant a certificate of need for all or part of the project that is the subject of the application by the applicable deadline specified in division (C)(4) of this section or any extension of it under division (C)(5) of this section.

(2) The director's grant of a certificate of need does not affect, and sets no precedent for, the director's decision to grant or deny other applications for similar reviewable activities.
Any affected person may submit written comments regarding an application. The director shall consider all written comments received by the forty-fifth day after the application is submitted to the director, except that to be considered in an expedited review, written comments must be received by the twenty-first day after the application is submitted.

Except as provided in division (C)(5) of this section, the director shall grant or deny certificate of need applications not later than sixty days after mailing the notice of completeness unless the application is receiving expedited review. If the application is receiving expedited review, the director shall grant or deny the application not later than forty-five days after mailing the notice of completeness.

Except as provided in division (C)(6) of this section, the director or the applicant may extend the deadline prescribed in division (C)(4) of this section once, for no longer than thirty days, by written notice before the end of the deadline prescribed by division (C)(4) of this section. An extension by the director under division (C)(5) of this section shall apply to all applications that are in comparative review.

No applicant in a comparative review may extend the deadline specified in division (C)(4) of this section.

If the director does not grant or deny the certificate by the applicable deadline specified in division (C)(4) of this section or any extension of it under division (C)(5) of this section, the certificate shall be considered to have been granted.

In granting a certificate of need, the director shall specify as the maximum capital expenditure the certificate holder may obligate under the certificate a figure equal to one hundred ten per cent of the approved project cost.

In granting a certificate of need, the director may grant
the certificate with conditions that must be met by the holder of the certificate.

(D) When a certificate of need is granted for a project under which beds are to be relocated, upon completion of the project for which the certificate of need was granted a number of beds equal to the number of beds relocated shall cease to be operated in the long-term care facility from which they are relocated, except that the beds may continue to be operated for not more than fifteen days to allow relocation of residents to the facility to which the beds have been relocated. Notwithstanding section 3721.03 of the Revised Code, if the relocated beds are in a home licensed under Chapter 3721. of the Revised Code, the facility's license is automatically reduced by the number of beds relocated effective fifteen days after the beds are relocated. If the beds are in a facility that is certified as a skilled nursing facility or nursing facility under Title XVIII or XIX of the "Social Security Act," the certification for the beds shall be surrendered. If the beds are registered under section 3701.07 reported in an application submitted under section 3722.03 of the Revised Code as skilled nursing beds or long-term care beds, the director shall remove the beds from registration not later than fifteen days after the beds are relocated.

(E) During the period beginning with the granting of a certificate of need and ending five years after implementation of the reviewable activity for which the certificate was granted, the director shall monitor the activities of the person granted the certificate to determine whether the reviewable activity is conducted in substantial accordance with the certificate. A reviewable activity shall not be determined to be not in substantial accordance with the certificate of need solely because of either of the following:

(1) A decrease in bed capacity;
(2) A change in the owner or operator of the facility unless any of the circumstances specified in division (B) of section 3702.59 of the Revised Code apply to the new owner or operator.

(F) When reviewing applications for certificates of need, considering appeals under section 3702.60 of the Revised Code, or monitoring activities of persons granted certificates of need, the director may issue and enforce, in the manner provided in section 119.09 of the Revised Code, subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum to compel a person to testify and produce documents relevant to review of the application, consideration of the appeal, or monitoring of the activities. In addition, the director or the director's designee may visit the sites where the activities are or will be conducted.

(G) The director may withdraw certificates of need.

(H) All long-term care facilities shall submit to the director, upon request, any information prescribed by rules adopted under division (H) of section 3702.57 of the Revised Code that is necessary to conduct reviews of certificate of need applications and to develop criteria for reviews.

(I) Any decision to grant or deny a certificate of need shall consider the special needs and circumstances resulting from moral and ethical values and the free exercise of religious rights of long-term care facilities administered by religious organizations, and the special needs and circumstances of inner city and rural communities.

Sec. 3702.521. (A) Reviews of applications for certificates of need to recategorize hospital beds to skilled nursing beds shall be conducted in accordance with this division and rules adopted by the director of health.

(1) No hospital recategorizing beds shall apply for a
certificate of need for more than twenty skilled nursing beds.

(2) No beds for which a certificate of need is requested under this division shall be reviewed under or counted in any formula developed under rules adopted by the director for the purpose of determining the number of long-term care beds that may be needed within the state.

(3) No beds shall be approved under this division unless the hospital certifies and demonstrates in the application that the beds will be dedicated to patients with a length of stay of no more than thirty days.

(4) No beds shall be approved under this division unless the hospital can satisfactorily demonstrate in the application that it is routinely unable to place the patients planned for the beds in accessible skilled nursing facilities.

(5) In developing rules to implement this division, the director shall give special attention to the required documentation of the need for such beds, including the efforts made by the hospital to place patients in suitable skilled nursing facilities, and special attention to the appropriate size of units with such beds given the historical pattern of the applicant hospital's documented difficulty in placing skilled nursing patients.

(B) For assistance in monitoring the use of hospital beds recategorized as skilled nursing beds after August 5, 1989, the director shall adopt rules specifying appropriate quarterly procedures for reporting to the department of health.

(C) A patient may stay in a hospital bed that, after August 5, 1989, has been recategorized as a skilled nursing bed for more than thirty days if the hospital is able to demonstrate that it made a good faith effort to place the patient in an accessible skilled nursing facility acceptable to the patient within the
thirty-day period, but was unable to do so.

(D) No hospital bed recategorized after August 5, 1989, as a skilled nursing bed shall be covered by a provider agreement under the medicaid program.

(E) Nothing in this section requires a hospital to place a patient in any nursing home if the patient does not wish to be placed in the nursing home. Nothing in this section limits the ability of a hospital to file a certificate of need application for the addition of long-term care beds that meet the definition of "home" in section 3721.01 of the Revised Code. Nothing in this section limits the ability of the director to grant certificates of need necessary for hospitals to engage in demonstration projects authorized by the federal government for the purpose of enhancing long-term quality of care and cost containment. Nothing in this section limits the ability of hospitals to develop swing bed programs in accordance with federal regulations.

No hospital that is granted a certificate of need after August 5, 1989, to recategorize hospital beds as skilled nursing beds is subject to sections 3721.01 to 3721.09 of the Revised Code. If the portion of the hospital in which the recategorized beds are located is certified as a skilled nursing facility under Title XVIII of the "Social Security Act," 49 Stat. 620 (1935), 42 U.S.C.A. 301, as amended, that portion of the hospital is subject to sections 3721.10 to 3721.17 and sections 3721.21 to 3721.34 of the Revised Code. If the beds are registered pursuant to section 3701.07 of the Revised Code reported in an application submitted under section 3722.03 of the Revised Code as long-term care beds, the beds are subject to sections 5168.40 to 5168.56 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3702.55. A person that the director of health determines has violated section 3702.53 of the Revised Code shall cease
conducting the activity that constitutes the violation or utilizing the facility resulting from the violation not later than thirty days after the person receives the notice mailed under section 3702.532 of the Revised Code or, if the person appeals the director's determination under section 3702.60 of the Revised Code, thirty days after the person receives an order upholding the director's determination that is not subject to further appeal.

If any person determined to have violated section 3702.53 of the Revised Code fails to cease conducting an activity or using a facility as required by this section or if the person continues to seek payment or reimbursement for services rendered or costs incurred in conducting the activity as prohibited by section 3702.56 of the Revised Code, in addition to the penalties imposed under section 3702.54 or 3702.541 of the Revised Code:

(A) The director of health may refuse to include any beds involved in the activity in the bed capacity of a hospital for purposes of registration under section 3701.07 of the Revised Code;

(B) The director of health may refuse to license, or may revoke a license or reduce bed capacity previously granted to, a hospice care program under section 3712.04 of the Revised Code; a nursing home, residential care facility, or home for the aging under section 3721.02 of the Revised Code; or any beds within any of those facilities that are involved in the activity;

(C) A political subdivision certified under section 3721.09 of the Revised Code may refuse to license, or may revoke a license or reduce bed capacity previously granted to, a nursing home, residential care facility, or home for the aging, or any beds within any of those facilities that are involved in the activity;

(D) The director of mental health and addiction services
may refuse to license under section 5119.33 of the Revised Code, or may revoke a license or reduce bed capacity previously granted to, a hospital receiving mentally ill persons or beds within such a hospital that are involved in the activity;

(E)(D) The department of medicaid may refuse to enter into a provider agreement that includes a facility, beds, or services that result from the activity.

Sec. 3702.592. (A) The director of health shall accept, for review under section 3702.52 of the Revised Code, certificate of need applications for any of the following purposes if the proposed increase in beds is attributable to a replacement or relocation of existing beds from an existing long-term care facility within the same county:

(1) Approval of beds in a new long-term care facility or an increase of beds in an existing long-term care facility if the beds are proposed to be licensed as nursing home beds under Chapter 3721. of the Revised Code;

(2) Approval of beds in a new county home or new county nursing home, or an increase of beds in an existing county home or existing county nursing home if the beds are proposed to be certified as skilled nursing facility beds under the medicare program, Title XVIII of the "Social Security Act," 49 Stat. 286 (1965), 42 U.S.C. 1395, as amended, or nursing facility beds under the medicaid program, Title XIX of the "Social Security Act," 49 Stat. 286 (1965), 42 U.S.C. 1396, as amended;

(3) An increase of hospital beds registered pursuant to section 3701.07 of the Revised Code reported in an application submitted under section 3722.03 of the Revised Code as long-term care beds;

(4) An increase of hospital beds registered pursuant to
section 3701.07 of the Revised Code reported in an application submitted under section 3722.03 of the Revised Code as special skilled nursing beds that were originally authorized by and are operated in accordance with section 3702.521 of the Revised Code.

(B) The director shall accept applications described in division (A) of this section at any time.

Sec. 3702.593. (A) At the times specified in this section, the director of health shall accept, for review under section 3702.52 of the Revised Code, certificate of need applications for any of the following purposes if the proposed increase in beds is attributable solely to relocation of existing beds from an existing long-term care facility in a county with excess beds to a long-term care facility in a county in which there are fewer long-term care beds than the county's bed need:

(1) Approval of beds in a new long-term care facility or an increase of beds in an existing long-term care facility if the beds are proposed to be licensed as nursing home beds under Chapter 3721. of the Revised Code;

(2) Approval of beds in a new county home or new county nursing home, or an increase of beds in an existing county home or existing county nursing home if the beds are proposed to be certified as skilled nursing facility beds under the medicare program, Title XVIII of the "Social Security Act," 49 Stat. 286 (1965), 42 U.S.C. 1395, as amended, or nursing facility beds under the medicaid program, Title XIX of the "Social Security Act," 49 Stat. 286 (1965), 42 U.S.C. 1396, as amended;

(3) An increase of hospital beds registered pursuant to section 3701.07 of the Revised Code reported in an application submitted under section 3722.03 of the Revised Code as long-term care beds.
(B) For the purpose of implementing this section, the director shall do all of the following:

(1) Not later than October 1, 2023, and every four years thereafter, determine the long-term care bed supply for each county, which shall consist of all of the following:

(a) Nursing home beds licensed under Chapter 3721. of the Revised Code;

(b) Beds certified as skilled nursing facility beds under the medicare program or nursing facility beds under the medicaid program;

(c) Beds in any portion of a hospital that are properly registered under section 3701.07 reported in an application submitted under section 3722.03 of the Revised Code as skilled nursing beds, long-term care beds, or special skilled nursing beds;

(d) Beds in a county home or county nursing home that are certified under section 5155.38 of the Revised Code as having been in operation on July 1, 1993, and are eligible for licensure as nursing home beds;

(e) Beds described in division (O)(5) of section 3702.51 of the Revised Code.

(2) Determine the long-term care bed occupancy rate for the state at the time the determination is made;

(3) For each county, determine the county's bed need by identifying the number of long-term care beds that would be needed in the county in order for the statewide occupancy rate for a projected population aged sixty-five and older to be ninety percent.

In determining each county's bed need, the director shall use the formula developed in rules adopted under section 3702.57 of
the Revised Code. A determination shall be made not later than
October 1, 2023, and every four years thereafter. After each
determination is made, the director shall publish the county's bed
need on the web site maintained by the department of health.

(C) The director's consideration of an application for a
certificate of need that would increase the number of beds in a
county shall be consistent with the county's bed need determined
under division (B) of this section except as follows:

(1) If a county's occupancy rate is less than eighty-five per
   cent, the county shall be considered to have no need for
   additional beds.

(2) Even if a county is determined not to need any additional
   long-term care beds, the director may approve an increase in beds
   equal to up to ten per cent of the county's bed supply if the
   county's occupancy rate is greater than ninety per cent.

(D)(1) For the review process used in considering certificate
of need applications, the director shall establish a review period
that begins January 1, 2020, and ends December 31, 2023.
Thereafter, the review period for each review process shall begin
on the first day of January following the end of the previous
review period and shall be four years.

(2) Certificate of need applications shall be accepted during
the first month of the review period and reviewed through the
thirtieth day of September of the year in which the review period
begins.

(E) The director shall consider certificate of need
applications in accordance with all of the following:

(1) The number of beds approved for a county shall include
only beds available for relocation from another county and shall
not exceed the bed need of the receiving county;
(2) The director shall consider the existence of community resources serving persons who are age sixty-five or older or disabled that are demonstrably effective in providing alternatives to long-term care facility placement.

(3) The director shall approve relocation of beds from a county only if, after the relocation, the number of beds remaining in the county will exceed the county's bed need by at least one hundred beds;

(4) The director shall approve relocation of beds from a long-term care facility only if, after the relocation, the number of beds in the facility's service area is at least equal to the state bed need rate. For purposes of this division, a facility's service area shall be either of the following:

(a) The census tract in which the facility is located, if the facility is located in an area designated by the United States secretary of health and human services as a health professional shortage area under the "Public Health Service Act," 88 Stat. 682 (1944), 42 U.S.C. 254(e), as amended;

(b) The area that is within a fifteen-mile radius of the facility's location, if the facility is not located in a health professional shortage area.

(F) Applications made under this section are subject to comparative review if two or more applications are submitted during the same review period and any of the following applies:

(1) The applications propose to relocate beds from the same county and the number of beds for which certificates of need are being requested totals more than the number of beds available in the county from which the beds are to be relocated.

(2) The applications propose to relocate beds to the same county and the number of beds for which certificates of need are being requested totals more than the number of beds needed in the
county to which the beds are to be relocated.

(3) The applications propose to relocate beds from the same service area and the number of beds left in the service area from which the beds are being relocated would be less than the state bed need rate determined by the director.

(G) In determining which applicants should receive preference in the comparative review process, the director shall consider all of the following as weighted priorities:

(1) Whether the beds will be part of a continuing care retirement community;

(2) Whether the beds will serve an underserved population, such as low-income individuals, individuals with disabilities, or individuals who are members of racial or ethnic minority groups;

(3) Whether the project in which the beds will be included will provide alternatives to institutional care, such as adult day-care, home health care, respite or hospice care, mobile meals, residential care, independent living, or congregate living services;

(4) Whether the long-term care facility's owner or operator will participate in Medicaid waiver programs for alternatives to institutional care;

(5) Whether the project in which the beds will be included will reduce alternatives to institutional care by converting residential care beds or other alternative care beds to long-term care beds;

(6) Whether the facility in which the beds will be placed has positive resident and family satisfaction surveys;

(7) Whether the facility in which the beds will be placed has fewer than fifty long-term care beds;

(8) Whether the long-term care facility in which the beds
will be placed is located within the service area of a hospital and is designed to accept patients for rehabilitation after an in-patient hospital stay;

(9) Whether the long-term care facility in which the beds will be placed is or proposes to become a nurse aide training and testing site;

(10) The rating, under the centers for medicare and medicaid services' five star nursing home quality rating system, of the long-term care facility in which the beds will be placed.

(H) A person who has submitted an application under this section that is not subject to comparative review may revise the site of the proposed project pursuant to section 3702.522 of the Revised Code.

(I) When a certificate of need application is approved, in addition to the actions required by division (D) of section 3702.52 of the Revised Code, the long-term care facility from which the beds were relocated shall reduce the number of beds operated in the facility by a number of beds equal to at least ten per cent of the number of beds relocated. If these beds are in a home licensed under Chapter 3721. of the Revised Code, the long-term care facility shall have the beds removed from the license. If the beds are in a facility that is certified as a skilled nursing facility or nursing facility under Title XVIII or XIX of the "Social Security Act," the facility shall surrender the certification of these beds. If the beds are registered in an application submitted under section 3722.03 of the Revised Code as skilled nursing beds or long-term care beds under section 3701.07 of the Revised Code, the long-term care facility shall surrender the registration for these beds. This reduction shall be made not later than the completion date of the project for which the beds were relocated.
Sec. 3705.30. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Freestanding birthing center" has the same meaning as in section 3702.141 of the Revised Code has the same meaning as in section 3701.503 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Hospital" means a hospital classified under section 3701.07 of the Revised Code as a general hospital or children's hospital has the same meaning as in section 3722.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Physician" means an individual authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery.

(B) The director of health shall establish and, if funds for this purpose are available, implement a statewide birth defects information system for the collection of information concerning congenital anomalies, stillbirths, and abnormal conditions of newborns.

(C) If the system is implemented under division (B) of this section, all of the following apply:

(1) The director may require each physician, hospital, and freestanding birthing center to report to the system information concerning all patients under five years of age with a primary diagnosis of a congenital anomaly or abnormal condition. The director shall not require a hospital, freestanding birthing center, or physician to report to the system any information that is reported to the director or department of health under another provision of the Revised Code or Administrative Code.

(2) On request, each physician, hospital, and freestanding birthing center shall give the director or authorized employees of the department of health access to the medical records of any patient described in division (C)(1) of this section. The
department shall pay the costs of copying any medical records pursuant to this division.

(3) The director may review vital statistics records and shall consider expanding the list of congenital anomalies and abnormal conditions of newborns reported on birth certificates pursuant to section 3705.08 of the Revised Code.

(D) A physician, hospital, or freestanding birthing center that provides information to the system under division (C) of this section shall not be subject to criminal or civil liability for providing the information.

Sec. 3705.41. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Freestanding birthing center" has the same meaning as in section 3702.141 of the Revised Code has the same meaning as in section 3701.503 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Funeral services worker" means a person licensed as a funeral director or embalmer under Chapter 4717. of the Revised Code or an individual responsible for the direct final disposition of a deceased person.

(3) "Hospital" means a hospital classified pursuant to rules adopted under section 3701.07 of the Revised Code as a general hospital or children's hospital and to which either of the following applies:

(a) The hospital has a maternity unit.

(b) The hospital receives for care infants who have been transferred to it from other facilities and who have never been discharged to their residences following birth has the same meaning as in section 3722.01 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Maternity unit" means the distinct portion of a hospital licensed as a maternity unit under Chapter 3711. of the Revised Code.
(B) At least annually, the state registrar shall offer to provide training for appropriate staff of hospitals and freestanding birthing centers, as well as funeral services workers, on their responsibilities under the laws of this state and any rules adopted pursuant to those laws pertaining to vital records. If provided, the training shall cover correct data entry procedures and time limits for reporting vital statistics information for the purpose of ensuring accuracy and consistency of the system of vital statistics.

Sec. 3711.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Board of health" means a board of health of a city or general health district or the authority having the duties of a board of health under section 3709.05 of the Revised Code.

(B) "Maternity home" means a facility for pregnant girls and women where accommodations, medical care, and social services are provided during the prenatal and postpartal periods. "Maternity home" does not include a private residence where obstetric or newborn services are received by a resident of the home.

(C) "Maternity unit" means a distinct portion of a hospital in which inpatient care is provided to women during all or part of the maternity cycle.

(D) "Newborn care nursery" means a distinct portion of a hospital in which inpatient care is provided to infants. "Newborn care nursery" includes a distinct portion of a hospital in which intensive care is provided to infants.

Sec. 3711.02. (A) Except as provided in division (B) of this section, no person shall operate any of the following, a maternity home unless the person holds the appropriate license issued under this chapter and the license is valid:

(1) A maternity unit,
A newborn care nursery;

(3) A maternity home.

(B) Division (A) of this section does not apply to a health care facility, as defined in section 3702.30 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3711.04. Each person seeking to operate a maternity unit, newborn care nursery, or maternity home shall apply to the director of health for a license under this chapter. The application shall be submitted in the form and manner prescribed by the director in rules adopted under section 3711.12 of the Revised Code.

A single application and license is required if an applicant will operate both a maternity unit and newborn care nursery.

Sec. 3711.05. (A) The director of health shall review all applications received under section 3711.04 of the Revised Code. On receipt of a complete application, the director shall send a copy of the application to the board of health of the city or general health district in which the maternity unit, newborn care nursery, or maternity home is to be operated.

Unless the board finds that an applicant is not in compliance with an applicable health regulation adopted by the board, the board shall approve the application. The board shall notify the director of its determination to approve or disapprove the application. If the board does not notify the director of its determination by the end of the thirtieth day after the board receives the copy of the application, the application is deemed to have been approved by the board.

(B) The director shall issue a license to an applicant if all of the following requirements are met:

(1) The board of health approves the application or the
application is deemed to have been approved;

(2) The applicant meets the standards specified in rules adopted under section 3711.12 of the Revised Code;

(3) The applicant passes the inspection required by section 3711.06 of the Revised Code.

(C) On issuance of a license, the director shall notify the board of health to which the application was sent under division (A) of this section. In the notice, the director shall specify the terms that apply to the license.

Sec. 3711.06. The director of health shall inspect each maternity unit, newborn care nursery, or maternity home for which a person has applied for an initial license under section 3711.04 of the Revised Code prior to issuing the license. Inspections shall be conducted in accordance with inspection criteria, procedures, and guidelines adopted by the director under section 3711.12 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3711.10. The director of health shall monitor compliance with this chapter and the rules adopted under it. The director may conduct inspections of a maternity unit, newborn care nursery, or maternity home as necessary to adequately monitor compliance with this chapter and the rules adopted under it. The inspections may be scheduled or random.

The board of health of the city or general health district in which a maternity unit, newborn care nursery, or maternity home is located may conduct inspections of the unit, nursery, or home as necessary to adequately monitor compliance with any applicable health regulation adopted by the board. The inspections may be scheduled or random.

Sec. 3711.12. (A) The director of health shall adopt rules in
accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code as the director considers necessary to implement the requirements of this chapter for licensure and operation of maternity units, newborn care nurseries, and maternity homes. The rules shall include provisions for the following:

(1) Licensure application forms and procedures;

(2) Renewal procedures, including procedures that address the right of the director of health, at the director's sole discretion, to conduct an inspection prior to renewal of a license;

(3) Initial license fees and license renewal fees;

(4) Fees for inspections conducted by the director under section 3711.10 of the Revised Code;

(5) Safety standards, quality-of-care standards, and quality-of-care data reporting requirements;

(6) Reporting and auditing requirements;

(7) Inspection criteria, procedures, and guidelines;

(8) Application forms to be used and procedures to be followed in applying under section 3711.13 of the Revised Code for a variance or waiver of any of the requirements of the rules adopted under this section regarding the operation of a maternity home;

(9) Any other rules necessary to implement this chapter.

(B) When adopting rules under this section, the director shall give consideration to recommendations regarding obstetric and newborn care issued by the American college of obstetricians and gynecologists; American academy of pediatrics; American academy of family physicians; American society of anesthesiologists; American college of nurse-midwives; United States centers for disease control and prevention; association of
women's health, obstetric and neonatal nurses; and association of perioperative registered nurses, or their successor organizations. The director shall also consider the recommendations of the maternity and newborn advisory council established in section 3711.20 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3711.14. (A) In accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the director of health may do any of the following:

(1) Impose a civil penalty of not less than one thousand dollars and not more than two hundred fifty thousand dollars on a person who violates a provision of this chapter or the rules adopted under it;

(2) Summarily suspend, in accordance with division (B) of this section, a license issued under this chapter if the director believes there is clear and convincing evidence that the continued operation of a maternity unit, newborn care nursery, or maternity home presents a danger of immediate and serious harm to the public;

(3) Revoke a license issued under this chapter if the director determines that a violation of a provision of this chapter or the rules adopted under it has occurred in such a manner as to pose an imminent threat of serious physical or life-threatening danger.

(B) If the director suspends a license under division (A)(2) of this section, the director shall issue a written order of suspension and cause it to be delivered by certified mail or in person in accordance with section 119.07 of the Revised Code. The order shall not be subject to suspension by the court while an appeal filed under section 119.12 of the Revised Code is pending. If the individual subject to the suspension requests an adjudication, the date set for the adjudication shall be within fifteen days but not earlier than seven days after the individual
makes the request, unless another date is agreed to by both the individual and the director. The summary suspension shall remain in effect, unless reversed by the director, until a final adjudication order issued by the director pursuant to this section and Chapter 119. of the Revised Code becomes effective.

The director shall issue a final adjudication order not later than ninety days after completion of the adjudication. If the director does not issue a final order within the ninety-day period, the summary suspension shall be void, but any final adjudication order issued subsequent to the ninety-day period shall not be affected.

(C) If the director issues an order revoking or suspending a license issued under this chapter and the license holder continues to operate a maternity unit, newborn care nursery, or maternity home, the director may ask the attorney general to apply to the court of common pleas of the county in which the person is located for an order enjoining the person from operating the unit, nursery, or home. The court shall grant the order on a showing that the person is operating the unit, nursery, or home.

Sec. 3711.30. (A) As used in this section, "opioid" means opium, opium derivatives, and synthetic opium substitutes an opioid analgesic as defined in section 3719.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) Each maternity unit, newborn care nursery, and maternity home shall report to the department of health the number of newborns born to residents of this state in the unit, nursery, or home during the preceding calendar quarter that were diagnosed as opioid dependent at birth. The reports shall be submitted not later than thirty days after the end of each quarter and shall not include any patient-identifying information.

(C) The department shall establish standards and procedures
for reporting the information required by this section. The information reported under this section shall not be used for law enforcement purposes or disclosed to law enforcement authorities.

(D) The department shall compile the information submitted under this section and make a summary of that information available to the public not later than ninety days after the end of each calendar year.

Sec. 3722.01. (A) As used in this chapter:

(1) "Children's hospital" means either of the following:

(a) A hospital that provides general pediatric medical and surgical care in which at least seventy-five per cent of annual inpatient discharges for the preceding two calendar years were individuals less than eighteen years of age;

(b) A distinct portion of a hospital that provides general pediatric medical and surgical care in which at least seventy-five per cent of annual inpatient discharges for the preceding two calendar years were individuals less than eighteen years of age.

(B) "Health maintenance organization" means a public or private organization organized under the law of any state that is qualified under 42 U.S.C. 300e-9 or that does all of the following:

(1) Provides or otherwise makes available to enrolled participants health care services including at least the following basic health care services: usual physician services, hospitalization, laboratory, x-ray, emergency and preventive services, and out-of-area coverage;

(2) Is compensated, except for copayments, for the provision of basic health care services to enrolled participants by a payment that is paid on a periodic basis without regard to the date the health care services are provided and that is fixed
without regard to the frequency, extent, or kind of health service actually provided;

(3) Provides physician services primarily in either of the following ways:

(a) Directly through physicians who are either employees or partners of the organization;

(b) Through arrangements with individual physicians or one or more groups of physicians organized on a group-practice or individual-practice basis.

(C) "Hospital" means an institution or facility that provides inpatient medical or surgical services for a continuous period longer than twenty-four hours or a hospital operated by a health maintenance organization. "Hospital" includes a children's hospital.

(D) "Political subdivision" means a county, township, municipal corporation, or other body corporate and politic responsible for governmental activities in a geographic area smaller than that of the state.

(E) "State university" has the same meaning as in section 3345.12 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3722.02. (A) It is the intent of the General Assembly in enacting Chapter 3722. of the Revised Code to require each hospital operating in this state to be licensed by the director of health. Beginning on the date that is three years after the effective date of this section, any reference to a hospital contained in the Revised Code in a chapter other than Chapter 3722. of the Revised Code shall be construed to mean a hospital licensed under Chapter 3722. of the Revised Code.

(B) Beginning on the date that is three years after the effective date of this section, no person and no political
(A) Subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalties of this state shall operate a hospital without holding a license issued by the director of health under section 3722.03 of the Revised Code.

(C) Division (A) of this section does not apply to any of the following:

(1) A hospital operated by the federal government;
(2) An ambulatory surgical facility or other health care facility licensed as described in section 3702.30 of the Revised Code;
(3) A nursing home or residential care facility licensed under Chapter 3721. of the Revised Code;
(4) A hospital or inpatient unit licensed under section 5119.33 of the Revised Code;
(5) A residential facility as defined in section 5119.34 of the Revised Code;
(6) A residential facility as defined in section 5123.19 of the Revised Code;
(7) A community addiction services provider as defined in section 5119.01 of the Revised Code;
(8) A facility providing services under a contract with the department of developmental disabilities under section 5123.18 of the Revised Code;
(9) A facility operated by a hospice care program licensed under section 3712.04 of the Revised Code and that is used exclusively for the care of hospice patients;
(10) A facility operated by a pediatric respite care program licensed under section 3712.041 of the Revised Code and that is used exclusively for the care of pediatric respite care patients;
(11) A health maintenance organization that does not operate...
a hospital;

(12) The site where a health care practice is operated, regardless of whether the practice is organized as an individual or group practice;

(13) A clinic providing ambulatory patient services where patients are not regularly admitted as inpatients;

(14) An institution for the sick that is operated exclusively for patients who use spiritual means for healing and for whom the acceptance of medical care is inconsistent with their religious beliefs, accredited by a national accrediting organization, exempt from federal income taxation under section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. 1, and providing twenty-four-hour nursing care pursuant to the exemption from the licensing requirements of Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code described in division (E) of section 4723.32 of the Revised Code.

(D)(1) If the director of health determines that a hospital is operating without a license in violation of this section, the director shall do any of the following:

(a) Notify the hospital that it is operating without a license and provide it with an opportunity to apply for licensure, but only within the thirty-day period beginning on the date the hospital received the director's notice;

(b) Direct the hospital to cease operations;

(c) Impose a civil penalty of not more than two hundred fifty thousand dollars;

(d) In addition to the penalty described in division (D)(1)(c) of this section, impose a penalty of not less than one thousand dollars and not more than ten thousand dollars for each day the hospital operates without a license.

(2) If the hospital described in division (D)(1) of this
section continues to operate without a license, the director may petition the court of common pleas of the county in which the hospital is located for an order enjoining the hospital from operating.

Sec. 3722.03. (A) Subject to division (D) of this section, each person or political subdivision, agency, or instrumentality of this state, including a state university, seeking to operate a hospital shall apply to the director of health for a license to operate a hospital.

The director of health shall not consider any application for licensure until the date that is one year after the effective date of this section. An application shall be submitted in the form and manner prescribed by the director in rules adopted under section 3722.06 of the Revised Code.

(B) To be eligible for a license, an applicant must satisfy all of the following:

(1) Have submitted a complete application, including the payment of the fee specified in rules adopted under section 3722.06 of the Revised Code;

(2) Be certified under Title XVIII of the "Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C. 301, or accredited by a national accrediting organization approved by the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services;

(3) Demonstrate the ability to comply with standards established in rules adopted under section 3722.06 of the Revised Code;

(4) Specify the number of beds for the hospital, including skilled nursing beds, long-term care beds, and special skilled nursing beds.

(C)(1) If the applicant satisfies the requirements described
in division (B) of this section, the director shall issue to the applicant a license to operate a hospital.

(2) A license issued under this section is valid for a three-year period unless revoked or suspended. A license expires on the date that is three years from the date of issuance and may be renewed for additional three-year periods. Applications for renewal shall be submitted to the director in a manner prescribed in rules adopted under section 3722.06 of the Revised Code.

(3) All of the following apply to a license issued under this section:

(a) The license is valid only for the premises named in the application.

(b) The license is valid only for the entity named in the application.

(c) The license holder shall post a copy of the license in a conspicuous place in the hospital.

(D) If a person or political subdivision, agency, or instrumentality of this state, including a state university, seeks to operate as a hospital a facility that is comprised of multiple buildings adjacent to one another, the person or political subdivision, agency, or instrumentality of this state shall submit to the director a single application for licensure.

In the case of a facility that is comprised of multiple buildings that are not adjacent to one another, a person or political subdivision, agency, or instrumentality of this state, including a state university, may submit to the director a single application for licensure. The director shall consider a single application only if the applicant demonstrates to the director that the buildings are in the immediate vicinity of one another so as to constitute a medical center or medical campus.
Sec. 3722.04. If a hospital licensed under this chapter is assigned, sold, or transferred to a new owner, within thirty days of the assignment, sale, or transfer, the new owner shall apply to the director of health for a license transfer. The application shall be submitted to the director in the form and manner prescribed in rules adopted under section 3722.06 of the Revised Code.

The new owner is responsible for compliance with any action taken or proposed by the director under section 3722.07 or 3722.08 of the Revised Code. If a notice has been issued under section 119.07 of the Revised Code, the new owner becomes party to the notice.

Sec. 3722.05. (A) Upon the filing of an initial application for licensure under section 3722.03 of the Revised Code, the director of health may inspect the hospital prior to issuing or denying the applicant a license to operate a hospital. An applicant may avoid such an inspection if the applicant submits with the application a copy of the hospital's most recent on-site survey report from an accrediting body demonstrating that the hospital is in deemed status.

(B) When filing an application to renew a license issued under section 3722.03 of the Revised Code, an applicant may avoid an inspection by the director if the applicant submits with the application a copy of the hospital's most recent on-site survey report from an accrediting body demonstrating that the hospital is in deemed status.

(C) For purposes of this section, an on-site survey report from an accrediting body submitted in accordance with this section is confidential and is not a public record under section 149.43 of the Revised Code.
(D) At least once every thirty-six months, the director shall inspect each licensed hospital's maternity unit, newborn care nursery, and any unit providing any of the following services:

1. Pediatric intensive care;
2. Solid organ and bone marrow transplantation;
3. Stem cell harvesting and reinfusion;
4. Cardiac catheterization;
5. Open heart surgery;
6. Operation of linear accelerators;
7. Operation of cobalt radiation therapy units;
8. Operation of gamma knives.

(E) To monitor compliance with this chapter and any rules adopted under it, the director may at any time inspect a licensed hospital.

(F) Any inspection conducted under this section is subject to a fee. Upon conducting the inspection, the director shall provide the applicant or license holder with a fee statement. Not later than fifteen days after receiving the fee statement, the applicant or license holder shall submit to the director the total amount of the fee.

Sec. 3722.06. (A) Not later than the date that is one year after the effective date of this section, the director of health shall adopt rules establishing health, safety, welfare, and quality standards for hospitals licensed under this chapter, including standards for all of the following:

1. Maternity units;
2. Newborn care nurseries;
3. Hospital services, including the following:
(a) Pediatric intensive care;
(b) Solid organ and bone marrow transplantation;
(c) Stem cell harvesting and reinfusion;
(d) Cardiac catheterization;
(e) Open heart surgery;
(f) Operation of linear accelerators;
(g) Operation of cobalt radiation therapy units;
(h) Operation of gamma knives.

(B) Not later than the date that is one year after the
effective date of this section, the director shall adopt rules
establishing standards and procedures for the licensure of
hospitals, including all of the following:

(1) Procedures for applying and renewing licenses as
described in section 3722.03 of the Revised Code;
(2) Procedures for transferring licenses as described in
section 3722.04 of the Revised Code;
(3) Procedures for inspections following complaints;
(4) Fees for initial applications, license renewals, and
license transfers, as well as inspections conducted under section
3722.05 of the Revised Code;
(5) Subject to division (D) of this section, standards and
procedures for imposing civil penalties as described in section
3722.07 of the Revised Code;
(6) Standards and procedures for correcting violations,
including through the submission of correction plans;
(7) Standards and procedures for identifying, monitoring,
managing, reporting, and reducing exposures to risk conditions,
such as Legionella, including through the use of environmental
facility assessments, the development of water management plans, and the use of disinfection measures;

(8) Standards and procedures for data reporting;

(9) Standards and procedures for emergency preparedness;

(10) Standards and procedures for the provision of technical assistance as described in section 3722.09 of the Revised Code.

(C) The director shall establish a scale for use in determining the amount of a civil penalty that may be imposed under section 3722.07 of the Revised Code. The scale shall include per day amounts for ongoing violations. The total amount of a civil penalty shall not exceed two hundred fifty thousand dollars for each violation.

(D) The director may adopt any other rules as necessary to implement this chapter.

(E) When adopting rules under this section, the director shall adopt the rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. Any rules adopted are not subject to division (F) of section 121.95 of the Revised Code.

**Sec. 3722.07.** (A) Each hospital licensed under this chapter shall comply with the requirements of this chapter and the rules adopted under it.

(B) If the director of health finds that an applicant or license holder has violated any requirement of this chapter or the rules adopted under it, the director may do any of the following:

(1) Suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue or renew a license;

(2) Provide the license holder an opportunity to correct the violation;

(3) Provide the license holder with a plan to correct or mitigate the violation;
(4) Prohibit the license holder from admitting new patients;

(5) Impose a civil penalty;

(6) In the event the director believes there is a danger of immediate and serious harm to the public, summarily suspend either of the following:

(a) A license;

(b) A type of health care service.

Notwithstanding division (C) of this section, the decision or determination to take any of the actions described in division (B) of this section is subject to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(C) If the director suspends a license or health care service as described in division (B)(6) of this section, the director shall issue a written order of suspension and furnish a copy to the license holder either by certified mail or in person in accordance with section 119.07 of the Revised Code.

If the license holder subject to the summary suspension requests an adjudication, the adjudication shall be held within thirty days but not less than fifteen days after the request, unless another date is agreed to by the license holder and director.

The summary suspension remains in effect, unless reversed by the director, until a final adjudication order is issued by the director in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

The director shall issue a final adjudication order not later than ninety days after the adjudication. If the director fails to issue the final adjudication order within the ninety-day period, the summary suspension is void, but any final adjudication order issued subsequent to the ninety-day period is valid.

In the event an appeal is filed under section 119.12 of the Revised Code and while the appeal is pending, a court of common
pleas shall not issue an order reversing the summary suspension.

(D) If the director suspends or revokes a license and the license holder continues to operate a hospital, the director may ask the attorney general to apply to the court of common pleas of the county in which the hospital is located for an order enjoining the license holder from continuing to operate the hospital.

Sec. 3722.08. (A) As used in this section, "real and present danger" means imminent danger of serious physical or life-threatening harm to one or more occupants of a hospital.

(B) If, in the judgment of the director of health, a real and present danger exists at any licensed hospital, the director may petition the court of common pleas of the county in which the hospital is located for such injunctive relief as is necessary to close the hospital, transfer one or more occupants to other hospitals or other appropriate care settings, or otherwise eliminate the real and present danger. The court has jurisdiction to grant such injunctive relief upon a showing that there is a real and present danger.

(C)(1) If the director determines that a real and present danger exists at a licensed hospital and elects not to immediately seek injunctive relief under division (B) of this section, the director may give written notice of proposed action to the hospital. The notice shall specify all of the following:

(a) The nature of the conditions giving rise to the real and present danger;

(b) The measures that the director determines the hospital must take to respond to the conditions;

(c) The date on which the director intends to seek injunctive relief under division (B) of this section if the director determines that a real and present danger remains at the hospital.
(2) If the licensed hospital notifies the director, within the time specified pursuant to division (C)(1)(c) of this section, that it believes the conditions giving rise to the real and present danger have been substantially corrected, the director shall conduct an inspection to determine whether a real and present danger remains. If the director determines on the basis of the inspection that real and present danger remains, the director may petition under division (B) of this section for injunctive relief.

(D)(1) If, in the judgment of the director of health, conditions exist at a licensed hospital that will give rise to a real and present danger if not corrected, the director shall give written notice of proposed action to the hospital. The notice shall specify all of the following:

(a) The nature of the conditions giving rise to the director's judgment;

(b) The measures that the director determines the hospital must take to respond to the conditions;

(c) The date, which shall be not later than ten days after the notice is delivered, on which the director intends to seek injunctive relief under division (B) of this section if the conditions are not substantially corrected and the director determines that a real and present danger does exist.

(2) If the licensed hospital notifies the director, within the period of time specified in division (D)(1)(c) of this section, that the conditions giving rise to the director's determination have been substantially corrected, the director shall conduct an inspection. If the director determines on the basis of the inspection that the conditions have not been corrected and a real and present danger does exist, the director may petition under division (B) of this section for injunctive
relief.

(E)(1) A court that grants injunctive relief under division (B) of this section may also appoint a special master who, subject to division (E)(2) of this section, shall have such powers and authority over the hospital and a length of appointment as the court considers necessary. Subject to division (E)(2) of this section, the salary of a special master and any costs incurred by a special master shall be the obligation of the hospital.

(2) No special master shall enter into any employment contract on behalf of a hospital or purchase with the hospital's funds any capital goods totaling more than ten thousand dollars, unless the special master has obtained approval for the contract or purchase from the hospital or the court.

(F) If the director takes action under division (B), (C), or (D) of this section, the director may also appoint employees of the department of health to conduct on-site monitoring of the hospital. Appointment of monitors is not subject to appeal under Chapter 119, or any other section of the Revised Code.

No employee of a hospital for which monitors are appointed, no person employed by the hospital within the previous two years, and no person who currently has a consulting contract with the department or a hospital, shall be appointed under this division.

Every monitor shall have the professional qualifications necessary to monitor correction of the conditions that give rise to or, in the director's judgment, will give rise to real and present danger. The number of monitors present at a hospital at any given time shall not exceed one for every fifty patients, or fraction thereof.

(G) On finding that the real and present danger for which injunctive relief was granted under division (B) of this section has been eliminated and that the hospital has demonstrated the
capacity to prevent the real and present danger from recurring, the court shall terminate its jurisdiction over the hospital and return control and management to the hospital.

If the real and present danger cannot be eliminated practicably within a reasonable time following appointment of a special master, the court may order the special master to close the hospital and transfer all patients to other hospitals or other appropriate care settings.

(H) The director of health shall give notice of proposed action under divisions (C) and (D) of this section to the following:

(1) The hospital's administrator;
(2) The hospital's governing board;
(3) The hospital's statutory agent.

A notice shall be delivered by hand or certified mail. If mailed, the notice shall be addressed to the persons specified in this section, as indicated in the department of health's records. If hand delivered, the notice shall be delivered to persons who would reasonably appear to the average prudent person to have authority to accept them.

**Sec. 3722.09.** (A) The director of health may provide each licensed hospital with technical assistance in all of the following areas:

(1) Infectious diseases, including measures to prevent and control their spread;
(2) Quality improvement projects, including health equity and disparities;
(3) Population health initiatives;
(4) Data analytics;
(5) Workforce recruitment and development.

(B) The director may engage with one or more quality improvement organizations to assist in providing technical assistance. A quality improvement organization shall provide technical assistance without compensation from the department of health. The director may terminate the assistance of a quality improvement organization at any time.

(C) The director may use any fees and civil penalties collected under this chapter to fund the provision of technical assistance to licensed hospitals, including contracting with entities to provide training or technical assistance as determined necessary by the director.

Sec. 3722.10. Each hospital licensed under this chapter shall have a governing board to oversee the hospital's management, operation, and control. The governing board shall be responsible for both of the following:

(A) Overseeing the appointment, reappointment, and assignment of privileges to medical staff as described in section 3701.351 of the Revised Code;

(B) Establishing protocols for the admission and treatment of patients.

Sec. 3722.11. (A) "Opioid" means opioid analgesic as defined in section 3719.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) Beginning on the date that is three years after the effective date of this section, each hospital licensed under this chapter that operates a maternity unit or newborn care nursery shall report to the director of health the number of newborns born to residents of this state in the unit or nursery during the preceding calendar quarter that were diagnosed as opioid dependent at birth. The reports shall be submitted not later than thirty
days after the end of each quarter and shall not include any
patient-identifying information.

(C) The director shall establish standards and procedures for
reporting the information required by this section. The
information reported under this section shall not be used for law
enforcement purposes or disclosed to law enforcement authorities.

(D) The director shall compile the information submitted
under this section and make a summary of that information
available to the public not later than ninety days after the end
of each calendar year.

Sec. 3722.12. (A) Beginning on the date that is three years
after the effective date of this section, each hospital shall
report to the director of health the contagious, environmental, or
infectious diseases, illnesses, or health conditions or unusual
infectious agents or biological toxins for which it provides
treatment to patients.

(B) The director shall adopt rules that do all of the
following:

(1) Specify the diseases, illnesses, conditions, infectious
agents, and biological toxins to be reported under this section;

(2) Specify the frequency with which a hospital shall report
to the director under this section;

(3) Prescribe the manner in which a hospital shall report to
the director under this section.

(C) Any information reported under this section shall be
considered protected health information as described in section
3701.17 of the Revised Code and shall be released only in
accordance with that section. Information that does not identify
an individual may be released in summary, statistical, or
aggregate form.
Sec. 3722.13. All initial license fees, renewal fees, fees for inspections conducted by the director of health and civil penalties collected under this chapter shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the general operations fund created under section 3701.83 of the Revised Code. The moneys shall be used solely for purposes of administering and enforcing this chapter and the rules adopted under it.

Sec. 3722.14. From the effective date of this section until the date that is three years after the effective date of this section, the requirements of this chapter apply only to a hospital that has obtained a license to operate issued under section 3722.03 of the Revised Code. Beginning on the date that is three years after the effective date of this section, each hospital is subject to the requirements of this chapter.

Sec. 3722.99. Beginning on the date that is three years from the effective date of this section, whoever violates division (B) of section 3722.02 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree and shall be liable for an additional penalty of one thousand dollars for each day of operation in violation of such division.

Sec. 3727.70. As used in this section and sections 3727.71 to 3727.79 of the Revised Code:

(A) "Admission" means a patient's admission to a hospital on an inpatient basis by a health care professional specified in division (B)(1) of section 3727.06 of the Revised Code.

(B) "After-care" means assistance provided by a lay caregiver to a patient in the patient's residence after the patient's discharge and includes only the caregiving needs of the patient at the time of discharge.
(C) "Discharge" means the discharge or release of a patient who has been admitted to a hospital on an inpatient basis from the hospital directly to the patient's residence. "Discharge" does not include the transfer of a patient to another facility or setting.

(D) "Discharging health care professional" means a health care professional who is authorized by division (B)(1) of section 3727.06 of the Revised Code to admit a patient to a hospital and who has assumed responsibility for directing the creation of the patient's discharge plan under section 3727.75 of the Revised Code.

(E) "Guardian" has the same meaning as in section 2133.01 of the Revised Code.

(F) "Lay caregiver" means an adult designated under section 3727.71 of the Revised Code to provide after-care to a patient.

(G) "Lay caregiver designation" means the designation of a lay caregiver for a patient as described in section 3727.71 of the Revised Code.

(H)(1) "Patient's residence" means either of the following:

(a) The dwelling that a patient or the patient's guardian considers to be the patient's home;

(b) The dwelling of a relative or other individual who has agreed to temporarily house the patient following discharge and who has communicated this fact to hospital staff.

(2) "Patient's residence" does not include any of the following:

(a) A hospital;

(b) A nursing home, residential care facility, county home, or district home, as defined in section 3721.01 of the Revised Code;

(c) A veterans' home operated under Chapter 5907. of the Revised Code;
Revised Code;

(d) A residential facility, as defined in section 5119.34 of the Revised Code;

(e) A residential facility, as defined in section 5123.19 of the Revised Code;

(f) A hospice care program, as defined in section 3712.01 of the Revised Code;

(g) A freestanding inpatient rehabilitation facility licensed under section 3702.30 of the Revised Code;

(h) Another facility similar to one specified in this division.

Sec. 3781.112. (A) As used in this section, "secured facility" means any of the following:

(1) A maternity unit, newborn care nursery, or maternity home licensed under Chapter 3711. of the Revised Code;

(2) A pediatric intensive care unit subject to rules adopted by the director of health pursuant to section 3702.11 of the Revised Code;

(3) A children's hospital, as defined in section 3727.01 hospital licensed under Chapter 3722. of the Revised Code;

(4) A hospital that is licensed under section 5119.33 of the Revised Code to receive mentally ill persons;

(5) The portion of a nursing home licensed under section 3721.02 of the Revised Code or in accordance with section 3721.09 of the Revised Code in which specialized care is provided to residents of the nursing home who have physical or mental conditions that require a resident to be restricted in the resident's freedom of movement for the health and safety of the resident, the staff attending the resident, or the general public.
(B) A secured facility may take reasonable steps in accordance with rules the board of building standards adopts under division (A) of section 3781.10 of the Revised Code and in accordance with the state fire code the fire marshal adopts under section 3737.82 of the Revised Code, to deny egress to confine and protect patients or residents of the secured facility who are not capable of self-preservation. A secured facility that wishes to deny egress to those patients or residents may use delayed-egress doors and electronically coded doors to deny egress, on the condition that those doors are installed and used in accordance with rules the board of building standards adopts under division (A) of section 3781.10 of the Revised Code and in accordance with the state fire code the fire marshal adopts under section 3737.82 of the Revised Code. A secured facility also may install controlled-egress locks, in compliance with rules the board of building standards adopts under division (A) of section 3781.10 of the Revised Code and in compliance with the state fire code the fire marshal adopts under section 3737.82 of the Revised Code, in areas of the secured facility where patients or residents who have physical or mental conditions that would endanger the patients or residents, the staff attending the patients or residents, or the general public if those patients or residents are not restricted in their freedom of movement. A secured facility that uses delayed-egress doors and electronically coded doors, controlled-egress locks, or both, shall do both of the following:

(1) Provide continuous, twenty-four-hour custodial care to the patients or residents of the facility;

(2) Establish a system to evacuate patients or residents in the event of fire or other emergency.

**Sec. 3901.40.** No insurance company, health insuring corporation, or self-insurance plan authorized to do business in
this state shall include or provide in its policies or subscriber agreements for benefit payments or reimbursement for services in any hospital which is not certified or accredited as provided in division (A) of section 3727.02 licensed under Chapter 3722. of the Revised Code. No hospital located in this state shall charge any insurance company, health insuring corporation, federal, state, or local government agency, or person for any services rendered unless the hospital is certified or accredited as provided in division (A) of section 3727.02 licensed under Chapter 3722. of the Revised Code. "Hospital" as used in this section means only those institutions included within the definition of that term contained in section 3727.01 of the Revised Code, and the prohibitions in this section do not apply to facilities excluded from that definition.

Sec. 3929.67. (A) A medical liability insurance policy that insures a physician or podiatrist, written by or on behalf of the medical liability underwriting association pursuant to sections 3929.62 to 3929.70 of the Revised Code, may only be cancelled during the term of the policy for one of the following reasons:

(1) Nonpayment of premiums;

(2) The license of the insured to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine and surgery has been suspended or revoked;

(3) The insured's failure to meet minimum eligibility and underwriting standards;

(4) The occurrence of a change in the individual risk that substantially increases any hazard insured against after the coverage has been issued or renewed, except to the extent that the medical liability underwriting association reasonably should have foreseen the change or contemplated the risk in writing the policy;
(5) Discovery of fraud or material misrepresentation in the procurement of insurance or with respect to any claim submitted thereunder.

(B) A medical liability insurance policy that insures a hospital, written by or on behalf of the medical liability underwriting association pursuant to sections 3929.62 to 3929.70 of the Revised Code, may only be cancelled during the term of the policy for one of the following reasons:

(1) Nonpayment of premiums;

(2) The hospital is not certified or accredited in accordance with Chapter 3722. of the Revised Code;

(3) An injunction against the hospital has been granted under section 3727.05 of the Revised Code;

(4) The insured's failure to meet minimum eligibility and underwriting standards;

(5) The occurrence of a change in the individual risk that substantially increases any hazard insured against after the coverage has been issued or renewed, except to the extent that the medical liability underwriting association reasonably should have foreseen the change or contemplated the risk in writing the policy;

(6) Discovery of fraud or material misrepresentation in the procurement of insurance or with respect to any claim submitted thereunder.

Sec. 4723.431. (A)(1) An advanced practice registered nurse who is designated as a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner may practice only in accordance with a standard care arrangement entered into with each physician or podiatrist with whom the nurse collaborates. A copy of the standard care arrangement shall be retained on file by
the nurse's employer. Prior approval of the standard care arrangement by the board of nursing is not required, but the board may periodically review it for compliance with this section.

A clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner may enter into a standard care arrangement with one or more collaborating physicians or podiatrists. If a collaborating physician or podiatrist enters into standard care arrangements with more than five nurses, the physician or podiatrist shall not collaborate at the same time with more than five nurses in the prescribing component of their practices.

Not later than thirty days after first engaging in the practice of nursing as a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner, the nurse shall submit to the board the name and business address of each collaborating physician or podiatrist. Thereafter, the nurse shall notify the board of any additions or deletions to the nurse's collaborating physicians or podiatrists. Except as provided in division (D) of this section, the notice must be provided not later than thirty days after the change takes effect.

(2) All of the following conditions apply with respect to the practice of a collaborating physician or podiatrist with whom a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner may enter into a standard care arrangement:

(a) The physician or podiatrist must be authorized to practice in this state.

(b) Except as provided in division (A)(2)(c) of this section, the physician or podiatrist must be practicing in a specialty that is the same as or similar to the nurse's nursing specialty.

(c) If the nurse is a clinical nurse specialist who is
certified as a psychiatric-mental health CNS by the American nurses credentialing center or a certified nurse practitioner who is certified as a psychiatric-mental health NP by the American nurses credentialing center, the nurse may enter into a standard care arrangement with a physician but not a podiatrist and the collaborating physician must be practicing in one of the following specialties:

(i) Psychiatry;

(ii) Pediatrics;

(iii) Primary care or family practice.

(B) A standard care arrangement shall be in writing and shall contain all of the following:

(1) Criteria for referral of a patient by the clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner to a collaborating physician or podiatrist or another physician or podiatrist;

(2) A process for the clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner to obtain a consultation with a collaborating physician or podiatrist or another physician or podiatrist;

(3) A plan for coverage in instances of emergency or planned absences of either the clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner or a collaborating physician or podiatrist that provides the means whereby a physician or podiatrist is available for emergency care;

(4) The process for resolution of disagreements regarding matters of patient management between the clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner and a collaborating physician or podiatrist;

(5) Any other criteria required by rule of the board adopted
pursuant to section 4723.07 or 4723.50 of the Revised Code.

(C)(1) A standard care arrangement entered into pursuant to this section may permit a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner to supervise services provided by a home health agency as defined in section 3701.881 of the Revised Code.

(2) A standard care arrangement entered into pursuant to this section may permit a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner to admit a patient to a hospital in accordance with section 3727.06 of the Revised Code.

(D)(1) Except as provided in division (D)(2) of this section, if a physician or podiatrist terminates the collaboration between the physician or podiatrist and a certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist before their standard care arrangement expires, all of the following apply:

(a) The physician or podiatrist must give the nurse written or electronic notice of the termination.

(b) Once the nurse receives the termination notice, the nurse must notify the board of nursing of the termination as soon as practicable by submitting to the board a copy of the physician's or podiatrist's termination notice.

(c) Notwithstanding the requirement of section 4723.43 of the Revised Code that the nurse practice in collaboration with a physician or podiatrist, the nurse may continue to practice under the existing standard care arrangement without a collaborating physician or podiatrist for not more than one hundred twenty days after submitting to the board a copy of the termination notice.

(2) In the event that the collaboration between a physician or podiatrist and a certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist terminates, all of the following apply:

(a) The physician or podiatrist must give the nurse written or electronic notice of the termination.

(b) Once the nurse receives the termination notice, the nurse must notify the board of nursing of the termination as soon as practicable by submitting to the board a copy of the physician's or podiatrist's termination notice.

(c) Notwithstanding the requirement of section 4723.43 of the Revised Code that the nurse practice in collaboration with a physician or podiatrist, the nurse may continue to practice under the existing standard care arrangement without a collaborating physician or podiatrist for not more than one hundred twenty days after submitting to the board a copy of the termination notice.

(2) In the event that the collaboration between a physician or podiatrist and a certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist terminates, all of the following apply:

(a) The physician or podiatrist must give the nurse written or electronic notice of the termination.

(b) Once the nurse receives the termination notice, the nurse must notify the board of nursing of the termination as soon as practicable by submitting to the board a copy of the physician's or podiatrist's termination notice.

(c) Notwithstanding the requirement of section 4723.43 of the Revised Code that the nurse practice in collaboration with a physician or podiatrist, the nurse may continue to practice under the existing standard care arrangement without a collaborating physician or podiatrist for not more than one hundred twenty days after submitting to the board a copy of the termination notice.
practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist terminates because of the physician's or podiatrist's death, the nurse must notify the board of the death as soon as practicable. The nurse may continue to practice under the existing standard care arrangement without a collaborating physician or podiatrist for not more than one hundred twenty days after notifying the board of the physician's or podiatrist's death.

(E) Nothing in this section prohibits a hospital from hiring a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner as an employee and negotiating standard care arrangements on behalf of the employee as necessary to meet the requirements of this section. A standard care arrangement between the hospital's employee and the employee's collaborating physician is subject to approval by the medical staff and governing body of the hospital prior to implementation of the arrangement at the hospital.

Sec. 4723.481. This section establishes standards and conditions regarding the authority of an advanced practice registered nurse who is designated as a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner to prescribe and personally furnish drugs and therapeutic devices under a license issued under section 4723.42 of the Revised Code.

(A) Except as provided in division (F) of this section, a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner shall not prescribe or furnish any drug or therapeutic device that is listed on the exclusionary formulary established in rules adopted under section 4723.50 of the Revised Code.

(B) The prescriptive authority of a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner shall not exceed the prescriptive authority of the
collaborating physician or podiatrist, including the collaborating physician's authority to treat chronic pain with controlled substances and products containing tramadol as described in section 4731.052 of the Revised Code.

(C)(1) Except as provided in division (C)(2) or (3) of this section, a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner may prescribe to a patient a schedule II controlled substance only if all of the following are the case:

(a) The patient has a terminal condition, as defined in section 2133.01 of the Revised Code.

(b) A physician initially prescribed the substance for the patient.

(c) The prescription is for an amount that does not exceed the amount necessary for the patient's use in a single, seventy-two-hour period.

(2) The restrictions on prescriptive authority in division (C)(1) of this section do not apply if a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner issues the prescription to the patient from any of the following locations:

(a) A hospital registered under section 3701.07 as defined in section 3722.01 of the Revised Code;

(b) An entity owned or controlled, in whole or in part, by a hospital or by an entity that owns or controls, in whole or in part, one or more hospitals;

(c) A health care facility operated by the department of mental health and addiction services or the department of developmental disabilities;

(d) A nursing home licensed under section 3721.02 of the Revised Code or by a political subdivision certified under section...
3721.09 of the Revised Code;

(e) A county home or district home operated under Chapter 5155. of the Revised Code that is certified under the medicare or medicaid program;

(f) A hospice care program, as defined in section 3712.01 of the Revised Code;

(g) A community mental health services provider, as defined in section 5122.01 of the Revised Code;

(h) An ambulatory surgical facility, as defined in section 3702.30 of the Revised Code;

(i) A freestanding birthing center, as defined in section 3702.141 of the Revised Code;

(j) A federally qualified health center, as defined in section 3701.047 of the Revised Code;

(k) A federally qualified health center look-alike, as defined in section 3701.047 of the Revised Code;

(l) A health care office or facility operated by the board of health of a city or general health district or the authority having the duties of a board of health under section 3709.05 of the Revised Code;

(m) A site where a medical practice is operated, but only if the practice is comprised of one or more physicians who also are owners of the practice; the practice is organized to provide direct patient care; and the clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner providing services at the site has a standard care arrangement and collaborates with at least one of the physician owners who practices primarily at that site;

(n) A residential care facility, as defined in section 3721.01 of the Revised Code.
(3) A clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner shall not issue to a patient a prescription for a schedule II controlled substance from a convenience care clinic even if the clinic is owned or operated by an entity specified in division (C)(2) of this section.

(D) A pharmacist who acts in good faith reliance on a prescription issued by a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner under division (C)(2) of this section is not liable for or subject to any of the following for relying on the prescription: damages in any civil action, prosecution in any criminal proceeding, or professional disciplinary action by the state board of pharmacy under Chapter 4729. of the Revised Code.

(E) A clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner shall comply with section 3719.061 of the Revised Code if the nurse prescribes for a minor, as defined in that section, an opioid analgesic, as defined in section 3719.01 of the Revised Code.

(F) Until the board of nursing establishes a new formulary in rules adopted under section 4723.50 of the Revised Code, a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner who prescribes or furnishes any drug or therapeutic device shall do so in accordance with the formulary established by the board prior to the effective date of this amendment April 6, 2017.

Sec. 4730.411. (A) Except as provided in division (B) or (C) of this section, a physician assistant may prescribe to a patient a schedule II controlled substance only if all of the following are the case:

(1) The patient is in a terminal condition, as defined in section 2133.01 of the Revised Code.
(2) The physician assistant's supervising physician initially prescribed the substance for the patient.

(3) The prescription is for an amount that does not exceed the amount necessary for the patient's use in a single, twenty-four-hour period.

(B) The restrictions on prescriptive authority in division (A) of this section do not apply if a physician assistant issues the prescription to the patient from any of the following locations:

(1) A hospital registered under section 3701.07 of the Revised Code;

(2) An entity owned or controlled, in whole or in part, by a hospital or by an entity that owns or controls, in whole or in part, one or more hospitals;

(3) A health care facility operated by the department of mental health and addiction services or the department of developmental disabilities;

(4) A nursing home licensed under section 3721.02 of the Revised Code or by a political subdivision certified under section 3721.09 of the Revised Code;

(5) A county home or district home operated under Chapter 5155. of the Revised Code that is certified under the medicare or medicaid program;

(6) A hospice care program, as defined in section 3712.01 of the Revised Code;

(7) A community mental health services provider, as defined in section 5122.01 of the Revised Code;

(8) An ambulatory surgical facility, as defined in section 3702.30 of the Revised Code;

(9) A freestanding birthing center, as defined in section
(10) A federally qualified health center, as defined in section 3701.047 of the Revised Code;

(11) A federally qualified health center look-alike, as defined in section 3701.047 of the Revised Code;

(12) A health care office or facility operated by the board of health of a city or general health district or the authority having the duties of a board of health under section 3709.05 of the Revised Code;

(13) A site where a medical practice is operated, but only if the practice is comprised of one or more physicians who also are owners of the practice; the practice is organized to provide direct patient care; and the physician assistant has entered into a supervisory agreement with at least one of the physician owners who practices primarily at that site.

(C) A physician assistant shall not issue to a patient a prescription for a schedule II controlled substance from a convenience care clinic even if the convenience care clinic is owned or operated by an entity specified in division (B) of this section.

(D) A pharmacist who acts in good faith reliance on a prescription issued by a physician assistant under division (B) of this section is not liable for or subject to any of the following for relying on the prescription: damages in any civil action, prosecution in any criminal proceeding, or professional disciplinary action by the state board of pharmacy under Chapter 4729. of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4731.31. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Rural hospital" means a hospital agency, as defined in section 140.01 of the Revised Code, that meets all of the
following criteria:

(a) Is in compliance with section 3727.02 of the Revised Code and the registration requirement of division (A) of section 3701.07 Chapter 3722. of the Revised Code;

(b) Is located in a county that has a population of less than one hundred twenty-five thousand.

(2) "Physician" means an individual authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine and surgery.

(B) Subject to division (C) of this section, a rural hospital or a health care facility that is owned or operated by a rural hospital may employ a physician. A hospital or facility that employs a physician in accordance with this section is not engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine and surgery in violation of section 4731.41, 4731.43, or 4731.60 of the Revised Code.

(C) No rural hospital or health care facility owned or operated by a rural hospital shall do either of the following:

(1) Control the professional clinical judgment exercised within accepted and prevailing standards of practice of a physician employed pursuant to this section in rendering care, treatment, or professional advice to an individual patient;

(2) Require that a physician be employed by the hospital or facility as a condition of granting the physician privileges to practice within the hospital or facility.

Sec. 4761.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Respiratory care" means rendering or offering to render to individuals, groups, organizations, or the public any service involving the evaluation of cardiopulmonary function, the
treatment of cardiopulmonary impairment, the assessment of treatment effectiveness, and the care of patients with deficiencies and abnormalities associated with the cardiopulmonary system. The practice of respiratory care includes:

(1) Obtaining, analyzing, testing, measuring, and monitoring blood and gas samples in the determination of cardiopulmonary parameters and related physiologic data, including flows, pressures, and volumes, and the use of equipment employed for this purpose;

(2) Administering, monitoring, recording the results of, and instructing in the use of medical gases, aerosols, and bronchopulmonary hygiene techniques, including drainage, aspiration, and sampling, and applying, maintaining, and instructing in the use of artificial airways, ventilators, and other life support equipment employed in the treatment of cardiopulmonary impairment and provided in collaboration with other licensed health care professionals responsible for providing care;

(3) Performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation and respiratory rehabilitation techniques;

(4) Administering medications for the testing or treatment of cardiopulmonary impairment.

(B) "Respiratory care professional" means a person who is licensed under this chapter to practice the full range of services described in division (A) of this section.

(C) "Physician" means an individual authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery.

(D) "Registered nurse" means an individual licensed under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code to engage in the practice of nursing as a registered nurse.
(E) "Hospital" means a facility that meets the operating standards of section 3727.02 has the same meaning as in section 3722.01 of the Revised Code.

(F) "Nursing facility" has the same meaning as in section 5165.01 of the Revised Code.

(G) "Advanced practice registered nurse" has the same meaning as in section 4723.01 of the Revised Code.

(H) "Physician assistant" means an individual who holds a valid license to practice as a physician assistant issued under Chapter 4730. of the Revised Code.

Section 130.11. That existing sections 111.15, 140.01, 3701.07, 3701.351, 3701.503, 3701.5010, 3701.63, 3701.69, 3701.83, 3702.31, 3702.51, 3702.52, 3702.521, 3702.55, 3702.592, 3702.593, 3705.30, 3705.41, 3711.01, 3711.02, 3711.04, 3711.05, 3711.06, 3711.10, 3711.12, 3711.14, 3711.10, 3727.70, 3781.112, 3901.40, 3929.67, 4723.431, 4723.481, 4730.411, 4731.31, and 4761.01 are hereby repealed.

Section 130.12. That sections 3702.11, 3702.12, 3702.13, 3702.14, 3702.141, 3702.15, 3702.16, 3702.18, 3702.19, 3702.20, 3727.01, 3727.02, 3727.03, 3727.04, 3727.05, 3727.06, 3727.07, and 3727.99 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.

Section 130.13. (A) The amendment and repeal of Revised Code sections by Sections 130.10, 130.11, and 130.12 of this act take effect on the date that is three years after the effective date of this section.

(B) The enactment of sections 3722.01, 3722.02, 3722.03, 3722.04, 3722.05, 3722.06, 3722.07, 3722.08, 3722.09, 3722.10, 3722.11, 3722.12, 3722.13, 3722.14, and 3722.99 of the Revised Code by Section 130.10 of this act takes effect on the effective
Section 130.14. (A) Not later than the date that is three years from the effective date of this section, each hospital shall comply with the requirements for initial licensure as established under Chapter 3722. of the Revised Code and rules adopted under it by the director of health. As each hospital is licensed, the director of health, or designee, shall assign the hospital to one of three licensure groups. The first group shall renew its license at the end of the first year. The second group shall renew its license at the end of the second year. The third group shall renew its license at the end of the third year.

(B)(1) All initial licenses issued shall contain the renewal date according to division (A) of this section. Each hospital shall renew by the renewal date, meet the renewal application requirements established in rule, and pay the fee as set forth in division (B)(2) of this section.

(2) Each hospital that renews its license in the first year shall pay a renewal fee that is one-third of the renewal fee established in rules adopted by the director of health. Each hospital that renews its license in the second year shall pay a renewal fee that is two-thirds of the renewal fee established in rules adopted by the director of health. Each hospital that renews its license in the third year shall pay the renewal fee as established in rules adopted by the director of health.

(3) Each renewal license issued under this section shall be valid for three years such that each year thereafter one-third of hospitals will renew their licenses.

(C) Renewal licenses issued under division (B) of this section shall be renewed following the renewal procedure set forth in rule, including payment of the renewal fee.
Section 201.10. Except as otherwise provided in this act, all appropriation items in this act are appropriated out of any moneys in the state treasury to the credit of the designated fund that are not otherwise appropriated. For all appropriations made in this act, the amounts in the first column are for fiscal year 2022 and the amounts in the second column are for fiscal year 2023.

Section 203.10. ACC ACCOUNTANCY BOARD OF OHIO

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4J80 889601 CPA Education Assistance $ 525,000 $ 525,000

4K90 889609 Operating Expenses $ 1,244,124 $ 1,291,139

TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund Group $ 1,769,124 $ 1,816,139

TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 1,769,124 $ 1,816,139

Section 205.10. ADJ ADJUTANT GENERAL

General Revenue Fund

GRF 745401 Ohio Military Reserve $ 9,500 $ 9,800

GRF 745404 Air National Guard $ 1,750,000 $ 1,811,250

GRF 745407 National Guard Benefits $ 174,000 $ 174,000

GRF 745409 Central Administration $ 2,940,167 $ 3,025,550

GRF 745499 Army National Guard $ 3,600,000 $ 3,726,000

GRF 745503 Ohio Cyber Reserve $ 750,000 $ 750,000

GRF 745504 Ohio Cyber Range $ 2,100,000 $ 2,100,000

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**Section 205.20. NATIONAL GUARD BENEFITS**

The foregoing appropriation item 745407, National Guard Benefits, shall be used for purposes of sections 5919.31 and 5919.33 of the Revised Code, and for administrative costs of the
associated programs.

If necessary, in order to pay benefits in a timely manner pursuant to sections 5919.31 and 5919.33 of the Revised Code, the Adjutant General may request the Director of Budget and Management transfer appropriation from any appropriation item used by the Adjutant General to appropriation item 745407, National Guard Benefits. Such amounts are hereby appropriated. The Adjutant General may subsequently seek Controlling Board approval to restore the appropriation in the appropriation item from which such a transfer was made.

For active duty members of the Ohio National Guard who died after October 7, 2001, while performing active duty, the death benefit, pursuant to section 5919.33 of the Revised Code, shall be paid to the beneficiary or beneficiaries designated on the member's Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance Policy.

OHIO CYBER RESERVE

The foregoing appropriation item 745503, Ohio Cyber Reserve, shall be used for purposes of providing support for the administration of the Ohio Cyber Reserve, a civilian cyber reserve force that is part of the Ohio organized militia, capable of being expanded and trained to educate and protect all levels of state government, critical infrastructure, and the citizens of this state from cyberattacks and incidences under sections 5922.01, 5922.02, and 5922.08 of the Revised Code.

OHIO CYBER RANGE

The foregoing appropriation item 745504, Ohio Cyber Range, shall be used for purposes of providing cyber training and education to K-12 students, higher education students, members of the Ohio National Guard, federal employees, and state and local government employees, and provide for emergency preparedness exercises and trainings.
The Adjutant General's Department, in conjunction and collaboration with the Department of Administrative Services, the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Higher Education, and the Department of Education shall establish and maintain a cyber range. The Adjutant General's Department may work with federal agencies to assist in accomplishing this objective. The state agencies identified in this paragraph may procure any necessary goods and services including, but not limited to, contracted services, hardware, networking services, maintenance costs, and the training and management costs of a cyber range. These state agencies shall determine the amount of funds each agency will contribute from available funds and appropriations enacted herein in order to establish and maintain a cyber range.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 745504, Ohio Cyber Range, up to $2,100,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Adjutant General's Department for the purposes of establishing and maintaining the cyber range.

STATE ACTIVE DUTY

Of the foregoing appropriation item 745505, State Active Duty, $50,000 in each fiscal year shall be used for the purpose of paying expenses related to state active duty of members of the Ohio organized militia, in accordance with a proclamation or order of the Governor. Expenses include, but are not limited to, cost of equipment, supplies, and services, as determined by the Adjutant General.

Section 207.10. DAS DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

General Revenue Fund

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Section 207.20. UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE SYSTEM LEASE RENTAL PAYMENTS 50910

The foregoing appropriation item 100412, Unemployment Insurance System Lease Rental Payments, shall be used to make payments during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, pursuant to leases and agreements entered into under Chapter 125. of the Revised Code, as supplemented by Section 701.40 of H.B. 529 of the 132nd General Assembly, with respect to financing the costs associated with the acquisition, development, implementation, and integration of the Unemployment Insurance System.

EDCS LEASE RENTAL PAYMENTS 50921

The foregoing appropriation item 100413, EDCS Lease Rental Payments, shall be used to make payments during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, pursuant to leases and agreements entered into under Chapter 125. of the Revised Code, as supplemented by Section 701.10 of H.B. 529 of the 132nd General Assembly, as amended by Section 601.10 of H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly, and other prior acts of the General Assembly, with respect to financing the costs associated with the
acquisition, development, implementation, and integration of the
Enterprise Data Center Solutions (EDCS) information technology
initiative.

MULTI-AGENCY RADIO COMMUNICATION SYSTEM LEASE RENTAL PAYMENTS

The foregoing appropriation item 100414, MARCS Lease Rental
Payments, shall be used to make payments during the period from
July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, pursuant to leases and
agreements entered into under Chapter 125. of the Revised Code, as
supplemented by Section 701.10 of Sub. H.B. 497 of the 130th
General Assembly and other prior acts of the General Assembly,
with respect to financing the costs associated with the
acquisition, development, implementation, and integration of the
Multi-Agency Radio Communications System (MARCS) upgrade.

OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE KNOWLEDGE SYSTEM LEASE RENTAL PAYMENTS

The foregoing appropriation item 100415, OAKS Lease Rental
Payments, shall be used to make payments during the period from
July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, pursuant to leases and
agreements entered into under Chapter 125. of the Revised Code, as
supplemented by Section 701.10 of H.B. 529 of the 132nd General
Assembly and other prior acts of the General Assembly, with
respect to financing the costs associated with the acquisition,
development, implementation, and integration of the Ohio
Administrative Knowledge System (OAKS).

STATE TAXATION ACCOUNTING AND REVENUE SYSTEM LEASE RENTAL
PAYMENTS

The foregoing appropriation item 100416, STARS Lease Rental
Payments, shall be used to make payments during the period from
July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, pursuant to leases and
agreements entered into under Chapter 125. of the Revised Code, as
supplemented by Section 701.30 of H.B. 529 of the 132nd General
Assembly and other prior acts of the General Assembly, with
respect to financing the costs associated with the acquisition, development, implementation, and integration of the State Taxation Accounting and Revenue System (STARS).

ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDINGS LEASE RENTAL BOND PAYMENTS

The foregoing appropriation item 100447, Administrative Buildings Lease Rental Bond Payments, shall be used to meet all payments during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, by the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to leases and agreements under Chapters 152. and 154. of the Revised Code. These appropriations are the source of funds pledged for bond service charges on related obligations issued under Chapters 152. and 154. of the Revised Code.

MULTI-AGENCY RADIO COMMUNICATION SYSTEM DEBT SERVICE PAYMENTS

The Director of Administrative Services, in consultation with the Multi-Agency Radio Communication System (MARCS) Steering Committee and the Director of Budget and Management, shall determine the share of debt service payments attributable to spending for MARCS components that are not specific to any one agency and that shall be charged to the Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0). Such share of debt service payments shall be calculated for MARCS capital disbursements made beginning July 1, 1997. Within thirty days of any payment made from appropriation item 100447, Administrative Buildings Lease Rental Bond Payments, the Director of Administrative Services shall certify to the Director of Budget and Management the amount of this share. On or before June 30 of each fiscal year, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer an amount up to the amount certified for that fiscal year to the General Revenue Fund from the Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0) established in section 4501.06 of the Revised Code.

DAS - BUILDING OPERATING PAYMENTS AND BUILDING MANAGEMENT
The foregoing appropriation item 130321, State Agency Support Services, may be used to provide funding for the cost of property appraisals or building studies that the Department of Administrative Services may be required to obtain for property that is being sold by the state or property under consideration to be renovated or purchased by the state.

Notwithstanding section 125.28 of the Revised Code, the foregoing appropriation item 130321, State Agency Support Services, also may be used to pay the operating expenses of state facilities maintained by the Department of Administrative Services that are not billed to building tenants, or other costs associated with the Voinovich Center in Youngstown, Ohio. These expenses may include, but are not limited to, the costs for vacant space and space undergoing renovation, and the rent expenses of tenants that are relocated because of building renovations. These payments may be processed by the Department of Administrative Services through intrastate transfer vouchers and placed into the Building Management Fund (Fund 1320).

At least once per year, the portion of appropriation item 130321, State Agency Support Services, that is not used for the regular expenses of the appropriation item may be processed by the Department of Administrative Services through intrastate transfer voucher and placed in the Building Improvement Fund (Fund 5KZ0).

Of the foregoing appropriation item 130321, State Agency Support Services, up to $25,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 shall be used by the Department of Administrative Services, in coordination with the Department of Health, to support and or procure a comprehensive and integrated technology solution to align data systems and records and streamline timely data to improve and enhance disease reporting and healthcare delivery across the state. The system shall be developed with input from the
Departments of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Job and Family Services, Medicaid, and other state agencies, boards, and commissions to ensure cross-agency system integration. On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Administrative Services may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 130321, State Agency Support Services, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

CASH TRANSFER FROM THE MARCS ADMINISTRATION FUND TO THE GRF

Upon the request of the Director of Administrative Services, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer unobligated cash in the MARCS Administration Fund (Fund 5C20) to the General Revenue Fund to reimburse the General Revenue Fund for lease rental payments made on behalf of the MARCS upgrade.

Section 207.30. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

The foregoing appropriation item 100610, Professional Development, shall be used to make payments from the Professional Development Fund (Fund 5L70) under section 124.182 of the Revised Code. If it is determined by the Director of Budget and Management that additional amounts are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

911 PROGRAM

The foregoing appropriation item 100663, 911 Program, shall be used by the Department of Administrative Services to pay the administrative, marketing, and educational costs of the Statewide Emergency Services Internet Protocol Network program.

EMPLOYEE EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The foregoing appropriation item 100619, Employee Educational
Development, shall be used to make payments from the Employee Educational Development Fund (Fund 5V60) under section 124.86 of the Revised Code. The fund shall be used to pay the costs of administering educational programs under existing collective bargaining agreements with District 1199, the Health Care and Social Service Union, Service Employees International Union; State Council of Professional Educators; Ohio Education Association and National Education Association; the Fraternal Order of Police State of Ohio, Unit 2 Association; and the Ohio State Troopers Association, Units 1 and 15.

If it is determined by the Director of Budget and Management that additional amounts are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 207.40. GENERAL SERVICE CHARGES

The Department of Administrative Services, with the approval of the Director of Budget and Management, shall establish charges for recovering the costs of administering the programs funded by the General Services Fund (Fund 1170) and the State Printing Fund (Fund 2100).

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING ARBITRATION EXPENSES

The Department of Administrative Services may seek reimbursement from state agencies for the actual costs and expenses the Department incurs in the collective bargaining arbitration process. The reimbursements shall be processed through intrastate transfer vouchers and credited to the Collective Bargaining Fund (Fund 1280).

CONSOLIDATED IT PURCHASES

The foregoing appropriation item 100640, Consolidated IT Purchases, shall be used by the Department of Administrative Services acting as the purchasing agent for one or more government...
entities under the authority of division (G) of section 125.18 of the Revised Code to make information technology purchases at a lower aggregate cost than each individual government entity could have obtained independently for that information technology purchase.

INVESTMENT RECOVERY FUND

Notwithstanding division (B) of section 125.14 of the Revised Code, cash balances in the Investment Recovery Fund (Fund 4270) may be used to support the operating expenses of the Federal Surplus Operating Program created in sections 125.84 to 125.90 of the Revised Code.

MAJOR IT PURCHASES CHARGES

Upon the request of the Director of Administrative Services, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to the amount collected for statewide indirect costs attributable to debt service paid for the enterprise data center solutions project from the General Revenue Fund to the Major Information Technology Purchases Fund (Fund 4N60).

PROFESSIONS LICENSING SYSTEM

The foregoing appropriation item, 100658, Ohio Professionals Licensing System, shall be used to purchase the equipment, products, and services necessary to update and maintain an automated licensing system for the professional licensing boards. The Department of Administrative Services shall establish charges for recovering the costs of ongoing maintenance of the system that are not otherwise recovered under section 125.18 of the Revised Code. The charges shall be billed to state agencies, boards, and commissions using the state's enterprise electronic licensing system and deposited via intrastate transfer vouchers to the credit of the Professions Licensing System Fund (Fund 5JQ0).
Section 207.45. BUILDING IMPROVEMENT FUND

The foregoing appropriation item 100659, Building Improvement, shall be used to make payments from the Building Improvement Fund (Fund 5KZ0) for major maintenance or improvements required in facilities maintained by the Department of Administrative Services. The Department of Administrative Services shall conduct or contract for regular assessments of these buildings and may maintain a cash balance in Fund 5KZ0 equal to the cost of the repairs and improvements that are recommended to occur within the next five years, with the following exception described below.

Upon request of the Director of Administrative Services, the Director of Budget and Management may permit a cash transfer from Fund 5KZ0 to the Building Management Fund (Fund 1320) to pay costs of operating and maintaining facilities managed by the Department of Administrative Services that are not charged to tenants during the same fiscal year.

Should the cash balance in Fund 1320 be determined to be sufficient, the Director of Administrative Services may request that the Director of Budget and Management transfer cash from Fund 1320 to Fund 5KZ0 in an amount equal to the initial cash transfer made under this section plus applicable interest.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

The foregoing appropriation item 100661, IT Development, shall be used by the Department of Administrative Services to pay the costs of modernizing the state's information technology management and investment practices away from a limited, agency-specific focus in favor of a statewide methodology supporting development of enterprise solutions. This appropriation item may be used to pay the costs of enterprise information technology initiatives affecting state agencies or their...
Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Department of Administrative Services, with the approval of the Director of Budget and Management, may charge state agencies an information technology development assessment based on state agencies' information technology expenditures or other methodology and may assess fees or charges to entities that are not state agencies to offset the cost of specific technology events or services. The revenue from these assessments, fees, or charges shall be deposited into the Information Technology Development Fund (Fund 5LJ0), which is hereby created.

Upon the request of the Director of Administrative Services, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $6,000,000 in cash in each fiscal year from the General Revenue Fund to the Information Technology Development Fund (Fund 5LJ0) to support the operations of the Office of InnovateOhio.

STATE EEO FUND

Effective July 1, 2021, the Director of Budget and Management shall cancel any existing encumbrances against appropriation item 100649, Equal Opportunity Division - Operating, and reestablish them against appropriation item 100622, Human Resources Division - Operating. The reestablished encumbrance amounts are hereby appropriated. Any business commenced but not completed under appropriation item 100649, Equal Opportunity Division - Operating, by July 1, 2021, shall be completed under appropriation item 100622, Human Resources Division - Operating, in the same manner, and with the same effect, as if completed with regard to appropriation item 100649, Equal Opportunity Division - Operating.

The Director of Budget and Management shall transfer the amount of cash in the State EEO Fund (Fund 1880) that was received from agencies for actual expenditures deposited to the credit of
the State EEO Fund (Fund 1880) into the Human Resources Services Fund (Fund 1250). In order to facilitate this transfer, the Director of Administrative Services, on July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, shall certify to the Director of Budget and Management the amount to be transferred.

ENTERPRISE APPLICATIONS

The foregoing appropriation item 100665, Enterprise Applications, shall be used for the operation and management of information technology applications that support state agencies' objectives. Charges billed to benefiting agencies shall be deposited to the credit of the Enterprise Applications Fund (Fund 5PC0).

Section 207.50. ENTERPRISE IT STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION

The Director of Administrative Services shall determine and implement strategies that benefit the enterprise by improving efficiency, reducing costs, or enhancing capacity of information technology (IT) services. Such improvements and efficiencies may result in the consolidation and transfer of such services. As determined to be necessary for successful implementation of this section and notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Director of Administrative Services may request the Director of Budget and Management to consolidate or transfer IT-specific budget authority between agencies or within an agency as necessary to implement enterprise IT cost containment strategies and related efficiencies. Once the Director of Budget and Management is satisfied that the proposed initiative is cost advantageous to the enterprise, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer appropriations, funds, and cash as needed to implement the proposed initiative. The establishment of any new fund or additional appropriation as a result of this section shall be subject to Controlling Board approval.
The Director of Budget and Management and the Director of Administrative Services may transfer any employees, assets, and liabilities, including, but not limited to, records, contracts, and agreements in order to facilitate the improvements determined in accordance with this section.

**Section 209.10. AGE DEPARTMENT OF AGING**

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Section 209.20. LONG-TERM CARE

Pursuant to an interagency agreement, the Department of Medicaid may designate the Department of Aging to perform assessments under section 5165.04 of the Revised Code. The Department of Aging shall provide long-term care consultations under section 173.42 of the Revised Code to assist individuals in planning for their long-term health care needs.

The Department of Aging shall administer the Medicaid waiver-funded PASSPORT Home Care Program, the Assisted Living Program, and PACE as delegated by the Department of Medicaid in an interagency agreement.

PERFORMANCE-BASED REIMBURSEMENT
The Department of Aging may design and utilize a payment method for PASSPORT administrative agency operations that includes a pay-for-performance incentive component that is earned by a PASSPORT administrative agency when defined consumer and policy outcomes are achieved.

Section 209.30. MYCARE OHIO

The authority of the Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman as described in sections 173.14 to 173.28 of the Revised Code extends to MyCare Ohio during the period of the federal financial alignment demonstration program.

SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICES

The foregoing appropriation item 490411, Senior Community Services, may be used for programs, services, and activities designated by the Department of Aging, including, but not limited to, home-delivered meals, congregate dining, transportation, personal care, respite, adult day services, home maintenance and chores, minor home modification, care coordination, evidence-based disease prevention and health promotion, and decision support systems. Funds may also be used to provide grants to community organizations to support and expand older adult programming. Services priority shall be given to low-income, high-need persons, and/or persons with a cognitive impairment who are sixty years of age or over.

NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS

The foregoing appropriation item 490506, National Senior Service Corps, may be used by the Department of Aging to fund grants to organizations that receive federal funds from the Corporation for National and Community Service to support the following Senior Corps programs: the Foster Grandparents Program, the Senior Companion Program, and the Retired Senior Volunteer
Program. A recipient of these grant funds shall use the funds to support priorities established by the Department and the Ohio State Office of the Corporation for National and Community Service. Neither the Department nor any area agencies on aging that are involved in the distribution of these funds to lower-tiered grant recipients may use any portion of these funds to cover administrative costs.

STATEWIDE AGING INITIATIVES

Of the foregoing appropriation item 490507, Statewide Aging Initiatives, up to $5,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 shall be used in coordination with the Department of Health to incentivize quality improvement initiatives in or regarding long-term care facilities or to connect long-term care facilities with technical assistance programming that includes training on infection control, elder abuse, or other topics identified by the Department of Health and informed by trends in citation data from the Bureau of Nursing Home Survey and Certification.

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Aging may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 490507, Statewide Aging Initiatives, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

BOARD OF EXECUTIVES OF LONG-TERM SERVICES AND SUPPORTS

The foregoing appropriation item 490627, Board of Executives of Long-Term Services and Supports, may be used by the Board of Executives of Long-Term Services and Supports to administer and enforce Chapter 4751. of the Revised Code and rules adopted under it.
### Section 211.10. AGR DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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| GRF 700404 Ohio Proud | $102,734 | $105,096 | 51316 |
| GRF 700406 Consumer Protection | $1,467,261 | $1,389,965 | 51317 |
| GRF 700407 Food Safety | $1,376,113 | $1,408,710 | 51318 |
| GRF 700409 Farmland Preservation | $7,350,664 | $352,331 | 51319 |
| GRF 700410 Plant Industry | $151,708 | $155,449 | 51320 |
| GRF 700412 Weights and Measures | $631,487 | $631,487 | 51321 |
| GRF 700415 Poultry Inspection | $832,288 | $851,470 | 51322 |
| GRF 700417 Soil and Water | $10,700,000 | $10,700,000 | 51323 |
| GRF 700418 Livestock Regulation Program | $1,281,483 | $1,325,467 | 51324 |
| GRF 700424 Livestock Testing and Inspections | $119,843 | $122,240 | 51325 |
| GRF 700426 Dangerous and Restricted Animals | $618,447 | $631,310 | 51326 |
| GRF 700427 High Volume Breeder Kennel Control | $1,269,865 | $1,300,401 | 51327 |
| GRF 700428 Soil and Water Division | $3,658,683 | $3,658,683 | 51328 |
| GRF 700499 Meat Inspection Program - State Share | $6,485,605 | $6,672,501 | 51329 |
| GRF 700501 County Agricultural Societies | $379,673 | $379,673 | 51330 |
| GRF 700509 Soil and Water District Support | $11,760,000 | $11,760,000 | 51331 |
| GRF 700511 Ride Inspection | $900,000 | $600,000 | 51332 |
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**TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS** $166,796,014 $159,521,815

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### Section 211.20. FARMLAND PRESERVATION

Of the foregoing appropriation item 700409, Farmland Preservation, $7,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 shall be used to purchase agricultural easements under division (A) of section 5301.691 of the Revised Code and provide matching grants under section 901.22 of the Revised Code to municipal corporations, counties, townships, soil and water conservation districts established under Chapter 940. of the Revised Code, and charitable organizations described in division (B) of section 5301.69 of the Revised Code for the purchase of agricultural easements.

### SOIL AND WATER PHOSPHORUS PROGRAM

The Department of Agriculture shall establish programs to assist in reducing total phosphorus and dissolved reactive phosphorus in the Western Lake Erie Basin. The programs shall give...
priority to those subwatersheds determined to be highest in total phosphorus and dissolved reactive phosphorus nutrient loading.

The foregoing appropriation item 700417, Soil and Water Phosphorus Program, shall be used to support the programs described above, which may include but not be limited to, the following: (1) equipment for subsurface placement of nutrients into the soil; (2) equipment for nutrient placement based on geographic information system data; (3) soil testing; (4) implementation of variable rate technology; (5) equipment implementing manure transformation and manure conversion technologies; (6) tributary monitoring; (7) water management and edge-of-field drainage management; and (8) an agricultural phosphorus reduction revolving loan program. Not more than forty per cent of the foregoing appropriation item 700417, Soil and Water Phosphorus Program, shall be used for any single activity.

DANGEROUS AND RESTRICTED WILD ANIMALS

The foregoing appropriation item 700426, Dangerous and Restricted Animals, shall be used to administer the Dangerous and Restricted Wild Animal Permitting Program.

COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES

The foregoing appropriation item 700501, County Agricultural Societies, shall be used to reimburse county and independent agricultural societies for expenses related to Junior Fair activities.

SUPPORT FOR SOIL AND WATER DISTRICTS IN THE WESTERN LAKE ERIE BASIN

Of the foregoing appropriation item 700509, Soil and Water District Support, $350,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Department of Agriculture for a program to support soil and water conservation districts in the Western Lake Erie Basin in complying with provisions of Sub. S.B. 1 of the 131st General
Assembly. The Department shall approve a soil and water district's application for funding under the program if the application demonstrates that funding will be used for, but not limited to, providing technical assistance, developing applicable nutrient or manure management plans, hiring and training of soil and water conservation district staff on best conservation practices, or other activities the Director determines appropriate to assist farmers in the Western Lake Erie Basin in complying with the provisions of Sub. S.B. 1 of the 131st General Assembly.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 700509, Soil and Water District Support, $3,500,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to support county soil and water conservation districts in the Western Lake Erie Basin for staffing costs and to assist in soil testing and nutrient management plan development, including manure transformation and manure conversion technologies, enhanced filter strips, water management, and other conservation support.

SOIL AND WATER DISTRICTS

In addition to state payments to soil and water conservation districts authorized by section 940.15 of the Revised Code, the Department of Agriculture may use appropriation item 700661, Soil and Water Districts, to pay any soil and water conservation district an annual amount not to exceed $40,000 upon receipt of a request and justification from the district and approval by the Ohio Soil and Water Conservation Commission. The county auditor shall credit the payments to the special fund established under section 940.12 of the Revised Code for use by the local soil and water conservation district. The amounts received by each district shall be expended for the purposes of the district.

CORONAVIRUS - LOCAL FAIRS

The foregoing appropriation item 700672, Coronavirus Relief - Local Fairs, shall be used to support safety in connection with
the Ohio State Fair in fiscal year 2022.

**H2OHIO FUND**

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Agriculture may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item, 700670, H2Ohio, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated in fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

**CLEAN OHIO AGRICULTURAL EASEMENT OPERATING EXPENSES**

The foregoing appropriation item 700632, Clean Ohio Agricultural Easement Operating, shall be used by the Department of Agriculture in administering Clean Ohio Agricultural Easement Fund (Fund 7057) projects pursuant to sections 901.21, 901.22, and 5301.67 to 5301.70 of the Revised Code.

**CASH TRANSFER TO AUCTIONEERS FUND**

On or before December 31, 2021, upon the request of the Director of Agriculture, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $300,000 in cash from the Auction Recovery Fund (5U10) to the Auctioneers Fund (5B80).

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**Section 213.10. AIR AIR QUALITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

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**TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS** $1,283,811 $1,294,347 $10,536
Section 213.20. REIMBURSEMENT TO AIR QUALITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TRUST ACCOUNT

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the Air Quality Development Authority may reimburse the Air Quality Development Authority trust account established under section 3706.10 of the Revised Code from all operating funds of the agency for expenses pertaining to the administration and shared costs incurred by the Air Quality Development Authority in the execution of responsibilities as prescribed in Chapter 3706 of the Revised Code. The reimbursement shall be made by voucher.

Section 215.10. ARC ARCHITECTS BOARDS

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4K90 891609 Operating $ 633,410 $ 644,408
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TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 633,410 $ 644,408

Section 217.10. ART OHIO ARTS COUNCIL

General Revenue Fund

GRF 370321 Operating Expenses $ 1,961,700 $ 1,961,700
GRF 370502 State Program Subsidies $ 14,469,213 $ 14,469,213
TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund $ 16,430,913 $ 16,430,913

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

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**FEDERAL SUPPORT**

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the foregoing appropriation item 370601, Federal Support, shall be used by the Ohio Arts Council for subsidies only, and not for its administrative costs, unless the Council is required to use a portion of the funds for administrative costs under conditions of the federal grant.

**Section 219.10. ATH ATHLETIC COMMISSION**

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

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**Section 221.10. AGO ATTORNEY GENERAL**

General Revenue Fund

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U087 055402 Tobacco Settlement Oversight, Administration, and Enforcement $ 2,650,000 $ 2,650,000 51561

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Internal Service Activity Fund Group

1950 055660 Workers' Compensation Section $ 9,115,000 $ 9,115,000 51565

TOTAL ISA Internal Service Activity Fund Group $ 9,115,000 $ 9,115,000 51566

Holding Account Fund Group

R004 055631 General Holding Account $ 1,000,000 $ 1,000,000 51568

R005 055632 Antitrust Settlements $ 1,000,000 $ 1,000,000 51569

R018 055630 Consumer Frauds $ 1,000,000 $ 1,000,000 51570

R042 055601 Organized Crime Commission Distributions $ 750,000 $ 750,000 51571

R054 055650 Collection Payment Redistribution $ 4,500,000 $ 4,500,000 51572

TOTAL HLD Holding Account $ 8,250,000 $ 8,250,000 51574

Federal Fund Group

3060 055620 Medicaid Fraud Control $ 13,561,582 $ 13,561,582 51576

3830 055634 Crime Victims Assistance $ 90,000,000 $ 90,000,000 51577
Section 221.20. OHIO CENTER FOR THE FUTURE OF FORENSIC SCIENCE

Of the foregoing appropriation item 055321, Operating Expenses, $600,000 in each fiscal year shall be used for the Ohio Center for the Future of Forensic Science at Bowling Green State University. The purpose of the Center shall be to foster forensic science research techniques (BCI Eminent Scholar) and to create professional training opportunities to students (BCI Scholars) in the forensic science fields.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM

Of the foregoing appropriation item 055321, Operating Expenses, $100,000 in each fiscal year may be used by the Attorney General for the purpose of providing funding to domestic violence programs as defined in section 109.46 of the Revised Code.

NARCOTICS TASK FORCES

Of the foregoing appropriation item 055321, Operating Expenses, up to $500,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to support narcotics task forces funded by the Attorney General.

BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION RECORDS SYSTEM (BCIRS) LEASE RENTAL PAYMENTS

The foregoing appropriation item 055406, BCIRS Lease Rental Payments, shall be used for payments during the period from July
1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, pursuant to leases and agreements entered into pursuant to Section 701.40 of S.B. 310 of the 131st General Assembly and other prior acts of the General Assembly, with respect to financing the costs associated with the acquisition, development, implementation, and integration of the BCIRS.

COUNTY SHERIFFS' PAY SUPPLEMENT

The foregoing appropriation item 055411, County Sheriffs' Pay Supplement, shall be used for the purpose of supplementing the annual compensation of county sheriffs as required by section 325.06 of the Revised Code.

At the request of the Attorney General, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer appropriation from appropriation item 055321, Operating Expenses, to appropriation item 055411, County Sheriffs' Pay Supplement. Any appropriation so transferred shall be used to supplement the annual compensation of county sheriffs as required by section 325.06 of the Revised Code.

COUNTY PROSECUTORS' PAY SUPPLEMENT

The foregoing appropriation item 055415, County Prosecutors' Pay Supplement, shall be used for the purpose of supplementing the annual compensation of certain county prosecutors as required by section 325.111 of the Revised Code.

At the request of the Attorney General, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer appropriation from appropriation item 055321, Operating Expenses, to appropriation item 055415, County Prosecutors' Pay Supplement. Any appropriation so transferred shall be used to supplement the annual compensation of county prosecutors as required by section 325.111 of the Revised Code.

DRUG TESTING EQUIPMENT
The foregoing appropriation item 055432, Drug Testing Equipment, shall be used to purchase drug testing equipment for the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation.

ICAC TASK FORCE

The foregoing appropriation item 055434, ICAC Task Force, shall be used by the Attorney General in support of the Ohio Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force for the purposes described in section 195.02 of the Revised Code.

Section 221.30. BATTERED WOMEN'S SHELTER

Of the foregoing appropriation item 055501, Rape Crisis Centers, $50,000 in each fiscal year shall be distributed to the Battered Women's Shelter of Summit and Medina counties for the cost of operating the commercial kitchen located at its Market Street Facility, and $50,000 in each fiscal year shall be distributed to the Battered Women's Shelter of Portage County.

FINDING MY CHILDHOOD AGAIN PILOT PROGRAM

Of the foregoing appropriation item 055501, Rape Crisis Centers, $300,000 in each fiscal year shall be distributed to the Battered Women's Shelter of Summit and Medina counties for expenses related to the creation and implementation of a pilot program called "Finding my Childhood Again."

DRUG ABUSE RESPONSE TEAM GRANT PROGRAM

The Attorney General shall maintain the Drug Abuse Response Team Grant Program for the purpose of replicating or expanding successful law enforcement programs that address the opioid epidemic similar to the Drug Abuse Response Team established by the Lucas County Sheriff's Department, and the Quick Response Teams established in Colerain Township's Department of Public Safety in Hamilton County and Summit County. Any grants awarded by this grant program may include requirements for private or
nonprofit matching support.

The foregoing appropriation item 055431, Drug Abuse Response Team Grants, shall be used by the Attorney General to fund grants to law enforcement or other government agencies; the primary purpose of the grants shall be to replicate or expand successful law enforcement programs that address the opioid epidemic similar to the Drug Abuse Response Team established by the Lucas County Sheriff's Department and the Quick Response Teams established in Colerain Township's Department of Public Safety in Hamilton County and Summit County.

Each recipient of a grant under this program shall, within six months of the end date of the grant, submit a written report describing the outcomes that resulted from the grant to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the Senate, and the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

SCHOOL SAFETY TRAINING GRANTS

(A) The foregoing appropriation item 055502, School Safety Training Grants, shall be used by the Attorney General, in consultation with the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services, solely to make grants to public and chartered nonpublic schools, educational service centers, local law enforcement agencies, and schools operated by county boards of developmental disabilities administering special education services programs pursuant to section 5126.05 of the Revised Code for school safety and school climate programs and training.

(B) The use of the grants includes, but is not limited to, all of the following:

(1) The support of school resource officer certification training;
(2) Any type of active shooter and school safety training or equipment;

(3) All grade level type educational resources;

(4) Training to identify and assist students with mental health issues;

(5) School supplies or equipment related to school safety or for implementing the school's safety plan;

(6) Any other training related to school safety.

(C) The schools, educational service centers, and county boards shall work or contract with the county sheriff's office or a local police department in whose jurisdiction they are located to develop the programs and training described in divisions (B)(1), (2), (3), (5), and (6) of this section. Any grant awarded directly to a local law enforcement agency shall not be used to fund a similar request made by a school located within the jurisdiction of the local law enforcement agency.

(D) As used in this section, "public school" means any school operated by a school district board of education, any community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, and any STEM school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS

The foregoing appropriation item 055504, Domestic Violence Programs, shall be used by the Attorney General for the purpose of funding domestic violence programs as defined in section 109.46 of the Revised Code.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECTION

The Workers' Compensation Fund (Fund 1950) is entitled to receive quarterly payments from the Bureau of Workers' Compensation and the Ohio Industrial Commission to fund legal
services provided to the Bureau of Workers' Compensation and the Ohio Industrial Commission during the fiscal year.

In addition, the Bureau of Workers' Compensation shall transfer payments for the support of the Workers' Compensation Fraud Unit.

All amounts shall be mutually agreed upon by the Attorney General, the Bureau of Workers' Compensation, and the Ohio Industrial Commission.

GENERAL HOLDING ACCOUNT

The foregoing appropriation item 055631, General Holding Account, shall be used to distribute moneys under the terms of relevant court orders or other settlements received in a variety of cases involving the Office of the Attorney General. If it is determined that additional amounts are necessary for this purpose, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

ANTITRUST SETTLEMENTS

The foregoing appropriation item 055632, Antitrust Settlements, shall be used to distribute moneys under the terms of relevant court orders or other out-of-court settlements in antitrust cases or antitrust matters involving the Office of the Attorney General. If it is determined that additional amounts are necessary for this purpose, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

CONSUMER FRAUDS

The foregoing appropriation item 055630, Consumer Frauds, shall be used for distribution of moneys from court-ordered judgments against sellers in actions brought by the Office of the Attorney General under sections 1334.08 and 4549.48 and division (B) of section 1345.07 of the Revised Code. These moneys shall be used to provide restitution to consumers victimized by the fraud that generated the court-ordered judgments. If it is determined
that additional amounts are necessary for this purpose, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

ORGANIZED CRIME COMMISSION DISTRIBUTIONS

The foregoing appropriation item 055601, Organized Crime Commission Distributions, shall be used by the Organized Crime Investigations Commission, as provided by section 177.011 of the Revised Code, to reimburse political subdivisions for the expenses the political subdivisions incur when their law enforcement officers participate in an organized crime task force. If it is determined that additional amounts are necessary for this purpose, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

COLLECTION PAYMENT REDISTRIBUTION

The foregoing appropriation item 055650, Collection Payment Redistribution, shall be used for the purpose of allocating the revenue where debtors mistakenly paid the client agencies instead of the Attorney General's Collections Enforcement Section. If it is determined that additional amounts are necessary for this purpose, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 223.10. AUD AUDITOR OF STATE

General Revenue Fund

| GRF 070401 Audit Management and Services | $12,046,143 | $12,344,795 |
| GRF 070402 Performance Audits | $1,950,971 | $1,977,596 |
| GRF 070403 Fiscal Watch/Emergency Technical Assistance | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| GRF 070404 Fraud/Corruption Audits and Investigations | $2,400,000 | $2,400,000 |
| GRF 070412 Local Government | $13,200,000 | $13,200,000 |
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**Section 223.20. AUDIT MANAGEMENT AND SERVICES**

The foregoing appropriation item 070401, Audit Management and Services, shall be used pursuant to section 117.13 of the Revised Code to support costs of the Auditor of State that are not recovered through charges to local governments and state entities, including costs that cannot be recovered from audit clients under federal indirect cost allocation guidelines. This appropriation item shall also be used to cover costs of the Local Government Services Section that are not charged to clients.

**PERFORMANCE AUDITS**

The foregoing appropriation item 070402, Performance Audits, shall be used pursuant to section 117.13 of the Revised Code to support costs of the Auditor of State related to the provision of performance audits for local governments, school districts, state agencies, and colleges and universities that are not recovered.
through charges to those entities, including costs that cannot be recovered from audit clients under federal indirect cost allocation guidelines.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUDIT SUPPORT

The foregoing appropriation item 070412, Local Government Audit Support, shall be used pursuant to section 117.13 of the Revised Code to support costs of the Auditor of State that are not recovered through charges to local governments, including costs that cannot be recovered from audit clients under federal indirect cost allocation guidelines.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUDIT SUPPORT FUND

The foregoing appropriation item 070611, Local Government Audit Support Fund, shall be used pursuant to section 117.131 of the Revised Code to offset costs of audits that would otherwise be charged to local public offices in the absence of the fund.

Section 229.10. OBM OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT

General Revenue Fund

GRF 042321 Operating Expenses $ 4,128,353 $ 4,128,353
TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund $ 4,128,353 $ 4,128,353

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

5CV1 042621 COVID Response Costs $ 18,000,000 $ 0
- Multiple Agencies
TOTAL Dedicated Purpose Fund Group $ 18,000,000 $ 0

Internal Service Activity Fund Group

1050 042603 Financial Management $ 16,500,000 $ 17,200,000
1050 042620 Shared Services $ 6,730,000 $ 7,050,000
- Operating
TOTAL ISA Internal Service Activity Fund Group $ 23,230,000 $ 24,250,000

Fiduciary Fund Group
Section 229.20. AUDIT COSTS

All centralized audit costs associated with either Single Audit Schedules or financial statements prepared in conformance with generally accepted accounting principles for the state shall be paid from the foregoing appropriation item 042603, Financial Management.

Costs associated with the audit of the Auditor of State shall be paid from the foregoing appropriation item 042321, Operating Expenses.

SHARED SERVICES CENTER

The foregoing appropriation items 042321, Operating Expenses, and 042620, Shared Services Operating, shall be used by the Director of Budget and Management to support the Shared Services program pursuant to division (D) of section 126.21 of the Revised Code.

The Director of Budget and Management shall include the recovery of costs to operate the Shared Services program in the accounting and budgeting services payroll rate and through direct charges using intrastate transfer vouchers billed to agencies for services rendered using a methodology determined by the Director of Budget and Management. Such cost recovery revenues shall be deposited to the credit of the Accounting and Budgeting Fund (Fund 1050).

INTERNAL AUDIT

The Director of Budget and Management shall include the recovery of costs to operate the Internal Audit Program pursuant to section 126.45 of the Revised Code in the accounting and
budgeting services payroll rate using a methodology determined by the Director of Budget and Management. Such cost recovery revenues shall be deposited to the credit of Fund 1050.

FORGERY RECOVERY

The foregoing appropriation item 042604, Forgery Recovery, shall be used to reissue warrants that have been certified as forgeries by the rightful recipient as determined by the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation and the Treasurer of State. Upon receipt of funds to cover the reissuance of the warrant, the Director of Budget and Management shall reissue a state warrant of the same amount. Any additional amounts needed to reissue warrants backed by the receipt of funds are hereby appropriated.

Section 231.10. CSR CAPITOL SQUARE REVIEW AND ADVISORY BOARD

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may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 874320, Maintenance and Equipment, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby appropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

UNDERGROUND PARKING GARAGE FUND

Notwithstanding division (G) of section 105.41 of the Revised Code and any other provision to the contrary, moneys in the Underground Parking Garage Fund (Fund 2080) may be used for personnel and operating costs related to the operations of the Statehouse and the Statehouse Underground Parking Garage.

HOUSE AND SENATE PARKING REIMBURSEMENT

On July 1 of each fiscal year, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management shall transfer $500,000 cash from the General Revenue Fund to the Underground Parking Garage Fund (Fund 2080). The amounts transferred under this section shall be used to reimburse the Capitol Square Review and Advisory Board for legislative parking costs.

Section 233.10. SCR STATE BOARD OF CAREER COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4K90 233601 Operating Expenses $ 513,000 $ 513,000

TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund Group $ 513,000 $ 513,000

TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 513,000 $ 513,000

Section 235.10. CAC CASINO CONTROL COMMISSION

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

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TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 257,370,549 $ 254,803,234 52029

Section 243.20. UNCLAIMED FUNDS PAYMENTS 52031

The foregoing appropriation item 800625, Unclaimed Funds-Claims, shall be used to pay claims under section 169.08 of the Revised Code. If it is determined by the Director of Commerce that additional appropriation amounts are necessary to make such payments, the Director of Commerce may request that the Director of Budget and Management approve such increases. Any approved increases are hereby appropriated.

DIVISION OF REAL ESTATE AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING 52039

The foregoing appropriation item 800631, Real Estate Appraiser Recovery, shall be used to pay settlements, judgments, and court orders under section 4763.16 of the Revised Code. If it is determined by the Director of Commerce that additional appropriation amounts are necessary to make such payments, the Director of Commerce may request that the Director of Budget and Management approve such increases. Any approved increases are hereby appropriated.

The foregoing appropriation item 800611, Real Estate Recovery, shall be used to pay settlements, judgments, and court orders under section 4735.12 of the Revised Code. If it is determined by the Director of Commerce that additional appropriation amounts are necessary to make such payments, the Director of Commerce may request that the Director of Budget and Management approve such increases. Any approved increases are hereby appropriated.

The foregoing appropriation item 800653, Real Estate Home Inspector Recovery, shall be used to pay settlements, judgments,
and court orders under section 4764.21 of the Revised Code. If it is determined by the Director of Commerce that additional appropriation amounts are necessary to make such payments, the Director of Commerce may request that the Director of Budget and Management approve such increases. Any approved increases are hereby appropriated.

FIRE DEPARTMENT GRANTS

(A) The foregoing appropriation item 800639, Fire Department Grants, shall be used to make annual grants to the following eligible recipients: volunteer fire departments, fire departments that serve one or more small municipalities or small townships, joint fire districts comprised of fire departments that primarily serve small municipalities or small townships, local units of government responsible for such fire departments, and local units of government responsible for the provision of fire protection services for small municipalities or small townships. For the purposes of these grants, a private fire company, as that phrase is defined in section 9.60 of the Revised Code, that is providing fire protection services under a contract to a political subdivision of the state, is an additional eligible recipient for a training grant.

Eligible recipients that consist of small municipalities or small townships that all intend to contract with the same fire department or private fire company for fire protection services may jointly apply and be considered for a grant. If a joint applicant is awarded a grant, the State Fire Marshal shall, if feasible, proportionately award the grant and any equipment purchased with grant funds to each of the joint applicants based upon each applicant's contribution to and demonstrated need for fire protection services. For the purpose of this grant program, an eligible recipient or any firefighting entity that is contracted to serve an eligible recipient may only file, be listed
as joint applicant, or be designated as a service provider on one grant application per fiscal year.

If the grant awarded to joint applicants is an equipment grant and the equipment to be purchased cannot be readily distributed or possessed by multiple recipients, each of the joint applicants shall be awarded by the State Fire Marshal an ownership interest in the equipment so purchased in proportion to each applicant's contribution to and demonstrated need for fire protection services. The joint applicants shall then mutually agree on how the equipment is to be maintained, operated, stored, or disposed of. If, for any reason, the joint applicants cannot agree as to how jointly owned equipment is to be maintained, operated, stored, or disposed of or any of the joint applicants no longer maintain a contract with the same fire protection service provider as the other applicants, then the joint applicants shall, with the assistance of the State Fire Marshal, mutually agree as to how the jointly owned equipment is to be maintained, operated, stored, disposed of, or owned. If the joint applicants cannot agree how the grant equipment is to be maintained, operated, stored, disposed of, or owned, the State Fire Marshal may, in its discretion, require all of the equipment acquired by the joint applicants with grant funds to be returned to the State Fire Marshal. The State Fire Marshal may then award the returned equipment to any eligible recipients. For this paragraph only, an "equipment grant" also includes a MARCS Grant.

(B) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the grants shall be used by recipients to purchase firefighting or rescue equipment or gear or similar items, to provide full or partial reimbursement for the documented costs of firefighter training, or, at the discretion of the State Fire Marshal, to cover fire department costs for providing fire protection services in that grant recipient's jurisdiction.
(1) Of the foregoing appropriation item 800639, Fire Department Grants, up to $1,000,000 per fiscal year may be used to pay for the State Fire Marshal's costs of providing firefighter I certification classes or other firefighter classes approved by the State Fire Marshal at no cost to selected students attending the Ohio Fire Academy or other class providers approved by the State Fire Marshal. The State Fire Marshal may establish the qualifications and selection processes for students to attend such classes by written policy, and such students shall be considered eligible recipients of fire department grants for the purposes of this portion of the grant program.

(2) Of the foregoing appropriation item 800639, Fire Department Grants, up to $3,500,000 in each fiscal year may be used for MARCS Grants. MARCS Grants may be used for the payment of user access fees by the eligible recipient to cover costs for accessing MARCS.

For purposes of this section, a MARCS Grant is a grant for systems, equipment, or services that are a part of, integrated into, or otherwise interoperable with the Multi-Agency Radio Communication System (MARCS) operated by the state.

MARCS Grant awards may be up to $50,000 in each fiscal year per eligible recipient. Each eligible recipient may apply, as a separate entity or as a part of a joint application, for only one MARCS Grant per fiscal year. The State Fire Marshal may give a preference to MARCS Grants that will enhance the overall interoperability and effectiveness of emergency communication networks in the geographic region that includes and that is adjacent to the applicant.

Eligible recipients that are or were awarded fire department grants that are not MARCS Grants may also apply for and receive MARCS Grants in accordance with criteria for the awarding of grant funds established by the State Fire Marshal.
(3) Grant awards for firefighting or rescue equipment or gear shall be up to $15,000 per fiscal year, or up to $25,000 per fiscal year if an eligible entity serves a jurisdiction in which the Governor declared a natural disaster during the preceding or current fiscal year in which the grant was awarded. In addition to any grant funds awarded for rescue equipment or gear, or for fire department costs associated with the provision of fire protection services, an eligible entity may receive a grant for up to $15,000 per fiscal year for full or partial reimbursement of the documented costs of firefighter training. For each fiscal year, the State Fire Marshal shall determine the total amounts to be allocated for each eligible purpose.

(C) The grants shall be administered by the State Fire Marshal in accordance with rules the State Fire Marshal adopts as part of the state fire code adopted pursuant to section 3737.82 of the Revised Code that are necessary for the administration and operation of the grant program. The rules may further define the entities eligible to receive grants and establish criteria for the awarding and expenditure of grant funds, including methods the State Fire Marshal may use to verify the proper use of grant funds or to obtain reimbursement for or the return of equipment for improperly used grant funds. To the extent consistent with this section and until the rules are updated, the existing rules in the state fire code adopted pursuant to section 3737.82 of the Revised Code for fire department grants under this section apply to MARCS Grants. Any amounts in appropriation item 800639, Fire Department Grants, in excess of the amount allocated for these grants may be used for the administration of the grant program.
Upon the written request of the Director of Commerce, and subject to the approval of the Controlling Board, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $500,000 in cash from the Real Estate Education and Research Fund (Fund 5470) to the Division of Real Estate Operating Fund (Fund 5490) during the biennium ending June 30, 2023.

If the Real Estate Recovery Fund (Fund 5480) cash balance exceeds $250,000 during the biennium ending June 30, 2023, the Director of Budget and Management, upon the written request of the Director of Commerce and subject to the approval of the Controlling Board, may transfer cash from Fund 5480 to the Division of Real Estate Operating Fund (Fund 5490), such that the amount available in Fund 5480 is not less than $250,000.

CASH TRANSFERS TO REAL ESTATE APPRAISER OPERATING FUND

If the Real Estate Appraiser Recovery Fund (Fund 4B20) cash balance exceeds $200,000 during the biennium ending June 30, 2023, the Director of Budget and Management, upon the written request of the Director of Commerce and subject to the approval of the Controlling Board, may transfer cash from Fund 4B20 to the Real Estate Appraiser Operating Fund (Fund 6A40), such that the amount available in Fund 4B20 is not less than $200,000.

CASH TRANSFERS TO SMALL GOVERNMENT FIRE DEPARTMENT SERVICES REVOLVING LOAN FUND

Upon the written request of the Director of Commerce, and subject to the approval of the Controlling Board, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $600,000 in cash from the State Fire Marshal Fund (Fund 5460) to the Small Government Fire Department Services Revolving Loan Fund (Fund 5F10) during the biennium ending June 30, 2023.

CASH TRANSFERS TO THE HOME INSPECTOR OPERATING FUND AND THE HOME INSPECTOR RECOVERY FUND
During the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023, upon written request from the Director of Commerce, and subject to the approval of the Controlling Board, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $500,000 in cash from the Division of Securities Fund (Fund 5500) as follows: up to $400,000 in cash to the Home Inspector Operating Fund (Fund 5VC0) and up to $100,000 in cash to the Home Inspector Recovery Fund (Fund 5VD0). When revenue deposited into Fund 5VC0 and Fund 5VD0 are deemed sufficient to sustain operations, the Director of Budget and Management, in consultation with the Director of Commerce, shall establish a repayment schedule to fully repay the cash transferred from Fund 5500 to Fund 5VC0 and Fund 5VD0.

**CASH TRANSFERS TO THE OHIO INVESTOR RECOVERY FUND**

Upon the written request of the Director of Commerce, and subject to the approval of the Controlling Board, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $2,500,000 in each fiscal year from the Division of Securities Operating Fund (Fund 5500) to the Ohio Investor Recovery Fund (Fund 5XK0) during the biennium ending June 30, 2023.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 800657, Ohio Investor Recovery, up to $2,500,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Department of Commerce to provide restitution assistance to victims who: (1) are identified in a final administrative order issued by the Division of Securities or a final court order in a civil or criminal proceeding initiated by the Division as a purchaser damaged by a sale or contract for sale made in violation of Chapter 1707. of the Revised Code; and (2) have not received the full amount of any restitution ordered in a final order before the application for restitution assistance is due.

**Section 245.10. OCC OFFICE OF CONSUMERS' COUNSEL**

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group
Section 247.10. CEB CONTROLLING BOARD

Internal Service Activity Fund Group

Operating Expenses $ 5,641,043 $ 5,641,043 52247
TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund $ 5,641,043 $ 5,641,043 52248

Group

TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 5,641,043 $ 5,641,043 52249

Section 247.20. FEDERAL SHARE

In transferring appropriations to or from appropriation items that have federal shares identified in this act, the Controlling Board shall add or subtract corresponding amounts of federal matching funds at the percentages indicated by the state and federal division of the appropriations in this act. Such changes are hereby appropriated.

DISASTER SERVICES

The Disaster Services Fund (Fund 5E20) shall be used by the Controlling Board, pursuant to requests submitted by state agencies, to transfer cash used for the payment of state agency disaster relief program expenses for disasters that have a written Governor's authorization, if the Director of Budget and Management determines that sufficient funds exist.

Pursuant to requests submitted by the Department of Public Safety, the Controlling Board may approve cash transfers from Fund 5E20 to any fund used by the Department of Public Safety to provide for assistance to political subdivisions made necessary by
natural disasters or emergencies. These cash transfers may be requested and approved prior to the occurrence of any specific natural disasters or emergencies in order to facilitate the provision of timely assistance. The Emergency Management Agency of the Department of Public Safety shall use the cash to fund the State Disaster Relief Program for disasters that qualify for the program by written authorization of the Governor, and the State Individual Assistance Program for disasters that been declared by the federal Small Business Administration and that qualify for the program by written authorization from the Governor. The Ohio Emergency Management Agency shall publish and make available application packets outlining procedures for the State Disaster Relief Program and the State Individual Assistance Program.

Section 249.10. COS COSMETOLOGY AND BARBER BOARD

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4K90 879609 Operating Expenses $ 5,416,852 $ 5,716,944
TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund $ 5,416,852 $ 5,716,944
Group
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 5,416,852 $ 5,716,944

Section 251.10. CSW COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER, AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4K90 899609 Operating Expenses $ 1,845,658 $ 1,907,553
TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund $ 1,845,658 $ 1,907,553
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TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 1,845,658 $ 1,907,553

Section 253.10. CLA COURT OF CLAIMS

General Revenue Fund

GRF 015321 Operating Expenses $ 2,668,140 $ 2,730,329
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### Section 255.10. DEN STATE DENTAL BOARD

**Dedicated Purpose Fund Group**

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### BOARD OF DEPOSIT EXPENSE FUND

Upon receiving certification of expenses from the Treasurer of State, the Director of Budget and Management shall transfer cash from the Investment Earnings Redistribution Fund (Fund 6080) to the Board of Deposit Expense Fund (Fund 4M20). The latter fund shall be used pursuant to section 135.02 of the Revised Code to pay for any and all necessary expenses of the Board of Deposit or for banking charges and fees required for the operation of the State of Ohio Regular Account.
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**TOTAL BRD Bond Research and Development Fund Group**

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Section 259.20. COAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The foregoing appropriation item 195402, Coal Research and Development Program, shall be used for the operating expenses of the Community Services Division in support of the Ohio Coal Development Office.

MINORITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

The foregoing appropriation item 195405, Minority Business Development, shall be used to support the activities of the Minority Business Development Division, including providing grants to local nonprofit organizations to support economic development activities that promote minority business development, in conjunction with local organizations funded through appropriation item 195454, Small Business and Export Assistance.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

The foregoing appropriation item 195415, Business Development Services, shall be used for the operating expenses of the Office.
of Strategic Business Investments and the regional economic
development offices.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 195415, Business
Development Services, $1,800,000 in each fiscal year shall be
allocated to Development Projects, Inc., for economic development
programs and the creation of new jobs to leverage and support
mission gains at Department of Defense and related facilities in
Ohio by working with future base realignment and closure
activities and ongoing Department of Defense efficiency and
partnership initiatives, assisting efforts to secure Department of
Defense support contracts for Ohio companies, assessing and
supporting regional job training and workforce development needs
generated by the Department of Defense and the Ohio aerospace
industry, promoting technology transfer to Ohio businesses, and
for expanding job training and economic development programs in
human performance and cyber security related initiatives.

REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

The foregoing appropriation item 195426, Redevelopment
Assistance, shall be used to fund the costs of administering the
energy, redevelopment, and other revitalization programs that may
be implemented, and may be used to match federal grant funding.

TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS AND GRANTS

The foregoing appropriation item 195453, Technology Programs
and Grants, shall be used for operating expenses incurred in
administering the Ohio Third Frontier Programs and other
technology focused programs that may be implemented.

SMALL BUSINESS AND EXPORT ASSISTANCE

The foregoing appropriation item 195454, Small Business and
Export Assistance, may be used to provide a range of business
assistance, including grants to local organizations to support
economic development activities that promote small business
development, entrepreneurship, and exports of Ohio's goods and services, in conjunction with local organizations funded through appropriation item 195405, Minority Business Development. The foregoing appropriation item shall also be used as matching funds for grants from the United States Small Business Administration and other federal agencies, pursuant to Pub. L. No. 96-302 as amended by Pub. L. No. 98-395, and regulations and policy guidelines for the programs pursuant thereto.

APPALACHIA ASSISTANCE

The foregoing GRF appropriation item 195455, Appalachia Assistance, may be used for the administrative costs of planning and liaison activities for the Governor's Office of Appalachia, to provide financial assistance to projects in Ohio's Appalachian counties, to support four local development districts, and to pay dues for the Appalachian Regional Commission. These funds may be used to match federal funds from the Appalachian Regional Commission. Programs funded through the appropriation item shall be identified and recommended by the local development districts and approved by the Governor's Office of Appalachia. The Department of Development shall conduct compliance and regulatory review of the programs recommended by the local development districts. Moneys allocated under the appropriation item may be used to fund projects including, but not limited to, those designated by the local development districts as community investment and rapid response projects.

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

CDBG OPERATING MATCH 52486

The foregoing appropriation item 195497, CDBG Operating Match, shall be used as matching funds for grants from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development pursuant to the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 and regulations and policy guidelines for the programs pursuant thereto.

BSD FEDERAL PROGRAMS MATCH 52488

The foregoing appropriation item 195499, BSD Federal Programs Match, shall be used as matching funds for grants from the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology Manufacturing Extension Partnership Program and Defense Logistics Agency Procurement Technical Assistance Program, and other federal agencies, pursuant to Pub. L. No. 96-302 as amended by Pub. L. No. 98-395, and regulations and policy guidelines for the programs pursuant thereto. The appropriation item shall also be used for operating expenses of the Business Services Division.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS 52489

Of the foregoing appropriation item 195503, Local Development Projects, $5,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be allocated to the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 195503, Local Development Projects, up to $4,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be allocated for the GRIT program, to be administered by the Governor's Office of Appalachia and the Department of Development. The program shall create jobs in economically distressed and at-risk areas within 11 counties in the service territory of the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission. This portion of the foregoing appropriation item shall be used to establish virtual workforce
development centers and place un- and under-employed adults into jobs, in collaboration with private businesses and public sector partners. Of this portion of the foregoing appropriation item, up to $800,000 in each fiscal year may be used for assessments and up to $800,000 in each fiscal year may be used for operating costs. The Governor's Office of Appalachia and the Department of Development may establish other guidelines for the use of this portion of the foregoing appropriation item.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 195503, Local Development Projects, up to $2,250,000 in fiscal year 2022 shall be used in coordination with the Department of Health to support stable housing initiatives for pregnant mothers and to improve maternal and infant health outcomes.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 195503, Local Development Projects, $150,000 in each fiscal year shall be allocated to the Stark County Minority Business Association to work in partnership with the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce to support a demonstration pilot project.

SECTOR PARTNERSHIP NETWORKS

The foregoing appropriation item 195553, Sector Partnership Networks, shall be used for the grant program described in section 122.179 of the Revised Code.

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Development shall certify to the Director of Budget and Management the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the fiscal year 2022 appropriation to the foregoing appropriation item. The certified amount is hereby reappropriated to the foregoing appropriation item in fiscal year 2023.

RESIDENTIAL BROADBAND EXPANSION GRANTS

The foregoing appropriation item 195651, Residential Broadband Expansion Grants, shall be used to make grants to expand
broadband service.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 195651, Residential Broadband Expansion Grants, up to $2,000,000 in the biennium ending June 30, 2023, may be used for a statewide initiative to support providing behavioral health in schools through telehealth.

Section 259.25. COAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND DEBT SERVICE

The foregoing appropriation line item 195901, Coal Research and Development General Obligation Bond Debt Service, shall be used to pay all debt service and related financing costs during the period July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, on obligations issued under sections 151.01 and 151.07 of the Revised Code.

THIRD FRONTIER RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND DEBT SERVICE

The foregoing appropriation item 195905, Third Frontier Research and Development General Obligation Bond Debt Service, shall be used to pay all debt service and related financing costs during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, on obligations issued under sections 151.01 and 151.10 of the Revised Code.

JOB READY SITE DEVELOPMENT GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND DEBT SERVICE

The foregoing appropriation item 195912, Job Ready Site Development General Obligation Bond Debt Service, shall be used to pay all debt service and related financing costs during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, on obligations issued under sections 151.01 and 151.11 of the Revised Code.

Section 259.30. MINORITY BUSINESS BONDING FUND

Notwithstanding Chapters 122., 169., and 175. of the Revised
Code, the Director of Development may, upon the recommendation of
the Minority Development Financing Advisory Board, pledge up to
$10,000,000 in the biennium ending June 30, 2023, of unclaimed
funds administered by the Director of Commerce and allocated to
the Minority Business Bonding Program under section 169.05 of the
Revised Code.

If needed for the payment of losses arising from the Minority
Business Bonding Program, the Director of Budget and Management
may, at the request of the Director of Development, request that
the Director of Commerce transfer unclaimed funds that have been
reported by holders of unclaimed funds under section 169.05 of the
Revised Code to the Minority Bonding Fund (Fund 4490). The
transfer of unclaimed funds shall only occur after proceeds of the
initial transfer of $2,700,000 by the Controlling Board to the
Minority Business Bonding Program have been used for that purpose.
If expenditures are required for payment of losses arising from
the Minority Business Bonding Program, such expenditures shall be
made from appropriation item 195658, Minority Business Bonding
Contingency in the Minority Business Bonding Fund, and such
amounts are hereby appropriated.

**BUSINESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**

The foregoing appropriation item 195649, Business Assistance
Programs, shall be used for administrative expenses associated
with the operation of loan incentives within the Office of
Strategic Business Investments.

**STATE SPECIAL PROJECTS**

The State Special Projects Fund (Fund 4F20), may be used for
the deposit of private-sector funds from utility companies and for
the deposit of other miscellaneous state funds. State moneys so
deposited may also be used to match federal funding and to support
programs of the Community Service Division and Business Services
MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE LOAN

The foregoing appropriation item 195646, Minority Business Enterprise Loan, shall be used for awards under the Minority Business Enterprise Loan Program and to cover operating expenses of the Minority Business Development Division. All repayments from the Minority Development Financing Advisory Board Loan Program shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the Minority Business Enterprise Loan Fund (Fund 4W10).

ADVANCED ENERGY LOAN PROGRAMS

The foregoing appropriation item 195660, Advanced Energy Loan Programs, shall be used to provide financial assistance to customers for eligible advanced energy projects for residential, commercial, and industrial business, local government, educational institution, nonprofit, and agriculture customers. The appropriation item may be used to match federal grant funding and to pay for the program's administrative costs as provided in sections 4928.61 to 4928.63 of the Revised Code and rules adopted by the Director of Development.

MBD FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FUND

On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer $20,000,000 cash from the State Small Business Credit Initiative Fund (Fund 3FJ0) to the MBD Financial Assistance Fund (Fund 5XH0), which is hereby created in the state treasury. All repayments from loans using Fund 5XH0 shall be credited to the fund.

MINORITY BUSINESS MICROLOAN

The foregoing appropriation item 195694, Micro-Enterprise Loan, shall be used to operate the Minority Business Microloan Program.
WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS LOAN

The foregoing appropriation item 195632, Women-Owned Business Loan, shall be used to operate the Women-Owned Business Loan Program.

VOLUME CAP ADMINISTRATION

The foregoing appropriation item 195654, Volume Cap Administration, shall be used for expenses related to the administration of the Volume Cap Program. Revenues received by the Volume Cap Administration Fund (Fund 6170) shall consist of application fees, forfeited deposits, and interest earned from the custodial account held by the Treasurer of State.

Section 259.40. SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FUND

On July 1 of each year in the biennium ending June 30, 2023, or as soon as possible thereafter, respectively, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $2,000,000 from the State Special Projects Fund (Fund 4F20) to the Supportive Services Fund (Fund 1350).

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES OPERATIONS

The Director of Development may assess offices of the department for the cost of central service operations. An assessment shall contain the characteristics of administrative ease and uniform application. A division's payments shall be credited to the Supportive Services Fund (Fund 1350) using an intrastate transfer voucher.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REIMBURSABLE EXPENDITURES

The foregoing appropriation item 195636, Development Services Reimbursable Expenditures, shall be used for reimbursable costs incurred by the department. Revenues to the General Reimbursement Fund (Fund 6850) shall consist of moneys charged for administrative costs that are not central service costs and
repayments of loans, including the interest thereon, made from the Water and Sewer Fund (Fund 4440).

Section 259.50. CAPITAL ACCESS LOAN PROGRAM

The foregoing appropriation item 195628, Capital Access Loan Program, shall be used for operating, program, and administrative expenses of the program. Capital Access Loan Program funds shall be used in accordance with section 122.603 of the Revised Code to assist participating financial institutions in making program loans to eligible businesses that face barriers in accessing working capital and obtaining fixed-asset financing.

The Director of Budget and Management may transfer an amount not to exceed $2,000,000 cash in each fiscal year between the Minority Business Enterprise Loan Fund (Fund 4W10) and the Capital Access Loan Fund (Fund 5S90), subject to Controlling Board approval.

INNOVATION OHIO

The foregoing appropriation item 195664, Innovation Ohio, shall be used to provide for Innovation Ohio purposes, including loan guarantees and loans under Chapter 166. and particularly sections 166.12 to 166.16 of the Revised Code.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The foregoing appropriation item 195665, Research and Development, shall be used to provide for research and development purposes, including loans, under Chapter 166. and particularly sections 166.17 to 166.21 of the Revised Code.

FACILITIES ESTABLISHMENT

The foregoing appropriation item 195615, Facilities Establishment, shall be used for the purposes of the Facilities Establishment Fund (Fund 7037) under Chapter 166. of the Revised Code. In the biennium ending June 30, 2023, notwithstanding
sections 127.14 and 131.35 of the Revised Code, the Controlling Board may authorize expenditures, in excess of the amount appropriated, using the Facilities Establishment Fund (Fund 7037) for purposes consistent with Chapter 166. of the Revised Code. The amounts authorized by the Controlling Board are hereby appropriated.

**TRANSFERS FROM THE FACILITIES ESTABLISHMENT FUND**

Notwithstanding Chapter 166. of the Revised Code, an amount not to exceed $3,500,000 in cash in each fiscal year may be transferred from the Facilities Establishment Fund (Fund 7037) to the Business Assistance Fund (Fund 4510), subject to Controlling Board approval.

Notwithstanding Chapter 166. of the Revised Code, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer an amount not to exceed $5,000,000 in cash in each fiscal year from Fund 7037 to the Minority Business Enterprise Loan Fund (Fund 4W10), subject to Controlling Board approval.

Notwithstanding Chapter 166. of the Revised Code, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer an amount not to exceed $2,000,000 in cash in each fiscal year from Fund 7037 to the Capital Access Loan Fund (Fund 5S90), subject to Controlling Board approval.

**Section 259.60. THIRD FRONTIER OPERATING COSTS**

The foregoing appropriation items 195686, Third Frontier Tax Exempt - Operating, and 195620, Third Frontier Taxable - Operating, shall be used for operating expenses incurred in administering projects pursuant to sections 184.10 to 184.20 of the Revised Code. Operating expenses paid from appropriation item 195686 shall be limited to the administration of projects funded from the Third Frontier Research & Development Fund (Fund 7011)
and operating expenses paid from appropriation item 195620 shall be limited to the administration of projects funded from the Third Frontier Research & Development Taxable Bond Project Fund (Fund 7014).

THIRD FRONTIER RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT TAXABLE AND TAX EXEMPT PROJECTS

The foregoing appropriation items 195687, Third Frontier Research & Development Projects, and 195692, Research & Development Taxable Bond Projects, shall be used to fund selected projects which may include internship programs. Eligible costs are those costs of research and development projects to which the proceeds of Fund 7011 and Fund 7014 are to be applied.

TRANSFERS OF THIRD FRONTIER APPROPRIATIONS

The Director of Budget and Management may approve written requests from the Director of Development for the transfer of appropriations between appropriation items 195687, Third Frontier Research & Development Projects, and 195692, Research & Development Taxable Bond Projects, based upon awards recommended by the Third Frontier Commission.

In fiscal year 2023, the Director of Development may request that the Director of Budget and Management reappropriate any unexpended, unencumbered balances of the prior fiscal year's appropriation to the foregoing appropriation items 195687, Third Frontier Research & Development Projects, and 195692, Research & Development Taxable Bond Projects, for fiscal year 2023. The Director of Budget and Management may request additional information necessary for evaluating these requests, and the Director of Development shall provide the requested information to the Director of Budget and Management. Based on the information provided by the Director of Development, the Director of Budget and Management shall determine the amounts to be reappropriated,
and those amounts are hereby reappropriated for fiscal year 2023.

Section 259.70. HEAP WEATHERIZATION

Up to twenty-five per cent of the federal funds deposited to the credit of the Home Energy Assistance Block Grant Fund (Fund 3K90) may be expended from appropriation item 195614, HEAP Weatherization, to provide home weatherization services in the state as determined by the Director of Development.

Section 259.80. OHIO INCUMBENT WORKFORCE JOB TRAINING FUND

On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Development, in consultation with the Treasurer of State, shall certify to the Director of Budget and Management the amount of bond proceeds collected under Chapter 3366. of the Revised Code in the semiannual period beginning January 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2021. The Director of Budget and Management shall transfer an amount of cash equal to the certified amount from the fund designated by the Treasurer of State to receive the bond proceeds collected under Chapter 3366. of the Revised Code to the Ohio Incumbent Workforce Job Training Fund (Fund 5HR0).

Section 261.10. DDD DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

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Section 261.20. SPECIAL OLYMPICS

The foregoing appropriation item 320411, Special Olympics, shall be distributed to the Special Olympics of Ohio.

Section 261.30. DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES FACILITIES LEASE-RENTAL BOND PAYMENTS

The foregoing appropriation item 320415, Developmental Disabilities Facilities Lease Rental Bond Payments, shall be used to meet all payments during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, by the Department of Developmental Disabilities pursuant to leases and agreements made under section 154.20 of the Revised Code. These appropriations are the source of funds pledged for bond service charges on related obligations issued under Chapter 154. of the Revised Code.

Section 261.40. MULTI-SYSTEM YOUTH

Of the foregoing appropriation item 322422, Multi-System Youth, a portion may be used to provide a subsidy to eligible county boards of developmental disabilities for the provision of
respite services and other services and supports for youth with complex or multi-system needs to enable them to remain in their homes with their families or in their communities. The Director of Developmental Disabilities shall establish the total amount available for the subsidy, a formula for distributing the subsidy to eligible county boards, and the eligibility requirements county boards must satisfy to receive the subsidy.

Section 261.50. EMPLOYMENT FIRST INITIATIVE

The foregoing appropriation item 322508, Employment First Initiative, shall be used to increase employment opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities through the Employment First Initiative in accordance with section 5123.022 of the Revised Code.

Of the foregoing appropriation item, 322508, Employment First Initiative, the Director of Developmental Disabilities shall transfer, in each fiscal year, to the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency an amount agreed upon by the Director of Developmental Disabilities and the Executive Director of the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency. The transfer shall be made via an intrastate transfer voucher. The transferred funds shall be used to support the Employment First Initiative. The Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency shall use the funds transferred as state matching funds to obtain available federal grant dollars for vocational rehabilitation services. Any federal match dollars received by the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency shall be used for the initiative. The Director of Developmental Disabilities and the Executive Director of the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency shall enter into an interagency agreement in accordance with section 3304.181 of the Revised Code that will specify the responsibilities of each agency under the initiative. Under the
interagency agreement, the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency shall retain responsibility for eligibility determination, order of selection, plan approval, plan amendment, and release of vendor payments.

The remainder of appropriation item 322508, Employment First Initiative, shall be used to develop a long-term, sustainable system that places individuals with developmental disabilities in community employment, as defined in section 5123.022 of the Revised Code.

Section 261.60. COMMUNITY SUPPORTS AND RENTAL ASSISTANCE

The foregoing appropriation item 322509, Community Supports and Rental Assistance, may be used by the Director of Developmental Disabilities to provide funding to county boards of developmental disabilities for rental assistance to individuals with developmental disabilities receiving home and community-based services as defined in section 5123.01 of the Revised Code pursuant to section 5124.60 of the Revised Code or section 5124.69 of the Revised Code and individuals with developmental disabilities who enroll in a Medicaid waiver component providing home and community-based services after receiving preadmission counseling pursuant to section 5124.68 of the Revised Code. The Director shall establish the methodology for determining the amount and distribution of such funding.

Section 261.70. MEDICAID SERVICES

(A) As used in this section:

(1) "Home and community-based services" has the same meaning as in section 5123.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "ICF/IID services" has the same meaning as in section 5124.01 of the Revised Code.
(B) Except as provided in section 5123.0416 of the Revised Code, the purposes for which the foregoing appropriation item 653407, Medicaid Services, shall be used include the following:

(1) Home and community-based services;

(2) Implementation of the requirements of the agreement settling the consent decree in Sermak v. Manuel, Case No. C-2-80-220, United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, Eastern Division;

(3) Implementation of the requirements of the agreement settling the consent decree in Martin v. Strickland, Case No. 89-CV-00362, United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, Eastern Division;

(4) ICF/IID services; and

(5) Other programs as identified by the Director of Developmental Disabilities.

Section 261.80. OPERATING AND SERVICES

Of the foregoing appropriation item 320606, Operating and Services, $100,000 in each fiscal year shall be provided to the Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence to establish a lifespan autism hub to support families and professionals.

Section 261.90. COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAMS

A portion of the foregoing appropriation item 322612, Community Social Service Programs, may be used by the Early Intervention Services Advisory Council for the following purposes:

(A) In addition to other necessary and allowed uses of funds and in accordance with 20 U.S.C. 1441(d), the Early Intervention Services Advisory Council established pursuant to section 5123.0422 of the Revised Code, may, in its discretion, use budgeted funds to do all of the following:
(1) Conduct forums and hearings;

(2) Reimburse council members for reasonable and necessary expenses, including child care expenses for parent representatives, for attending council meetings and performing council duties;

(3) Pay compensation to a council member if the member is not employed or must forfeit wages from other employment when performing official council business;

(4) Hire staff;

(5) Obtain the services of professional, technical, and clerical personnel as necessary to carry out the performance of its lawful functions.

(B) Except as provided in division (A) of this section, council members shall serve without compensation or reimbursement.

Section 261.100. COUNTY BOARD SHARE OF WAIVER SERVICES

As used in this section, "home and community-based services" has the same meaning as in section 5123.01 of the Revised Code.

The Director of Developmental Disabilities shall establish a methodology to be used in fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023 to estimate the quarterly amount each county board of developmental disabilities is to pay of the nonfederal share of home and community-based services that section 5126.0510 of the Revised Code requires county boards to pay. Each quarter, the Director shall submit to a county board written notice of the amount the county board is to pay for that quarter. The notice shall specify when the payment is due.

Section 261.110. WITHHOLDING OF FUNDS OWED THE DEPARTMENT

If a county board of developmental disabilities does not fully pay any amount owed to the Department of Developmental
Disabilities by the due date established by the Department, the Director of Developmental Disabilities may withhold the amount the county board did not pay from any amounts due to the county board. The Director may use any appropriation item or fund used by the Department to transfer cash to any other fund used by the Department in an amount equal to the amount owed the Department that the county board did not pay. Transfers under this section shall be made using an intrastate transfer voucher.

Section 261.120. ODDDD INNOVATIVE PILOT PROJECTS

(A) In fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023, the Director of Developmental Disabilities may authorize the continuation or implementation of one or more innovative pilot projects that, in the judgment of the Director, are likely to assist in promoting the objectives of Chapter 5123. or 5126. of the Revised Code. Subject to division (B) of this section and notwithstanding any provision of Chapters 5123. and 5126. of the Revised Code and any rule adopted under either chapter, a pilot project authorized by the Director may be continued or implemented in a manner inconsistent with one or more provisions of either chapter or one or more rules adopted under either chapter. Before authorizing a pilot program, the Director shall consult with entities interested in the issue of developmental disabilities, including the Ohio Provider Resource Association, Ohio Association of County Boards of Developmental Disabilities, Ohio Health Care Association/Ohio Centers for Intellectual Disabilities, the Values and Faith Alliance, and ARC of Ohio.

(B) The Director may not authorize a pilot project to be implemented in a manner that would cause the state to be out of compliance with any requirements for a program funded in whole or in part with federal funds.
Section 261.130. NONFEDERAL SHARE OF ICF/IID SERVICES

(A) As used in this section, "ICF/IID," "ICF/IID services," and "Medicaid-certified capacity" have the same meanings as in section 5124.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) The Director of Developmental Disabilities shall pay the nonfederal share of a claim for ICF/IID services using funds specified in division (C) of this section if all of the following apply:

(1) Medicaid covers the ICF/IID services.

(2) The ICF/IID services are provided to a Medicaid recipient to whom both of the following apply:
   (a) The Medicaid recipient is eligible for the ICF/IID services.
   (b) The Medicaid recipient does not occupy a bed in the ICF/IID that used to be included in the Medicaid-certified capacity of another ICF/IID certified by the Director of Health before June 1, 2003.

(3) The ICF/IID services are provided by an ICF/IID whose Medicaid certification by the Director of Health was initiated or supported by a county board of developmental disabilities.

(4) The provider of the ICF/IID services has a valid Medicaid provider agreement for the services for the time that the services are provided.

(C) When required by division (B) of this section to pay the nonfederal share of a claim, the Director of Developmental Disabilities shall use the following funds to pay the claim:

(1) Funds available from appropriation item 653407, Medicaid Services, that the Director allocates to the county board that initiated or supported the Medicaid certification of the ICF/IID...
that provided the ICF/IID services for which the claim is made;

(2) If the amount of funds used pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section is insufficient to pay the claim in full, an amount of funds that are needed to make up the difference and available from amounts the Director allocates to other county boards from appropriation item 653407, Medicaid Services.

**Section 261.140.** PAYMENT RATES FOR HOMEMAKER/PERSONAL CARE SERVICES PROVIDED TO QUALIFYING IO ENROLLEES

(A) As used in this section:

(1) "Converted facility" means an ICF/IID, or former ICF/IID, that converted some or all of its beds to providing home and community-based services under the IO Waiver pursuant to section 5124.60 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Developmental center" and "ICF/IID" have the same meanings as in section 5124.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) "IO Waiver" means the Medicaid waiver component, as defined in section 5166.01 of the Revised Code, known as Individual Options.

(4) "Medicaid provider" has the same meaning as in section 5164.01 of the Revised Code.

(5) "Public hospital" has the same meaning as in section 5122.01 of the Revised Code.

(6) "Qualifying IO enrollee" means an IO Waiver enrollee to whom all of the following apply:

(a) The enrollee resided in a developmental center, converted facility, or public hospital immediately before enrolling in the IO Waiver.

(b) The enrollee did not receive before July 1, 2011, routine homemaker/personal care services from the Medicaid provider that
is to be paid the Medicaid rate authorized by this section for providing such services to the enrollee during the period specified in division (C) of this section.

(c) The Director of Developmental Disabilities has determined that the enrollee's special circumstances (including the enrollee's diagnosis, service needs, or length of stay at the developmental center, converted facility, or public hospital) warrants paying the Medicaid rate authorized by this section.

(B) The total Medicaid payment rate for each fifteen minutes of routine homemaker/personal care services that a Medicaid provider provides to a qualifying IO enrollee during the period specified in division (C) of this section shall be fifty-two cents higher than the Medicaid payment rate in effect on the day the services are provided for each fifteen minutes of routine homemaker/personal care services that a Medicaid provider provides to an IO enrollee who is not a qualifying IO enrollee.

(C) Division (B) of this section applies to the first twelve months, consecutive or otherwise, that a Medicaid provider, during the period beginning July 1, 2021, and ending July 1, 2023, provides routine homemaker/personal care services to a qualifying IO enrollee.

(D) Of the foregoing appropriation items 653407, Medicaid Services, and 653654, Medicaid Services, portions shall be used to pay the Medicaid payment rate determined in accordance with this section for routine homemaker/personal care services provided to qualifying IO enrollees.

Section 261.150. FISCAL YEAR 2022 and 2023 ICF/IID MEDICAID RATES FOR PEER GROUPS 1, 2, 3, 4, AND 5

(A) As used in this section:

(1) "Change of operator," "entering operator," "exiting
operator," "ICF/IID," "ICF/IID services," "Medicaid days," "peer
group 1," "peer group 2," "peer group 3," "peer group 4," "peer
group 5," "provider," and "provider agreement" have the same
meanings as in section 5124.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Franchise permit fee" means the fee imposed by sections
5168.60 to 5168.71 of the Revised Code.

(B)(1) This section applies to each ICF/IID that is in peer
group 1, peer group 2, peer group 3, peer group 4, or peer group 5
and to which any of the following, as applicable to a fiscal year,
applies:

(a) In the context of determining an ICF/IID's total Medicaid
payment rate for fiscal year 2022, any of the following is the
case:

(i) The provider of the ICF/IID has a valid Medicaid provider
agreement for the ICF/IID on June 30, 2021, and a valid Medicaid
provider agreement for the ICF/IID during fiscal year 2022.

(ii) The ICF/IID undergoes a change of operator that takes
effect during fiscal year 2022, the existing operator has a valid
Medicaid provider agreement for the ICF/IID on the day immediately
preceding the effective date of the change of operator, and the
entering operator has a valid Medicaid provider agreement for the
ICF/IID during fiscal year 2022.

(iii) The ICF/IID is a new ICF/IID for which the provider
obtains an initial provider agreement during fiscal year 2022.

(b) In the context of determining an ICF/IID's total Medicaid
payment rate for fiscal year 2023, any of the following is the
case:

(i) The provider of the ICF/IID has a valid Medicaid provider
agreement for the ICF/IID on June 30, 2022, and a valid Medicaid
provider agreement for the ICF/IID during fiscal year 2023.
(ii) The ICF/IID undergoes a change of operator that takes effect during fiscal year 2023, the existing operator has a valid Medicaid provider agreement for the ICF/IID on the day immediately preceding the effective date of the change of operator, and the entering operator has a valid Medicaid provider agreement for the ICF/IID during fiscal year 2023.

(iii) The ICF/IID is a new ICF/IID for which the provider obtains an initial provider agreement during fiscal year 2023.

(2) Notwithstanding Chapter 5124. of the Revised Code, the Department of Developmental Disabilities shall follow this section in determining the rate to be paid for ICF/IID services provided during fiscal years 2022 and 2023 by ICFs/IID subject to this section.

(C) If the mean total per Medicaid day rate for all ICFs/IID to which the section applies, as determined under division (B) of this section, as of the first day of a fiscal year for which a rate is determined under this section and weighted by May Medicaid days from the calendar year in which the fiscal year begins, is greater than $350.87, the Department shall adjust, for the fiscal year for which the rate is determined, the total per Medicaid day rate for each ICF/IID to which this section applies by a percentage by which the mean total per Medicaid day rate is greater than $350.87.

(D) If the United States Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services requires that the franchise permit fee be reduced or eliminated, the Department shall reduce the amount it pays ICF/IID providers under this section as necessary to reflect the loss to the state of the revenue and federal financial participation generated from the franchise permit fee.

(E) Of the foregoing appropriation items 653407, Medicaid Services, 653606, ICF/IID and Waiver Match, and 653654, Medicaid
Services, portions shall be used to pay the Medicaid payment rates determined in accordance with this section for ICF/IID services provided during fiscal years 2022 and 2023.

**Section 261.160. COMMUNITY SUPPORTS AND RENTAL ASSISTANCE**

TECHNOLOGY FIRST INITIATIVE

Of the foregoing appropriation item 322509, Community Supports and Rental Assistance, up to $1,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 may be used to increase access and utilization of innovative technology for individuals with developmental disabilities in accordance with the Technology First Initiative established in section 5123.025 of the Revised Code. An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of this earmark at the end of fiscal year 2022 is hereby reappropriated to appropriation item 322509, Community Supports and Rental Assistance, for the same purpose for fiscal year 2023.

**Section 265.10. EDU DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

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Section 265.20. OPERATING EXPENSES

A portion of the foregoing appropriation item 200321, Operating Expenses, shall be used by the Department of Education to provide matching funds related to career-technical education under 20 U.S.C. 2321.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

The Department of Education shall distribute the foregoing appropriation item 200408, Early Childhood Education, to pay the costs of early childhood education programs. The Department shall distribute such funds directly to qualifying providers.

(A) As used in this section:

(1) "Provider" means a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district; an educational service center; a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code that is sponsored by an exemplary sponsor; notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, a STEM school that is established under that chapter; a chartered nonpublic school; an early childhood education child care provider licensed under Chapter 5104. of the Revised Code that participates in and meets at least the third highest tier of the Step Up to Quality program established pursuant to section 5104.29 of the Revised Code; or a combination of entities described in this paragraph.

(2) In the case of a city, local, or exempted village school district or early childhood education child care provider licensed under Chapter 5104. of the Revised Code, "new eligible provider" means a provider that did not receive state funding for Early Childhood Education in the previous fiscal year or demonstrates a need for early childhood programs as defined in division (D) of this section.
(3) In the case of a community school, "new eligible provider" means either of the following:

(a) A community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code that is sponsored by a sponsor rated "exemplary" in accordance with section 3314.016 of the Revised Code that offers a child care program in accordance with sections 3301.50 to 3301.59 of the Revised Code that did not receive state funding for Early Childhood Education in the previous fiscal year;

(b) A community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code that satisfies all of the following criteria:

(i) It has received, on its most recent report card, either of the following:

(I) If the school offers any of grade levels four through twelve, a grade of "C" or better for the overall value-added progress dimension under division (C)(1)(e) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code and for the performance index score under division (C)(1)(b) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code;

(II) If the school does not offer a grade level higher than three, a grade of "C" or better for making progress in improving literacy in grades kindergarten through three under division (C)(1)(g) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code.

(ii) It offers a child care program in accordance with sections 3301.50 to 3301.59 of the Revised Code.

(iii) It did not receive state funding for Early Childhood Education in the previous fiscal year.

(4)(a) "Eligible child" means a child who is at least four years of age, is not of the age to be eligible for kindergarten, and whose family earns not more than two hundred per cent of the federal poverty guidelines as defined in division (A)(3) of section 5101.46 of the Revised Code. Children with an
Individualized Education Program and where the Early Childhood Education program is the least restrictive environment may be enrolled on their fourth birthday.

(b) If, on the first day of October of each fiscal year, a provider has remaining award funds after enrolling eligible children under division (A)(4)(a) of this section, the provider may seek approval from the Department to consider a child who is at least three years of age, is not of age to be eligible for kindergarten, and whose family earns not more than two hundred percent of the federal poverty guidelines as an eligible child. Upon approval from the Department, the provider may use the remaining award funds to serve such three-year-old children as eligible children.

(5) "Early learning program standards" means early learning program standards for school readiness developed by the Department to assess the operation of early learning and development programs.

(6) "Early learning and development programs" has the same meaning as in section 5104.29 of the Revised Code.

(B) In each fiscal year, up to two per cent of the total appropriation may be used by the Department for program support and technical assistance. The Department shall distribute the remainder of the appropriation in each fiscal year to serve eligible children.

(C) The Department shall provide an annual report to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President of the Senate and post the report to the Department's web site, regarding early childhood education programs operated under this section and the early learning program standards.

(D) After setting aside the amounts to make payments due from the previous fiscal year, in fiscal year 2022, the Department
shall distribute funds first to recipients of funds for early childhood education programs under Section 265.20 of H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly in the previous fiscal year and the balance to new eligible providers of early childhood education programs or to existing providers to serve more eligible children pursuant to division (E) of this section or for purposes of program expansion, improvement, or special projects to promote quality and innovation.

After setting aside the amounts to make payments due from the previous fiscal year, in fiscal year 2023, the Department shall distribute funds first to providers of early childhood education programs under this section in the previous fiscal year and the balance to new eligible providers or to existing providers to serve more eligible children as outlined under division (E) of this section or for purposes of program expansion, improvement, or special projects to promote quality and innovation.

(E)(1) The Department shall distribute any new or remaining funding to existing providers of early childhood education programs or any new eligible providers in an effort to invest in high quality early childhood programs where there is a need as determined by the Department. The Department shall distribute the new or remaining funds to existing providers of early childhood education programs or any new eligible providers to serve additional eligible children based on community economic disadvantage, limited access to high quality preschool or childcare services, and demonstration of high quality preschool services as determined by the Department using new metrics developed pursuant to Ohio's Race to the Top—Early Learning Challenge Grant, awarded to the Department in December 2011.

(2) Awards under divisions (D) and (E) of this section shall be distributed on a per-pupil basis, and in accordance with division (I) of this section. The Department may adjust the
per-pupil amount so that the per-pupil amount multiplied by the
number of eligible children enrolled and receiving services on the
first day of December or the business day closest to that date
equals the amount allocated under this section.

(F) Costs for developing and administering an early childhood
education program may not exceed fifteen per cent of the total
approved costs of the program.

All providers shall maintain such fiscal control and
accounting procedures as may be necessary to ensure the
disbursement of, and accounting for, these funds. The control of
funds provided in this program, and title to property obtained,
shall be under the authority of the approved provider for purposes
provided in the program unless, as described in division (K) of
this section, the program waives its right for funding or a
program's funding is eliminated or reduced due to its inability to
meet financial or early learning program standards. The approved
provider shall administer and use such property and funds for the
purposes specified.

(G) The Department may examine a provider's financial and
program records. If the financial practices of the program are not
in accordance with standard accounting principles or do not meet
financial standards outlined under division (F) of this section,
or if the program fails to substantially meet the early learning
program standards, meet a quality rating level in the Step Up to
Quality program established pursuant to section 5104.29 of the
Revised Code as prescribed by the Department, or exhibits below
average performance as measured against the standards, the early
childhood education program shall propose and implement a
corrective action plan that has been approved by the Department.
The approved corrective action plan shall be signed by the chief
executive officer and the executive of the official governing body
of the provider. The corrective action plan shall include a
schedule for monitoring by the Department. Such monitoring may include monthly reports, inspections, a timeline for correction of deficiencies, and technical assistance to be provided by the Department or obtained by the early childhood education program. The Department may withhold funding pending corrective action. If an early childhood education program fails to satisfactorily complete a corrective action plan, the Department may deny expansion funding to the program or withdraw all or part of the funding to the program and establish a new eligible provider through a selection process established by the Department.

(H)(1) If the early childhood education program is licensed by the Department of Education and is not highly rated, as determined by the Director of Job and Family Services, under the Step Up to Quality program established pursuant to section 5104.29 of the Revised Code, the program shall do all of the following:

(a) Meet teacher qualification requirements prescribed by section 3301.311 of the Revised Code;

(b) Align curriculum to the early learning content standards developed by the Department;

(c) Meet any child or program assessment requirements prescribed by the Department;

(d) Require teachers, except teachers enrolled and working to obtain a degree pursuant to section 3301.311 of the Revised Code, to attend a minimum of twenty hours every two years of professional development as prescribed by the Department;

(e) Document and report child progress as prescribed by the Department;

(f) Meet and report compliance with the early learning program standards as prescribed by the Department;

(g) Participate in the Step Up to Quality program established
pursuant to section 5104.29 of the Revised Code.

(2) If the program is highly rated, as determined by the Director of Job and Family Services, under the Step Up to Quality program established pursuant to section 5104.29 of the Revised Code, the program shall comply with the requirements of that program.

(I) Per-pupil funding for programs subject to this section shall be sufficient to provide eligible children with services for a standard early childhood schedule which shall be defined in this section as a minimum of twelve and one-half hours per school week as defined in section 3313.62 of the Revised Code for the minimum school year as defined in sections 3313.48, 3313.481, and 3313.482 of the Revised Code. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit program providers from utilizing other funds to serve eligible children in programs that exceed the twelve and one-half hours per week or that exceed the minimum school year. For any provider for which a standard early childhood education schedule creates a hardship or for which the provider shows evidence that the provider is working in collaboration with a preschool special education program, the provider may submit a waiver to the Department requesting an alternate schedule. If the Department approves a waiver for an alternate schedule that provides services for less time than the standard early childhood education schedule, the Department may reduce the provider's annual allocation proportionately. Under no circumstances shall an annual allocation be increased because of the approval of an alternate schedule.

(J) Each provider shall develop a sliding fee scale based on family incomes and shall charge families who earn more than two hundred per cent of the federal poverty guidelines, as defined in division (A)(3) of section 5101.46 of the Revised Code, for the early childhood education program.
The Department shall conduct an annual survey of each provider to determine whether the provider charges families tuition or fees, the amount families are charged relative to family income levels, and the number of families and students charged tuition and fees for the early childhood program.

(K) If an early childhood education program voluntarily waives its right for funding, or has its funding eliminated for not meeting financial standards or the early learning program standards, the provider shall transfer control of title to property, equipment, and remaining supplies obtained through the program to providers designated by the Department and return any unexpended funds to the Department along with any reports prescribed by the Department. The funding made available from a program that waives its right for funding or has its funding eliminated or reduced may be used by the Department for new grant awards or expansion grants. The Department may award new grants or expansion grants to eligible providers who apply. The eligible providers who apply must do so in accordance with the selection process established by the Department.

(L) Eligible expenditures for the Early Childhood Education Program shall be claimed each fiscal year to help meet the state's TANF maintenance of effort requirement. The Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Director of Job and Family Services shall enter into an interagency agreement to carry out the requirements under this division, which shall include developing reporting guidelines for these expenditures.

(M)(1) The Department of Education and the Department of Job and Family Services shall continue to work toward establishing the following in common between early childhood education programs and publicly funded child care:

(a) An application;
(b) Program eligibility;

(c) Funding;

(d) An attendance policy;

(e) An attendance tracking system.

(2) In accordance with section 5104.34 of the Revised Code, eligible families may receive publicly funded child care beyond the standard early childhood schedule defined in division (I) of this section.

(3) All providers, agencies, and school districts participating in the early childhood education program or providing care to eligible families beyond the standard early childhood schedule shall follow the common policies established under this division.

Section 265.30. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT

The foregoing appropriation item 200420, Information Technology Development and Support, shall be used to support the development and implementation of information technology solutions designed to improve the performance and services of the Department of Education. Funds may be used for personnel, maintenance, and equipment costs related to the development and implementation of these technical system projects. Implementation of these systems shall allow the Department to provide greater levels of assistance to school districts and to provide more timely information to the public, including school districts, administrators, and legislators. Funds may also be used to support data-driven decision-making and differentiated instruction, as well as to communicate academic content standards and curriculum models to schools through web-based applications.
Section 265.50. SCHOOL MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE

The foregoing appropriation item 200422, School Management Assistance, shall be used by the Department of Education to provide fiscal technical assistance and inservice education for school district management personnel and to administer, monitor, and implement the fiscal caution, fiscal watch, and fiscal emergency provisions under Chapter 3316. of the Revised Code.

Section 265.60. POLICY ANALYSIS

The foregoing appropriation item 200424, Policy Analysis, shall be used by the Department of Education to support a system of administrative and statistical education information to be used for policy analysis. Staff supported by this appropriation shall administer the development of reports, analyses, and briefings regarding current trends in education practice, efficient and effective use of resources, and evaluation of programs to improve education results. A portion of these funds shall be used to maintain a longitudinal database to support the assessment of the impact of policies and programs on Ohio's education and workforce development systems. The research efforts supported by this appropriation item shall be used to supply information and analysis of data to and in consultation with the General Assembly and other state policymakers, including the Office of Budget and Management and the Legislative Service Commission.

A portion of the foregoing appropriation item, 200424, Policy Analysis, may be used by the Department to support the development and implementation of an evidence-based clearinghouse to support school improvement strategies as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act.

The Department may use funding from this appropriation item to purchase or contract for the development of software systems or
contract for policy studies that will assist in the provision and
analysis of policy-related information. Funding from this
appropriation item also may be used to monitor and enhance quality
assurance for research-based policy analysis and program
evaluation to enhance the effective use of education information
to inform education policymakers.

Section 265.70. OHIO EDUCATIONAL COMPUTER NETWORK

The foregoing appropriation item 200426, Ohio Educational
Computer Network, shall be used by the Department of Education to
maintain a system of information technology throughout Ohio and to
provide technical assistance for such a system.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200426, Ohio Educational
Computer Network, up to $9,686,658 in each fiscal year shall be
used by the Department to support connection of all public school
buildings and participating chartered nonpublic schools to the
state's education network, to each other, and to the Internet. In
each fiscal year, the Department shall use these funds to assist
information technology centers or school districts with the
operational costs associated with this connectivity. The
Department shall develop a formula and guidelines for the
distribution of these funds to information technology centers or
individual school districts. As used in this section, "public
school building" means a school building of any city, local,
exempted village, or joint vocational school district, any
community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised
Code, any college preparatory boarding school established under
Chapter 3328. of the Revised Code, any STEM school established
under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, any educational service
center building used for instructional purposes, the Ohio School
for the Deaf and the Ohio School for the Blind, high schools
chartered by the Ohio Department of Youth Services, or high
schools operated by Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections' Ohio Central School System.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200426, Ohio Educational Computer Network, up to $4,843,329 in each fiscal year shall be used, through a formula and guidelines devised by the Department, to support the activities of designated information technology centers, as defined by State Board of Education rules, to provide school districts and chartered nonpublic schools with computer-based student and teacher instructional and administrative information services, including approved computerized financial accounting, to ensure the effective operation of local automated administrative and instructional systems, and to monitor and support the quality of data submitted to the Department.

The remainder of appropriation item 200426, Ohio Educational Computer Network, shall be used to support the work of the development, maintenance, and operation of a network of uniform and compatible computer-based information systems as well as the teacher student linkage/roster verification process and systems to support electronic sharing of student records and transcripts between entities. This technical assistance shall include, but not be restricted to, development and maintenance of adequate computer software systems to support network activities. In order to improve the efficiency of network activities, the Department and information technology centers may jointly purchase equipment, materials, and services from funds provided under this appropriation for use by the network and, when considered practical by the Department, may utilize the services of appropriate state purchasing agencies.

Section 265.80. ACADEMIC STANDARDS

The foregoing appropriation item 200427, Academic Standards,
shall be used by the Department of Education to develop and communicate to school districts academic content standards and curriculum models and to develop professional development programs and other tools on the new content standards and model curriculum. The Department shall use a portion of these funds in partnership with educational service centers, consistent with requirements of section 3312.01 of the Revised Code, in the development and delivery of professional development programs supported under this section.

Section 265.90. STUDENT ASSESSMENT

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200437, Student Assessment, up to $2,760,000 in each fiscal year may be used to support the state's early learning assessment work and the assessments required under section 3301.0715 of the Revised Code.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200437, Student Assessment, up to $543,168 in each fiscal year shall be used to reimburse a portion of the costs associated with Advanced Placement tests for low-income students.

The remainder of appropriation item 200437, Student Assessment, shall be used to develop, field test, print, distribute, score, report results, and support other associated costs for the tests required under sections 3301.0710, 3301.0711, and 3301.0712 of the Revised Code and for similar purposes as required by section 3301.27 of the Revised Code. The funds may also be used to update and develop diagnostic assessments administered under sections 3301.079, 3301.0715, and 3313.608 of the Revised Code.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS FOR STUDENT ASSESSMENT

In fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023, if the
Superintendent of Public Instruction determines that additional funds are needed to fully fund the requirements of sections 3301.0710, 3301.0711, 3301.0712, and 3301.27 of the Revised Code and this act for assessments of student performance, the Superintendent may recommend to the Director of Budget and Management the reallocation of unexpended and unencumbered General Revenue Fund appropriations within the Department of Education to appropriation item 200437, Student Assessment. If the Director determines that such a reallocation is required, the Director may transfer unexpended and unencumbered appropriations within the Department of Education as necessary to appropriation item 200437, Student Assessment.

Section 265.100. ACCOUNTABILITY/REPORT CARDS

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200439, Accountability/Report Cards, a portion in each fiscal year shall be used to train district and regional specialists and district educators in the use of the value-added progress dimension and in the use of data as it relates to improving student achievement. This training may include teacher and administrator professional development in the use of data to improve instruction and student learning, and teacher and administrator training in understanding teacher value-added reports and how they can be used as a component in measuring teacher and administrator effectiveness. A portion of this funding shall be provided to educational service centers to support training and professional development under this section consistent with section 3312.01 of the Revised Code.

The remainder of appropriation item 200439, Accountability/Report Cards, shall be used by the Department of Education to incorporate a statewide value-added progress dimension into performance ratings for school districts and for the development of an accountability system that includes the
preparation and distribution of school report cards, funding and expenditure accountability reports under sections 3302.03 and 3302.031 of the Revised Code, the development and maintenance of teacher value-added reports, the teacher student linkage/roster verification process, and the performance management section of the Department's web site required by section 3302.26 of the Revised Code.

CHILD CARE LICENSING

The foregoing appropriation item 200442, Child Care Licensing, shall be used by the Department of Education to license and to inspect preschool and school-age child care programs under sections 3301.52 to 3301.59 of the Revised Code.

Section 265.110. EDUCATION MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

The foregoing appropriation item 200446, Education Management Information System, shall be used by the Department of Education to improve the Education Management Information System (EMIS).

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200446, Education Management Information System, up to $400,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to support grants to information technology centers to provide professional development opportunities to district and school personnel related to the EMIS, with a focus placed on data submission and data quality.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200446, Education Management Information System, up to $725,000 in each fiscal year shall be distributed to designated information technology centers for costs relating to processing, storing, and transferring data for the effective operation of the EMIS. These costs may include, but are not limited to, personnel, hardware, software development, communications connectivity, professional development, and support services.
The remainder of appropriation item 200446, Education Management Information System, shall be used to develop and support the data definitions and standards outlined in the EMIS guidelines adopted under section 3301.0714 of the Revised Code, to implement recommendations of the EMIS Advisory Council and the Superintendent of Public Instruction, to enhance data quality assurance practices, and to support responsibilities related to the school report cards prescribed by section 3302.03 of the Revised Code and value-added progress dimension calculations.

Section 265.120. EDUCATOR PREPARATION

(A) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200448, Educator Preparation, up to $339,783 in each fiscal year may be used by the Department of Education to monitor and support Ohio's State System of Support, as defined by the Every Student Succeeds Act.

(B) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200448, Educator Preparation, up to $67,957 in each fiscal year may be used by the Department to support the Educator Standards Board under section 3319.61 of the Revised Code and reforms under sections 3302.042, 3302.06 to 3302.068, 3302.12, and 3302.20 to 3302.22 of the Revised Code.

(C) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200448, Educator Preparation, $2,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be distributed to Teach For America to increase recruitment of potential corps members, to train and develop first-year and second-year teachers in the Teach for America program in Ohio, and to support the ongoing development and impact of Teach for America alumni working in Ohio.

(D) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200448, Educator Preparation, $1,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be used for the Bright New Leaders for Ohio Schools Program administered by the Ohio State University Fisher College of Business and College of
Education and Human Ecology pursuant to section 3319.272 of the Revised Code to provide an alternative path for individuals to receive training and development in the administration of primary and secondary education and leadership, enable those individuals to earn degrees and obtain licenses in public school administration, and promote the placement of those individuals in public schools that have a poverty percentage greater than fifty per cent.

(E) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200448, Educator Preparation, $200,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to support training for selected school staff through the FASTER Saves Lives Program for the purpose of stopping active shooters and treating casualties.

(F) Of the foregoing appropriation item 200448, Educator Preparation, $1,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Department of Education, in consultation with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, to award professional development grants to educational service centers to train educators and related school personnel in the model and tenants of prevention of risky behaviors, including substance abuse, suicide, bullying, and other harmful behaviors.

(G) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, awards under this section may be used by recipients for award-related expenses incurred for a period not to exceed two years from the date of the award according to guidelines established by the Department of Education.

(H) The remainder of the foregoing appropriation item 200448, Educator Preparation, may be used for implementation of teacher and principal evaluation systems, including incorporation of student growth as a metric in those systems, and teacher value-added reports. A portion of this funding shall be provided to educational service centers, consistent with requirements of
section 3312.01 of the Revised Code, in the development and
delivery of professional development programs supported under this
section.

(I) Awards under division (H) of Section 265.120 of H.B. 166
of the 133rd General Assembly may be used by recipients for
award-related expenses incurred through June 30, 2023.

Section 265.130. COMMUNITY SCHOOLS AND CHOICE PROGRAMS

The foregoing appropriation item 200455, Community Schools
and Choice Programs, may be used by the Department of Education
for operation of the school choice programs.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200455, Community Schools
and Choice Programs, a portion in each fiscal year may be used by
the Department for developing and conducting training sessions for
community schools and sponsors and prospective sponsors of
community schools as prescribed in division (A)(1) of section
3314.015 of the Revised Code, and other schools participating in
school choice programs.

Section 265.140. EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200465, Education
Technology Resources, up to $2,500,000 in each fiscal year shall
be used for the Union Catalog and InfOhio Network and to support
the provision of electronic resources with priority given to
resources that support the teaching of state academic content
standards in all public schools. Consideration shall be given by
the Department of Education to coordinating the allocation of
these moneys with the efforts of Libraries Connect Ohio, whose
members include OhioLINK, the Ohio Public Information Network, and
the State Library of Ohio.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200465, Education
Technology Resources, up to $1,778,879 in each fiscal year shall
be used by the Department to provide grants to educational
television stations working with partner education technology
centers to provide Ohio public schools with instructional
resources and services, with priority given to resources and
services aligned with state academic content standards. Such
resources and services shall be based upon the advice and approval
of the Department, based on a formula developed in consultation
with Ohio's educational television stations and educational
technology centers.

The remainder of the foregoing appropriation item 200465,
Education Technology Resources, may be used to support training,
technical support, guidance, and assistance with compliance
reporting to school districts and public libraries applying for
federal E-Rate funds; for oversight and guidance of school
district technology plans; for support to district technology
personnel; and for support of the development, maintenance, and
operation of a network of uniform and compatible computer-based
information and instructional systems.

Section 265.145. INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200478,
Industry-Recognized Credentials High School Students, up to
$8,000,000 in each fiscal year may be used by the Department of
Education to support payments to city, local, and exempted village
school districts, community schools, STEM schools, and joint
vocational school districts whose students earn an
industry-recognized credential or receive a journeyman
certification recognized by the United States Department of Labor
in the school year preceding the fiscal year in which the funds
are appropriated. The educating entity shall be required to inform
students enrolled in career-technical education courses that lead
to an industry-recognized credential about the opportunity to earn these credentials. The Department of Education shall work with the Department of Higher Education and the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation to develop a schedule for reimbursement based on the testing fees for credentials included on the Department of Education's list of industry-recognized credentials. The educating entity shall pay for the cost of the credential and may claim and receive reimbursement for these testing fees. The educating entity may claim reimbursement for testing fees incurred on behalf of a student that earns a credential up to six months after the student has graduated from high school. If the amount appropriated is not sufficient, the Department shall prorate the amounts so that the aggregate amount appropriated is not exceeded.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200478, Industry-Recognized Credentials High School Students, up to $12,500,000 in each fiscal year may be used by the Department of Education and the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation to establish and operate the Innovative Workforce Incentive Program. In establishing the program, the Office of Workforce Transformation shall maintain a list of credentials that qualify for the program. The Department of Education shall pay each city, local, and exempted village school district, community school, STEM school, and joint vocational school district an amount equal to $1,250 for each qualifying credential a student attending the district or school earned in the school year preceding the fiscal year in which the funds are appropriated. If the amount appropriated is not sufficient, the Department shall prorate the amounts so that the aggregate amount appropriated is not exceeded.

Section 265.150. PUPIL TRANSPORTATION

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200502, Pupil Transportation, up to $838,930 in each fiscal year may be used by
the Department of Education for training prospective and 53839
experienced school bus drivers in accordance with training 53840
programs prescribed by the Department. A portion of these funds 53841
may also be used to pay for costs associated with the enrollment 53842
of bus drivers in the retained applicant fingerprint database. 53843

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200502, Pupil 53844
Transportation, up to $60,469,220 in each fiscal year may be used 53845
by the Department for special education transportation 53846
reimbursements to school districts and county DD boards for 53847
transportation operating costs as provided in divisions (C) and 53848
(F) of section 3317.024 of the Revised Code, in accordance with 53849
the section of this act entitled "OPERATING FUNDING FOR FISCAL 53850
YEARS 2022 and 2023."
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The remainder of the foregoing appropriation item 200502, 53852
Pupil Transportation, shall be used to fund the transportation 53853
payments included in the state funding allocation under division 53854
(A)(2) of the section of this act entitled "FUNDING FOR CITY, 53855
LOCAL, AND EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICTS."
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PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TRANSPORTATION
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For purposes of division (D) of section 3327.02 of the 53858
Revised Code, if a parent, guardian, or other person in charge of 53859
a pupil accepts an offer from a school district of payment in lieu 53860
of providing transportation for the pupil, the school district 53861
shall pay that parent, guardian, or other person an amount that 53862
shall be not less than $250 and not more than the amount 53863
determined by the Department as the average cost of pupil 53864
transportation for the previous school year. Payment may be 53865
prorated if the time period involved is only a part of the school 53866
year.
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Section 265.160. SCHOOL LUNCH MATCH 53868
The foregoing appropriation item 200505, School Lunch Match, shall be used to provide matching funds to obtain federal funds for the school lunch program.

Any remaining appropriation after providing matching funds for the school lunch program may be used to partially reimburse school buildings within school districts that are required to have a school breakfast program under section 3313.813 of the Revised Code, at a rate decided by the Department.

**Section 265.170. AUXILIARY SERVICES**

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200511, Auxiliary Services, up to $2,600,000 in each fiscal year may be used for payment of the College Credit Plus Program for nonpublic secondary school participants. The Department of Education shall distribute these funds according to rule 3333-1-65.8 of the Administrative Code, adopted by the Department of Higher Education pursuant to division (A) of section 3365.071 of the Revised Code.

The remainder of the foregoing appropriation item 200511, Auxiliary Services, shall be used by the Department for the purpose of implementing sections 3317.06 and 3317.062 of the Revised Code.

Notwithstanding any provision of the law to the contrary, any chartered nonpublic school may elect to receive auxiliary services payments under division (E)(2) of section 3317.024 of the Revised Code for the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years. To elect to receive funds under division (E)(2) of section 3317.024 of the Revised Code, a chartered nonpublic school shall, not later than July 31, 2021, notify the Department of Education and the school district in which the school is located of the election and submit to the Department an affidavit certifying that the school shall expend the funds in the manner outlined in section 3317.062 of the Revised Code.
Section 265.180. NONPUBLIC ADMINISTRATIVE COST REIMBURSEMENT

The foregoing appropriation item 200532, Nonpublic Administrative Cost Reimbursement, shall be used by the Department of Education for the purpose of implementing section 3317.063 of the Revised Code. Notwithstanding section 3317.063 of the Revised Code, payments made by the Department for this purpose shall not exceed four hundred forty-six dollars per student for each school year.

Section 265.190. SPECIAL EDUCATION ENHANCEMENTS

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200540, Special Education Enhancements, up to $33,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to fund special education and related services at county boards of developmental disabilities for eligible students under section 3317.20 of the Revised Code, in accordance with the section of this act entitled "OPERATING FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 and 2023," and at institutions for eligible students under section 3317.201 of the Revised Code. If necessary, the Department of Education shall proportionately reduce the amount calculated for each county board of developmental disabilities and institution so as not to exceed the amount appropriated in each fiscal year.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200540, Special Education Enhancements, up to $1,350,000 in each fiscal year shall be used for parent mentoring programs.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200540, Special Education Enhancements, up to $3,000,000 in each fiscal year may be used for school psychology interns.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200540, Special Education Enhancements, the Department shall transfer $3,500,000 in each fiscal year to the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency. The transfer shall be made via an intrastate transfer.
voucher. The transferred funds shall be used by the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency as state matching funds to draw down available federal funding for vocational rehabilitation services. Total project funding shall be used to hire dedicated vocational rehabilitation counselors who shall work directly with school districts to provide transition services for students with disabilities. Services shall include vocational rehabilitation services such as person-centered career planning, summer work experiences, job placement, and retention services for mutually eligible students with disabilities.

The Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Executive Director of the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency shall enter into an interagency agreement that shall specify the responsibilities of each agency under the program. Under the interagency agreement, the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency shall retain responsibility for all nondelegable functions, including eligibility and order of selection determination, individualized plan for employment (IPE) approval, IPE amendments, case closure, and release of vendor payments.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200540, Special Education Enhancements, up to $2,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Department of Education to build capacity to deliver a regional system of training, support, coordination, and direct service for secondary transition services for students with disabilities beginning at fourteen years of age. These special education enhancements shall support all students with disabilities, regardless of partner agency eligibility requirements, to provide stand-alone direct secondary transition services by school districts. Secondary transition services shall include, but not be limited to, job exploration counseling, work-based learning experiences, counseling on opportunities for
enrollment in comprehensive transition or post-secondary educational programs at institutions of higher education, workplace readiness training to develop occupational skills, social skills and independent living skills, and instruction in self-advocacy. Regional training shall support the expansion of transition to work endorsement opportunities for middle school and secondary level special education intervention specialists in order to develop the necessary skills and competencies to meet the secondary transition needs of students with disabilities beginning at fourteen years of age.

The remainder of appropriation item 200540, Special Education Enhancements, shall be distributed by the Department of Education to school districts and institutions, as defined in section 3323.091 of the Revised Code, for preschool special education funding under section 3317.0213 of the Revised Code, in accordance with the section of this act entitled "OPERATING FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 and 2023."

The Department may reimburse school districts and institutions for services provided by instructional assistants, related services, as defined in rule 3301-51-11 of the Administrative Code, physical therapy services provided by a licensed physical therapist or physical therapist assistant under the supervision of a licensed physical therapist, as required under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code and Chapter 4755-27 of the Administrative Code, and occupational therapy services provided by a licensed occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant under the supervision of a licensed occupational therapist, as required under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code and Chapter 4755-7 of the Administrative Code. Nothing in this section authorizes occupational therapy assistants or physical therapist assistants to generate or manage their own caseloads.

The Department shall require school districts, educational
service centers, county DD boards, and institutions serving preschool children with disabilities to adhere to Ohio's early learning program standards, participate in the Step Up to Quality program established pursuant to section 5104.29 of the Revised Code, and document child progress using research-based indicators prescribed by the Department and report results annually. The reporting dates and method shall be determined by the Department. All programs shall be rated through the Step Up to Quality program.

**Section 265.200. CAREER-TECHNICAL EDUCATION ENHANCEMENTS**

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200545, Career-Technical Education Enhancements, up to $2,563,568 in each fiscal year shall be used to fund secondary career-technical education at institutions, the Ohio School for the Deaf, and the Ohio State School for the Blind using a grant-based methodology, notwithstanding section 3317.05 of the Revised Code.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200545, Career-Technical Education Enhancements, up to $2,686,474 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Department of Education to fund competitive grants to tech prep regional centers that expand the number of students with access to career-technical education. These grant funds shall be used to directly support career services provided to students enrolled in school districts, including joint vocational school districts, and affiliated higher education institutions. This support may include the purchase of equipment.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200545, Career-Technical Education Enhancements, up to $3,000,850 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Department to support existing High Schools That Work (HSTW) sites, develop and support new sites, fund technical assistance, and support regional centers and middle school programs. The purpose of HSTW is to combine challenging academic
courses and modern career-technical studies to raise the academic 54025
achievement of students. HSTW provides intensive technical 54026
assistance, focused staff development, targeted assessment 54027
services, and ongoing communications and networking opportunities. 54028

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200545, Career-Technical 54029
Education Enhancements, up to $600,000 in each fiscal year shall 54030
be used by the Department to enable students in agricultural 54031
programs to enroll in a fifth quarter of instruction based on the 54032
agricultural education model of delivering work-based learning 54033
through supervised agricultural experience. The Department shall 54034
determine eligibility criteria and the reporting process for the 54035
Agriculture 5th Quarter Project and shall fund as many programs as 54036
possible given the set-aside. The eligibility criteria developed 54037
by the Department shall allow these funds to support supervised 54038
agricultural experience that occurs anytime outside of the regular 54039
school day.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200545, Career-Technical 54040
Education Enhancements, up to $450,000 in each fiscal year shall 54041
be used to support the pilot program created in the section of 54042
this act entitled "P-TECH MODEL OF EDUCATION PILOT PROGRAM." 54043

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200545, Career-Technical 54044
Education Enhancements, up to $550,000 in each fiscal year may be 54045
used to support career planning and reporting through the 54046
OhioMeansJobs web site.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200545, Career-Technical 54047
Education Enhancements, $150,000 in each fiscal year shall be used 54048
to prepare students for careers in culinary arts and restaurant 54049
management under the Ohio ProStart school restaurant program.

Section 265.205. P-TECH MODEL OF EDUCATION PILOT PROGRAM 54050

(A) As used in this section:
(1) "Eligible school" means any of the following:

(a) A school operated by a city, local, or exempted village school district;

(b) A school operated by a joint vocational school district, provided that the school is eligible only with respect to those students who are enrolled in grades nine through twelve and to whom the school provides instruction in all courses required for a high school diploma under section 3313.603 of the Revised Code so that the student attends the school for the entire school day and does not attend a school operated by the student's district of residence for any part of the school day;

(c) A community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code;

(d) A science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code.

(2) "P-Tech model of education" means an educational model that meets all of the following criteria:

(a) It is implemented through a partnership between an eligible school, a state institution of higher education, or a nonprofit institution of higher education that has a certificate of authorization under Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code, and one or more businesses offering employment in skilled occupations.

(b) It provides a curriculum focused on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics for students beginning in grade nine for up to six years during which students may dually enroll in high school and college courses at no cost to the student and earn a high school diploma and an associate degree upon completion of the program.

(c) It prioritizes enrolling student populations who have been historically underrepresented in college and skilled
occupations.

(d) It provides students with opportunities to learn about careers through internships, professional mentoring, visits to work sites, or other business-oriented activities.

(e) It offers academic and personal supports at the high school and college levels to help students succeed in the program.

(f) It gives students priority for employment with partnering businesses upon completion of the program.

(3) "State institution of higher education" has the same meaning as in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code.

(B) In recognition of the need for structured pathways that develop the academic and job skills of students to prepare them for well-paying employment and that meet the workforce needs of Ohio businesses, the Department of Education and the Department of Higher Education jointly shall create a pilot program to select up to three eligible schools throughout the state to implement a P-Tech model of education. The Departments shall issue a request for proposals from interested applicants not later than September 1, 2021, in accordance with procedures established by the Departments. An eligible school shall be the lead applicant and shall be responsible for submitting all documentation required by the Departments.

(C) The Department of Education and the Department of Higher Education jointly shall evaluate proposals based on adherence to the P-Tech model of education, quality of programming, demonstration of commitment by partners, and sustainability. In evaluating proposals, the Departments shall give priority to schools that will serve students historically underrepresented in college and skilled occupations and shall make every effort to select schools in different locations throughout the state. On behalf of both Departments, the Department of Education shall
award planning and implementation grants to eligible schools whose proposals are selected. The Department of Education shall notify grant recipients of their selection not later than October 1, 2021.

(D)(1) The Department of Education shall award up to $150,000 to each eligible school in fiscal year 2022 for planning activities, which may include designating a school official to act as a project manager, working with the partnering state institution of higher education or nonprofit institution of higher education that has a certificate of authorization under Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code and partnering businesses to create college and career pathways, school branding and student recruitment efforts, space planning, professional development for high school teachers and college faculty, or other necessary activities.

(2) The Department of Education shall award up to $150,000 to each eligible school in fiscal year 2023 to implement the P-Tech model of education for ninth grade students. This funding shall be in addition to all other state funding received by the eligible school and partnering state institution of higher education or nonprofit institution of higher education that has a certificate of authorization under Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code.

(E) For the duration of the pilot program, all of the following shall apply:

(1) An eligible school shall continue to receive funding under the section of this act entitled "FUNDING FOR CITY, LOCAL, AND EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICTS," "FUNDING FOR JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS," "FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY SCHOOLS," or "FUNDING FOR STEM SCHOOLS," as applicable, for each student participating in the P-Tech model of education who continues to be enrolled in high school courses after the student's twelfth-grade year for up to two full school years.
(2) Any state institution of higher education that enrolls a student participating in the P-Tech model of education may include that student in the calculation used to determine its state share of instruction funds under the section of this act entitled "STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FORMULAS."

(3) Notwithstanding the limits on College Credit Plus participation in section 3365.031 of the Revised Code, students participating in the P-Tech model of education may participate in the College Credit Plus Program for any of the school years that they are enrolled in an eligible school. Additionally, credit hour and duration limitations for students participating in the College Credit Plus Program under Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code do not apply to students participating in the P-Tech model of education.

(F) The Department of Education and the Department of Higher Education shall evaluate the progress of grant recipients in planning for and implementing the P-Tech model of education, including how the partnerships are working to build and sustain the model and any difficulties or successes faced in planning for or implementing the model. Grant recipients shall report to the Departments any data or other information considered necessary by the Departments to complete the evaluation. The Departments shall report their findings to the Governor and the General Assembly, in accordance with section 101.68 of the Revised Code, not later than December 31, 2022.

(G) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, awards under this section may be used by recipients for award-related expenses incurred for a period not to exceed two years from the date of the award according to guidelines established by the Department of Education.

Section 265.210. FOUNDATION FUNDING

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200550, Foundation
Funding, up to $40,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to provide additional state aid to school districts, joint vocational school districts, community schools, and STEM schools for special education students under division (C)(3) of section 3314.08, section 3317.0214, and division (B) of section 3317.16 of the Revised Code in accordance with the section of this act entitled "OPERATING FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 and 2023," and section 3326.34 of the Revised Code, except that the Controlling Board may increase these amounts if presented with such a request from the Department of Education at the final meeting of the fiscal year.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, up to $3,800,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to fund gifted education at educational service centers. The Department shall distribute the funding through the unit-based funding methodology in place under division (L) of section 3317.024, division (E) of section 3317.05, and divisions (A), (B), and (C) of section 3317.053 of the Revised Code as they existed prior to fiscal year 2010.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, up to $40,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be reserved to fund the state reimbursement of educational service centers under the section of this act entitled "EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTERS FUNDING."

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, up to $3,500,000 in each fiscal year shall be distributed to educational service centers for School Improvement Initiatives and for the provision of technical assistance to schools and districts consistent with requirements of section 3312.01 of the Revised Code. The Department may distribute these funds through a competitive grant process.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, up to $7,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be reserved
for payments under the section of this act entitled "POWER PLANT VALUATION ADJUSTMENT." If this amount is not sufficient, the Superintendent of Public Instruction may reallocate excess funds for other purposes supported by this appropriation item in order to fully pay the amounts required by that section, provided that the aggregate amount appropriated in appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, is not exceeded.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, up to $26,400,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to support school choice programs.

Of the portion of the funds distributed to the Cleveland Municipal School District under this section, up to $23,501,887 in each fiscal year shall be used to operate the school choice program in the Cleveland Municipal School District under sections 3313.974 to 3313.979 of the Revised Code. Notwithstanding divisions (B) and (C) of section 3313.978 and division (C) of section 3313.979 of the Revised Code, up to $1,000,000 in each fiscal year of this amount shall be used by the Cleveland Municipal School District to provide tutorial assistance as provided in division (H) of section 3313.974 of the Revised Code. The Cleveland Municipal School District shall report the use of these funds in the district's three-year continuous improvement plan as described in section 3302.04 of the Revised Code in a manner approved by the Department.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, up to $2,000,000 in each fiscal year may be used for payment of the College Credit Plus Program for students instructed at home pursuant to section 3321.04 of the Revised Code.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, an amount shall be available in each fiscal year to be paid to joint vocational school districts in accordance with the section of this act entitled "FUNDING FOR JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL
DISTRICTS."

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, up to $700,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Department for a program to pay for educational services for youth who have been assigned by a juvenile court or other authorized agency to any of the facilities described in division (A) of the section of this act entitled "PRIVATE TREATMENT FACILITY PROJECT."

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, a portion may be used to pay college-preparatory boarding schools the per pupil boarding amount pursuant to section 3328.34 of the Revised Code.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, a portion in each fiscal year shall be used to pay community schools and STEM schools the amounts calculated for the graduation and third-grade reading bonuses under sections 3314.085 and 3326.41 of the Revised Code, in accordance with the sections of this act entitled "FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY SCHOOLS" and "FUNDING FOR STEM SCHOOLS."

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, up to $1,760,000 in each fiscal year may be used by the Department for duties and activities related to the establishment of academic distress commissions under section 3302.10 of the Revised Code, to provide support and assistance to academic distress commissions to further their duties under Chapter 3302 of the Revised Code, and to provide technical assistance and tools to support districts subject to academic distress commissions.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, up to $1,500,000 in each fiscal year shall be distributed to the Ohio STEM Learning Network to support the expansion of free STEM programming aligned to Ohio's STEM priorities, to create regional STEM supports targeting underserved student populations,
and to support the Ohio STEM Committee's STEM school designation process.

The remainder of the foregoing appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, shall be used to fund the payments included in the state funding allocation under division (A)(1) of the section of this act entitled "FUNDING FOR CITY, LOCAL, AND EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICTS."

Appropriation items 200502, Pupil Transportation, 200540, Special Education Enhancements, and 200550, Foundation Funding, other than specific set-asides, are collectively used in each fiscal year to pay state formula aid obligations for school districts, community schools, STEM schools, college preparatory boarding schools, and joint vocational school districts under this act. The first priority of these appropriation items, with the exception of specific set-asides, is to fund state formula aid obligations. It may be necessary to reallocate funds among these appropriation items or use excess funds from other General Revenue Fund appropriation items in the Department of Education's budget, including appropriation item 200903, Property Tax Reimbursement - Education, in each fiscal year in order to meet state formula aid obligations. If it is determined that it is necessary to transfer funds among these appropriation items or to transfer funds from other General Revenue Fund appropriations in the Department's budget to meet state formula aid obligations, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall seek approval from the Director of Budget and Management to transfer funds as needed.

The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall make payments, transfers, and deductions, as authorized by Title XXXIII of the Revised Code in amounts substantially equal to those made in the prior year, or otherwise, at the discretion of the Superintendent, until at least the effective date of the amendments and enactsments made to Title XXXIII by this act. Any funds paid to districts or
schools under this section shall be credited toward the annual 54306
funds calculated for the district or school after the changes made 54307
to Title XXXIII in this act are effective. Upon the effective date 54308
of changes made to Title XXXIII in this act, funds shall be 54309
calculated as an annual amount.

Section 265.215. OPERATING FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 and 54311
2023

(A) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Chapter 3317. 54313
of the Revised Code, the Department of Education shall make no 54314
payments under that chapter for fiscal years 2022 and 2023 except 54315
as prescribed in this section and the sections of this act 54316
entitled "FUNDING FOR CITY, LOCAL, AND EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL 54317
DISTRICTS" and "FUNDING FOR JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS."

(B) Each school district and educational service center shall 54319
report student enrollment data as prescribed by section 3317.03 of 54320
the Revised Code, which data the Department shall use to make 54321
payments under Chapter 3317. of the Revised Code and the sections 54322
of this act entitled "FUNDING FOR CITY, LOCAL, AND EXEMPTED 54323
VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICTS" and "FUNDING FOR JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL 54324
DISTRICTS."

(C) The tax commissioner shall report data regarding tax 54326
valuation and receipts for school districts as prescribed by 54327
sections 3317.015, 3317.021, 3317.025, 3317.028, 3317.0210, 54328
3317.0211, and 3317.08 of the Revised Code, which data the 54329
Department shall use to make payments under Chapter 3317. of the 54330
Revised Code and the sections of this act entitled "FUNDING FOR 54331
CITY, LOCAL, AND EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICTS" and "FUNDING 54332
FOR JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS."

(D) Unless otherwise specified by another provision of law, 54333
in addition to the payments prescribed by the sections of this act 54334
entitled "FUNDING FOR CITY, LOCAL, AND EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL 54335
DISTRICTS" and "FUNDING FOR JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS,
the Department shall continue to make payments or adjustments for
each of fiscal years 2022 and 2023 under the following provisions
of Chapter 3317. of the Revised Code:

(1) All payments or adjustments under section 3317.023 of the
Revised Code;

(2) All payments or adjustments under section 3317.024 of the
Revised Code;

(3) Preschool special education payments under section
3317.0213 of the Revised Code;

(4) The catastrophic cost reimbursement under section
3317.0214 of the Revised Code;

(5) Payments under sections 3317.06, 3317.062, 3317.063, and
3317.064 of the Revised Code;

(6) The catastrophic cost reimbursement under division (B) of
section 3317.16 of the Revised Code and excess cost reimbursements
under division (C) of that section. No other payments shall be
made under that section.

(7) Adjustments under section 3317.18 of the Revised Code;

(8) Payments to cooperative education school districts under
section 3317.19 of the Revised Code;

(9) Payments to county boards of developmental disabilities
under section 3317.20 of the Revised Code;

(10) Payments to state institutions for special education
funding under section 3317.201 of the Revised Code.

(E) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Chapter 3317.
of the Revised Code, for purposes of computing the payments under
that chapter for fiscal years 2022 and 2023 authorized under this
section for which the "state share index" or "state share
percentage" is a factor, the Department shall use the state share
index or state share percentage, as applicable, computed for each district for fiscal year 2019.

(F) For fiscal years 2022 and 2023, when calculating payments under Chapter 3317. of the Revised Code as authorized under this section, and for purposes of sections 3310.09, 3313.98, 3313.981, 3314.08, 3315.18, 3326.31, 3326.33, and 3365.01 of the Revised Code and any other provision of law with respect to education financing:

(1) The "formula amount" equals $6,020 for fiscal years 2022 and 2023.

(2) The special education catastrophic cost threshold for fiscal years 2022 and 2023 is $27,375 for students in categories two through five special education ADM and $32,850 for students in category six special education ADM.


Section 265.220. FUNDING FOR CITY, LOCAL, AND EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICTS

(A) Subject to Section 265.227 of this act, for each of fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the Department of Education shall pay each city, local, and exempted village school district an amount equal to the sum of the following:

(1) The district's payments for fiscal year 2019 under section 3317.022 of the Revised Code and Section 265.220 of H.B. 49 of the 132nd General Assembly;

(2) The district's payments for fiscal year 2019 under
section 3317.0212 and division (D)(2) of section 3314.091 of the Revised Code.

(B)(1) For purposes of division (B) of this section:

(a) "Eligible school district" means a city, local, or exempted village school district with an enrolled ADM greater than or equal to fifty.

(b) "Enrolled ADM" has the same meaning as in section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code.

(2) For each of fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the Department of Education shall pay each eligible school district an additional amount calculated as follows:

(a) Determine the district's percentage of change in enrolled ADM between fiscal years 2016 and 2017, fiscal years 2017 and 2018, and fiscal years 2018 and 2019;

(b) Calculate the average of the percentage of changes in enrolled ADM determined for the district under division (B)(2)(a) of this section;

(c) Compute the district's payment as follows:

The district's average percentage calculated under division (B)(2)(b) of this section X 100 X the district's enrolled ADM for fiscal year 2019 X $30

If the result of the calculation for a district under division (B)(2)(c) of this section is less than zero, the district shall not receive a payment under division (B) of this section.

Section 265.225. FUNDING FOR JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Subject to Section 265.227 of this act, for each of fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the Department of Education shall pay each joint vocational school district an amount equal to the district's
Section 265.227. If a city, local, or exempted village school district provided career-technical education pursuant to division (A)(1) of section 3313.90 of the Revised Code in fiscal year 2019 but the district entered into an agreement pursuant to division (A)(2) of section 3313.90 of the Revised Code with a joint vocational school district to provide that career-technical education beginning in fiscal year 2020, the Department of Education shall adjust the amounts paid to those districts for fiscal years 2022 and 2023 under division (A) of the section of this act entitled "FUNDING FOR CITY, LOCAL, AND EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICTS" and the section of this act entitled "FUNDING FOR JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS" to account for the decrease in students served by the city, local, or exempted village school district and the increase in students served by the joint vocational school district. This adjustment shall be equal to the following amount:

(The amount paid to the city, local, or exempted village school district under divisions (A)(8) and (9) of section 3317.022 of the Revised Code for fiscal year 2019 + the amount paid to the city, local, or exempted village school district under division (C) of Section 265.220 of H.B. 49 of the 132nd General Assembly for fiscal year 2019) – (the amount deducted from the district under division (C)(1)(g) of section 3314.08 of the Revised Code and division (G) of section 3326.33 of the Revised Code for fiscal year 2019)

In doing so, the Department shall not, however, increase the aggregate amount of foundation aid paid under division (A) of the section of this act entitled "FUNDING FOR CITY, LOCAL, AND EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICTS" and the section of this act entitled "FUNDING FOR JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS."
Section 265.230. FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

(A) For each of fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the Department of Education shall make the deductions and payments for each student enrolled in a community school, established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, in the manner prescribed by division (C) of section 3314.08 and division (D) of section 3314.091 of the Revised Code, except that, for each of those fiscal years:

(1) The "formula amount" shall equal the amount specified in division (F)(1) of the section of this act entitled "OPERATING FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 and 2023."

(2) "State education aid" for a school district from which a deduction is made shall mean the amount paid to the district for that fiscal year under the section of this act entitled "FUNDING FOR CITY, LOCAL, AND EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICTS."

(3) The per pupil amount deducted from a district and paid to a community school under divisions (C)(1)(b) and (e) of section 3314.08 and division (D) of section 3314.091 of the Revised Code shall be the same respective per pupil amounts deducted and paid under those divisions for fiscal year 2019.

(B) For each of fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the Department shall pay each community school graduation and third grade reading bonuses in accordance with section 3314.085 of the Revised Code, except that, for each of those fiscal years, the "formula amount" shall equal the amount specified in division (F)(1) of the section of this act entitled "OPERATING FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 AND 2023."

Section 265.235. FUNDING FOR STEM SCHOOLS

(A) For each of fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the Department of Education shall make the deductions and payments for each student enrolled in a STEM school, established under Chapter 3326. of the
Revised Code, in the manner prescribed by section 3326.33 of the Revised Code, except that, for each of those fiscal years:

(1) The "formula amount" shall equal the amount specified in division (F)(1) of the section of this act entitled "OPERATING FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 and 2023."

(2) "State education aid" for a school district from which a deduction is made shall mean the amount paid to the district for that fiscal year under the section of this act entitled "FUNDING FOR CITY, LOCAL, AND EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICTS."

(3) The per pupil amount deducted from a district and paid to a STEM school under divisions (B) and (E) of section 3326.33 of the Revised Code shall be the same respective per pupil amount deducted and paid under those divisions for fiscal year 2019.

(B) For each of fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the Department shall pay each STEM school graduation and third grade reading bonuses in accordance with section 3326.41 of the Revised Code, except that, for each of those fiscal years, the "formula amount" shall equal the amount specified in division (F)(1) of the section of this act entitled "OPERATING FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 AND 2023."

Section 265.237. POWER PLANT VALUATION ADJUSTMENT

(A)(1) On or before May 15, 2022, the Tax Commissioner shall determine all of the following for each city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational school district that has at least one power plant located within its territory:

(a) Whether the taxable value of all utility tangible personal property subject to taxation by the district in tax year 2021 was less than the taxable value of such property during tax year 2017;

(b) Whether the taxable value of all utility tangible
personal property subject to taxation by the district in tax year 2021 was less than the taxable value of such property during tax year 2020.

(2) If the decrease determined under division (A)(1)(a) or (b) of this section exceeds ten per cent, the Tax Commissioner shall certify all of the following to the Department of Education and the Office of Budget and Management:

(a) The district's total taxable value for tax year 2021;
(b) The change in taxes charged and payable on the district's total taxable value for tax year 2017 and tax year 2021;
(c) The taxable value of the utility tangible personal property decrease, which shall be considered a change in valuation;
(d) The change in taxes charged and payable on such change in taxable value calculated in the same manner as in division (A)(3) of section 3317.021 of the Revised Code.

(3) Upon receipt of a certification under division (A)(2) of this section, the Department of Education shall replace the three-year average valuations that were used in computing the district's state education aid for fiscal year 2019 with the taxable value certified under division (A)(2)(a) of this section and shall recompute the district's state education aid for fiscal year 2019 without applying any funding limitations enacted by the General Assembly to the computation. The Department shall pay to the district an amount equal to the greater of the following:

(a) The lesser of the following:
(i) The positive difference between the district's state education aid for fiscal year 2019 prior to the recomputation under division (A)(3) of this section and the district's recomputed state education aid for fiscal year 2019;
(ii) The absolute value of the amount certified under division (A)(2)(b) of this section.

(b) The absolute value of the amount certified under division (A)(2)(b) of this section \( \times 0.50 \).

(B)(1) On or before May 15, 2023, the Tax Commissioner shall determine for each city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational school district that has at least one power plant located within its territory:

(a) Whether the taxable value of all utility tangible personal property subject to taxation by the district in tax year 2022 was less than the taxable value of such property during tax year 2017;

(b) Whether the taxable value of all utility tangible personal property subject to taxation by the district in tax year 2022 was less than the taxable value of such property during tax year 2021.

(2) If the decrease determined under division (B)(1)(a) or (b) of this section exceeds ten per cent, the Tax Commissioner shall certify all of the following to the Department of Education and the Office of Budget and Management:

(a) The district's total taxable value for tax year 2022;

(b) The change in taxes charged and payable on the district's total taxable value for tax year 2017 and tax year 2022;

(c) The taxable value of the utility tangible personal property decrease, which shall be considered a change in valuation;

(d) The change in taxes charged and payable on such change in taxable value calculated in the same manner as in division (A)(3) of section 3317.021 of the Revised Code.

(3) Upon receipt of a certification under division (B)(2) of...
this section, the Department of Education shall replace the three-year average valuations that were used in computing the district's state education aid for fiscal year 2019 with the taxable value certified under division (B)(2)(a) of this section and shall recompute the district's state education aid for fiscal year 2019 without applying any funding limitations enacted by the General Assembly to the computation. The Department shall pay to the district an amount equal to the greater of the following:

(a) The lesser of the following:

(i) The positive difference between the district's state education aid for fiscal year 2019 prior to the recomputation under division (B)(3) of this section and the district's recomputed state education aid for fiscal year 2019;

(ii) The absolute value of the amount certified under division (B)(2)(b) of this section.

(b) The absolute value of the amount certified under division (B)(2)(b) of this section X 0.50.

(C) The Department of Education shall make payments under division (A)(3) of this section between June 1, 2022, and June 30, 2022, and the Department shall make payments under division (B)(3) of this section between June 1, 2023, and June 30, 2023.

Section 265.240. LITERACY IMPROVEMENT

The foregoing appropriation item 200566, Literacy Improvement, shall be used by the Department of Education to support early literacy activities to align state, local, and federal efforts in order to bolster all students' reading success. Funds shall be distributed to educational service centers to establish and support regional literacy professional development teams consistent with section 3312.01 of the Revised Code. A portion of the funds may be used by the Department for program
administration, monitoring, technical assistance, support, research, and evaluation.

Section 265.250. ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Of the foregoing appropriation item 200572, Adult Education Programs, up to $6,300,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to make payments under sections 3314.38, 3317.23, 3317.24, and 3345.86 of the Revised Code.

A portion of the foregoing appropriation item 200572, Adult Education Programs, shall be used in each fiscal year to make payments to institutions participating in the Adult Diploma Pilot Program under section 3313.902 of the Revised Code and to pay career-technical planning districts for the amounts reimbursed to students, as prescribed in this section.

Each career-technical planning district shall reimburse individuals taking a nationally recognized high school equivalency examination approved by the Department of Education for the first time for application fees, examination fees, or both, in excess of $40, up to a maximum reimbursement per individual of $80. Each career-technical planning district shall designate a site or sites where individuals may register and take an approved examination. For each individual who registers for an approved examination, the career-technical planning district shall make available and offer career counseling services, including information on adult education programs that are available. A portion of the appropriation item may be used to reimburse the Department of Youth Services and the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction for individuals in these facilities who have taken an approved examination for the first time. The amounts reimbursed shall not exceed the per-individual amounts reimbursed to other individuals under this section for an approved examination.

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the
unexpended balance of appropriations for payments under sections 3313.902, 3314.38, 3317.23, 3317.24, and 3345.86 of the Revised Code at the end of each fiscal year may be encumbered by the Department of Education and remain available for payment for a period not to exceed two years from the end of each fiscal year in which the funds were originally appropriated, in accordance with guidelines established by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

A portion of the foregoing appropriation item 200572, Adult Education Programs, may be used for program administration, technical assistance, support, research, and evaluation of adult education programs, including high school equivalency examinations approved by the Department of Education.

Section 265.260. EDCHOICE EXPANSION

The foregoing appropriation item 200573, EdChoice Expansion, shall be used to provide for the scholarships awarded under the expansion of the educational choice program established under section 3310.032 of the Revised Code. The number of scholarships awarded under the expansion of the educational choice program shall not exceed the number that can be funded with the appropriations made by the General Assembly for this purpose.

HALF-MILL MAINTENANCE EQUALIZATION

The foregoing appropriation item 200574, Half-Mill Maintenance Equalization, shall be used to make payments pursuant to section 3318.18 of the Revised Code.

Section 265.270. QUALITY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS SUPPORT

(A) The foregoing appropriation item 200589, Quality Community Schools Support, shall be used for the Quality Community School Support Program. Under the program, the Department of Education shall pay each community school established under
Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code and designated as a Community School of Quality under this section an amount up to $1,750 in each fiscal year for each pupil identified as economically disadvantaged and up to $1,000 in each fiscal year for each pupil that is not identified as economically disadvantaged. The payment for the current fiscal year shall be calculated using the final adjusted full-time equivalent number of students enrolled in a community school for the prior fiscal year, except that if a school is in its first year of operation the payment for the current fiscal year shall be calculated using the adjusted full-time equivalent number of students enrolled in the school for the current fiscal year as of the date the payment is made, as reported by the school under section 3314.08 of the Revised Code. The Department shall make the payment to each Community School of Quality not later than January 31 of each fiscal year. If the amount appropriated is not sufficient, the Department shall prorate the amounts so that the aggregate amount appropriated is not exceeded.

(B) To be designated as a Community School of Quality, a community school shall satisfy at least one of the following conditions:

(1) The community school meets all of the following criteria:

(a) The school's sponsor was rated "exemplary" or "effective" on the sponsor's most recent evaluation conducted under section 3314.016 of the Revised Code.

(b) The school received a higher performance index score than the school district in which the school is located on the two most recent report cards issued for the school under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code.

(c) The school received an overall grade of "A" or "B" for the value-added progress dimension on the most recent report card.
issued for the school under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code or is a school described under division (A)(4) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code and did not receive a grade for the value-added progress dimension on the most recent report card.

(d) At least fifty per cent of the students enrolled in the school are economically disadvantaged, as determined by the Department.

(2) The community school meets all of the following criteria:

(a) The school's sponsor was rated "exemplary" or "effective" on the sponsor's most recent evaluation conducted under section 3314.016 of the Revised Code.

(b) The school is in its first year of operation or the school opened as a kindergarten school and has added one grade per year and has been in operation for less than four school years.

(c) The school is replicating an operational and instructional model used by a community school described in division (B)(1) of this section.

(d) If the school has an operator, the operator received a "C" or better on its most recent performance report published under section 3314.031 of the Revised Code.

(3) The community school meets all of the following criteria:

(a) The school's sponsor was rated "exemplary" or "effective" on the sponsor's most recent evaluation conducted under section 3314.016 of the Revised Code.

(b) The school contracts with an operator that operates schools in other states and meets at least one of the following criteria:

(i) Has operated a school that received a grant funded through the federal Charter School Program established under 20 U.S.C. 7221 within the five years prior to the date of application
or received funding from the Charter School Growth Fund;

(ii) Meets all of the following criteria:

(I) One of the operator's schools in another state performed better than the school district in which the school is located, as determined by the Department.

(II) At least fifty per cent of the total number of students enrolled in all of the operator's schools are economically disadvantaged, as determined by the Department.

(III) The operator is in good standing in all states where it operates schools, as determined by the Department.

(IV) The Department has determined that the operator does not have any financial viability issues that would prevent it from effectively operating a community school in Ohio.

(c) The school is in its first year of operation.

(C) A school designated as a Community School of Quality under division (B) of this section shall maintain that designation for the two fiscal years following the fiscal year in which the school was initially designated as a Community School of Quality.

(D) A school designated a Community School of Quality may renew its designation each year that it satisfies the criteria under division (B)(1) of this section. The school shall maintain that designation for the two fiscal years following each fiscal year in which the criteria under division (B)(1) of this section are satisfied.

**Section 265.280. MEDICAID IN SCHOOLS PROGRAM**

The foregoing appropriation item, 657401, Medicaid in Schools Program, shall be used by the Department of Education to support the Medicaid in Schools Program.
Section 265.300. TEACHER CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE

The foregoing appropriation item 200681, Teacher Certification and Licensure, shall be used by the Department of Education to administer and support teacher certification and licensure activities. Notwithstanding section 3319.51 of the Revised Code, a portion of the foregoing appropriation may also be used for implementation of teacher and principal evaluation systems, including incorporation of student growth as a metric in those systems, and teacher value-added reports.

Section 265.320. SCHOOL DISTRICT SOLVENCY ASSISTANCE

(A) The foregoing appropriation item 200687, School District Solvency Assistance, shall be allocated to the School District Shared Resource Account and the Catastrophic Expenditures Account in amounts determined by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. These funds shall be used to provide assistance and grants to school districts to enable them to remain solvent under section 3316.20 of the Revised Code. Assistance and grants shall be subject to approval by the Controlling Board. Except as provided under division (C) of this section, any required reimbursements from school districts for solvency assistance shall be made to the appropriate account in the School District Solvency Assistance Fund (Fund 5H30).

(B) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, upon the request of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Director of Budget and Management may make transfers to the School District Solvency Assistance Fund (Fund 5H30) from any fund used by the Department of Education or the General Revenue Fund to maintain sufficient cash balances in Fund 5H30 in fiscal years 2022 and 2023. Any cash transferred is hereby appropriated. The transferred cash may be used by the Department to provide
assistance and grants to school districts to enable them to remain solvent and to pay unforeseeable expenses of a temporary or emergency nature that the school district is unable to pay from existing resources. The Director shall notify the members of the Controlling Board of any such transfers.

(C) If the cash balance of the School District Solvency Assistance Fund (Fund 5H30) is insufficient to pay solvency assistance in fiscal years 2022 and 2023, at the request of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and with the approval of the Controlling Board, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash from the Lottery Profits Education Reserve Fund (Fund 7018) to Fund 5H30 to provide assistance and grants to school districts to enable them to remain solvent and to pay unforeseeable expenses of a temporary nature that they are unable to pay from existing resources under section 3316.20 of the Revised Code. Such transfers are hereby appropriated to appropriation item 200670, School District Solvency Assistance – Lottery. Any required reimbursements from school districts for solvency assistance granted from appropriation item 200670, School District Solvency Assistance – Lottery, shall be made to Fund 7018.

Section 265.323. STUDENT WELLNESS AND SUCCESS

(A) The foregoing appropriation item 200604, Student Wellness and Success, shall be used to distribute the amounts calculated for student wellness and success funds under sections 3314.088, 3317.0219, 3317.163, and 3326.42 of the Revised Code and the section of this act entitled "STUDENT WELLNESS AND SUCCESS GUARANTEE."

(B) Notwithstanding section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code, when calculating payments for a city, local, or exempted village school district for fiscal year 2022 under that section, the
Department of Education shall use the district's enrolled ADM, as that term is defined in section 3317.0219 of the Revised Code, for fiscal year 2022.

Notwithstanding sections 3314.088, 3317.163, and 3326.42 of the Revised Code, when calculating payments for a joint vocational school district, community school, or STEM school for fiscal year 2022, the Department shall use the number of students enrolled in the school for fiscal year 2022 on a full-time equivalency basis. Additionally, notwithstanding those sections, for the purpose of calculating student wellness and success enhancement funds for a joint vocational school district, community school, or STEM school for fiscal year 2022 under division (D) of section 3314.088 of the Revised Code, division (C) of section 3317.163 of the Revised Code, or division (C) of section 3326.42 of the Revised Code, the Department shall use the enrolled ADM of students' resident districts for fiscal year 2022.

(C) If a district or school spends student wellness and success funds it received for fiscal year 2020 or fiscal year 2021 on or after the date on which the amendments to section 3317.26 of the Revised Code by this act take effect, those funds shall be spent in accordance with that section as amended.

Section 265.234. STUDENT WELLNESS AND SUCCESS GUARANTEE

(A) For fiscal year 2022, the Department of Education shall pay each city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational school district, community school, and STEM school an additional amount of student wellness and success funds calculated as follows:

(The amount paid to the district or school for fiscal year 2021 under section 3314.088, 3317.0219, 3317.163, or 3326.42 of the Revised Code + the amount distributed to the district or school for fiscal year 2021 under Section 20 of S.B. 310 of the 133rd
General Assembly) – (the amount paid to the district or school for fiscal year 2022 under section 3314.088, 3317.0219, 3317.163, or 3326.42 of the Revised Code)

If the result of this calculation is less than zero, the district's or school's payment under this division shall be zero.

(B) For fiscal year 2023, the Department shall pay each city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational school district, community school, and STEM school an additional amount of student wellness and success funds calculated as follows:

(The amount paid to the district or school for fiscal year 2022 under section 3314.088, 3317.0219, 3317.163, or 3326.42 of the Revised Code + the amount paid to the district or school for fiscal year 2022 under division (A) of this section) – (the amount paid to the district or school for fiscal year 2023 under section 3314.088, 3317.0219, 3317.163, or 3326.42 of the Revised Code)

If the result of this calculation is less than zero, the district's or school's payment under this division shall be zero.

(C) A city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district, community school, or STEM school shall spend the funds it receives under division (A) or (B) of this section in accordance with section 3317.26 of the Revised Code.

(D) The Department shall pay the amounts calculated under divisions (A) and (B) of this section not later than the twenty-eighth day of February of the fiscal year for which the payment is made.

(E) For fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the Department shall distribute any amounts remaining in appropriation item 200604, Student Wellness and Success, through a methodology determined by the Department in consultation with the Office of Budget and Management not later than the twenty-eighth day of February of that fiscal year.
**Section 265.330. LOTTERY PROFITS EDUCATION FUND**

The foregoing appropriation item 200612, Foundation Funding, shall be used in conjunction with appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, to provide state foundation payments to school districts.

The Department of Education, with the approval of the Director of Budget and Management, shall determine the monthly distribution schedules of appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, and appropriation item 200612, Foundation Funding. If adjustments to the monthly distribution schedule are necessary, the Department shall make such adjustments with the approval of the Director.

**Section 265.337. ENROLLMENT GROWTH SUPPLEMENT**

The foregoing appropriation item 200636, Enrollment Growth Supplement, shall be used to fund the payments included in the state funding allocation under division (B) of the section of this act entitled "FUNDING FOR CITY, LOCAL, AND EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICTS."

**Section 265.340. COMMUNITY SCHOOL FACILITIES**

The foregoing appropriation item 200684, Community School Facilities, shall be used to pay each community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code and each STEM school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code an amount equal to $25 in each fiscal year for each full-time equivalent pupil in an internet- or computer-based community school and $250 in each fiscal year for each full-time equivalent pupil in all other community or STEM schools for assistance with the cost associated with facilities. If the amount appropriated is not sufficient, the Department shall prorate the amounts so that the
aggregate amount appropriated is not exceeded.

Section 265.350. LOTTERY PROFITS EDUCATION RESERVE FUND

(A) There is hereby created the Lottery Profits Education Reserve Fund (Fund 7018) in the State Treasury. Investment earnings of the Lottery Profits Education Reserve Fund shall be credited to the fund.

(B) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash from Fund 7018 to the Lottery Profits Education Fund (Fund 7017) in fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023.

(C) On July 15, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of the Ohio Lottery Commission shall certify to the Director of Budget and Management the amount by which lottery profit transfers received by Fund 7017 exceeded $1,177,000,000 in fiscal year 2021.

(D) On July 15, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of the Ohio Lottery Commission shall certify to the Director of Budget and Management the amount by which lottery profit transfers received by Fund 7017 exceeded $1,234,000,000 in fiscal year 2022.

(E) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash in excess of the amounts necessary to support appropriations in Fund 7017 from that fund to Fund 7018.

Section 265.360. EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTERS FUNDING

As used in this section, "high-performing educational service center" means an educational service center designated as such pursuant to rule 3301-105-01 of the Administrative Code.

As used in this section, "student count" means the count
calculated under division (G)(1) of section 3313.843 of the Revised Code.

In each fiscal year, the Department of Education shall pay the governing board of each high-performing educational service center state funds equal to twenty-six dollars times its student count, and to the governing board of each other center, state funds equal to twenty-four dollars times its student count.

If the amount earmarked for the state reimbursement of educational service centers in appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, is not sufficient, the Department shall prorate the payment amounts so that the appropriation is not exceeded.

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a school district that has not entered into an agreement for services with an educational service center as of June 30, 2021, shall be prohibited from entering into such an agreement during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023.

Section 265.380. SCHOOL DISTRICT PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL ASSESSMENT OF EDUCATION PROGRESS

The General Assembly intends for the Superintendent of Public Instruction to provide for school district participation in the administration of the National Assessment of Education Progress in accordance with section 3301.27 of the Revised Code. Each school and school district selected for participation by the Superintendent shall participate.

Section 265.400. EARMARK ACCOUNTABILITY

At the request of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, any entity that receives a budget earmark under the Department of Education shall submit annually to the chairpersons of the committees of the House of Representatives and the Senate...
primarily concerned with education and education funding and to
the Department a report that includes a description of the
services supported by the funds, a description of the results
achieved by those services, an analysis of the effectiveness of
the program, and an opinion as to the program's applicability to
other school districts. For an earmarked entity that received
state funds from an earmark in the prior fiscal year, no funds
shall be provided by the Department to an earmarked entity for a
fiscal year until its report for the prior fiscal year has been
submitted.

Section 265.410. COMMUNITY SCHOOL OPERATING FROM HOME

A community school established under Chapter 3314. of the
Revised Code that was open for operation as a community school as
of May 1, 2005, may operate from or in any home, as defined in
section 3313.64 of the Revised Code, located in the state,
regardless of when the community school's operations from or in a
particular home began.

Section 265.420. USE OF VOLUNTEERS

The Department of Education may utilize the services of
volunteers to accomplish any of the purposes of the Department.
The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall approve for what
purposes volunteers may be used and for these purposes may
recruit, train, and oversee the services of volunteers. The
Superintendent may reimburse volunteers for necessary and
appropriate expenses in accordance with state guidelines and may
designate volunteers as state employees for the purpose of motor
vehicle accident liability insurance under section 9.83 of the
Revised Code, for immunity under section 9.86 of the Revised Code,
and for indemnification from liability incurred in the performance
of their duties under section 9.87 of the Revised Code.
Section 265.430. RESTRICTION OF LIABILITY FOR CERTAIN REIMBURSEMENTS

(A) Except as expressly required under a court judgment not subject to further appeals, or a settlement agreement with a school district executed on or before June 1, 2009, in the case of a school district for which the formula ADM for fiscal year 2005, as reported for that fiscal year under division (A) of section 3317.03 of the Revised Code, was reduced based on enrollment reports for community schools, made under section 3314.08 of the Revised Code, regarding students entitled to attend school in the district, which reduction of formula ADM resulted in a reduction of foundation funding or transitional aid funding for fiscal year 2005, 2006, or 2007, no school district, except a district named in the court's judgment or the settlement agreement, shall have a legal claim for reimbursement of the amount of such reduction in foundation funding or transitional aid funding, and the state shall not have liability for reimbursement of the amount of such reduction in foundation funding or transitional aid funding.

(B) As used in this section:

(1) "Community school" means a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code.

(2) "Entitled to attend school" means entitled to attend school in a school district under section 3313.64 or 3313.65 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Foundation funding" means payments calculated for the respective fiscal year under Chapter 3317. of the Revised Code.

(4) "Transitional aid funding" means payments calculated for the respective fiscal year under Section 41.37 of H.B. 95 of the 125th General Assembly, as subsequently amended; Section 206.09.39 of H.B. 66 of the 126th General Assembly, as subsequently amended;
and Section 269.30.80 of H.B. 119 of the 127th General Assembly.

Section 265.440. FLEXIBLE FUNDING FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN

In collaboration with the County Family and Children First Council, a city, local, or exempted village school district, community school, STEM school, joint vocational school district, educational service center, or county board of developmental disabilities that receives allocations from the Department of Education from appropriation item 200550, Foundation Funding, or appropriation item 200540, Special Education Enhancements, may transfer portions of those allocations to a flexible funding pool authorized by the section of this act entitled "FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST FLEXIBLE FUNDING POOL." Allocations used for maintenance of effort or for federal or state funding matching requirements shall not be transferred unless the allocation may still be used to meet such requirements.

Section 265.450. PRIVATE TREATMENT FACILITY PROJECT

(A) As used in this section:

(1) The following are "participating residential treatment centers":

(a) Private residential treatment facilities that have entered into a contract with the Department of Youth Services to provide services to children placed at the facility by the Department and which, in fiscal year 2022 or fiscal year 2023 or both, the Department pays through appropriation item 470401, RECLAIM Ohio;

(b) Abraxas, in Shelby;

(c) Paint Creek, in Bainbridge;

(d) F.I.R.S.T., in Mansfield.

(2) "Education program" means an elementary or secondary
education program or a special education program and related services.

(3) "Served child" means any child receiving an education program pursuant to division (B) of this section.

(4) "School district responsible for tuition" means a city, exempted village, or local school district that, if tuition payment for a child by a school district is required under law that existed in fiscal year 1998, is the school district required to pay that tuition.

(5) "Residential child" means a child who resides in a participating residential treatment center and who is receiving an educational program under division (B) of this section.

(B) A youth who is a resident of the state and has been assigned by a juvenile court or other authorized agency to a residential treatment facility specified in division (A) of this section shall be enrolled in an approved educational program located in or near the facility. Approval of the educational program shall be contingent upon compliance with the criteria established for such programs by the Department of Education. The educational program shall be provided by a school district or educational service center, or by the residential facility itself. Maximum flexibility shall be given to the residential treatment facility to determine the provider. In the event that a voluntary agreement cannot be reached and the residential facility does not choose to provide the educational program, the educational service center in the county in which the facility is located shall provide the educational program at the treatment center to children under twenty-two years of age residing in the treatment center.

(C) Any school district responsible for tuition for a residential child shall, notwithstanding any conflicting provision
of the Revised Code regarding tuition payment, pay tuition for the child for fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023 to the education program provider and in the amount specified in this division. If there is no school district responsible for tuition for a residential child and if the participating residential treatment center to which the child is assigned is located in the city, exempted village, or local school district that, if the child were not a resident of that treatment center, would be the school district where the child is entitled to attend school under sections 3313.64 and 3313.65 of the Revised Code, that school district, notwithstanding any conflicting provision of the Revised Code, shall pay tuition for the child for fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023 under this division unless that school district is providing the educational program to the child under division (B) of this section.

A tuition payment under this division shall be made to the school district, educational service center, or residential treatment facility providing the educational program to the child. The amount of tuition paid shall be:

1. The amount of tuition determined for the district under division (A) of section 3317.08 of the Revised Code;

2. In addition, for any student receiving special education pursuant to an individualized education program as defined in section 3323.01 of the Revised Code, a payment for excess costs. This payment shall equal the actual cost to the school district, educational service center, or residential treatment facility of providing special education and related services to the student pursuant to the student's individualized education program, minus the tuition paid for the child under division (C)(1) of this section.

A school district paying tuition under this division shall
not include the child for whom tuition is paid in the district's average daily membership certified under division (A) of section 3317.03 of the Revised Code.

(D) In each of fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the Department of Education shall reimburse, from appropriations made for the purpose, a school district, educational service center, or residential treatment facility, whichever is providing the service, that has demonstrated that it is in compliance with the funding criteria for each served child for whom a school district must pay tuition under division (C) of this section. The amount of the reimbursement shall be the amount appropriated for this purpose divided by the full-time equivalent number of children for whom reimbursement is to be made.

(E) Funds provided to a school district, educational service center, or residential treatment facility under this section shall be used to supplement, not supplant, funds from other public sources for which the school district, service center, or residential treatment facility is entitled or eligible.

(F) The Department of Education shall track the utilization of funds provided to school districts, educational service centers, and residential treatment facilities under this section and monitor the effect of the funding on the educational programs they provide in participating residential treatment facilities. The Department shall monitor the programs for educational accountability.

Section 265.460. (A) The Superintendent of Public Instruction may form partnerships with Ohio's business community, including the Ohio Business Roundtable, to create and implement initiatives that connect students with the business community in an effort to increase student engagement and job readiness through internships, work study, and site-based learning experiences.
If the Superintendent forms a partnership pursuant to division (A) of this section, the initiatives created and implemented through that partnership shall do all of the following:

1. Support the career connection learning strategies described in division (B)(2) of section 3301.079 of the Revised Code;
2. Provide an opportunity for students to earn high school credit toward graduation or to meet curriculum requirements in accordance with divisions (J)(1) and (2) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code;
3. Inform the development of student success plans pursuant to division (C) of section 3313.6020 of the Revised Code.

Section 265.490. Upon receipt of federal funds under Title IV, Part A, Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants, and after payments are made pursuant to education programs included in this block grant program, the Department shall direct any unused funds to cover all or part of the cost of Advanced Placement tests and International Baccalaureate registration and exam fees for low-income students.

Section 265.520. (A) Notwithstanding anything in the Revised Code to the contrary, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall not establish any new academic distress commissions for the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years.

(B) This section does not affect an academic distress commission established prior to the effective date of this section.

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**Section 269.10.** FUN STATE BOARD OF EMBALMERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS

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Section 271.20. PAYROLL DEDUCTION FUND

The foregoing appropriation item 995673, Payroll Deductions, shall be used to make payments from the Payroll Deduction Fund (Fund 1240) pursuant to section 125.21 of the Revised Code. If it is determined by the Director of Budget and Management that additional amounts are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

ACCRUED LEAVE LIABILITY FUND

The foregoing appropriation item 995666, Accrued Leave Fund, shall be used to make payments from the Accrued Leave Liability Fund (Fund 8060) pursuant to section 125.211 of the Revised Code. If it is determined by the Director of Budget and Management that additional amounts are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

STATE EMPLOYEE DISABILITY LEAVE BENEFIT FUND

The foregoing appropriation item 995667, Disability Fund, shall be used to make payments from the State Employee Disability Leave Benefit Fund (Fund 8070) pursuant to section 124.83 of the Revised Code. If it is determined by the Director of Budget and Management that additional amounts are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT FUND

The foregoing appropriation item 995668, State Employee Health Benefit Fund, shall be used to make payments from the State Employee Health Benefit Fund (Fund 8080) pursuant to section 55234
124.87 of the Revised Code. If it is determined by the Director of Budget and Management that additional amounts are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

DEPENDENT CARE SPENDING FUND

The foregoing appropriation item 995669, Dependent Care Spending Account, shall be used to make payments from the Dependent Care Spending Fund (Fund 8090) to employees eligible for dependent care expenses pursuant to section 124.822 of the Revised Code. If it is determined by the Director of Budget and Management that additional amounts are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

LIFE INSURANCE INVESTMENT FUND

The foregoing appropriation item 995670, Life Insurance Investment Fund, shall be used to make payments from the Life Insurance Investment Fund (Fund 8100) for the costs and expenses of the state's life insurance benefit program pursuant to section 125.212 of the Revised Code. If it is determined by the Director of Budget and Management that additional amounts are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

PARENTAL LEAVE BENEFIT FUND

The foregoing appropriation item 995671, Parental Leave Benefit Fund, shall be used to make payments from the Parental Leave Benefit Fund (Fund 8110) to employees eligible for parental leave benefits pursuant to section 124.137 of the Revised Code. If it is determined by the Director of Budget and Management that additional amounts are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

HEALTH CARE SPENDING ACCOUNT FUND

The foregoing appropriation item 995672, Health Care Spending Account, shall be used to make payments from the Health Care
Spending Account Fund (Fund 8130) for payments pursuant to state employees' participation in a flexible spending account for non-reimbursed health care expenses and section 124.821 of the Revised Code. If it is determined by the Director of Budget and Management that additional amounts are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 273.10. ERB STATE EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS BOARD

General Revenue Fund

GRF 125321 Operating Expenses $ 4,011,118 $ 4,116,551

TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund $ 4,011,118 $ 4,116,551

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

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Publications

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TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 4,183,278 $ 4,358,724

Section 275.10. ENG STATE BOARD OF ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

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TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 1,312,259 $ 1,312,259

Section 277.10. EPA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

General Revenue Fund

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Section 277.20. CASH TRANSFER TO THE AUTO EMISSIONS TEST FUND FROM THE SCRAP TIRE MANAGEMENT FUND

The Director of Budget and Management, at the request of the Director of Environmental Protection, may transfer up to $1,500,000 cash in each fiscal year from the Scrap Tire Management Fund (Fund 4R50) to the Auto Emissions Test Fund (Fund 5BY0).

AREAWIDE PLANNING AGENCIES

The Director of Environmental Protection may award grants from appropriation item 715687, Areawide Planning Agencies, to areawide planning agencies engaged in areawide water quality management and planning activities in accordance with Section 208 of the "Federal Clean Water Act," 33 U.S.C. 1288.

H2OHIO FUND

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Environmental Protection may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item, 715695, H2Ohio, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated in fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

Section 279.10. EBR ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW APPEALS COMMISSION

General Revenue Fund

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Section 281.10. ETC BROADCAST EDUCATIONAL MEDIA COMMISSION
General Revenue Fund

GRF 935401 Statehouse News $ 355,000 $ 355,000 55381
Bureau

GRF 935402 Ohio Government Telecommunications Services $ 1,708,526 $ 1,708,526 55382

GRF 935410 Content Development, Acquisition, and Distribution $ 3,222,000 $ 3,222,000 55383

GRF 935430 Broadcast Education Operating $ 3,738,449 $ 3,766,191 55384

TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund $ 9,023,975 $ 9,051,717 55385

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

5FK0 935608 Media Services $ 61,500 $ 61,500 55387

5VB0 935650 Facility Rental $ 22,400 $ 23,600 55388

TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund $ 83,900 $ 85,100 55389

Internal Service Activity Fund Group

4F30 935603 Affiliate Services $ 4,000 $ 4,400 55391

TOTAL ISA Internal Service Activity Fund $ 4,000 $ 4,400 55392

TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 9,111,875 $ 9,141,217 55393

Section 281.20. STATEHOUSE NEWS BUREAU

The foregoing appropriation item 935401, Statehouse News Bureau, shall be used solely to support the operations of the Ohio Statehouse News Bureau.

OHIO GOVERNMENT TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

The foregoing appropriation item 935402, Ohio Government Telecommunications Services, shall be used solely to support the operations of Ohio Government Telecommunications Services which include providing multimedia support to the state government and
its affiliated organizations and broadcasting the activities of the legislative, judicial, and executive branches of state government, among its other functions.

CONTENT DEVELOPMENT, ACQUISITION, AND DISTRIBUTION

The foregoing appropriation item 935410, Content Development, Acquisition, and Distribution, shall be used for the development, acquisition, and distribution of information resources by public media and radio reading services and for educational use in the classroom and online.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 935410, Content Development, Acquisition, and Distribution, up to $794,977 in each fiscal year shall be allocated equally among the Ohio educational television stations. Funds shall be used for the production of interactive instructional programming series with priority given to resources aligned with state academic content standards. The programming shall be targeted to the needs of the one-third lowest capacity school districts as determined by the district's state share index calculated by the Department of Education.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 935410, Content Development, Acquisition, and Distribution, up to $2,194,471 in each fiscal year shall be distributed by the Broadcast Educational Media Commission to Ohio's qualified public educational television stations and educational radio stations to support their operations. The funds shall be distributed pursuant to an allocation formula used by the Ohio Educational Telecommunications Network Commission unless a substitute formula is developed by the Broadcast Educational Media Commission in consultation with Ohio's qualified public educational television stations and educational radio stations.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 935410, Content Development, Acquisition, and Distribution, up to $232,552 in each
fiscal year shall be distributed by the Broadcast Educational Media Commission to Ohio's qualified radio reading services to support their operations. The funds shall be distributed pursuant to an allocation formula used by the Ohio Educational Telecommunications Network Commission unless a substitute formula is developed by the Broadcast Educational Media Commission in consultation with Ohio's qualified radio reading services.

Section 283.10. ETH OHIO ETHICS COMMISSION

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TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS  $ 2,532,054 $ 2,591,958

Section 285.10. EXP OHIO EXPOSITIONS COMMISSION

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STATE FAIR RESERVE  $ 55461
The General Manager of the Expositions Commission, in consultation with the Director of Budget and Management, may submit a request to the Controlling Board to use available amounts in the State Fair Reserve Fund (Fund 6400) if revenues from either the 2021 or the 2022 Ohio State Fair are unexpectedly low.

On July 1 of each fiscal year, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management, in consultation with the General Manager of the Expositions Commission, may determine that the Ohio Expositions Fund (Fund 5060) has a cash balance in excess of the anticipated operating costs of the Exposition Commission in that fiscal year. Notwithstanding section 991.04 of the Revised Code, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer an amount up to the excess cash from Fund 5060 to Fund 6400 in each fiscal year.

Section 287.10. FCC OHIO FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION COMMISSION

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Section 287.20. CULTURAL FACILITIES LEASE RENTAL BOND PAYMENTS

The foregoing appropriation item 230401, Cultural Facilities Lease Rental Bond Payments, shall be used to meet all payments during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, by the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission pursuant to leases and agreements for cultural and sports facilities made under section 154.23 of the Revised Code. These appropriations are the source of funds pledged for bond service charges on related obligations issued under Chapter 154. of the Revised Code.

COMMON SCHOOLS GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND DEBT SERVICE

The foregoing appropriation item 230908, Common Schools General Obligation Bond Debt Service, shall be used to pay all debt service and related financing costs during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, on obligations issued under sections 151.01 and 151.03 of the Revised Code.

Section 287.30. COMMUNITY PROJECT ADMINISTRATION

The foregoing appropriation item 230458, State Construction Management Services, shall be used by the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission in administering Cultural and Sports Facilities Building Fund (Fund 7030) projects pursuant to section 123.201 of the Revised Code and to provide tools and services to state agency, university, and K-12 public school projects, including oversight of the Ohio Administrative Knowledge System Capital Improvements Module (OAKS-CI).

SCHOOL FACILITIES ENCUMBRANCES AND REAPPROPRIATION

At the request of the Executive Director of the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission, the Director of Budget and Management may cancel encumbrances for school district projects.
from a previous biennium if the district has not raised its local share of project costs within thirteen months of receiving Controlling Board approval under section 3318.05 or 3318.41 of the Revised Code. The Executive Director of the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission shall certify the amounts of the canceled encumbrances to the Director of Budget and Management on a quarterly basis. The amounts of the canceled encumbrances are hereby appropriated.

Section 287.40. CAPITAL DONATIONS FUND CERTIFICATIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS

On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Executive Director of the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission shall certify to the Director of Budget and Management the amount of cash receipts and related investment income, irrevocable letters of credit from a bank, or certification of the availability of funds that have been received from a county or a municipal corporation for deposit into the Capital Donations Fund (Fund 5A10) and that are related to an anticipated project. These amounts are hereby appropriated to appropriation item C37146, Capital Donations. Prior to certifying these amounts to the Director, the Executive Director shall make a written agreement with the participating entity on the necessary cash flows required for the anticipated construction or equipment acquisition project.

Section 287.50. AMENDMENT TO PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR MAINTENANCE LEVY

The Ohio Facilities Construction Commission shall amend the project agreement between the Commission and a school district that is participating in the Accelerated Urban School Building Assistance Program as of September 29, 2018, if the Commission determines that it is necessary to do so in order to comply with
division (B)(3)(c) of section 3318.38 of the Revised Code.

Section 287.60. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission may determine the amount of funding available for disbursement in a given fiscal year for any project approved under sections 3318.01 to 3318.20 of the Revised Code in order to keep aggregate state capital spending within approved limits and may take actions including, but not limited to, determining the schedule for design or bidding of approved projects, to ensure appropriate and supportable cash flow.

Section 287.70. ASSISTANCE TO JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notwithstanding division (B) of section 3318.40 of the Revised Code, in each fiscal year in which funds are available for additional projects, the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission shall provide assistance to at least one joint vocational school district for the acquisition or improvement of classroom facilities in accordance with sections 3318.40 to 3318.45 of the Revised Code.

Section 287.80. RETURNED OR RECOVERED FUNDS

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any moneys a school district transfers to the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission under division (C)(2) or (3) of section 3318.12 of the Revised Code as well as any moneys recovered from settlements with or judgments against parties relating to their involvement in a classroom facilities project shall be deposited into the fund from which the capital appropriation for the project was made. In any fiscal year in which the Commission has made a deposit under this section, the Executive Director of the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission may request the Director of...
Budget and Management to authorize expenditures from those funds and specified appropriation items in excess of the amounts appropriated in an amount equal to the amount of the funds deposited under this section. The additional amounts, if authorized, shall be used in accordance with the purposes of Chapter 3318. of the Revised Code for projects pursuant to sections 3318.01 to 3318.20 or sections 3318.40 to 3318.45 of the Revised Code. Upon approval of the Director of Budget and Management, the additional amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 289.10. GOV OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 3,593,022 $ 3,593,022

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

The Office of the Governor may issue an intrastate transfer voucher to charge any state agency of the executive branch such amounts necessary to represent the interests of Ohio to federal, state, and local government units and to cover the costs or membership dues related to Ohio's participation in national and regional associations. Amounts collected shall be deposited in the Government Relations Fund (Fund 5AK0).

Section 291.10. DOH DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

General Revenue Fund

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Section 291.20. LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS

Of the foregoing appropriation item 440413, Local Health Departments, up to $6,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 may be used to support local health departments' efforts to improve population health, based upon the findings and recommendations in Ohio's 2020-2022 State Health Improvement Plan, and/or to incentivize efficiencies among local health departments, including the use of shared services or the consolidation of local health departments that formally merge on or after July 1, 2021. Funding for mergers shall be distributed only after a formal merger agreement is signed by two or more local health departments and shared with the Department of Health. The funding shall be used to cover the costs related to the merger and to build capacity for the newly combined local health department in order to improve services to the public and the health of all residents. A portion of this funding may also be used to support pre-merger analysis and planning for departments interested in a merger.

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Health may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 440413, Local Health Departments, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

MOTHERS AND CHILDREN SAFETY NET SERVICES

Of the foregoing appropriation item 440416, Mothers and Children Safety Net Services, up to $200,000 in each fiscal year may be used to assist families with hearing-impaired children under twenty-one years of age in purchasing hearing aids and hearing assistive technology. The Director of Health shall adopt rules governing the distribution of these funds, including rules
that do both of the following: (1) establish eligibility criteria
to include families with incomes at or below four hundred per cent
of the federal poverty guidelines as defined in section 5101.46 of
the Revised Code, and (2) develop a sliding scale of disbursements
under this section based on family income. The Director may adopt
other rules as necessary to implement this section. Rules adopted
under this section shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter
119. of the Revised Code.

FREE CLINIC SAFETY NET SERVICES

The foregoing appropriation item 440431, Free Clinic Safety
Net Services, shall be provided to the Charitable Healthcare
Network. Funds may be used to reimburse free clinics for health
care services provided, as well as for administrative services,
information technology costs, infrastructure repair, or other
clinic necessities. Additionally, the Director of Health may
designate up to five per cent of the appropriation in each fiscal
year to pay the administrative costs the Department of Health
incurs for operating the program.

AIDS PREVENTION

The foregoing appropriation item 440444, AIDS Prevention,
shall be used to administer educational and other prevention
initiatives.

FQHC PRIMARY CARE WORKFORCE INITIATIVE

The foregoing appropriation item 440465, FQHC Primary Care
Workforce Initiative, shall be provided to the Ohio Association of
Community Health Centers to administer the FQHC Primary Care
Workforce Initiative. The Initiative shall provide medical,
dental, behavioral health, physician assistant, and advanced
practice nursing students with clinical rotations through
federally qualified health centers.

INFANT VITALITY
Of the foregoing appropriation item, 440474, Infant Vitality, up to $5,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 shall be used, in consultation with the Governor's Office of Children's Initiatives, to support programming by community and local faith-based service providers that invests in maternal health programs, provides services and support to pregnant mothers, and improves both maternal and infant health outcomes.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 440474, Infant Vitality, up to $500,000 in fiscal year 2022 shall be used, in consultation with the Department of Medicaid, to develop a universal needs assessment to identify and provide needed health and wraparound supports for vulnerable women.

The remainder of appropriation item 440474, Infant Vitality, shall be used to fund a multi-pronged population health approach to address infant mortality. This approach may include the following: increasing awareness; supporting data collection; analysis and interpretation to inform decision-making and ensure accountability; targeting resources where the need is greatest; and implementing quality improvement science and programming that is evidence-based or based on emerging practices. Measurable interventions may include activities related to safe sleep, community engagement, Centering Pregnancy, newborn screening, safe birth spacing, gestational diabetes, smoking cessation, breastfeeding, care coordination, and progesterone.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

The foregoing appropriation item 440477, Emergency Preparedness and Response, shall be used to support public health emergency preparedness and response efforts. This appropriation may also be used to support data infrastructure projects and other data analysis and analytics work.

LUPUS AWARENESS
The foregoing appropriation item 440481, Lupus Awareness, shall be distributed to the Lupus Foundation of America, Greater Ohio Chapter, Inc., to operate a lupus education and awareness program.

**CHRONIC DISEASE, INJURY PREVENTION AND DRUG OVERDOSE**

Of the foregoing appropriation item 440482, Chronic Disease, Injury Prevention and Drug Overdose, up to $3,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 shall be used, in consultation with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and the Governor's RecoveryOhio Initiative, to support the continuation of the Emergency Department Comprehensive Care Initiative to enhance Ohio's response to the addiction crisis by creating a comprehensive system of care for patients who present in emergency departments with addiction.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 440482, Chronic Disease, Injury Prevention and Drug Overdose, up to $250,000 in fiscal year 2022 shall be used, in consultation with the Governor's RecoveryOhio Initiative, to support local health providers' harm reduction efforts to reduce overdose rates and deaths.

**INFECTIOUS DISEASE PREVENTION AND CONTROL**

Of the foregoing appropriation item 440483, Infectious Disease Prevention and Control, up to $2,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 shall be used, in consultation with Ohio's state agencies, boards, and commissions, for the purpose of addressing social determinants of health and improving health equity for all Ohioans.

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Health may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 440483, Infectious Disease Prevention and Control, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be
reappropriated to fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

TARGETED HEALTH CARE SERVICES—OVER 21

The foregoing appropriation item 440507, Targeted Health Care Services—Over 21, shall be used to administer the Cystic Fibrosis Program and to implement the Hemophilia Insurance Premium Payment Program. The Department of Health shall expend $100,000 in each fiscal year to implement the Hemophilia Insurance Premium Payment Program.

The foregoing appropriation item 440507, Targeted Health Care Services—Over 21, shall also be used to provide essential medications and to pay the copayments for drugs approved by the Department of Health and covered by Medicare Part D that are dispensed to Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps (BCMH) participants for the Cystic Fibrosis Program.

The Department shall expend all of the funds appropriated in appropriation item 440507, Targeted Health Care Services—Over 21.

LEAD ABATEMENT

Of the foregoing appropriation item 440527, Lead Abatement, $250,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Department of Health to distribute funds to the city of Toledo for lead-based paint abatement, containment, and housing rehabilitation projects in the historic south neighborhoods of Toledo. The Department may choose to require matching funding and to include project and reporting requirements before distributing funds.

HARM REDUCTION

The foregoing appropriation item 440529, Harm Reduction, shall be used to distribute funding to local health departments or a partner agency to operate harm reduction programs, including
syringe services. Local health departments eligible for funding shall be accredited or in the process of becoming accredited through the Public Health Accreditation Board.

LEAD-SAFE HOME FUND PILOT PROGRAM

The foregoing appropriation item 440530, Lead-Safe Home Fund Pilot Program, shall be used by the Department of Health to make distributions on a quarterly basis to the Lead Safe Cleveland Coalition for the Lead-Safe Home Fund Pilot Program. Before any funds are distributed, the Coalition shall provide the Department with documentation showing the amount of private sector dollars the Coalition has collected. The amount of each distribution provided by the Department shall not exceed the amount documented. Total disbursements shall not exceed $1,000,000 in each fiscal year.

YOUTH HOMELESSNESS

The foregoing appropriation item 440672, Youth Homelessness, shall be used to address homelessness in youth and pregnant women by providing assertive outreach to provide stable housing, including recovery housing.

FEE SUPPORTED PROGRAMS

Of the foregoing appropriation item 440647, Fee Supported Programs, $2,160,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to distribute subsidies, on a per capita basis, to local health departments accredited through the Public Health Accreditation Board, or local health departments that are in the process of earning accreditation.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 440647, Fee Supported Programs, $1,840,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to distribute subsidies to local health departments accredited through the Public Health Accreditation Board on a per capita basis.
MEDICALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN AUDIT

The Medically Handicapped Children Audit Fund (Fund 4770) shall receive revenue from audits of hospitals and recoveries from third-party payers. Moneys may be expended for payment of audit settlements and for costs directly related to obtaining recoveries from third-party payers and for encouraging Medically Handicapped Children's Program recipients to apply for third-party benefits. Moneys also may be expended for diagnostic and treatment services on behalf of medically handicapped children, as defined in division (A) of section 3701.022 of the Revised Code, and Ohio residents who are twenty-one or more years of age and who are suffering from cystic fibrosis or hemophilia. Moneys may also be expended for administrative expenses incurred in operating the Medically Handicapped Children's Program.

GENETICS SERVICES

The foregoing appropriation item 440608, Genetics Services, shall be used by the Department of Health to administer programs authorized by sections 3701.501 and 3701.502 of the Revised Code. None of these funds shall be used to counsel or refer for abortion, except in the case of a medical emergency.

TOBACCO USE PREVENTION, CESSATION, AND ENFORCEMENT

Of the foregoing appropriation item 440656, Tobacco Use Prevention, Cessation, and Enforcement, $750,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to award grants in accordance with the section of this act entitled "MOMS QUIT FOR TWO GRANT PROGRAM."

Of the foregoing appropriation item 440656, Tobacco Use Prevention, Cessation, and Enforcement, $250,000 in each fiscal year shall be distributed to boards of health for the Baby and Me Tobacco Free Program. The Director of Health shall determine how the funds are to be distributed, but shall prioritize awards to boards that serve women who reside in communities that have the...
highest infant mortality rates in this state, as identified under section 3701.142 of the Revised Code.

The remainder of appropriation item 440656, Tobacco Use Prevention, Cessation, and Enforcement, shall be used to administer tobacco use prevention and cessation activities and programs, to administer compliance checks, retailer education, and programs related to legal age restrictions, and to enforce the Ohio Smoke-Free Workplace Act.

TOXICOLOGY SCREENINGS

The foregoing appropriation item 440621, Toxicology Screenings, shall be used to reimburse county coroners in counties in which the coroner has performed toxicology screenings on victims of a drug overdose. The Director of Health shall transfer the funds to the counties in proportion to the numbers of toxicology screenings performed per county.

MEDICALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN - COUNTY ASSESSMENTS

The foregoing appropriation item 440607, Medically Handicapped Children - County Assessments, shall be used to make payments under division (E) of section 3701.023 of the Revised Code.

CASH TRANSFER TO EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE FUND

If the Director of Health determines that there are insufficient funds in appropriation item 440477, Emergency Preparedness and Response, for public health emergency preparedness and response activities, the Director may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount necessary to address these activities. Upon certification, the Director of Budget and Management shall transfer up to $500,000 cash in each fiscal year from the Controlling Board Emergency Purposes/Contingencies Fund (Fund 5KM0) to the Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund (Fund 5UA0). The amount transferred
Section 291.30. MOMS QUIT FOR TWO GRANT PROGRAM

(A) The Department of Health shall create the Moms Quit for Two Grant Program. Recognizing the significant health risks posed to women and their children by tobacco use during and after pregnancy, the Department shall award grants to private, nonprofit entities or government entities that demonstrate the ability to deliver evidence-based tobacco cessation interventions to women who reside in communities that have the highest incidence of infant mortality, as determined by the Director of Health, and who are pregnant or live with children. Funds awarded under this section shall not be used to provide tobacco cessation interventions to women who are eligible for Medicaid. The Department may adopt any rules it considers necessary to administer the Program.

(B) The Department shall create a grant application and develop a process for receiving and evaluating completed grant applications on a competitive basis. The Department shall give first preference to the entities described in division (A) of this section that are able to target the interventions to pregnant women and second preference to such entities that are able to target the interventions to women living with children. The Department's decision regarding a submitted grant application is final.

(C) The Department shall establish performance objectives to be met by grant recipients. The Department shall monitor the performance of each grant recipient in meeting the objectives.

Section 291.40. WIC VENDOR CONTRACTS

(A) As used in this section, "WIC" means the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children.

(B) During fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023, the Department of Health shall process and review a WIC vendor contract application pursuant to Chapter 3701-42 of the Administrative Code not later than forty-five days after receipt of the application if the applicant is a WIC-contracted vendor at the time of application and meets all of the following requirements:

(1) Submits a complete WIC vendor application with all required documents and information;

(2) Passes the required unannounced preauthorization visit within forty-five days of submitting a complete application;

(3) Completes the required in-person training within forty-five days of submitting the complete application.

(C) If an applicant fails to meet any of the requirements described in division (B) of this section, the Department shall deny the application for the contract. After an application has been denied, the applicant may reapply for a contract to act as a WIC vendor during the contracting cycle that is applicable to the applicant's WIC region.

Section 291.50. LONG-TERM CARE BED BUYBACK PROGRAM

(A) As used in this section, "franchise permit fee" and "nursing facility" have the same meanings as in section 5165.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) The Department of Health shall operate a long-term care bed buyback program, in consultation with the Department of Aging and the Department of Medicaid, during state fiscal years 2022 and 2023 under which nursing facility operators may voluntarily, permanently surrender for compensation from the Department of Health.
Health one or more licensed long-term care beds due to a decrease in bed utilization. Both of the following conditions must be met for a nursing facility operator to surrender a long-term care bed under the bed buyback program:

1. The bed must be located in a county with a bed excess, as calculated by the Department of Health pursuant to section 3702.593 of the Revised Code.

2. After the bed is surrendered, the county must have sufficient beds remaining to address the bed need in the county, as calculated by the Department pursuant to section 3702.593 of the Revised Code.

The Department of Health shall solicit applications from nursing home operators to participate in the bed buyback program. In the solicitation, the Department shall set forth program requirements and criteria that will be used to evaluate competing bed surrender proposals. In evaluating applications, the Department shall consider which facilities best meet the bed buyback program requirements and shall give priority to operators of nursing facilities that are current with their franchise permit fee payment obligations. While an application is pending, no nursing facility operator shall submit to the Department, either as an applicant or source facility, a certificate of need involving any of the long-term care beds licensed at the nursing facility or a change of operator application.

If an application is denied, the applicant may request that the Department reconsider its redetermination. Upon such a request, the Department shall conduct a reconsideration of its decision. The redetermination is final and is not subject to appeal.

(D) Not later than three business days after acceptance of payment by the Department for the surrender of a long-term care bed...
bed under the bed buyback program, the operator of a nursing
facility that is licensed under section 3721.07 of the Revised
Code shall notify the Director of Health that the operator is
participating in the bed buyback program and has accepted payment
for a long-term care bed at the nursing facility and the number of
beds that are being permanently surrendered by the operator. Upon
such notice, those beds will be permanently removed from the
nursing facility's licensed bed capacity.

(E) The foregoing appropriation item 440680, Nursing Home Bed
Reduction, shall be used in fiscal year 2022 to support the
long-term care bed buyback program established in accordance with
this section.

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the
Director of Health may certify to the Director of Budget and
Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of
the foregoing appropriation item, 440680, Nursing Home Bed
Reduction, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated to
fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to
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Section 293.10. HEF HIGHER EDUCATIONAL FACILITY COMMISSION

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**Section 297.10. OHS OHIO HISTORY CONNECTION**

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TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $14,322,501 $14,322,501

SUBSIDY APPROPRIATION
Upon approval by the Director of Budget and Management, the foregoing appropriation items shall be released to the Ohio History Connection in quarterly amounts that in total do not exceed the annual appropriations. The funds and fiscal records of the Ohio History Connection for fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023 shall be examined by independent certified public accountants approved by the Auditor of State, and a copy of the audited financial statements shall be filed with the Office of Budget and Management.

The foregoing appropriations shall be considered to be the contractual consideration provided by the state to support the state's offer to contract with the Ohio History Connection under section 149.30 of the Revised Code.

Section 299.10. REP OHIO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

General Revenue Fund
GRF 025321 Operating Expenses $25,917,274 $25,917,274
TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund $25,917,274 $25,917,274

Internal Service Activity Fund Group
1030 025601 House of Representatives Reimbursement $1,433,664 $1,433,664

4A40 025602 Miscellaneous Sales $50,000 $50,000
TOTAL ISA Internal Service Activity $1,483,664 $1,483,664

Fund Group
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $27,400,938 $27,400,938

OPERATING EXPENSES

On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation
item 025321, Operating Expenses, at the end of fiscal year 2021 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2022. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2022.

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 025321, Operating Expenses, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

HOUSE REIMBURSEMENT

If it is determined by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives that additional appropriations are necessary for the foregoing appropriation item 025601, House Reimbursement, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 301.10. HFA OHIO HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

| 5AZ0 997601 Housing Finance Agency | $13,258,659 | $13,491,862 |
| Personal Services | $13,258,659 | $13,491,862 |
| TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund Group | $13,258,659 | $13,491,862 |
| TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS | $13,258,659 | $13,491,862 |

Section 303.10. IGO OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

General Revenue Fund

| GRF 965321 Operating Expenses | $1,403,910 | $1,437,000 |
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Internal Service Activity Fund Group
Section 305.10. INS DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group
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5540 820606 Operating Expenses $ 30,861,244 $ 30,861,244 56136
5550 820605 Examination $ 9,179,766 $ 9,179,766 56137
5PT0 820613 Captive Insurance Regulation and Supervision
$ 450,000 $ 450,000 56138
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Federal Fund Group
3U50 820602 OSHIIP Operating Grant $ 2,793,150 $ 2,793,150 56141
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TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 43,464,160 $ 43,464,160 56143

Section 305.20. MARKET CONDUCT EXAMINATION

When conducting a market conduct examination of any insurer doing business in this state, the Superintendent of Insurance may assess the costs of the examination against the insurer. The Superintendent may enter into consent agreements to impose administrative assessments or fines for conduct discovered that may be violations of statutes or rules administered by the
Superintendent. All costs, assessments, or fines collected shall be deposited to the credit of the Department of Insurance Operating Fund (Fund 5540).

**EXAMINATIONS OF DOMESTIC FRATERNAL BENEFIT SOCIETIES**

The Director of Budget and Management, at the request of the Superintendent of Insurance, may transfer cash from the Department of Insurance Operating Fund (Fund 5540), established by section 3901.021 of the Revised Code, to the Superintendent's Examination Fund (Fund 5550), established by section 3901.071 of the Revised Code, only for expenses incurred in examining domestic fraternal benefit societies as required by section 3921.28 of the Revised Code.

### Section 307.10. JFS DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

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4E70 600604 | Family and Children Services Collections | $650,000 | $650,000 | 56186 |
4F10 600609 | Family and Children Activities | $708,000 | $708,000 | 56187 |
5CV1 600557 | Coronavirus Relief - Foodbanks | $7,000,000 | 0 | 56188 |
5DM0 600633 | Audit Settlements and Contingency | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 | 56189 |
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Section 307.20. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS

(A) The foregoing appropriation item 600521, Family Assistance - Local, may be provided to county departments of job and family services to administer food assistance and disability assistance programs.

(B) The foregoing appropriation item 655522, Medicaid Program Support - Local, may be provided to county departments of job and family services to administer the Medicaid program and the State Children's Health Insurance program.

(C) At the request of the Director of Job and Family Services, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer appropriations between the following appropriation items to ensure county administrative funds are expended from the proper appropriation item:

   (1) Appropriation item 600521, Family Assistance - Local, and appropriation item 655522, Medicaid Program Support - Local; and

   (2) Appropriation item 655523, Medicaid Program Support - Local Transportation, and appropriation item 655522, Medicaid Program Support - Local.

(D) If receipts credited to the Medicaid Program Support Fund (Fund 3F01) and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Fund (Fund 3840) exceed the amounts appropriated, the Director of Job and Family Services shall request the Director of Budget and Management to authorize expenditures from those funds in excess of the amounts appropriated. Upon approval of the Director of Budget and Management, the additional amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 307.30. NAME OF FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

The Director of Job and Family Services is not required to
amend rules regarding the Food Stamp Program to change the name of the program to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. The Director may refer to the program as the Food Stamp Program, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or the Food Assistance Program in rules and documents of the Department of Job and Family Services.

Section 307.40. OHIO ASSOCIATION OF FOOD BANKS

Of the foregoing appropriation items 600410, TANF State Maintenance of Effort, 600658, Public Assistance Activities, and 600689, TANF Block Grant, a total of up to $22,050,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to provide funds to the Ohio Association of Food Banks to purchase and distribute food products, support Innovative Summer Meals programs for children, provide SNAP outreach and free tax filing services, and provide capacity building equipment for food pantries and soup kitchens.

Notwithstanding section 5101.46 of the Revised Code and any other provision in this bill, the Director of Job and Family Services shall provide assistance from eligible funds to the Ohio Association of Food Banks in an amount not less than $24,550,000 in each fiscal year. This amount includes the funds designated to the Ohio Association of Food Banks in the first paragraph of this section.

Eligible nonfederal expenditures made by member food banks of the Association shall be counted by the Department of Job and Family Services toward the TANF maintenance of effort requirements of 42 U.S.C. 609(a)(7). The Director of Job and Family Services shall enter into an agreement with the Ohio Association of Food Banks, in accordance with sections 5101.80 and 5101.801 of the Revised Code, to carry out the requirements under this section.

Section 307.50. FOOD STAMPS TRANSFER
On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, and upon request of the Director of Job and Family Services, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $1,000,000 cash from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Fund (Fund 3840), to the Food Assistance Fund (Fund 5ES0).

Section 307.60. PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES/TANF MOE

The foregoing appropriation item 600658, Public Assistance Activities, shall be used by the Department of Job and Family Services to meet the TANF maintenance of effort requirements of 42 U.S.C. 609(a)(7). When the state is assured that it will meet the maintenance of effort requirement, the Department of Job and Family Services may use funds from appropriation item 600658, Public Assistance Activities, to support public assistance activities.

Section 307.70. TANF STATE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600410, TANF State Maintenance of Effort, $5,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be provided, in accordance with sections 5101.80 and 5101.801 of the Revised Code, to the Ohio Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs to provide after-school and summer programs that protect at-risk children and enable youth to become responsible adults. Not less than $75,000 in each fiscal year shall be provided to the Boys and Girls Club of Massillon.

Section 307.80. TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES BLOCK GRANT

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600689, TANF Block Grant, up to $13,285,000 in each fiscal year shall be used, in accordance with sections 5101.80 and 5101.801 of the Revised Code, to provide support to programs or organizations that provide services that
align with the mission and goals of the Governor's Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, as outlined in section 107.12 of the Revised Code, and that further at least one of the four purposes of the TANF program, as specified in 42 U.S.C. 601.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600689, TANF Block Grant, up to $2,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be used, in accordance with sections 5101.80 and 5101.801 of the Revised Code, to support the Independent Living Initiative, including life skills training and work supports for older children in foster care and those who have recently aged out of foster care who meet TANF eligibility requirements.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600689, TANF Block Grant, up to $2,200,000 in each fiscal year shall be provided, in accordance with sections 5101.80 and 5101.801 of the Revised Code, to the Ohio Commission on Fatherhood.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600689, TANF Block Grant, up to $1,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be provided, in accordance with sections 5101.80 and 5101.801 of the Revised Code, to the Ohio Children's Trust Fund.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600689, TANF Block Grant, $1,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be provided, in accordance with sections 5101.80 and 5101.801 of the Revised Code, to the Children's Hunger Alliance to assist with meal sponsorship, early child care programs, child care, consultations and nutrition education, school district nutrition programs, after school nutrition programs, and summer nutrition programs.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600689, TANF Block Grant, $1,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be provided, in accordance with sections 5101.80 and 5101.801 of the Revised Code, to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Ohio to provide mentoring services to children throughout the state who have experienced trauma in
their lives, including parental incarceration.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600689, TANF Block Grant, $500,000 in each fiscal year shall be provided, in accordance with sections 5101.80 and 5101.801 of the Revised Code, to the Ohio Council of YWCAs to support programs that prevent domestic violence, support victims of domestic violence, provide trauma-informed support for survivors, and support educational opportunities for at-risk youth.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600689, TANF Block Grant, $200,000 in each fiscal year shall be provided, in accordance with sections 5101.80 and 5101.801 of the Revised Code, to Marriage Works! Ohio in Dayton.

Section 307.90. FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600523, Family and Children Services, up to $3,200,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to match eligible federal Title IV-B ESSA funds and federal Title IV-E Chafee funds allocated to public children services agencies.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600523, Family and Children Services, up to $25,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be provided to assist with the expense of providing services to youth requiring support from multiple systems. These funds may be used for youth currently in the custody of a public children services agency or to prevent children from entering into the custody of a public children services agency by custody relinquishment or another mechanism. The Director of Job and Family Services shall adopt rules in accordance with section 111.15 of the Revised Code to administer the funding.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600523, Family and Children Services, up to $5,000,000 in each fiscal year may be
used for staffing for foster parent recruitment, engagement, and support; and up to $5,000,000 in each fiscal year may be used to strengthen best practices. The Director of Job and Family Services shall adopt rules in accordance with section 111.15 of the Revised Code to administer the funding.

Of the foregoing appropriation item, 600523, Family and Children Services, up to $110,040,010 in each fiscal year shall be provided to public children services agencies. Of that amount, $17,600,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to provide an initial allocation of $200,000 to each county and the remainder shall be provided using the formula in section 5101.14 of the Revised Code.

If the funds available for distribution under section 5101.14 of the Revised Code in fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023 exceed the amount appropriated in fiscal year 2019, each county contributing local funds in county fiscal year 2019 to the county children services fund shall contribute moneys to the children services fund described in section 5101.144 of the Revised Code.

The Director of Job and Family Services shall adopt rules, in accordance with section 111.15 of the Revised Code, to determine the amount of local funds each county must contribute to the children services fund based on past contributions. Rules must include a hardship provision identifying circumstances in which the county contribution may be waived or reduced.

Section 307.100. KINSHIP CARE NAVIGATOR PROGRAM

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600523, Family and Children Services, up to $8,500,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to support the Kinship Care Navigator Program, and may be used to match eligible federal Title IV-E funds.

Section 307.110. FLEXIBLE FUNDING FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN
In collaboration with the county family and children first council, a county department of job and family services or public children services agency that receives an allocation from the Department of Job and Family Services from the foregoing appropriation item 600523, Family and Children Services, or 600533, Child, Family, and Community Protection Services, may transfer a portion of either or both allocations to a flexible funding pool as authorized by the section of this act titled "FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST FLEXIBLE FUNDING POOL."

Section 307.120. CHILD, FAMILY, AND COMMUNITY PROTECTION SERVICES

(A) The foregoing appropriation item 600533, Child, Family, and Community Protection Services, shall be distributed to county departments of job and family services. County departments shall use the funds distributed to them under this section as follows, in accordance with the written plan of cooperation entered into under section 307.983 of the Revised Code:

(1) To assist individuals in achieving or maintaining self-sufficiency, including by reducing or preventing dependency among individuals with family income not exceeding two hundred percent of the federal poverty guidelines;

(2) Subject to division (B) of this section, to respond to reports of abuse, neglect, or exploitation of children and adults, including through the differential response approach program;

(3) To provide outreach and referral services regarding home and community-based services to individuals at risk of placement in a group home or institution, regardless of the individuals' family income and without need for a written application;

(4) To provide outreach, referral, application assistance, and other services to assist individuals to receive assistance,
benefits, or services under Medicaid; Title IV-A programs, as defined in section 5101.80 of the Revised Code; the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; and other public assistance programs.

(B) Protective services may be provided to a child or adult as part of a response, under division (A)(2) of this section, to a report of abuse, neglect, or exploitation without regard to a child or adult's family income and without need for a written application. The protective services may be provided if the case record documents circumstances of actual or potential abuse, neglect, or exploitation.

Section 307.130. ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES

The foregoing appropriation item 600534, Adult Protective Services, shall be divided equally among the counties.

Section 307.140. FAMILY AND CHILDREN ACTIVITIES

The foregoing appropriation item 600609, Family and Children Activities, shall be used to expend miscellaneous foundation funds and grants to support family and children services activities.

Section 307.150. COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600553, Court Appointed Special Advocates, up to $333,333 in each fiscal year shall be used to support administrative costs associated with existing court-appointed special advocate programs.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600553, Court Appointed Special Advocates, up to $666,667 in each fiscal year shall be used to establish court-appointed special advocate programs in areas of the state that are not served by an existing program and to support existing programs.
Of the foregoing appropriation item 600616, Federal Discretionary Grants, up to $800,000 in each fiscal year shall be used for the training of guardians ad litem and court-appointed special advocates as well as to conduct a study to demonstrate the impact of court-appointed special advocate volunteers on outcomes for children who are in child welfare custody as a result of abuse, neglect, or dependency.

Section 307.160. WENDY'S WONDERFUL KIDS

Of the foregoing appropriation items 600450, Program Operations, 600627, Adoption Program - Federal, 600606, Child Welfare, a total of up to $12,000,000 in each fiscal year may be used to provide funds to the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption to implement statewide the Wendy's Wonderful Kids program of professional recruiters who use a child-focused model to find permanent homes for children in Ohio foster care.

Section 307.170. ODJFS AUDIT SETTLEMENTS AND CONTINGENCY FUND

Notwithstanding section 5101.073 of the Revised Code, the ODJFS Audit Settlements and Contingency Fund (Fund 5DM0) may also consist of earned federal revenue the final disposition of which is unknown.

On July 1 of each fiscal year, or as soon as possible thereafter, and upon request of the Director of Job and Family Services, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $21,000,000 cash from the ODJFS Audit Settlements and Contingency Fund (Fund 5DM0), to the Human Services Projects Fund (Fund 5RY0).

Section 307.180. ADOPTION ASSISTANCE LOAN

The Department of Job and Family Services may use the State Adoption Assistance Loan Fund (Fund 5DP0) for the administration of adoption assistance loans pursuant to section 3107.018 of the
Revised Code. The amounts of any adoption assistance loans are hereby appropriated.

Section 307.190. EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Of the foregoing appropriation item 600696, Early Childhood Education, up to $20,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to achieve the goals described in division (C) of section 5104.29 of the Revised Code. The funds shall be used to support early learning and development programs operating in smaller communities, early learning and development programs that are rated in the Step Up to Quality program at the third highest tier or higher, or both.

Section 307.200. VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

The foregoing appropriation item 600660, Victims of Human Trafficking, shall be used to provide treatment, care, rehabilitation, education, housing, and assistance for victims of trafficking in persons as specified in section 5101.87 of the Revised Code.

If receipts credited to the Victims of Human Trafficking Fund (Fund 5NG0) exceed the amounts appropriated to the fund, the Director of Job and Family Services may request the Director of Budget and Management to authorize expenditures from the fund in excess of the amounts appropriated. Upon the approval of the Director of Budget and Management, the additional amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 307.210. CHILDRENS CRISIS CARE

The foregoing appropriation item 600674, Childrens Crisis Care, shall be allocated by the Department of Job and Family Services in each fiscal year to children's crisis care facilities as defined in section 5103.13 of the Revised Code. The Director of
Job and Family Services shall allocate funds in each fiscal year based on the total length of stay or days of care for each child residing in the facility, which is determined by calculating the total days each child resides at the crisis care facility, including the date of admission, but not the day of discharge. A children's crisis care facility may decline to receive funds provided under this section. A children's crisis care facility that accepts funds provided under this section shall use the funds in accordance with section 5103.13 of the Revised Code and the rules as defined in rule 5101:2-9-36 of the Administrative Code.

Section 307.220. FIDUCIARY AND HOLDING ACCOUNT FUND GROUPS

The Fiduciary Fund Group and Holding Account Fund Group shall be used to hold revenues until the appropriate fund is determined or until the revenues are directed to the appropriate governmental agency other than the Department of Job and Family Services. Any Department of Job and Family Services refunds or reconciliations received or held by the Department of Medicaid shall be transferred or credited to the Refunds and Audit Settlement Fund (Fund R012). If receipts credited to the Support Intercept – Federal Fund (Fund 1920), the Support Intercept – State Fund (Fund 5830), the Food Stamp Offset Fund (Fund 5B60), or the Refunds and Audit Settlements Fund (Fund R012) exceed the amounts appropriated from the fund, the Director of Job and Family Services may request the Director of Budget and Management to authorize expenditures from the fund in excess of the amounts appropriated. Upon the approval of the Director of Budget and Management, the additional amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 307.230. FEDERAL UNEMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS

A portion of the foregoing appropriation item 600678, Federal Unemployment Programs, shall be provided in accordance with
sections 4141.162 and 4141.35 of the Revised Code to administer fraud identification and prevention efforts in the unemployment program.

Section 307.240. UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT

To improve customer service and program integrity within the Unemployment Insurance Program, the Department of Job and Family Services shall integrate specific system enhancements to streamline claims processing, enhance adjudication methodology where appropriate, and secure and implement a new cloud-based tax and benefits system to replace outdated technology.

Section 309.10. JCR JOINT COMMITTEE ON AGENCY RULE REVIEW

General Revenue Fund

GRF 029321 Operating Expenses $ 570,000 $ 570,000
TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund $ 570,000 $ 570,000
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 570,000 $ 570,000

OPERATING GUIDANCE

The Legislative Service Commission shall act as fiscal agent for the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review. Members of the Committee shall be paid in accordance with section 101.35 of the Revised Code.

OPERATING EXPENSES

On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Executive Director of the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 029321, Operating Expenses, at the end of fiscal year 2021 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2022. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2022.
On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Executive Director of the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 029321, Operating Expenses, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

Section 313.10. JMO JOINT MEDICAID OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

General Revenue Fund

GRF 048321 Operating Expenses $ 371,848 $ 575,083
TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund $ 371,848 $ 575,083
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 371,848 $ 575,083

OPERATING EXPENSES

The foregoing appropriation item 048321, Operating Expenses, shall be used to support expenses related to the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee created by section 103.41 of the Revised Code.

On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Executive Director of the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 048321, Operating Expenses, at the end of fiscal year 2021 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2022. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2022.

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Executive Director of the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 048321, Operating Expenses, at the end of
fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

Section 315.10. JCO JUDICIAL CONFERENCE OF OHIO

General Revenue Fund

GRF 018321 Operating Expenses $1,046,464 $1,083,265
TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund $1,046,464 $1,083,265

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4030 018601 Ohio Jury Instructions $531,471 $540,421

TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund Group $531,471 $540,421

TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $1,577,935 $1,623,686

STATE COUNCIL OF UNIFORM STATE LAWS

Notwithstanding section 105.26 of the Revised Code, of the foregoing appropriation item 018321, Operating Expenses, up to $96,305 in fiscal year 2022 and up to $99,194 in fiscal year 2023 shall be used to pay the expenses of the State Council of Uniform State Laws, including membership dues to the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.

OHIO JURY INSTRUCTIONS FUND

The Ohio Jury Instructions Fund (Fund 4030) shall consist of grants, royalties, dues, conference fees, bequests, devises, and other gifts received for the purpose of supporting costs incurred by the Judicial Conference of Ohio in its activities as a part of the judicial system of the state as determined by the Judicial Conference Executive Committee. Fund 4030 shall be used by the Judicial Conference of Ohio to pay expenses incurred in its activities as a part of the judicial system of the state as determined by the Judicial Conference Executive Committee. All
moneys accruing to Fund 4030 in excess of the amount appropriated for the current fiscal year are hereby appropriated for the purposes authorized. No money in Fund 4030 shall be transferred to any other fund by the Director of Budget and Management or the Controlling Board.

Section 317.10. JSC THE JUDICIARY/SUPREME COURT

| General Revenue Fund |  |  |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| GRF 005321 Operating Expenses - | $185,879,257 | $190,389,942 |
| Judiciary/Supreme Court |
| GRF 005401 State Criminal | $1,346,891 | $1,438,123 |
| Sentencing Commission |
| GRF 005406 Law-Related Education | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| GRF 005409 Ohio Courts | $3,829,540 | $3,843,940 |
| Technology Initiative |
| TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund | $191,255,688 | $195,872,005 |

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

| 4C80 005605 Attorney Services | $11,015,310 | $10,979,027 |
| 5HT0 005617 Court Interpreter | $7,000 | $7,000 |
| 5SP0 005626 Civil Justice Grant Program | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| 5T80 005609 Grants and Awards | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| 6720 005601 Judiciary/Supreme Court Education | $105,000 | $105,000 |
| TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund Group | $11,482,310 | $11,446,027 |

Fiduciary Fund Group

| 5JY0 005620 County Law Library Resources Boards | $308,000 | $323,500 |
| TOTAL FID Fiduciary Fund Group | $308,000 | $323,500 |
Federal Fund Group

3J00 005603 Federal Grants $1,155,203 $1,026,530 56668
TOTAL FED Federal Fund Group $1,155,203 $1,026,530 56669
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $204,201,201 $208,668,062 56670

Section 317.20. STATE CRIMINAL SENTENCING COMMISSION

The foregoing appropriation item 005401, State Criminal Sentencing Commission, shall be used for the operation of the State Criminal Sentencing Commission established by section 181.21 of the Revised Code.

LAW-RELATED EDUCATION

The foregoing appropriation item 005406, Law-Related Education, shall be distributed directly to the Ohio Center for Law-Related Education for the purposes of providing continuing citizenship education activities to primary and secondary students, expanding delinquency prevention programs, increasing activities for at-risk youth, and accessing additional public and private money for new programs.

OHIO COURTS TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE

The foregoing appropriation item 005409, Ohio Courts Technology Initiative, shall be used to fund an initiative by the Supreme Court to facilitate the exchange of information and warehousing of data by and between Ohio courts and other justice system partners through the creation of an Ohio Courts Network, the delivery of technology services to courts throughout the state, including the provision of hardware, software, and the development and implementation of educational and training programs for judges and court personnel, and operation of the Commission on Technology and the Courts by the Supreme Court for the promulgation of statewide rules, policies, and uniform standards, and to aid in the orderly adoption and comprehensive
use of technology in Ohio courts.

ATTORNEY SERVICES

The Attorney Registration Fund (Fund 4C80) shall consist of money received by the Supreme Court (The Judiciary) pursuant to the Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio. In addition to funding other activities considered appropriate by the Supreme Court, the foregoing appropriation item 005605, Attorney Services, may be used to compensate employees and to fund appropriate activities of the following offices established by the Supreme Court: the Office of Disciplinary Counsel, the Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline, the Clients' Security Fund, and the Attorney Services Division which include the Office of Bar Admissions. If it is determined by the Administrative Director of the Supreme Court that changes to the appropriation are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

No money in Fund 4C80 shall be transferred to any other fund by the Director of Budget and Management or the Controlling Board. Interest earned on money in Fund 4C80 shall be credited to the fund.

COURT INTERPRETER CERTIFICATION

The Court Interpreter Certification Fund (Fund 5HT0) shall consist of money received by the Supreme Court (The Judiciary) pursuant to Rules 80 through 87 of the Rules of Superintendence for the Courts of Ohio. The foregoing appropriation item 005617, Court Interpreter Certification, shall be used to provide training, to provide the written examination, and to pay language experts to rate, or grade, the oral examinations of those applying to become certified court interpreters. If it is determined by the Administrative Director of the Supreme Court that changes to the appropriation are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

No money in Fund 5HT0 shall be transferred to any other fund.
by the Director of Budget and Management or the Controlling Board. Interest earned on money in Fund 5HT0 shall be credited to the fund.

CIVIL JUSTICE GRANT PROGRAM

The Civil Justice Program Fund (Fund 5SP0) shall consist of (1) $50 voluntary donations made as part of the biennium attorney registration process and (2) $150 increase in the pro hac vice fees for out-of-state attorneys pursuant to Government of the Bar Rule amendments. The foregoing appropriation item 005626, Civil Justice Grant Program, shall be used by the Supreme Court of Ohio for grants to not-for-profit organizations and agencies dedicated to providing civil legal aid to underserved populations, to fund innovative programs directed at this purpose, and to increase access to judicial service to that population. If it is determined by the Administrative Director of the Supreme Court that changes to the appropriation are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

No money in Fund 5SP0 shall be transferred to any other fund by the Director of Budget and Management or the Controlling Board. Interest earned on money in Fund 5SP0 shall be credited to the fund.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

The Grants and Awards Fund (Fund 5T80) shall consist of grants and other money awarded to the Supreme Court (The Judiciary) by the State Justice Institute, the Division of Criminal Justice Services, or other entities. The foregoing appropriation item 005609, Grants and Awards, shall be used in a manner consistent with the purpose of the grant or award. If it is determined by the Administrative Director of the Supreme Court that changes to the appropriation are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.
No money in Fund 5T80 shall be transferred to any other fund by the Director of Budget and Management or the Controlling Board. Interest earned on money in Fund 5T80 shall be credited or transferred to the General Revenue Fund.

JUDICIARY/SUPREME COURT EDUCATION

The Judiciary/Supreme Court Education Fund (Fund 6720) shall consist of fees paid for attending judicial and public education on the law, reimbursement of costs for judicial and public education on the law, and other gifts and grants received for the purpose of judicial and public education on the law. The foregoing appropriation item 005601, Judiciary/Supreme Court Education, shall be used to pay expenses for judicial education courses for judges, court personnel, and those who serve the courts, and for public education on the law. If it is determined by the Administrative Director of the Supreme Court that changes to the appropriation are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

No money in Fund 6720 shall be transferred to any other fund by the Director of Budget and Management or the Controlling Board. Interest earned on money in Fund 6720 shall be credited to the fund.

COUNTY LAW LIBRARY RESOURCES BOARDS

The Statewide Consortium of County Law Library Resources Boards Fund (Fund 5JY0) shall consist of moneys deposited pursuant to section 307.515 of the Revised Code into a county's law library resources fund and forwarded by that county's treasurer for deposit in the state treasury pursuant to division (E)(1) of section 3375.481 of the Revised Code. The foregoing appropriation item 005620, County Law Library Resources Boards, shall be used for the operation of the Statewide Consortium of County Law Library Resources Boards. If it is determined by the Administrative Director of the Supreme Court that changes to the
appropriation are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.  

No money in Fund 5JY0 shall be transferred to any other fund by the Director of Budget and Management or the Controlling Board. Interest earned on money in Fund 5JY0 shall be credited to the fund.

FEDERAL GRANTS

The Federal Grants Fund (Fund 3J00) shall consist of grants and other moneys awarded to the Supreme Court (The Judiciary) by the United States Government or other entities that receive the moneys directly from the United States Government and distribute those moneys to the Supreme Court (The Judiciary). The foregoing appropriation item 005603, Federal Grants, shall be used in a manner consistent with the purpose of the grant or award. If it is determined by the Administrative Director of the Supreme Court that changes to the appropriation are necessary, the amounts are hereby appropriated.

No money in Fund 3J00 shall be transferred to any other fund by the Director of Budget and Management or the Controlling Board. However, interest earned on money in Fund 3J00 shall be credited or transferred to the General Revenue Fund.

Section 319.10. LEC LAKE ERIE COMMISSION

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CASH TRANSFERS TO THE LAKE ERIE PROTECTION FUND

On July 1 of each fiscal year, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash from the funds specified below, up to the amounts specified below, to the Lake Erie Protection Fund (Fund 4C00). Fund 4C00 may accept contributions and transfers made to the fund.

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On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer $25,000 cash from a fund used by the Development Services Agency, as specified by the Director of Development Services, to Fund 4C00.

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer $25,000 cash from a fund used by the Development Services Agency, as specified by the Director of Development Services, to Fund 4C00.

On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer $25,000 cash from a fund used by the Department of Transportation, as specified by the Director of Transportation, to Fund 4C00.

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer $25,000 cash from a fund used by the Department of Transportation, as specified by the Director of Transportation, to Fund 4C00.
H2OHIO FUND

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of the Lake Erie Commission may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item, 780604, H2Ohio, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated in fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

Section 321.10. JLE JOINT LEGISLATIVE ETHICS COMMITTEE

General Revenue Fund

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LEGISLATIVE ETHICS COMMITTEE

On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Legislative Inspector General of the Joint Legislative Ethics Committee may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 028321, Legislative Ethics Committee, at the end of fiscal year 2021 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2022. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2022.
On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Legislative Inspector General of the Joint Legislative Ethics Committee may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 028321, Legislative Ethics Committee, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

Section 323.10. LSC LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

General Revenue Fund

GRF 035321 Operating Expenses $21,362,380 $21,362,380
GRF 035402 Legislative Fellows $1,080,000 $1,080,000
GRF 035405 Correctional Institution Inspection Committee
GRF 035407 Legislative Task Force on Redistricting $1,000,000 $0
GRF 035409 National Associations $600,000 $600,000
GRF 035410 Legislative Information Systems $11,033,890 $11,033,890
GRF 035501 Litigation $1,000,000 $1,000,000
TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund $36,523,290 $35,523,290

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4100 035601 Sale of Publications $10,000 $10,000
TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund $10,000 $10,000

TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $36,533,290 $35,533,290

Section 323.20. OPERATING EXPENSES

On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of the Legislative Service Commission may certify to the
Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 035321, Operating Expenses, at the end of fiscal year 2021 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2022. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2022.

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of the Legislative Service Commission may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 035321, Operating Expenses, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON REDISTRICTING

An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 035407, Legislative Task Force on Redistricting, at the end of fiscal year 2021 is hereby reappropriated to the Legislative Service Commission for the same purpose for fiscal year 2022.

An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 035407, Legislative Task Force on Redistricting, at the end of fiscal year 2022 is hereby reappropriated to the Legislative Service Commission for the same purpose for fiscal year 2023.

LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION SYSTEMS

On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of the Legislative Service Commission may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 035410, Legislative Information Systems, at the end of fiscal year 2021 to
be reappropriated to fiscal year 2022. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2022.

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of the Legislative Service Commission may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 035410, Legislative Information Systems, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

LITIGATION

The foregoing appropriation item 035501, Litigation, shall be used for any lawsuit in which the General Assembly is a party because a legal or constitutional challenge is made against the Ohio Constitution or an act of the General Assembly. The chairperson and vice-chairperson of the Legislative Service Commission shall both approve the use of the appropriated moneys.

An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 035501, Litigation, at the end of fiscal year 2021 is hereby reappropriated to the Legislative Service Commission for the same purpose for fiscal year 2022.

An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 035501, Litigation, at the end of fiscal year 2022 is hereby reappropriated to the Legislative Service Commission for the same purpose for fiscal year 2023.

Section 325.10. LIB STATE LIBRARY BOARD

General Revenue Fund

| GRF 350321 Operating Expenses | $ 4,293,122 | $ 4,293,122 |
| GRF 350401 Ohioana Library | $ 305,000 | $ 305,000 |
Section 325.20. OHIOANA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Of the foregoing appropriation item 350401, Ohioana Library Association, $180,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to support the operating expenses of the Martha Kinney Cooper Ohioana Library Association under section 3375.61 of the Revised Code.

The remainder of the foregoing appropriation item 350401, Ohioana Library Association, shall be used to pay the rental expenses of the Martha Kinney Cooper Ohioana Library Association under section 3375.61 of the Revised Code.
REGIONAL LIBRARY SYSTEMS

The foregoing appropriation item 350502, Regional Library Systems, shall be used to support regional library systems eligible for funding under sections 3375.83 and 3375.90 of the Revised Code.

OHIO PUBLIC LIBRARY INFORMATION NETWORK

(A) The foregoing appropriation item 350604, Ohio Public Library Information Network, shall be used for an information telecommunications network linking public libraries in the state and such others as may participate in the Ohio Public Library Information Network (OPLIN).

The Ohio Public Library Information Network Board of Trustees created under section 3375.65 of the Revised Code may make decisions regarding use of the foregoing appropriation item 350604, Ohio Public Library Information Network.

(B) The OPLIN Board shall research and assist or advise local libraries with regard to emerging technologies and methods that may be effective means to control access to obscene and illegal materials. The OPLIN Director shall provide written reports upon request within ten days to the Governor, the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, and the President and Minority Leader of the Senate on any steps being taken by OPLIN and public libraries in the state to limit and control such improper usage as well as information on technological, legal, and law enforcement trends nationally and internationally affecting this area of public access and service.

(C) The Ohio Public Library Information Network, INFOhio, and OhioLINK shall, to the extent feasible, coordinate and cooperate in their purchase or other acquisition of the use of electronic databases for their respective users and shall contribute funds in an equitable manner to such effort.
LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND

The foregoing appropriation item 350605, Library for the Blind, shall be used for the statewide Talking Book Program to assist the blind and disabled.

TRANSFER TO OPLIN TECHNOLOGY FUND

Notwithstanding sections 5747.03 and 5747.47 of the Revised Code and any other provision of law to the contrary, in accordance with a schedule established by the Director of Budget and Management, the Director of Budget and Management shall transfer $3,689,788 cash in each fiscal year from the Public Library Fund (Fund 7065) to the OPLIN Technology Fund (Fund 4S40).

TRANSFER TO LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND FUND

Notwithstanding sections 5747.03 and 5747.47 of the Revised Code and any other provision of law to the contrary, in accordance with a schedule established by the Director of Budget and Management, the Director of Budget and Management shall transfer $1,274,194 cash in each fiscal year from the Public Library Fund (Fund 7065) to the Library for the Blind Fund (Fund 5GB0).

Section 327.10. LCO LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

5LP0 970601 Commission Operating Expenses $ 944,885 $ 947,645

TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund $ 944,885 $ 947,645

TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 944,885 $ 947,645

Section 329.10. LOT STATE LOTTERY COMMISSION

State Lottery Fund Group

7044 950321 Operating Expenses $ 57,344,482 $ 58,581,656

7044 950402 Advertising Contracts $ 27,925,000 $ 27,925,000
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**OPERATING EXPENSES**

Notwithstanding sections 127.14 and 131.35 of the Revised Code, the Controlling Board may, at the request of the State Lottery Commission, authorize expenditures from the State Lottery Fund in excess of the amounts appropriated, up to a maximum of 10 per cent of anticipated total revenue accruing from the sale of lottery products. Upon the approval of the Controlling Board, the additional amounts are hereby appropriated.

**DIRECT PRIZE PAYMENTS**

Any amounts, in addition to the amounts appropriated in appropriation item 950601, Direct Prize Payments, that the Director of the State Lottery Commission determines to be necessary to fund prizes are hereby appropriated.

**ANNUITY PRIZES**

Upon request of the State Lottery Commission, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash from the State Lottery Fund (Fund 7044) to the Deferred Prizes Trust Fund (Fund 8710) in an amount sufficient to fund deferred prizes. The Treasurer of State, from time to time, shall credit the Deferred Prizes Trust Fund (Fund 8710) the pro rata share of interest earned by the Treasurer of State on invested balances.

Any amounts, in addition to the amounts appropriated in appropriation item 950602, Annuity Prizes, that the Director of the State Lottery Commission determines to be necessary to fund deferred prizes and interest are hereby appropriated.
TRANSFERS TO THE LOTTERY PROFITS EDUCATION FUND

Estimated transfers from the State Lottery Fund (Fund 7044) to the Lottery Profits Education Fund (Fund 7017) are to be $1,234,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 and $1,263,000,000 in fiscal year 2023. Transfers by the Director of Budget and Management to the Lottery Profits Education Fund shall be administered as the statutes direct.

Section 333.10. MCD DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID

General Revenue Fund

GRF 651425 Medicaid Program $ 174,630,600 $ 175,966,900
Support - State
GRF 651525 Medicaid Health Care Services-State $ 3,950,523,443 $ 5,433,990,300
Medicaid Health Care Services-Federal $11,077,065,295 $13,343,598,809
Medicaid Health Care Services - Total $15,027,588,738 $18,777,589,109
GRF 651526 Medicare Part D $ 489,144,862 $ 566,626,746
TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund State $ 4,614,298,905 $ 6,176,583,946
Federal $11,077,065,295 $13,343,598,809
GRF Total $15,691,364,200 $19,520,182,755

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4E30 651605 Resident Protection $ 7,000,000 $ 7,000,000
Fund
5AN0 651686 Care Innovation and $ 85,621,440 $ 85,452,765
Community Improvement Program
5DL0 651639 Medicaid Services - $ 547,500,000 $ 605,000,000
Recoveries
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Support - Federal

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Federal

3G50 651655 Medicaid Interagency $ 241,692,200 $ 241,692,200 57113
Pass Through

TOTAL FED Federal Fund Group $11,437,680,707 $ 8,886,042,603 57114
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $31,314,891,795 $31,967,714,483 57115

Section 333.20. MEDICAID HEALTH CARE SERVICES

The foregoing appropriation item 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, shall not be limited by section 131.33 of the Revised Code.

Section 333.30. LEAD ABATEMENT AND RELATED ACTIVITIES

Upon the request of the Medicaid Director, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer state share appropriations from appropriation item 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, to appropriation items in other state agencies for the purpose of lead abatement and related activities. If such a transfer occurs, the Director of Budget and Management may adjust, using the federal reimbursement rate, the federal share of appropriation item 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, accordingly. The Director of Medicaid may transfer federal funds as the state's single state agency for Medicaid reimbursements, as drawn for these transactions. Amounts transferred are hereby appropriatied.

Section 333.40. HOSPITAL FRANCHISE FEE PROGRAM

The Director of Budget and Management may authorize additional expenditures from appropriation item 651623, Medicaid Services - Federal, appropriation item 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, and appropriation item 651656, Medicaid Services - Hospital Franchise Fee, in order to implement the programs authorized by sections 5168.20 through 5168.28 of the Revised
Code. Any amounts authorized are hereby appropriated.

Section 333.45. HOSPITAL FRANCHISE FEE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

If the Medicaid Director determines that, due to the impact of the COVID-19 public health emergency, additional appropriations are necessary in appropriation items 651656, Medicaid Services – Hospital Franchise Fee and 651623, Medicaid Services – Federal, the Medicaid Director may request the Director of Budget and Management to authorize expenditures from these items in excess of the amount appropriated. Upon such a request, the Director of Budget and Management may authorize excess expenditures by up to $400,000,000 in appropriation item 651656, Medicaid Services – Hospital Franchise Fee, and up to $1,000,000,000 in appropriation item 651623, Medicaid Services – Federal, in each fiscal year. Excess expenditures authorized by the Director of Budget and Management are hereby appropriated.

Section 333.50. MEDICARE PART D

The foregoing appropriation item 651526, Medicare Part D, may be used by the Department of Medicaid for the implementation and operation of the Medicare Part D requirements contained in the "Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003," Pub. L. No. 108-173, as amended. Upon the request of the Medicaid Director, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer the state share of appropriations between appropriation item 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, and appropriation item 651526, Medicare Part D. If the state share of appropriation item 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, is adjusted, the Director of Budget and Management shall adjust the federal share accordingly. The Department of Medicaid shall provide notification to the Controlling Board of any transfers at the next scheduled
Controlling Board meeting.

**Section 333.60. CARE INNOVATION AND COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

If the amount of the foregoing appropriation item 651686, Care Innovation and Community Improvement Program, and the corresponding federal financial participation in appropriation item 651623, Medicaid Services – Federal, are inadequate to make the supplemental payments, the Medicaid Director may request that the Director of Budget and Management authorize additional expenditures from the Care Innovation and Community Improvement Program Fund (Fund 5AN0) and the Health Care - Federal Fund (Fund 3F00) as needed to make the supplemental payments. If the Director of Budget and Management authorizes the additional expenditures, the additional amounts are hereby appropriated.

**Section 333.70. DEPOSITS TO THE HEALTH CARE/MEDICAID SUPPORT AND RECOVERIES FUND**

Of the amount received by the Department of Medicaid during fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023 from the first installment of assessments paid under section 5168.06 of the Revised Code and intergovernmental transfers made under section 5168.07 of the Revised Code, the Medicaid Director shall deposit $2,500,000 cash in each fiscal year into the state treasury to the credit of the Health Care/Medicaid Support and Recoveries Fund (Fund 5DL0).

**Section 333.80. HEALTH CARE/MEDICAID SUPPORT AND RECOVERIES FUND EXPENDITURES**

If receipts credited to the Health Care/Medicaid Support and Recoveries Fund (Fund 5DL0) exceed the amounts appropriated from the fund, the Medicaid Director may request the Director of Budget and Management to authorize expenditures from the fund in excess...
of the amounts appropriated. If any additional amounts are authorized, the Director of Budget and Management shall adjust, using the federal reimbursement rate, the federal appropriation item identified by the Medicaid Director accordingly. Any authorized amounts and any corresponding federal adjustments are hereby appropriated.

Section 333.90. CASH TRANSFERS FROM THE HEALTH CARE/MEDICAID SUPPORT AND RECOVERIES FUND TO THE STATEWIDE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT FUND

Upon the request of the Medicaid Director, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $2,000,000 cash in each fiscal year from the Health Care/Medicaid Support and Recoveries Fund (Fund 5DL0) to the Statewide Prevention and Treatment Fund (Fund 4750), used by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. Any transferred funds shall be used to support Centers of Excellence and related activities. Any transferred amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 333.100. HEALTH INSURING CORPORATION CLASS FRANCHISE FEE

If receipts credited to the Health Insuring Corporation Class Franchise Fee Fund (Fund 5TN0) exceed the amounts appropriated from the fund, the Medicaid Director may request the Director of Budget and Management to authorize expenditures from the fund in excess of the amounts appropriated. If any additional amounts are authorized, the Director of Budget and Management shall adjust, using the federal reimbursement rate, the federal appropriation item identified by the Medicaid Director accordingly. Any authorized amounts and any corresponding federal adjustments are hereby appropriated.

Section 333.110. HOSPITAL CARE ASSURANCE MATCH
If receipts credited to the Health Care Federal Fund (Fund 3F00) exceed the amounts appropriated from the fund for making the hospital care assurance program distribution, the Medicaid Director may request the Director of Budget and Management to authorize expenditures from the fund in excess of the amounts appropriated. Upon the approval of the Director of Budget and Management, the additional amounts are hereby appropriated.

The foregoing appropriation item 651649, Medicaid Services – Health Care Assurance Program, shall be used by the Department of Medicaid for distributing the state share of all hospital care assurance program funds to hospitals under section 5168.09 of the Revised Code. If receipts credited to the Hospital Care Assurance Program Fund (Fund 6510) exceed the amounts appropriated from the fund for making the hospital care assurance program distribution, the Medicaid Director may request the Director of Budget and Management to authorize expenditures from the fund in excess of the amounts appropriated. Upon the approval of the Director of Budget and Management, the additional amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 333.120. REFUNDS AND RECONCILIATION FUND

If receipts credited to the Refunds and Reconciliation Fund (Fund R055) exceed the amounts appropriated from the fund, the Medicaid Director may request the Director of Budget and Management to authorize expenditures from the fund in excess of the amounts appropriated. Upon approval of the Director of Budget and Management, the additional amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 333.130. MEDICAID INTERAGENCY PASS-THROUGH

The Medicaid Director may request the Director of Budget and Management to authorize expenditures from appropriation item 651655, Medicaid Interagency Pass-Through in excess of amounts
appropriated. Upon the approval of the Director of Budget and Management, any excess amounts are hereby appropriated.

**Section 333.140. NON-EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION**

In order to ensure access to a non-emergency medical transportation brokerage program established pursuant to section 1902(a)(70) of the "Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(70), upon the request of the Medicaid Director, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer the state share appropriations between General Revenue Fund appropriation item 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, within the Department of Medicaid and 655523, Medicaid Program Support – Local Transportation, within the Department of Job and Family Services. If such a transfer occurs, the Director of Budget and Management shall adjust, using the federal reimbursement rate, the federal share appropriations of General Revenue Fund appropriation item 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, within the Department of Medicaid, and the Medicaid Program Support Fund (Fund 3F01) appropriation item 655624, Medicaid Program Support – Federal, within the Department of Job and Family Services. The Director of Medicaid shall transmit to the Medicaid Program Support Fund (Fund 3F01) the federal funds which the Department of Medicaid, as the state's sole point of contact with the federal government for Medicaid reimbursements, has drawn for this transaction.

**Section 333.150. PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION AND LOCAL PROGRAM SUPPORT**

Upon the request of the Medicaid Director, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $5,000,000 of state share appropriations in each fiscal year between General Revenue Fund appropriation item 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, within the Department of Medicaid, and 655522, Medicaid Program Support –
Local, within the Department of Job and Family Services. If such a transfer occurs, the Director of Budget and Management shall adjust, using the federal reimbursement rate, the federal share appropriations of General Revenue Fund appropriation item 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, within the Department of Medicaid, and the Medicaid Program Support Fund (Fund 3F01) appropriation item 655624, Medicaid Program Support – Federal, within the Department of Job and Family Services. The Director of Medicaid shall transmit to the Medicaid Program Support Fund (Fund 3F01) the federal funds which the Department of Medicaid, as the state's sole point of contact with the federal government for Medicaid reimbursements, has drawn for this transaction.

The Medicaid Director shall establish criteria for distributing these funds and for county departments of job and family services to submit allowable expenses.

County departments of job and family services shall comply with new roles, processes, and responsibilities related to the new eligibility determination system. County departments of job and family services shall report to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services and the Ohio Department of Medicaid, on a schedule determined by the Medicaid Director, how the funds were used.

**Section 333.160. MEDICAID PAYMENT RATES FOR COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES**

(A) As used in this section:

(1) "Community behavioral health services" has the same meaning as in section 5164.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Hospital" has the same meaning as in section 3727.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities" has the same meaning as in section
5124.01 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Nursing facility" has the same meaning as in section 5165.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) Subject to division (C) of this section, the Department of Medicaid may establish Medicaid payment rates for community behavioral health services provided during fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023 that exceed the authorized rates paid for the services under the Medicare program.

(C) This section does not apply to community behavioral health services provided by any of the following:

(1) Hospitals on an inpatient basis;

(2) Nursing facilities;

(3) Intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities.

Section 333.170. AREA AGENCIES ON AGING AND MEDICAID MANAGED CARE

(A) As used in this section:

(1) "Care management system" means the system established under section 5167.03 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Dual eligible individuals" has the same meaning as in section 5160.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Medicaid managed care organization" has the same meaning as in section 5167.01 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Medicaid waiver component" has the same meaning as in section 5166.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) If the Department of Medicaid expands the inclusion of the aged, blind, and disabled Medicaid eligibility group or dual eligible individuals in the care management system during the FY
2022 - FY 2023 fiscal biennium, the Department shall do both of
the following for the remainder of the fiscal biennium:

(1) Require area agencies on aging to be the coordinators of
home and community-based services available under Medicaid waiver
components that those individuals and that eligibility group
receive and permit Medicaid managed care organizations to delegate
to the agencies full-care coordination functions for those
services and other health-care services those individuals and that
eligibility group receive;

(2) In selecting managed care organizations with which to
contract under section 5167.10 of the Revised Code, give
preference to those organizations that will enter into
subcapitation arrangements with area agencies on aging under which
the agencies are to perform, in addition to other functions,
network management and payment functions for home and
community-based services available under Medicaid waiver
components that those individuals and that eligibility group
receive.

Section 333.180. WORK COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM –

Upon the request of the Medicaid Director, the Director of
Budget and Management may transfer state share appropriations in
each fiscal year between appropriation item 651685, Medicaid
Recoveries – Program Support, within the Department of Medicaid,
and 655425, Medicaid Program Support, within the Department of Job
and Family Services. If such a transfer occurs, the Director of
Budget and Management shall adjust, using the federal
reimbursement rate, the federal share appropriations of
appropriation item 651624, Medicaid Program Support – Federal,
within the Department of Medicaid, and appropriation item 655624,
Medicaid Program Support – Federal, within the Department of Job
and Family Services. Any transfer of funds shall be provided to the Department of Job and Family Services and shall only be used for costs related to transitioning to a new work community engagement program for the Medicaid program as prescribed by the Medicaid Director.

Section 333.190. WORK COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM – COUNTY COSTS

Upon the request of the Medicaid Director, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer state share appropriations in each fiscal year between appropriation item 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, within the Department of Medicaid, and 655522, Medicaid Program Support – Local, within the Department of Job and Family Services. If such a transfer occurs, the Director of Budget and Management shall adjust, using the federal reimbursement rate, the federal share appropriations of appropriation item 651525, Medicaid Health Care Services, within the Department of Medicaid, and appropriation item 655624, Medicaid Program Support – Federal, within the Department of Job and Family Services. Any increase in funding shall be provided to county departments of job and family services and shall only be used for costs related to transitioning to a new work community engagement program under the Medicaid program as prescribed by the Medicaid Director. These funds shall not be used for existing and ongoing operating expenses. The Medicaid Director shall establish criteria for distributing these funds and for county departments of job and family services to submit allowable expenses.

Section 333.200. MANAGED CARE CLAIMS FUND

There is hereby created in the state treasury the Managed Care Claims Fund. The fund shall consist of money that Medicaid managed care organizations pay to the Department of Medicaid in
order for the Department to be able to make payments to providers under the care management system that the organizations are unable to make due to systems issues. Money in the fund shall be used to make such payments.

The Medicaid Director may request the Director of Budget and Management to authorize expenditures from the Managed Care Claims Fund and the corresponding federal share from the Health Care Federal Fund (Fund 3F00). Upon the approval of the Director of Budget and Management, the amounts requested are hereby appropriated.

Section 333.210. VOLUNTARY MEDICAID COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

(A) As used in this section:

(1) "Expansion eligibility group" has the same meaning as in section 5163.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Medicaid assistance recipient" has the same meaning as in section 5160.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) As a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency, which created impediments to implementing the work and community engagement waiver component under section 5166.37 of the Revised Code requiring individuals to meet at least one of the enumerated requirements as a condition to enrolling in Medicaid as part of the expansion eligibility group, the Medicaid Director shall establish and implement a voluntary community engagement program in accordance with this section not later than January 1, 2022.

(C) The community engagement program shall be available to all medical assistance recipients. Participation in the program shall be voluntary.

(D) The community engagement program shall do all of the following:
(1) Encourage medical assistance recipients to work who are of working age and able-bodied;

(2) Promote to medical assistance recipients the economic stability, financial independence, and improved health outcomes from work;

(3) Provide information to medical assistance recipients about the services available under the community engagement program, including an explanation of the importance of work to overall physical and mental health.

(E) The community engagement program shall continue through the FY 2022 - FY 2023 fiscal biennium or until Ohio is able to implement the waiver component under section 5166.37 of the Revised Code, whichever is sooner, at which point it will cease to exist.

(F) As part of the community engagement program, the Medicaid Director shall explore partnerships with education and training providers to increase training opportunities for Medicaid recipients.

Section 333.220. NURSING FACILITY QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PAYMENTS

(A) As used in this section:

(1) "Base rate" means the portion of a nursing facility's total per Medicaid day payment rate determined under divisions (A), (B), and (C) of section 5165.15 of the Revised Code.

(2) "CMS" means the United States Centers for Medicare and Medicaid services.

(3) "Home office" means the centralized office location where a nursing facility's management and key staff operate and oversee overall business activities.
(4) "Long-stay resident" means an individual who has resided in a nursing facility for at least one hundred one days.

(5) "Nursing facility" has the same meaning as in the "Social Security Act," section 1919(a), 42 U.S.C. 1396r(a).

(6) "Nursing facilities for which a quality score was determined" includes nursing facilities that are determined to have a quality score of zero.

(B) Nursing facilities may receive a per Medicaid day quality incentive payment added to their per Medicaid day payment rate as provided herein.

(C) Subject to division (E) of this section and except as provided in divisions (F) and (G) of this section, the Department of Medicaid shall determine each nursing facility's per Medicaid day quality incentive payment rate for state fiscal year 2022 as follows:

(1) Determine the sum of the quality scores determined under division (D) of this section for all nursing facilities.

(2) Determine the average quality score by dividing the sum determined under division (C)(1) of this section by the number of nursing facilities for which a quality score was determined.

(3) Determine the sum of the total number of Medicaid days for all of the calendar year preceding the fiscal year for which the rate is determined for all nursing facilities for which a quality score was determined.

(4) Multiply the average quality score determined under division (C)(2) of this section by the sum determined under division (C)(3) of this section.

(5) Determine the value per quality point by determining the quotient of the following:

(a) The sum determined under division (E)(3) of this section.
(b) The product determined under division (C)(4) of this section.

(6) Multiply the value per quality point determined under division (C)(5) of this section by the nursing facility's quality score determined under division (D) of this section.

(D)(1) Except as provided in division (D)(2) of this section, a nursing facility's quality score for state fiscal year 2022 shall be the sum of the total number of points that CMS assigned to the nursing facility, including a nursing facility that underwent a change of operator, under CMS's nursing facility five-star quality rating system for the following quality metrics based on the most recent four-quarter average data available in the database maintained by CMS and known as nursing home compare in May of the calendar year during which the fiscal year for which the rate is determined begins:

(a) The percentage of the nursing facility's long-stay residents at high risk for pressure ulcers who had pressure ulcers;

(b) The percentage of the nursing facility's long-stay residents who had a urinary tract infection;

(c) The percentage of the nursing facility's long-stay residents whose ability to move independently worsened;

(d) The percentage of the nursing facility's long-stay residents who had a catheter inserted and left in their bladder.

(2) In determining a nursing facility's quality score for state fiscal year 2022, the Department shall make the following adjustment to the number of points that CMS assigned to the nursing facility, including a nursing facility that underwent a change of operator, for each of the quality metrics specified in division (D)(1) of this section:
(a) Unless division (D)(2)(b) of this section applies, divide the number of the nursing facility's points for the quality metric by twenty.

(b) If CMS assigned the nursing facility to the lowest percentile for the quality metric, reduce the number of the nursing facility's points for the quality metric to zero.

(c) If the nursing facility's total number of points for state fiscal year 2022 for all of the quality metrics specified in division (D)(1) of this section is less than a number of points that is equal to the thirty-third percentile of all nursing facilities, reduce the nursing facility's total points to zero.

(E) The total amount to be spent on quality incentive payments under division (C) of this section for state fiscal year 2022 shall be determined as follows:

(1) Determine the following amount for each nursing facility:

(a) The amount that is five and two-tenths per cent of the nursing facility's base rate for nursing facility services provided on the first day of the state fiscal year plus one dollar and seventy-nine cents;

(b) Multiply the amount determined under division (E)(1)(a) of this section by the number of the nursing facility's Medicaid days for the calendar year preceding the fiscal year for which the rate is determined.

(2) Determine the sum of the products determined under division (E)(1)(b) of this section for all nursing facilities for which the product was determined for the state fiscal year.

(3) To the sum determined under division (E)(2) of this section, add $50,000,000.

(F) If a nursing facility undergoes a change of operator during state fiscal year 2022, the per Medicaid day quality
incentive payment rate to be paid to the entering operator for
nursing facility services that the nursing facility provides
during the period beginning on the effective date of the change of
operator and ending on the last day of the state fiscal year shall
be the same amount as the per Medicaid day quality incentive
payment rate that was in effect on the day immediately preceding
the effective date of the change of operator and paid to the
nursing facility's exiting operator.

(G)(1) Divisions (B), (C), (D), (E), and (F) of this section
apply to state fiscal year 2022, or until implementation of the
quality improvement standards required in division (H) of this
section, if those standards are implemented during state fiscal
year 2022. After state fiscal year 2022 or the implementation of
quality improvement standards under division (H) of this section,
whichever is sooner, divisions (B), (C), (D), (E), and (F) of this
section shall have no effect.

(2) After the expiration of division (B), (C), (D), (E), or
(F) of this section as set forth in division (G)(1) of this
section, no quality improvement payments shall be made under
division (H) of this section until implementation of the quality
improvement standards required by that division.

(H) Not later than January 1, 2022, the Department of
Medicaid, in consultation with the Department of Aging and the
Department of Health, shall jointly develop quality improvement
standards that apply to nursing facilities. The quality
improvement standards shall be used to determine a quality
improvement payment to be made to qualifying nursing facilities.
The departments shall include stakeholder input as part of the
process of developing the standards.

(I) In addition to the quality improvement standards
developed pursuant to division (H) of this section, to be eligible
for a quality improvement payment under division (H) of this
section, a nursing facility shall have a home office located in this state and have key program staff who are residents of this state and are based and working in this state. Each key program staff person may occupy no more than one of the positions listed in division (J) of this section, unless the nursing facility receives prior written approval from the Department of Medicaid.

(J) Key program staff include all of the following:

(1) An administrator who shall serve forty hours a week during regular business hours to fulfill the responsibilities of the position and to oversee the entire operation of the nursing facility. The administrator shall devote sufficient time to nursing facility operations to ensure adherence to program requirements and timely responses to the Department of Medicaid.

(2) A medical director who is a physician holding a current, unencumbered license to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery issued under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code. The medical director shall have at least three years of training in a medical specialty. The medical director shall devote at least thirty-two hours a week to the nursing facility's operations to ensure timely medical decisions, including after-hours consultation as needed. The medical director shall be actively involved in all major clinical and quality management components of the nursing facility.

(3) A director of nursing who is a registered nurse holding a current, unencumbered license issued under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code. The nursing director shall serve forty hours a week available during regular business hours to ensure appropriate care to residents. The nursing director shall be actively involved in all clinical and quality management components of the nursing facility.

(4) A quality improvement director who shall have experience
in quality management and quality improvement and shall oversee all quality initiatives in the facility and who is any of the following:

(a) A physician holding a current, unencumbered license to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery issued under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code;

(b) A registered nurse holding a current, unencumbered license issued under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code;

(c) A physician assistant holding a current, unencumbered license issued under Chapter 4730. of the Revised Code.

(K) The Medicaid Director may adopt rules as necessary pursuant to sections 5164.02 and 5165.02 of the Revised Code to implement this section, including establishing quality improvement standards under division (H) of this section and minimum responsibilities for key program staff listed in division (J) of this section.

Section 333.230. LUMP SUM PAYMENT FOR LOW MEDICAID UTILIZATION

(A) The Department of Medicaid shall determine the aggregate Medicaid utilization for all nursing facilities during state fiscal year 2022. Except as provided in division (B) of this section, if the Department determines that for all nursing facilities, the aggregate Medicaid utilization for all of state fiscal year 2022 is less than 90 per cent of the aggregate Medicaid utilization for all nursing facilities for all of calendar year 2019, the Department may issue a lump sum payment to individual nursing facilities that had Medicaid utilization below 90 per cent for all of state fiscal year 2022.

(B) The following nursing facilities are not eligible to receive a lump sum payment under this section:
(1) A nursing facility with a Medicaid utilization rate for all of state fiscal year 2022 that exceeds 90 per cent of its Medicaid utilization for all of calendar year 2019;

(2) Nursing facilities that are new as of state fiscal year 2022;

(3) Nursing facilities that have undergone a change of operator during state fiscal year 2022;

(4) Nursing facilities that closed during state fiscal year 2022.

(C) The total expenditures for lump sum payments under this section shall be the lesser of $50,000,000, or an amount equal to the aggregate calculated shortfall below 90 per cent under division (A) of this section.

(D) The Medicaid Director shall adopt rules, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, to establish eligibility criteria for the lump sum payment, the distribution formula for the lump sum payment, and procedures by which a nursing facility can request a lump sum payment.

Section 333.240. TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF REBASING

Notwithstanding the requirements of section 5165.36 of the Revised Code to conduct a rebasing at least once every five state fiscal years, the Department of Medicaid is not required to conduct its next rebasing until July 1, 2023.

Section 335.10. MED STATE MEDICAL BOARD

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**Section 337.10.** MHA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES

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### Section 337.20. PREVENTION AND WELLNESS

The foregoing appropriation item 336406, Prevention and Wellness, shall be used as follows:

(A) Up to $1,250,000 in each fiscal year shall be distributed to boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services to purchase the provision of evidence-based prevention services from providers certified by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services.
(B) Up to $500,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to support suicide prevention efforts.

(C) Up to $2,250,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to increase access to early identification of behavioral health disorders.

**Section 337.30. MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES LEASE RENTAL BOND PAYMENTS**

The foregoing appropriation item 336415, Mental Health Facilities Lease Rental Bond Payments, shall be used to meet all payments during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services pursuant to leases and agreements made under section 154.20 of the Revised Code. These appropriations are the source of funds pledged for bond service charges on obligations issued pursuant to Chapter 154. of the Revised Code.

**Section 337.40. CONTINUUM OF CARE SERVICES**

The foregoing appropriation item 336421, Continuum of Care Services, shall be used as follows:

(A) A portion of this appropriation shall be allocated to boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services in accordance with a distribution methodology determined by the Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services for the boards to purchase mental health and addiction services permitted under Chapter 340. of the Revised Code. Boards may use a portion of the funds allocated:

(1) To provide subsidized support for psychotropic medication needs of indigent citizens in the community to reduce unnecessary hospitalization due to lack of medication; and

(2) To provide subsidized support for medication-assisted
treatment costs.

(B) A portion of this appropriation may be distributed to boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services, community addiction and/or mental health services providers, courts, or other governmental entities to provide specific grants in support of initiatives concerning mental health and addiction services.

(C) Of the foregoing appropriation item 336421, Continuum of Care Services, $1,500,000 in each fiscal year shall be allocated by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services to boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services. The boards shall use their allocations to establish and administer, in collaboration with the other boards that serve the same state psychiatric hospital region, mental health crisis stabilization centers or, upon approval from the Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services, boards may use these funds in conjunction with funds earmarked in division (A) of Section 337.130 of this act, to establish and administer crisis stabilization centers that have the ability to serve individuals with substance use and/or mental health needs. There shall be at least one center located in each state psychiatric hospital region.

Boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services shall ensure that each mental health crisis stabilization center established and administered under division (C) of this section complies with all of the following:

(1) It serves individuals before and after the individuals receive treatment and care at hospital emergency departments or freestanding emergency departments.

(2) It serves individuals before and after the individuals are confined in state or local correctional facilities.

(3) It has a Medicaid provider agreement.
(4) It serves individuals who present as needing the crisis stabilization services provided by the center.

(5) It connects individuals when they are discharged from the center with community-based continuum of care services and supports as described in section 340.032 of the Revised Code.

(D) Boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services shall submit to the Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services for approval a plan for establishing and administering crisis stabilization centers pursuant to division (C) of this section and division (A) of Section 337.130 of this act that meet the mental health and substance use needs of individuals within their service districts.

(E) As used in division (C) of this section:

(1) "State or local correctional facility" means any of the following:

(a) A "state correctional institution," as defined in section 2967.01 of the Revised Code;

(b) A "local correctional facility," as defined in section 2903.13 of the Revised Code;

(c) A correctional facility that is privately operated and managed pursuant to section 9.06 of the Revised Code.

(2) "State psychiatric hospital regions" means the six districts into which the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services has divided the state pursuant to division (B)(2) of section 5119.14 of the Revised Code.

(F) Of the foregoing appropriation item 336421, Continuum of Care Services, up to $5,500,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to develop a strategic approach to strengthening cross-systems collaboration efforts to serve adults with serious mental illness who are involved in multiple behavioral health, health, human
services, and criminal justice systems.

(G) Of the foregoing appropriation item 336421, Continuum of Care Services, up to $2,500,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to develop, evaluate, and expand crisis services infrastructure to provide support for adults, children, and families in a variety of settings.

(H) Of the foregoing appropriation item 336421, Continuum of Care Services, up to $475,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to support the operation of a statewide, twenty-four-hour, seven-days-a-week, behavioral health support line.

Section 337.50. CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES

Except as otherwise provided in this act, the foregoing appropriation item 336422, Criminal Justice Services, shall be used to provide forensic psychiatric evaluations to courts of common pleas and to conduct evaluations of patients of forensic status in facilities operated or designated by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services prior to conditional release to the community. A portion of this appropriation may be allocated through boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services to community addiction and/or mental health services providers in accordance with a distribution methodology as determined by the Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services.

Of the foregoing appropriation item, 336422, Criminal Justice Services, up to $3,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be allocated to the Psychotropic Drug Reimbursement Program established in section 5119.19 of the Revised Code.

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall certify to the Director of Budget and Management the amount of the
unexpended, unencumbered balance of this earmark in fiscal year 2022. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the appropriation item in fiscal year 2023 for the same purpose.

The foregoing appropriation item 336422, Criminal Justice Services, may also be used to:

(A) Provide forensic monitoring and tracking of individuals on conditional release;
(B) Provide forensic training;
(C) Support projects that assist courts and law enforcement to identify and develop appropriate alternative services to incarceration for nonviolent mentally ill offenders;
(D) Provide specialized re-entry services to offenders leaving prisons and jails;
(E) Provide specific grants in support of addiction services alternatives to incarceration;
(F) Support therapeutic communities;
(G) Support specialty dockets and expand or create new certified court programs;
(H) Establish and administer outpatient competency restoration services.

Section 337.60. SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT IN SPECIALIZED DOCKET PROGRAMS

(A) As used in this section:
(1) "Community addiction services provider" has the same meaning as in section 5119.01 of the Revised Code.
(2) "Community control sanction" has the same meaning as in section 2929.01 of the Revised Code.
(3) "Medication-assisted treatment drug court program" and
"MAT drug court program" mean a session of any of the following that holds initial or final certification from the Supreme Court of Ohio as a specialized docket program for drugs and that uses medication-assisted treatment as part of its specialized docket program: a common pleas court, municipal court, or county court, or a division of any of those courts.

(4) "Prescriber" has the same meaning as in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code.

(5) "Recovery supports" has the same meaning as in section 5119.01 of the Revised Code.

(6) "Substance use disorder treatment" has the same meaning as "alcohol and drug addiction services" as defined in section 5119.01 of the Revised Code.

(B)(1) The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall conduct a program to provide substance use disorder treatment, which may include medication-assisted treatment and recovery supports, to persons who are eligible to participate in a medication-assisted treatment drug court program and are selected under this section to be participants in a MAT drug court program because of a substance use disorder.

(2) The Department shall conduct its program in collaboration with any counties in Ohio that are conducting MAT drug court programs.

(3) In addition to conducting its program in accordance with division (B)(2) of this section, the Department may conduct its program in collaboration with any other court that is conducting a MAT drug court program.

(C) In conducting its program, the Department shall collaborate with the Supreme Court, the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, and any agency of the state that the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services determines
may be of assistance in accomplishing the objectives of the Department's program. The Department may collaborate with the boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services and with local law enforcement agencies that serve the counties in which a court participating in the Department's program is located.

(D)(1) A MAT drug court program participating in the Department's program shall select the persons who are to be its participants for purposes of the Department's program. To be selected, a person must be a criminal offender, including an offender under a community control sanction, or be involved in a drug or family dependency court. A person shall not be selected to be a participant unless the person meets the legal and clinical eligibility criteria for the MAT drug court program and is an active participant in the MAT drug court program, or unless the offender is under a community control sanction with the program's participating judge.

(2) After a MAT drug court program enrolls a person as a participant for purposes of the Department's program, the participant shall comply with all requirements of the MAT drug court program.

(E) The substance use disorder treatment and recovery supports provided under the Department's program in collaboration with a MAT drug court program shall be provided by a community addiction services provider. The provider shall do all of the following:

(1) Provide treatment based on an integrated service delivery model that consists of the coordination of care between a prescriber and the community addiction services provider;

(2) Conduct professional, comprehensive substance abuse and mental health diagnostic assessments of a person under
consideration for selection as a program participant to determine whether the person would benefit from substance use disorder treatment and monitoring;

(3) Determine, based on the assessment described in division (E)(2) of this section, the treatment needs of the program participants served by the community addiction services provider;

(4) Develop, for program participants served by the community addiction services provider, individualized goals and objectives;

(5) Provide access to the long-acting antagonist therapies, partial agonist therapies, or full agonist therapies, that are included in the program's medication-assisted treatment;

(6) Provide other types of therapies, including psychosocial therapies, for both substance use disorder and any disorders that are considered by the community addiction services provider to be co-occurring disorders;

(7) Monitor program compliance through the use of regular drug testing, including urinalysis, of the program participants served by the community addiction services provider;

(8) Provide access to time-limited recovery supports that help eliminate barriers to treatment and are specific to the participant's needs, including assistance with housing, transportation, child care, job training, obtaining a driver's license or state identification card, and any other matter considered relevant by the provider.

(F) In the case of medication-assisted treatment provided under the Department's program, all of the following conditions apply:

(1) A drug may be used only if the drug has been approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for use in treating dependence on opioids, alcohol, or both, or for preventing relapse
into the use of opioids, alcohol, or both.

(2) One or more drugs may be used, but each drug that is used must constitute long-acting antagonist therapy, partial agonist therapy, or full agonist therapy.

(3) If a drug constituting partial or full agonist therapy is used, the program shall provide safeguards to minimize abuse and diversion of the drug, including such safeguards as routine drug testing of program participants.

(G) It is anticipated and expected that MAT drug court programs will expand their ability to serve more drug court participants as a result of increased access to commercial or publicly funded health insurance. In order to ensure that funds appropriated to support the Department's program are used in the most efficient manner with a goal of enrolling the maximum number of participants, the Medicaid Director, in collaboration with major Ohio health care plans, shall develop plans consistent with this division. There shall be no prior authorizations or step therapy for medication-assisted treatment for program participants. The plans developed under this division shall ensure all of the following:

(1) The development of an efficient and timely process for review of eligibility for health benefits for all persons selected to participate in the program;

(2) A rapid conversion to reimbursement for all health care services by the participant's health care plan following approval for coverage of health care benefits;

(3) The development of a consistent benefit package that provides ready access to and reimbursement for essential health care services including, but not limited to, primary health care services, alcohol and opioid detoxification services, appropriate psychosocial services, and medication for long-acting injectable...
antagonist therapies, partial agonist therapies, and full agonist therapies;

(4) The development of guidelines that require the provision of all treatment services, including medication, with minimal administrative barriers and within a time frame that meets the requirements of individual patient care plans.

(H) Of the foregoing appropriation item 336422, Criminal Justice Services, up to $5,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to support substance use disorder treatment, including medication-assisted treatment and recovery supports for drug court specialized docket programs and to support the administrative expenses of courts and community addiction services providers participating in the program.

Section 337.70. RECOVERY HOUSING

The foregoing appropriation item 336424, Recovery Housing, shall be used to expand and support access to recovery housing as defined in section 340.01 of the Revised Code and in accordance with section 340.034 of the Revised Code. For expenditures that are capital in nature, the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall develop procedures to administer these funds in a manner that is consistent with current community capital assistance guidelines.

Section 337.80. SPECIALIZED DOCKET SUPPORT

(A) The foregoing appropriation item 336425, Specialized Docket Support, shall be used to defray a portion of the annual payroll costs associated with the specialized docket of a common pleas court, municipal court, county court, juvenile court, or family court that meets all of the eligibility requirements in division (B) of this section, including a family dependency treatment docket. The foregoing appropriation item 336425,
Specialized Docket Support, may also be used to defray costs associated with treatment services and recovery supports for participants. 

(B) To be eligible, the specialized docket must have received Supreme Court of Ohio initial or final certification and include participants with behavioral health needs in its target population. 

(C) Of the foregoing appropriation item 336425, Specialized Docket Support, the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall use up to one per cent of the funds appropriated in each fiscal year to pay the cost it incurs in administering the duties established in this section. 

(D) The Department, in consultation with the Supreme Court of Ohio, may adopt funding distribution methodology, guidelines, and procedures as necessary to carry out the purposes of this section. 

Section 337.90. COMMUNITY INNOVATIONS

The foregoing appropriation item 336504, Community Innovations, may be used by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services to make targeted investments in programs, projects, or systems operated by or under the authority of other state agencies, governmental entities, or private not-for-profit agencies that impact, or are impacted by, the operations and functions of the Department, with the goal of achieving a net reduction in expenditure of state general revenue funds and/or improved outcomes for Ohio citizens without a net increase in state general revenue fund spending. 

The Director shall identify and evaluate programs, projects, or systems proposed or operated, in whole or in part, outside of the authority of the Department, where targeted investment of these funds in the program, project, or system is expected to
decrease demand for the Department or other resources funded with state general revenue funds, and/or to measurably improve outcomes for Ohio citizens with mental illness or with alcohol, drug, or gambling addictions. The Director shall have discretion to provide funds from this appropriation item to other state agencies, governmental entities, or private not-for-profit agencies in amounts, and subject to conditions, that the Director determines most likely to achieve state savings and/or improved outcomes. Distribution of funds from this appropriation item shall not be subject to sections 9.23 to 9.239 or Chapter 125. of the Revised Code.

The Department shall enter into an agreement with each recipient of community innovation funds, identifying: allowable expenditure of the funds; other commitment of funds or other resources to the program, project, or system; expected state savings and/or improved outcomes and proposed mechanisms for measurement of such savings or outcomes; and required reporting regarding expenditure of funds and savings or outcomes achieved.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 336504, Community Innovations, up to $6,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be used for operating expenses that result in improved quality of life for adults with severe mental illness living in class two and class three residential facilities.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 336504, Community Innovations, up to $4,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to provide funding for community projects across the state that focus on support for families, assisting families in avoiding crisis, and crisis intervention.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 336504, Community Innovations, up to $3,500,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to support workforce development initiatives.
Of the foregoing appropriation item 336504, Community Innovations, up to $1,500,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to improve behavioral health outcomes for racial and ethnic minorities.

Section 337.100. RESIDENTIAL STATE SUPPLEMENT

(A) The foregoing appropriation item 336510, Residential State Supplement, may be used by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services to provide training and other supports for residential facilities providing accommodations, supervision, and personal care services to three to sixteen unrelated adults with mental illness and to make payments to residential state supplement recipients.

(B) The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall adopt rules establishing eligibility criteria and payment amounts under section 5119.41 of the Revised Code.

Section 337.110. EARLY CHILDHOOD MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELORS AND CONSULTATION

The foregoing appropriation item 336511, Early Childhood Mental Health Counselors and Consultation, shall be used to promote identification and intervention for early childhood mental health and to enhance healthy social emotional development in order to reduce preschool to third grade classroom expulsions. Funds shall be used by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services to support early childhood mental health credentialed counselors and consultation services, as well as administration and workforce development for the program.

Section 337.120. MEDICAID SUPPORT

The foregoing appropriation item 652321, Medicaid Support, shall be used to fund specified Medicaid Services as delegated by
the state's single agency responsible for the Medicaid Program.

**Section 337.130. SUBSTANCE ABUSE STABILIZATION CENTERS**

(A) The foregoing appropriation item 336600, Substance Abuse Stabilization Centers, shall be used to establish and administer, in collaboration with the other boards that serve the same state psychiatric hospital region, substance use stabilization centers or, upon approval from the Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services, boards may use these funds in conjunction with funds earmarked in division (C) of Section 337.40 of this act to establish and administer crisis stabilization centers that have the ability to serve individuals with substance use and/or mental health needs. There shall be a minimum of one center located in each state psychiatric hospital region.

(B) Boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services shall submit to the Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services for approval a plan for establishing and administering crisis stabilization centers pursuant to division (A) of this section and division (C) of Section 337.40 of this act that meet the needs of individuals within their service districts.

(C) As used in this section, "state psychiatric hospital regions" means the six districts into which the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services has divided the state pursuant to division (B)(2) of section 5119.14 of the Revised Code.

**Section 337.140. ADAMHS BOARDS**

(A) Of the foregoing appropriation item 336643, ADAMHS Boards, $5,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be allocated as follows:

(1) Each board shall receive $50,000 in each fiscal year for each of the counties that are part of the board's district.
(2) Each board shall receive a percentage of any remaining amount to be determined by a formula developed by the Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services.

(B) Of the foregoing appropriation item 336643, ADAMHS Boards, up to $6,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to fund a continuum of crisis stabilization and crisis prevention services and supports to allow individuals to be served in the least restrictive setting.

(C) Boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services shall submit for approval by the Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services a plan for establishing and administering crisis services in conjunction with the plan submitted pursuant to division (D) of Section 337.40 and division (B) of Section 337.130 of this act.

Section 337.150. PROBLEM GAMBLING AND CASINO ADDICTION

A portion of appropriation item 336629, Problem Gambling and Casino Addiction, shall be allocated to boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services in accordance with a distribution methodology determined by the Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services.

Section 337.160. FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST FLEXIBLE FUNDING POOL

A county family and children first council may establish and operate a flexible funding pool in order to assure access to needed services by families, children, and older adults in need of protective services. The operation of the flexible funding pools shall be subject to the following restrictions:

(A) The county council shall establish and operate the flexible funding pool in accordance with formal guidance issued by the Family and Children First Cabinet Council;
(B) The county council shall produce an annual report on its use of the pooled funds. The annual report shall conform to a format prescribed in the formal guidance issued by the Family and Children First Cabinet Council;

(C) Unless otherwise restricted, funds transferred to the flexible funding pool may include state general revenues allocated to local entities to support the provision of services to families and children;

(D) The amounts transferred to the flexible funding pool shall be limited to amounts that can be redirected without impairing the achievement of the objectives for which the initial allocation is designated; and

(E) Each amount transferred to the flexible funding pool from a specific allocation shall be approved for transfer by the director of the local agency that was the original recipient of the allocation.

Section 337.170. ACCESS SUCCESS II PROGRAM

To the extent cash is available, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash from a fund designated by the Medicaid Director, to the Sale of Goods and Services Fund (Fund 1490), used by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. The transferred cash is hereby appropriated.

The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall use the transferred funds to administer the Access Success II Program to help non-Medicaid patients in any hospital established, controlled, or supervised by the Department under Chapter 5119. of the Revised Code to transition from inpatient status to a community setting.

Section 337.180. CASH TRANSFER FROM THE INDIGENT DRIVERS ALCOHOL TREATMENT FUND TO THE STATEWIDE TREATMENT AND PREVENTION
On a schedule determined by the Director of Budget and Management, the Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall certify to the Director of Budget and Management the amount of excess license reinstatement fees that are available pursuant to division (F)(2)(c) of section 4511.191 of the Revised Code to be transferred from the Indigent Drivers Alcohol Treatment Fund (Fund 7049) to the Statewide Treatment and Prevention Fund (Fund 4750). Upon certification, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash from the Indigent Drivers Alcohol Treatment Fund to the Statewide Treatment and Prevention Fund.

Section 337.190. TRANSCRANIAL MAGNETIC STIMULATION PROGRAM

The foregoing appropriation item 336515, Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation Program, shall be used for the transcranial magnetic stimulation program for veterans with substance use disorders or mental illness as described in section 5902.09 of the Revised Code.

Section 339.10. MIH COMMISSION ON MINORITY HEALTH

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Section 339.20. INFANT MORTALITY HEALTH GRANTS

Of the foregoing appropriation item 149503, Infant Mortality Health Grants, up to $2,685,000 in each fiscal year shall be distributed to up to ten community-based agencies to support the continuation or establishment of a pathways community HUB model that has the primary purpose of reducing infant mortality in the urban and rural communities with a targeted focus on disparities. The grant recipients shall, at least quarterly, submit performance data, evaluation data, and fiscal reports as specified by the Commission on Minority Health.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 149503, Infant Mortality Health Grants, $135,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to provide evaluation and review of the service delivery of grant recipients receiving funds from this appropriation item. The Commission on Minority Health shall contract with entities to provide statewide evaluation and technical assistance to analyze the performance data submitted to the Commission. These entities shall convene quarterly meetings with grant recipients, which may be held by telephone, video conference, or other means of electronic communication. The meetings shall include a discussion on performance data, continuous quality improvement practices, implementation lessons, participant feedback, barriers to pathways closure, certification status, contract achievement, and any other topics the evaluation entities and the Commission deem appropriate.

The remainder of appropriation item 149503, Infant Mortality Health Grants, shall be used by the Commission on Minority Health for administrative costs.
### Section 341.10. CRB MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR BOARD 58278

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**Section 343.20. PROGRAM SUPPORT FUND**

The Department of Natural Resources shall use a methodology for determining each division's payments into the Program Support Fund (Fund 1570). The methodology used shall contain the characteristics of administrative ease and uniform application in compliance with federal grant requirements. It may include direct cost charges for specific services provided. Payments to Fund 1570 shall be made using an intrastate transfer voucher.

The foregoing appropriation item 725401, Division of Wildlife-Operating Subsidy, shall be used to pay the direct and indirect costs of the Division of Wildlife.

**PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES LEASE RENTAL BOND PAYMENTS**

The foregoing appropriation item 725413, Parks and Recreational Facilities Lease Rental Bond Payments, shall be used to meet all payments during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, by the Department of Natural Resources pursuant to leases and agreements made under section 154.22 of the Revised Code. These appropriations are the source of funds pledged for...
bond service charges on related obligations issued under Chapter 154. of the Revised Code.

HEALTHY LAKE ERIE PROGRAM

The foregoing appropriation item 725505, Healthy Lake Erie Program, shall be used by the Director of Natural Resources, in support of the following: (1) conservation measures in the Western Lake Erie Basin as determined by the Director; (2) funding assistance for soil testing, winter cover crops, edge of field testing, tributary monitoring, animal waste abatement; and (3) any additional efforts to reduce nutrient runoff as the Director may decide. The Director shall give priority to recommendations that encourage farmers to adopt agricultural production guidelines commonly known as 4R nutrient stewardship practices.

COAL AND MINE SAFETY PROGRAMS

The foregoing appropriation item 725507, Coal and Mine Safety Programs, shall be used for the administration of the Mine Safety Program and the Coal Regulation Program.

NATURAL RESOURCES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND DEBT SERVICE

The foregoing appropriation item 725903, Natural Resources General Obligation Bond Debt Service, shall be used to pay all debt service and related financing costs during the period July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, on obligations issued under sections 151.01 and 151.05 of the Revised Code.

Section 343.30. OIL AND GAS WELL PLUGGING

The foregoing appropriation item 725677, Oil and Gas Well Plugging, shall be used exclusively for the purposes of plugging wells and to properly restore the land surface of idle and orphan oil and gas wells pursuant to section 1509.071 of the Revised Code. This appropriation item shall not be used for salaries, maintenance, equipment, or other administrative purposes, except
for those costs directly attributable to the plugging of an idle
or orphan well. In addition, this appropriation item shall not be
used to transfer cash to any other fund or appropriation item.

H2OHIO FUND

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the
Director of Natural Resources may certify to the Director of
Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered
balance of the foregoing appropriation item, 725681, H2Ohio, at
the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated in fiscal year
2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same
appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

WELL LOG FILING FEES

The Chief of the Division of Water Resources shall deposit
fees forwarded to the Division pursuant to section 1521.05 of the
Revised Code into the Water Management Fund (Fund 5160) for the
purposes described in that section.

PARKS CAPITAL EXPENSES FUND

The Director of Natural Resources shall submit to the
Director of Budget and Management the estimated design,
engineering, and planning costs of capital-related work to be done
by Department of Natural Resources staff for parks projects within
the Ohio Parks and Recreation Improvement Fund (Fund 7035). If the
Director of Budget and Management approves the estimated costs,
the Director may release appropriations from Fund 7035
appropriation item C725E6, Project Planning, for those purposes.
Upon release of the appropriations, the Department of Natural
Resources shall pay for these expenses from the Parks Capital
Expenses Fund (Fund 2270). Expenses paid from Fund 2270 shall be
reimbursed by Fund 7035 using an intrastate transfer voucher.

NATUREWORKS CAPITAL EXPENSES FUND
The Department of Natural Resources shall submit to the Director of Budget and Management the estimated design, planning, and engineering costs of capital-related work to be done by Department of Natural Resources staff for each capital improvement project within the Ohio Parks and Natural Resources Fund (Fund 7031). If the Director of Budget and Management approves the estimated costs, the Director may release appropriations from Fund 7031 appropriation item C725E5, Project Planning, for those purposes. Upon release of the appropriations, the Department of Natural Resources shall pay for these expenses from the Capital Expenses Fund (Fund 4S90). Expenses paid from Fund 4S90 shall be reimbursed by Fund 7031 using an intrastate transfer voucher.

PARK MAINTENANCE

The foregoing appropriation item 725514, Park Maintenance, shall be used by the Department of Natural Resources to pay the costs of projects supported by the State Park Maintenance Fund (Fund 5TD0) under section 1501.08 of the Revised Code.

On July 1 of each fiscal year or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Natural Resources shall certify the amount of five percent of the average of the previous five years of deposits in the State Park Fund (Fund 5120) to the Director of Budget and Management. The Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $1,600,000 from Fund 5120 to the State Park Maintenance Fund (Fund 5TD0).

Section 343.50. CLEAN OHIO TRAIL OPERATING EXPENSES

The foregoing appropriation item 725405, Clean Ohio Trail Operating, shall be used by the Department of Natural Resources in administering Clean Ohio Trail Fund (Fund 7061) projects pursuant to section 1519.05 of the Revised Code.

Section 345.10. NUR STATE BOARD OF NURSING
Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4K90 884609 Operating Expenses $ 11,378,121 $ 11,689,893 58477
5AC0 884602 Nurse Education Grant $ 1,513,000 $ 1,513,000 58478
Program
5P80 884601 Nursing Special Issues $ 500 $ 500 58479
TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund Group $ 12,891,621 $ 13,203,393 58480
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 12,891,621 $ 13,203,393 58482

Section 347.10. PYT OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, PHYSICAL THERAPY, AND ATHLETIC TRAINERS BOARD

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4K90 890609 Operating Expenses $ 1,168,045 $ 1,168,045 58487
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TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 1,168,045 $ 1,168,045 58489

Section 353.10. OOD OPPORTUNITIES FOR OHIOANS WITH DISABILITIES AGENCY

General Revenue Fund

GRF 415402 Independent Living $ 252,000 $ 252,000 58494
Council
GRF 415406 Assistive Technology $ 25,819 $ 25,819 58495
GRF 415431 Brain Injury $ 126,567 $ 126,567 58496
GRF 415506 Services for Individuals with Disabilities $ 18,418,244 $ 18,418,244 58497
GRF 415508 Services for the Deaf $ 27,580 $ 27,580 58498
GRF 415511 Centers for Independent Living $ 450,000 $ 450,000 58499
GRF 415512 Visually Impaired $ 50,000 $ 50,000 58500
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Section 353.20. INDEPENDENT LIVING

The foregoing appropriation item 415402, Independent Living Council, shall be used to support the state independent living programs and centers under Title VII of the Independent Living Services and Centers for Independent Living of the Rehabilitation Act Amendments of 1992, 106 Stat. 4344, 29 U.S.C. 796d.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 415402, Independent Living Council, $67,662 in each fiscal year shall be used as state matching funds for vocational rehabilitation innovation and expansion activities.

The foregoing appropriation item 415511, Centers for Independent Living, shall be used to support the operations of the Centers for Independent Living in accordance with the State Plan for Independent Living.

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

The foregoing appropriation item 415406, Assistive Technology, shall be provided to Assistive Technology of Ohio to provide grants and assistive technology services for people with disabilities in the State of Ohio.

BRAIN INJURY

The foregoing appropriation item 415431, Brain Injury, shall be provided to The Ohio State University College of Medicine to support the Brain Injury Program established under section 3335.60 of the Revised Code.

SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

In addition to funding the general vocational rehabilitation program, the foregoing appropriation item 415506, Services for Individuals with Disabilities, shall be used as state match to:
continue partnerships with certified drug courts to expand access
to employment through vocational rehabilitation services and
increase employment outcomes that promote recovery and
rehabilitation; continue partnerships with community colleges and
state universities to ensure college students with disabilities
can compete for in-demand jobs in tomorrow's labor market and
increase the median earnings of individuals who obtain employment;
create paid on-the-job work experiences for eligible candidates
placed in state agencies to develop work skills needed to pursue
permanent employment and increase the number of individuals with
disabilities employed in state government; and increase access to
vocational rehabilitation services for eligible students enrolled
at the Ohio State School for the Blind and the Ohio School for the
Deaf that will prepare students who are blind or deaf for
transition to college or employment.

SERVICES FOR THE DEAF

The foregoing appropriation item 415508, Services for the
Deaf, shall be used to support community centers for the deaf.

VISUALLY IMPAIRED READING SERVICES

The foregoing appropriation item 415512, Visually Impaired
Reading Services, shall be used to support VOICEcorps Reading
Services to provide reading services for blind individuals.

SIGHT CENTERS

Of the foregoing appropriation item 415617, Independent
Living Older Blind, $30,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to
contract in equal amounts with the Cleveland Sight Center, the
Cincinnati Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired, and
the Sight Center of Northwest Ohio to provide independent living
services to the community of individuals with blindness or low
vision.
Section 361.10. PEN PENSION SUBSIDIES

General Revenue Fund

GRF 090524 Police and Fire Disability Pension Fund $ 1,000 $ 1,000

GRF 090534 Police and Fire Ad Hoc Cost of Living $ 22,000 $ 22,000

GRF 090554 Police and Fire Survivor Benefits $ 201,000 $ 201,000

GRF 090575 Police and Fire Death Benefits $ 35,000,000 $ 35,250,000

TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund $ 35,224,000 $ 35,474,000

TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 35,224,000 $ 35,474,000

Section 361.20. POLICE AND FIRE DEATH BENEFIT FUND

The foregoing appropriation item 090575, Police and Fire Death Benefits, shall be disbursed quarterly by the Treasurer of State at the beginning of each quarter of each fiscal year to the Board of Trustees of the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund, which serves as trustees of the Ohio Public Safety Officers Death Benefit Fund pursuant to section 742.62 of the Revised Code. The Treasurer of State shall certify such amounts quarterly to the Director of Budget and Management. By the twentieth day of June of each fiscal year, the Board of Trustees shall certify to the Treasurer of State the amount disbursed in the current fiscal year to make the payments required by sections 124.824 and 742.63 of the Revised Code and shall return to the Treasurer of State moneys received from this appropriation item but not disbursed.

Notwithstanding any provision of section 124.824 of the Revised Code to the contrary, for each death benefit fund recipient who participates in health, medical, hospital, dental,
surgical, or vision benefits under section 124.824 of the Revised Code, the Board of Trustees of the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund shall forward as a pass-through from the revenue received from the foregoing appropriation item 090575, Police and Fire Death Benefits, the percentage of the cost for the applicable benefits that would be paid by a state employer for a state employee who elects that coverage and any applicable administrative costs, which shall not exceed two per cent of the total cost of the benefits. The Board of Trustees shall also withhold from the benefits paid to a death benefit fund recipient under section 742.63 of the Revised Code the percentage of the cost for such benefits that would be paid by a state employee, and forward the withheld amounts to the Department of Administrative Services from the revenue received from the foregoing appropriation item 090575, Police and Fire Death Benefits.

In fiscal year 2022 or 2023, if it is determined by the Director of Administrative Services, in consultation with the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund, or designee, that additional amounts are necessary to pay the cost of providing benefits under section 124.824 or 742.63 of the Revised Code, the Director of Administrative Services may certify the additional amount necessary to the Director of Budget and Management. The amount certified is hereby appropriated.

**Section 363.10.** UST PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK RELEASE COMPENSATION BOARD

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Representation

TOTAL FED Federal Fund Group $ 38,315 $ 38,315 58683

TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 185,960,472 $ 188,424,111 58684

INSUFFICIENT OPERATING EXPENSES FUNDING 58685

If it is determined by the State Public Defender that the amounts appropriated to fund the operating expenses of the Public Defender Commission are insufficient in either fiscal year 2022 or fiscal year 2023, the Director of Budget and Management, upon written request of the State Public Defender, may approve for the applicable fiscal year an appropriation transfer of up to $100,000 from appropriation item 019501, County Reimbursement, to appropriation item 019401, State Legal Defense Services, for the purpose of funding the operating expenses of the Public Defender Commission.

INDIGENT DEFENSE OFFICE 58696

The foregoing appropriation items 019404, Trumbull County - State Share, and 019610, Trumbull County - County Share, shall be used to support an indigent defense office for Trumbull County.

MULTI-COUNTY OFFICE 58700

The foregoing appropriation items 019403, Multi-County: State Share, and 019601, Multi-County: County Share, shall be used to support the Office of the Ohio Public Defender's Multi-County Branch Office Program.

TRAINING ACCOUNT 58705

The foregoing appropriation item 019405, Training Account,
shall be used by the Ohio Public Defender to provide legal
training programs at no cost for private appointed counsel who
represent at least one indigent defendant at no cost, and for
state and county public defenders and attorneys who contract with
the Ohio Public Defender to provide indigent defense services.

CASH TRANSFER FROM THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND TO THE LEGAL AID
FUND

On July 1 of each fiscal year, or as soon as possible
thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management shall transfer
$500,000 cash from the General Revenue Fund to the Legal Aid Fund
(Fund 5740). The transferred cash shall be distributed by the Ohio
Access to Justice Foundation to Ohio's civil legal aid societies
as follows: $250,000 in each fiscal year for the sole purpose of
providing legal services for economically disadvantaged
individuals and families seeking assistance with legal issues
arising as a result of substance abuse disorders, and $250,000 in
each fiscal year for the sole purpose of providing legal services
for veterans. None of the funds shall be used for administrative
costs, including, but not limited to, salaries, benefits, or
travel reimbursements.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATION

The foregoing appropriation item 019608, Federal
Representation, shall be used to support representation provided
by the Ohio Public Defender in federal court cases.

Section 373.10. DPS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

General Revenue Fund

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| GRF 763513 | Security Grants   | $4,250,000  | $4,250,000  |</p>
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Section 373.20. RECOVERY OHIO LAW ENFORCEMENT

Of the foregoing appropriation item 761403, Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement, up to $6,575,000 in fiscal year 2022 and $6,655,000 in fiscal year 2023 may be used to operate and maintain a highly specialized Narcotics Intelligence Center consisting of personnel assigned to intelligence and computer forensic analysis that will assist Ohio narcotics task forces and law enforcement agencies.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 761403, Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement, up to $3,400,000 in each fiscal year may be used by the Office of Criminal Justice Services to support local law enforcement narcotics task forces that focus on cartel trafficking interdiction. The interdiction task forces shall be designated Ohio Organized Crime Commission task forces subject to approval and supervision of the Commission. This earmarked amount may also be used to provide funding to local law enforcement agencies, the Commission for task force related equipment purchases, and for operating expenses of the Office of Criminal Justice Services related to the narcotics interdiction task force program.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 761403, Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement, up to $2,500,000 in each fiscal year may be used by the Office of Criminal Justice Services for Ohio's narcotics task forces in order to build new and strengthen existing partnerships with local law enforcement. This earmarked amount may also be used to provide funding to local law enforcement agencies and for operating expenses of the Office of Criminal Justice Services related to the Ohio narcotics task force program.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 761403, Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement, up to $600,000 in each fiscal year may be used to partner with the Office of Information Technology in the
Department of Administrative Services to enhance and maintain a uniform records management and data intelligence system, and provide case management, collaboration, data sharing, and data analytics tools for Ohio narcotics task forces and law enforcement agencies.

JUSTICE PROGRAM SERVICES

Of the foregoing appropriation item 768425, Justice Program Services, up to $5,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Office of Criminal Justice Services to administer and distribute grants to state and local law enforcement agencies to implement or enhance body-worn camera programs.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 768425, Justice Program Services, up to $4,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Office of Criminal Justice Services to administer and distribute grants to state and local law enforcement agencies to assist local communities in reducing and preventing crime through the use of promising or proven crime reduction strategies. The use of the grants includes, but is not limited to, overtime, equipment, technical assistance, and analytical support to implement crime reduction strategies.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 768425, Justice Program Services, up to $1,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Office of Criminal Justice Services to distribute grants to state and/or local law enforcement to conduct investigations on sexual assault kit testing results and related expenses.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 768425, Justice Program Services, up to $500,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Office of Criminal Justice Services to support state and local law enforcement agencies in the recruitment, hiring, and training of qualified individuals to serve as peace officers.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 768425, Justice Program Services, up to $100,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Office of Criminal Justice Services for the development of a sexual assault kit testing program.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 768425, Justice Program Services, up to $100,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Office of Criminal Justice Services to conduct investigations to determine the cause of violent deaths.

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Services, up to $200,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Office of Criminal Justice Services to implement recommendations of the Governor's Warrant Task Force.

YOUTHFUL DRIVER SAFETY

The foregoing appropriation item 769407, Youthful Driver Safety, shall be used to enhance driver training for a statewide youthful driver safety program. The program will use best practices and technology to focus on behind-the-wheel driver training for drivers aged sixteen to twenty-four in order to reduce the number of at-fault youthful fatal car crashes.

SCHOOL SAFETY

The foregoing appropriation item 769501, School Safety, shall be used by the Department of Public Safety for the operations of the Ohio School Safety Center, including maintaining and promoting the Safer Ohio Schools Tip Line and assisting local schools and first responders in preventing, preparing for, and responding to threats and acts of violence, including self-harm, through a holistic, solutions-based approach to improving school safety.

LOCAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE

An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of appropriation item 763511, Local Disaster Assistance, at the end of fiscal year 2021 is hereby reappropriated for the April 17, 2018, and April 8, 2019, Major Disaster Declarations for fiscal year 2022.

An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of appropriation item 763511, Local Disaster Assistance, at the end of fiscal year 2022 is hereby reappropriated for the April 17, 2018, and April 8, 2019, Major Disaster Declarations for fiscal year 2023.

STATE DISASTER RELIEF
On July 1 of each fiscal year, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer $1,875,000 cash from the Disaster Services Fund (Fund 5E20) to the State Disaster Relief Fund (Fund 5330) to be used to pay for estimated program administrative costs and Emergency Operations Center activation costs for that fiscal year.

The State Disaster Relief Fund (Fund 5330) may accept transfers of cash or appropriations from Controlling Board appropriation items for the Ohio Emergency Management Agency disaster response costs and disaster program management costs, and may also be used for the following purposes:

(A) To accept transfers of cash or appropriations from Controlling Board appropriation items for Ohio Emergency Management Agency recovery and mitigation program match costs to reimburse eligible local governments and private nonprofit organizations for costs related to disasters;

(B) To accept transfers of cash or appropriations from Controlling Board appropriation items to cover costs incurred and to reimburse government entities for Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) missions;

(C) To accept disaster related reimbursement from federal, state, and local governments. The Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash from reimbursements received by this fund to other funds of the state from which transfers were originally approved by the Controlling Board.

(D) To accept transfers of cash or appropriations from Controlling Board appropriation items to fund the State Disaster Relief Program, for disasters that qualify for the program by written authorization of the Governor, and the State Individual Assistance Program for disasters that have been declared by the federal Small Business Administration and that qualify for the
program by written authorization from the Governor.

(E) The State Disaster Relief Fund (Fund 5330) may accept, hold, administer, and expend any cash received from a gift, donation, bequest, devise, or contribution.

Section 373.30. TRANSFER FROM STATE FIRE MARSHAL FUND TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY SERVICE AND REIMBURSEMENT FUND

On July 1 of each fiscal year, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management shall transfer $200,000 cash from the State Fire Marshall Fund (Fund 5460) to the Emergency Management Agency Service and Reimbursement Fund (Fund 4V30) to be distributed to the Ohio Task Force One – Urban Search and Rescue Unit, other similar urban search and rescue units around the state, and for maintenance of the statewide fire emergency response plan by an entity recognized by the Ohio Emergency Management Agency.

DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND

Notwithstanding division (D) of section 5502.68 of the Revised Code, in each of fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the cumulative amount of funding provided to any single drug task force out of the Drug Law Enforcement Fund (Fund 5ET0) may not exceed $500,000 in any calendar year.

COMMUNITY POLICE RELATIONS

The foregoing appropriation item 768621, Community Police Relations, shall be used to implement key recommendations of the Ohio Task Force on Community-Police Relations, including a database on use of force and officer involved shootings, a public awareness campaign, and state-provided assistance with policy-making and manuals.

SARA TITLE III HAZMAT PLANNING

The SARA Title III Hazmat Planning Fund (Fund 6810) is
entitled to receive grant funds from the Emergency Response Commission to implement the Emergency Management Agency's responsibilities under Chapter 3750. of the Revised Code.

SECURITY GRANTS

(A) The foregoing appropriation item 763513, Security Grants, shall be used to make competitive grants of up to $100,000 to nonprofit organizations, houses of worship, chartered nonpublic schools, and licensed preschools for eligible security improvements that assist the organization in preventing, preparing for, or responding to acts of terrorism, to acquire the services of a resource officer, special duty police officer, or licensed armed security guards, or for the purchase of qualified equipment, including equipment for emergency and crisis communication, crisis management, or trauma and crisis response to assist in preventing, preparing for, or responding to acts of terrorism.

(B) The Emergency Management Agency shall administer and award the grants described in division (A) of this section. The Agency shall establish procedures and forms by which applicants may apply for a grant, a competitive process for ranking applicants and awarding the grants, and procedures for distributing grants to recipients. The procedures shall require each applicant to do all of the following:

1. Identify and substantiate prior threats or attacks by a terrorist organization, network, or cell against the nonprofit organization, house of worship, chartered nonpublic school, or licensed preschool;

2. Indicate the symbolic or strategic value of one or more sites that renders the site a possible target of terrorism;

3. Discuss potential consequences to the organization if the site is damaged, destroyed, or disrupted by a terrorist;

4. Describe how the grant will be used to integrate
organizational preparedness with broader state and local preparedness efforts;

(5) Submit either a vulnerability assessment conducted by experienced security, law enforcement, or military personnel, or a credible intelligence and threat analysis from one or more qualified homeland security, counterintelligence, or anti-terrorism experts, and a description of how the grant will be used to address the vulnerabilities identified in the assessment.

The Agency shall consider all of the above factors in evaluating grant applications.

(C) Any grant submission described in division (I) of section 3313.536 of the Revised Code or section 149.433 of the Revised Code is not a public record under section 149.43 of the Revised Code and is not subject to mandatory release or disclosure under that section.

(D) The Emergency Management Agency may use up to two and one-half per cent of the total amount appropriated to administer the program, a portion of which may be used to pay costs incurred by the Department of Public Safety to provide security-related or specialized assistance in reviewing vulnerability assessments and prioritizing grant applications.

(E) As used in this section:

(1) "Eligible security improvements" means any of the following:

(a) Physical security enhancement equipment or inspection and screening equipment included on the Authorized Equipment List published by the United States Department of Homeland Security;

(b) Attendance fees and associated materials, supplies, and equipment costs for security-related training courses and programs regarding the protection of critical infrastructure and key
resources, physical and cyber security, target hardening, or terrorism awareness or preparedness. Personnel and travel costs associated with training shall not be considered an eligible expense of the grant.

(2) "Nonprofit organization" means a corporation, association, group, institution, society, or other organization that is exempt from federal income taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the "Internal Revenue Code of 1986," 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C. 501(c)(3), as amended.

(3) "Resource officer" means any law enforcement officer of an accredited local law enforcement agency providing special duty services in a school setting to create or maintain a safe, secure, and orderly environment. A resource officer may include a special duty police officer, off-duty police officer, deputy sheriff, or other peace officer of the applicable local law enforcement agency in which the chartered nonpublic school or licensed preschool is located or qualifying personnel of an accredited local law enforcement agency for any jurisdiction in this state.

(4) "Terrorism" means any act taken by a group or individual used to intimidate or coerce a nonprofit organization, house of worship, chartered nonpublic school, or licensed preschool, its employees, and anyone who is or in the future may be associated with it, as well as their families; to influence the policy of the nonprofit organization, house of worship, chartered nonpublic school, or licensed preschool; and to affect the conduct of the nonprofit organization, house of worship, chartered nonpublic school, or licensed preschool.

(F) Effective July 1, 2021, the Director of Budget and Management shall cancel any existing encumbrances against appropriation item 763514, Security Grants – Personnel, and reestablish them against appropriation item 763513, Security Grants. The reestablished encumbrance amounts are hereby
appropriated.

(G) An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 763513, Security Grants, at the end of fiscal year 2021 is hereby reappropriated for the same purpose in fiscal year 2022.

(H) An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 763513, Security Grants, at the end of fiscal year 2022 is hereby reappropriated for the same purpose in fiscal year 2023.

Section 375.10. PUC PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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  - Operating Expenses
7056 150403 Clean Ohio $ 304,822 $ 307,922
  Conservation
  Operating
TOTAL CPF Capital Projects Fund $ 1,242,066 $ 1,253,958
Group
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 298,242,066 $ 291,753,958

Section 377.20. CONSERVATION GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND DEBT SERVICE

The foregoing appropriation item 150904, Conservation General Obligation Bond Debt Service, shall be used to pay all debt service and related financing costs during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, on obligations issued under sections 151.01 and 151.09 of the Revised Code.

INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND DEBT SERVICE

The foregoing appropriation item 150907, Infrastructure Improvement General Obligation Bond Debt Service, shall be used to pay all debt service and related financing costs during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, on obligations issued under sections 151.01 and 151.08 of the Revised Code.

CLEAN OHIO CONSERVATION OPERATING

The foregoing appropriation item 150403, Clean Ohio Conservation Operating, shall be used by the Ohio Public Works Commission in administering Clean Ohio Conservation Fund (Fund 7056) projects pursuant to sections 164.20 to 164.27 of the Revised Code.
STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM - OPERATING EXPENSES

The foregoing appropriation item 150321, State Capital Improvements Program - Operating Expenses, shall be used by the Ohio Public Works Commission to administer the State Capital Improvement Program under sections 164.01 to 164.16 of the Revised Code.

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION COSTS

The Director of the Public Works Commission is authorized to create a District Administration Costs Program from proceeds of the Capital Improvements Fund and Local Transportation Improvement Program Fund. The program shall be used to provide for the direct costs of district administration of the nineteen public works districts. Districts choosing to participate in the program shall only expend State Capital Improvements Fund moneys for State Capital Improvements Fund costs and Local Transportation Improvement Program Fund moneys for Local Transportation Improvement Program Fund costs. The District Administration Costs Program account shall not exceed $1,235,000 per fiscal year. Each public works district may be eligible for up to $65,000 per fiscal year from its district allocation as provided in sections 164.08 and 164.14 of the Revised Code.

The Director, by rule, shall define allowable and non-allowable costs for the purpose of the District Administration Costs Program. Non-allowable costs include indirect costs, elected official salaries and benefits, and project-specific costs. No district public works committee may participate in the District Administration Costs Program without the approval of those costs by the district public works committee under section 164.04 of the Revised Code.

NATURAL RESOURCE ASSISTANCE COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION COSTS

The Director of the Public Works Commission is authorized to
create a District Administration Costs Program for districts represented by natural resource assistance councils. This program shall be funded from proceeds of the Clean Ohio Conservation Fund. The program shall be used by natural resource assistance councils in order to provide for administration costs of the nineteen natural resource assistance councils for the direct costs of council administration. Councils choosing to participate in this program may be eligible for up to $15,000 per fiscal year from its district allocation as provided in section 164.27 of the Revised Code.

The Director shall define allowable and non-allowable costs for the purpose of the District Administration Costs Program. Non-allowable costs include indirect costs, elected official salaries and benefits, and project-specific costs.

Section 379.10. RAC STATE RACING COMMISSION

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### Section 381.20. SEA GRANTS

The foregoing appropriation item 235402, Sea Grants, shall be used to match federal dollars and leverage additional support by The Ohio State University's Sea Grant program, including Stone Laboratory, for research, education, and outreach to enhance the economic value, public utilization, and responsible management of Lake Erie and Ohio's coastal resources.
Section 381.30. ARTICULATION AND TRANSFER

The foregoing appropriation item 235406, Articulation and Transfer, shall be used by the Chancellor of Higher Education to maintain and expand the work of the Articulation and Transfer Network Advisory Council to develop a system of transfer policies to ensure that students at state institutions of higher education can transfer and have coursework apply to their majors and degrees at any other state institution of higher education without unnecessary duplication or institutional barriers under sections 3333.16, 3333.161, 3333.162, and 3333.164 of the Revised Code.

Section 381.40. MIDWEST HIGHER EDUCATION COMPACT

The foregoing appropriation item 235408, Midwest Higher Education Compact, shall be distributed by the Chancellor of Higher Education under section 3333.40 of the Revised Code.

Section 381.50. GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIP ADMINISTRATION

The foregoing appropriation item 235414, Grants and Scholarship Administration, shall be used by the Chancellor of Higher Education to manage and administer student financial aid programs created by the General Assembly and grants for which the Department of Higher Education is responsible. The appropriation item also shall be used to support all state financial aid audits and student financial aid programs created by Congress, and to provide fiscal and administrative services for the Ohio National Guard Scholarship Program.

Section 381.60. TECHNOLOGY MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS

The foregoing appropriation item 235417, Technology Maintenance and Operations, shall be used by the Chancellor of Higher Education to support the development and implementation of
information technology solutions designed to improve the performance and capacity of the Department of Higher Education. The information technology solutions may be provided by the Ohio Technology Consortium (OH-TECH). Funds may also be used by the Chancellor for strategic initiatives not related to technology to address higher education needs in the state.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 235417, Technology Maintenance and Operations, a portion in each fiscal year may be used by the Chancellor to support the continued implementation of eStudent Services, a consortium organized under division (T) of section 3333.04 of the Revised Code to expand access to dual enrollment opportunities for high school students, as well as adult and higher education opportunities through technology. The funds shall be used by eStudent Services to develop and promote learning and assessment through the use of technology, to test and provide advice on emerging learning-directed technologies, to facilitate cost-effectiveness through shared educational technology investments, and for any other strategic priorities of the Chancellor of Higher Education.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 235417, Technology Maintenance and Operations, a portion in each fiscal year shall be used by the Chancellor to implement a high priority data warehouse, advanced analytics, and visualization integration services associated with the Higher Education Information (HEI) system. The services may be facilitated by OH-TECH.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 235417, Technology Maintenance and Operations, $150,000 in each fiscal year shall be used to support Ohio Reach to provide mentoring and support services to former foster youth attending college.

Section 381.70. APPALACHIAN NEW ECONOMY WORKFORCE PARTNERSHIP

Of the foregoing appropriation item 235428, Appalachian New
Economy Workforce Partnership, $500,000 in each fiscal year shall be allocated to the Mahoning Valley Innovation and Commercialization Center.

The remainder of the foregoing appropriation item 235428, Appalachian New Economy Workforce Partnership, shall be distributed to Ohio University to continue a multi-campus and multi-agency coordinated effort to link Appalachia to the new economy. Ohio University shall use these funds to provide leadership in the development and implementation of initiatives in the areas of entrepreneurship, management, education, and technology.

Section 381.80. CHOOSE OHIO FIRST SCHOLARSHIP

The foregoing appropriation item 235438, Choose Ohio First Scholarship, shall be used to operate the program prescribed in sections 3333.60 to 3333.69 of the Revised Code.

During each fiscal year, the Chancellor of Higher Education, as soon as possible after cancellation, may certify to the Director of Budget and Management the amount of canceled prior-year encumbrances in appropriation item 235438, Choose Ohio First Scholarship. Upon receipt of the certification, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash, up to the certified amount, from the General Revenue Fund to the Choose Ohio First Scholarship Reserve Fund (Fund 5PV0).

Section 381.90. ASPIRE

The foregoing appropriation item 235443, Adult Basic and Literacy Education - State, shall be used to support the Aspire program. The supported programs shall satisfy the state match and maintenance of effort requirements for the state-administered grant program.
Section 381.100. OHIO TECHNICAL CENTERS FUNDING

The foregoing appropriation item 235444, Ohio Technical Centers, shall be used by the Chancellor of Higher Education to support post-secondary adult career-technical education. The Chancellor shall provide coordination for Ohio Technical Centers through program approval processes, data collection of program and student outcomes, and subsidy disbursements from the foregoing appropriation item 235444, Ohio Technical Centers.

(A)(1) As soon as possible in each fiscal year, in accordance with instructions of the Chancellor, each Ohio Technical Center shall report its actual data, consistent with the definitions in the Higher Education Information (HEI) system's files, to the Chancellor.

(a) In defining the number of full-time equivalent students for state subsidy purposes, the Chancellor shall exclude all students who are not residents of Ohio.

(b) A full-time equivalent student shall be defined as a student who completes 450 hours. Those students that complete some portion of 450 hours shall be counted as a partial full-time equivalent for funding purposes, while students that complete more than 450 hours shall be counted as proportionally greater than one full-time equivalent.

(c) In calculating each Ohio Technical Center's full-time equivalent students, the Chancellor shall use a three-year average.

(d) Ohio Technical Centers shall operate with, or be an active candidate for, accreditation by an accreditor authorized by the United States Department of Education to be eligible to receive subsidies from the foregoing appropriation item 235444, Ohio Technical Centers.
(2) In each fiscal year, 25 per cent of the allocation for Ohio Technical Centers shall be distributed based on the proportion of each Center's full-time equivalent students to the total full-time equivalent students who complete a post-secondary technical workforce training program approved by the Chancellor with a grade of C or better or a grade of pass if the program is evaluated on a pass/fail basis.

(3) In each fiscal year, 20 per cent of the allocation for Ohio Technical Centers shall be distributed based on the proportion of each Center's full-time equivalent students to the total full-time equivalent students who complete 50 per cent of a program of study as a measure of student retention.

(4) In each fiscal year, 50 per cent of the allocation for Ohio Technical Centers shall be distributed based on the proportion of each Center's full-time equivalent students to the total full-time equivalent students who have found employment, entered military service, or enrolled in additional post-secondary education and training in accordance with the placement definitions of the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act, 20 U.S.C. 2323 (Perkins). The calculation for eligible full-time equivalent students shall be based on the per cent of Perkins placements for students who have completed at least 50 per cent of a program of study.

(5) In each fiscal year, five per cent of the allocation for Ohio Technical Centers shall be distributed based on the proportion of each Center's full-time equivalent students to the total full-time equivalent students who have earned a credential from an industry-recognized third party.

(B) Of the foregoing appropriation item 235444, Ohio Technical Centers, up to 2.38 per cent in each fiscal year may be distributed by the Chancellor to the Ohio Central School System, up to $48,000 in each fiscal year may be utilized for assistance.
for Ohio Technical Centers, and up to $3,000,000 in each fiscal year may be distributed by the Chancellor to Ohio Technical Centers that provide customized training and business consultation services with matching local dollars, with preference to industries on the in-demand jobs list created under section 6301.11 of the Revised Code, industries in regionally emerging fields, or local businesses and industries. Each center meeting this requirement shall receive at least $25,000 but not more than a maximum amount determined by the Chancellor.

(C) The remainder of the foregoing appropriation item 235444, Ohio Technical Centers, in each fiscal year shall be distributed in accordance with division (A) of this section.

(D) PHASE-IN OF PERFORMANCE FUNDING FOR OHIO TECHNICAL CENTERS

(1) In each fiscal year, no Ohio Technical Center shall receive performance funding calculated under division (A) of this section, excluding funding for third party credentials calculated under division (A)(5) of this section, that is less than 50 percent of the average allocation the Center received, excluding funding for third party credentials, in the three prior fiscal years.

(2) In order to ensure that no Center receives less than the amounts identified for each fiscal year in accordance with division (D)(1) of this section, funds shall be made available to support the phase-in allocation by proportionally reducing formula earnings from each Center not receiving phase-in funding.

Section 381.110. AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTERS PROGRAM SUPPORT

The foregoing appropriation item 235474, Area Health Education Centers Program Support, shall be used by the Chancellor...
of Higher Education to support the medical school regional area health education centers' educational programs for the continued support of medical and other health professions education and for support of the Area Health Education Center Program.

Section 381.120. CAMPUS SAFETY AND TRAINING

The foregoing appropriation item 235492, Campus Safety and Training, shall be used by the Chancellor of Higher Education for the purpose of developing model best practices for preventing and responding to power and gender-based violence on campus. The Chancellor, in consultation with state institutions of higher education as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code and private nonprofit institutions of higher education holding certificates of authorization under Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code, shall continue to develop model best practices in line with emerging trends, research, and evidence-based training for preventing and responding to power and gender-based violence and protecting students and staff who are victims of power and gender-based violence on campus. The Chancellor shall convene state institutions of higher education and private nonprofit institutions of higher education in the training and implementation of best practices regarding campus power and gender-based violence.

Section 381.140. STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FORMULAS

The Chancellor of Higher Education shall establish procedures to allocate the foregoing appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, based on the formulas detailed in this section that utilize the enrollment, course completion, degree attainment, and student achievement factors reported annually by each state institution of higher education participating in the Higher Education Information (HEI) system.
(A) FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) ENROLLMENTS AND COURSE COMPLETIONS

(1) As soon as possible during each fiscal year of the biennium ending June 30, 2023, in accordance with instructions of the Department of Higher Education, each state institution of higher education shall report its actual data, consistent with the definitions in the Higher Education Information (HEI) system's enrollment files, to the Chancellor of Higher Education.

(2) In defining the number of full-time equivalent students for state subsidy instructional cost purposes, the Chancellor shall exclude all undergraduate students who are not residents of Ohio or who do not meet the definition of residency for state subsidy and tuition surcharge purposes, except those charged in-state fees in accordance with reciprocity agreements made under section 3333.17 of the Revised Code or employer contracts entered into under section 3333.32 of the Revised Code.

(B) TOTAL COSTS PER FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT STUDENT

For purposes of calculating state share of instruction allocations, the total instructional costs per full-time equivalent student shall be:

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Doctoral I and Doctoral II models shall be allocated in accordance with division (D)(2) of this section.

Medical I and Medical II models shall be allocated in accordance with divisions (D)(3) and (D)(4) of this section.

(C) SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, MATHEMATICS, MEDICAL, AND GRADUATE WEIGHTS

For the purpose of implementing the recommendations of the 2006 State Share of Instruction Consultation and the Higher Education Funding Study Council that priority be given to maintaining state support for science, technology, engineering, mathematics, medicine, and graduate programs, the costs in division (B) of this section shall be weighted by the amounts provided below:

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(D) CALCULATION OF STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FORMULA

ENTITLEMENTS AND ADJUSTMENTS FOR UNIVERSITIES

(1) Of the foregoing appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, 50 per cent of the appropriation for universities, as established in division (A)(2) of the section of this act entitled "STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 AND 2023," in each fiscal year shall be reserved for support of associate, baccalaureate, master's, and professional level degree attainment.

The degree attainment funding shall be allocated to universities in proportion to each campus's share of the total statewide degrees granted, weighted by the cost of the degree programs. The degree cost calculations shall include the model cost weights for the science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medicine models as established in division (C) of this section.

For degrees including credits earned at multiple institutions, degree attainment funding shall be allocated to universities in proportion to each campus's share of the student-specific cost of earned credits for the degree. Each institution shall receive its prorated share of degree funding for credits earned at that institution. Cost of credits not earned at a university main or regional campus shall be credited to the degree-granting institution for the first degree earned by a student at each degree level. The cost credited to the degree-granting institution shall not be eligible for at-risk weights and shall be limited to 12.5 per cent of the student-specific degree costs. However, the 12.5 per cent
limitation shall not apply if the student transferred 12 or fewer 
credits into the degree granting institution.

In calculating the subsidy entitlements for degree attainment 
for universities, the Chancellor shall use the following count of 
degrees and degree costs:

(a) The subsidy eligible undergraduate degrees shall be 
defined as follows:

(i) The subsidy eligible degrees conferred to students 
identified as residents of the state of Ohio in any term of their 
studies, as reported through the Higher Education Information 
(HEI) system student enrollment file, shall be weighted by a 
factor of 1.

(ii) The subsidy eligible degrees conferred to students 
identified as out-of-state residents during all terms of their 
studies, as reported through the Higher Education Information 
(HEI) system student enrollment file, who remain in the state of 
Ohio at least one year after graduation, as calculated based on 
the three-year average in-state residency rate using the 
Unemployment Wage data for out-of-state graduates at each 
institution, shall be weighted by a factor of 50 per cent.

(iii) Subsidy eligible associate degrees are defined as those 
earned by students attending any state-supported university main 
or regional campus.

(b) In calculating each campus's count of degrees, the 
Chancellor shall use the three-year average associate, 
baccalaureate, master's, and professional degrees awarded for the 
most recent completed three-year period that is practicable as 
agreed to by the Inter-University Council and the Chancellor.

(i) If a student is awarded an associate degree and, 
subsequently, is awarded a baccalaureate degree, the amount funded 
for the baccalaureate degree shall be limited to either the
difference in cost between the cost of the baccalaureate degree and the cost of the associate degree paid previously, or if the associate degree has a higher cost than the baccalaureate degree, the cost of the credits earned by the student after the associate degree was awarded.

(ii) If a student earns an associate degree then, subsequently, earns a baccalaureate degree, the associate degree granting institution shall only receive the prorated share of the baccalaureate degree funding for the credits earned at that institution after the associate degree is awarded.

(iii) If a student earns more than one degree at the same institution at the same degree level in the same fiscal year, the funding for the highest cost degree shall be prorated among institutions based on where the credits were earned and additional degrees shall be funded at 25 per cent of the cost of the degrees.

(c) Associate degrees and baccalaureate degrees earned by a student defined as at-risk based on academic underpreparation, age, minority status, financial status, or first generation post-secondary status based on neither parent completing any education beyond high school, shall be defined as degrees earned by an at-risk student and shall be weighted by the following:

A student-specific degree completion weight, where the weight is calculated based on the at-risk factors of the individual student, determined by calculating the difference between the percentage of students with each risk factor who earned a degree and the percentage of non-at-risk students who earned a degree.

(2) Of the foregoing appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, up to 11.78 per cent of the appropriation for universities, as established in division (A)(2) of the section of this act entitled "STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 and 2023," in each fiscal year shall be reserved for support
of doctoral programs to implement the funding recommendations made by representatives of the universities. The amount so reserved shall be referred to as the doctoral set-aside.

In each fiscal year, the doctoral set-aside funding allocation shall be allocated to universities as follows:

(a) 25 per cent of the doctoral set-aside shall be allocated to universities in proportion to their share of the statewide total earnings of each state institution's three-year average course completions. The subsidy eligible enrollments by model shall equal only those FTE students who successfully complete the course as defined and reported through the Higher Education Information (HEI) system course enrollment file. Course completion earnings shall be determined by multiplying the amounts listed above in divisions (B) and (C) of this section by the subsidy-eligible FTEs for the most recent completed three-year period that is practicable as agreed to by the Inter-University Council and the Chancellor for all doctoral enrollments in graduate-level models.

(b) 50 per cent of the doctoral set-aside shall be allocated to universities in proportion to each campus's share of the total statewide doctoral degrees, weighted by the cost of the doctoral discipline. In calculating each campus's doctoral degrees the Chancellor shall use the three-year average doctoral degrees awarded for the most recent completed three-year period that is practicable as agreed to by the Inter-University Council and the Chancellor.

(c) 25 per cent of the doctoral set-aside shall be allocated to universities in proportion to their share of research grant activity. Funding for this component shall be allocated to eligible universities in proportion to their share of research grant activity published by the National Science Foundation. Grant awards from the Department of Health and Human Services shall be
weighted at 50 per cent.

(3) Of the foregoing appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, 6.41 per cent of the appropriation for universities, as established in division (A)(2) of the section of this act entitled "STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 AND 2023," in each fiscal year shall be reserved for support of Medical II FTEs. The amount so reserved shall be referred to as the medical II set-aside.

The medical II set-aside shall be allocated to universities in proportion to their share of the statewide total of each state institution's three-year average Medical II FTEs as calculated in division (A) of this section.

In calculating the core subsidy entitlements for Medical II models only, students repeating terms may be no more than five per cent of current year enrollment.

(4) Of the foregoing appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, 1.48 per cent of the appropriation for universities, as established in division (A)(2) of the section of this act entitled "STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 AND 2023," in each fiscal year shall be reserved for support of Medical I FTEs. The amount so reserved shall be referred to as the medical I set-aside.

The medical I set-aside shall be allocated to universities in proportion to their share of the statewide total of each state institution's three-year average Medical I FTEs as calculated in division (A) of this section.

(5) In calculating the course completion funding for universities, the Chancellor shall use the following count of FTE students:

(a) The subsidy eligible enrollments by model shall equal only those FTE students who successfully complete the course as
defined and reported through the Higher Education Information (HEI) system course enrollment file;

(b) Those undergraduate FTE students with successful course completions, identified in division (D)(5)(a) of this section, that are defined as at-risk based on academic under-preparation or financial status shall have their eligible completions weighted by the following:

(i) Institution-specific course completion indexes, where the indexes are calculated based upon the number of at-risk students enrolled during the 2018-2020 academic years; and

(ii) A statewide average at-risk course completion weight determined for each subsidy model. The statewide average at-risk course completion weight shall be determined by calculating the difference between the percentage of traditional students who complete a course and the percentage of at-risk students who complete the same course.

(c) The course completion earnings shall be determined by multiplying the amounts listed above in divisions (B) and (C) of this section by the subsidy-eligible FTEs for the most recent completed three-year period that is practicable as agreed to by the Inter-University Council and the Chancellor for all models except Medical I and Medical II.

(d) For universities, the Chancellor shall compute the course completion earnings by dividing the appropriation for universities, established in division (A)(2) of the section of this act entitled "STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 AND 2023," less the degree attainment funding as calculated in division (D)(1) of this section, less the doctoral set-aside, less the medical I set-aside, and less the medical II set-aside, by the sum of all campuses' instructional costs as calculated in division (D)(5) of this section.
(E) CALCULATION OF STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FORMULA

ENTITLEMENTS AND ADJUSTMENTS FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES

(1) Of the foregoing appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, 50 per cent of the appropriation for state-supported community colleges, state community colleges, and technical colleges as established in division (A)(1) of the section of the act entitled "STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 AND 2023," in each fiscal year shall be reserved for course completion FTEs as aggregated by the subsidy models defined in division (B) of this section.

The course completion funding shall be allocated to campuses in proportion to each campus's share of the total sector's course completions, weighted by the instructional cost of the subsidy models.

To calculate the subsidy entitlements for course completions at community colleges, state community colleges, and technical colleges, the Chancellor shall use the following calculations:

(a) In calculating each campus's count of FTE course completions, the Chancellor shall use a three-year average for course completions for the three year period ending in the prior year for students identified as residents of the state of Ohio in any term of their studies, as reported through the Higher Education Information (HEI) system student enrollment file.

(b) The subsidy eligible enrollments by model shall equal only those FTE students who successfully complete the course as defined and reported through the Higher Education Information (HEI) system course enrollment file.

(c) Those students with successful course completions, that are defined as access students based on financial status, minority status, age, or academic under-preparation shall have their eligible course completions weighted by a statewide access weight.
The weight given to any student that meets any access factor shall be 15 per cent for all course completions.

(d) The model costs as used in the calculation shall be augmented by the model weights for science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medicine models as established in division (C) of this section.

(2) Of the foregoing appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, 25 per cent of the appropriation for state-supported community colleges, state community colleges, and technical colleges as established in division (A)(1) of the section of this act entitled "STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 AND 2023," in each fiscal year shall be reserved for colleges in proportion to their share of college student success factors.

Student success factors shall be awarded at the institutional level for each subsidy-eligible student that successfully:

(a) Completes a college-level math course within the first 30 hours of completed coursework.

(b) Completes a college-level English course within the first 30 hours of completed coursework.

(c) Completes 12 semester credit hours of college-level coursework.

(d) Completes 24 semester credit hours of college-level coursework.

(e) Completes 36 semester credit hours of college-level coursework.

(3) Of the foregoing appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, 25 per cent of the appropriation for state-supported community colleges, state community colleges, and technical colleges, as established in division (A)(1) of the
section of this act entitled "STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 AND 2023," in each fiscal year shall be reserved for completion milestones.

Completion milestones shall include associate degrees, technical certificates over 30 credit hours as designated by the Department of Higher Education, and students transferring to any four-year institution with at least 12 credit hours of college-level coursework earned at that community college, state community college, or technical college.

The completion milestone funding shall be allocated to colleges in proportion to each institution's share of the sector's total completion milestones, weighted by the instructional cost of the associate degree, certificate, or transfer models. Costs for technical certificates over 30 hours shall be weighted at one-half of the associate degree model costs and transfers with at least 12 credit hours of college-level coursework shall be weighted at one-fourth of the average cost for all associate degree model costs.

(4) To calculate the subsidy entitlements for completions at community colleges, state community colleges, and technical colleges, the Chancellor shall use the following calculations:

(a) In calculating each campus's count of completions, the Chancellor shall use a three-year average for completion milestones awarded to students identified as subsidy eligible in any term of their studies, as reported through the Higher Education Information (HEI) system student enrollment file.

(b) The subsidy eligible completion milestones by model shall equal only those students who successfully complete an associate degree or technical certificate over 30 credit hours, or transfer to any four-year institution with at least 12 credit hours of college-level coursework as defined and reported in the Higher
Education Information (HEI) system. Student completions reported in HEI shall have an accompanying course enrollment record in order to be subsidy eligible.

(c) Those students with successful completions for associate degrees, technical certificates over 30 credit hours, or transfer to any four-year institution with at least 12 credit hours of college-level coursework, identified in division (E)(3) of this section, that are defined as access students based on financial status, minority status, age, or academic under-preparation shall have their eligible completions weighted by a statewide access weight. The weight shall be 25 per cent for students with one access factor, 66 per cent for students with two access factors, 150 per cent for students with three access factors, and 200 per cent for students with four access factors.

(d) For those students who complete more than one completion milestone, funding for each additional associate degree or technical certificate over 30 credit hours designated as such by the Department of Higher Education shall be funded at 50 per cent of the model costs as defined in division (E)(3) of this section.

(5) For purposes of the calculations made in division (E) of this section, the Chancellor shall only include subsidy-eligible students identified as residents of the state of Ohio in any term of their studies, as reported through the Higher Education Information (HEI) system student enrollment file. The Chancellor shall be prohibited from including nonresident students as subsidy-eligible except for those students otherwise identified as subsidy-eligible in division (A)(2) of this section.

(F) CAPITAL COMPONENT DEDUCTION

After all other adjustments have been made, state share of instruction earnings shall be reduced for each campus by the amount, if any, by which debt service charged in H.B. 16 of the
126th General Assembly, H.B. 699 of the 126th General Assembly, H.B. 496 of the 127th General Assembly, and H.B. 562 of the 127th General Assembly for that campus exceeds that campus's capital component earnings. The sum of the amounts deducted shall be transferred to appropriation item 235552, Capital Component, in each fiscal year.

(G) EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES

Adjustments may be made to the state share of instruction payments and other subsidies distributed by the Chancellor of Higher Education to state colleges and universities for exceptional circumstances. No adjustments for exceptional circumstances may be made without the recommendation of the Chancellor and the approval of the Controlling Board.

(H) APPROPRIATION REDUCTIONS TO THE STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION

The standard provisions of the state share of instruction calculation as described in the preceding sections of temporary law shall apply to any reductions made to appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, before the Chancellor has formally approved the final allocation of the state share of instruction funds for any fiscal year.

Any reductions made to appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, after the Chancellor has formally approved the final allocation of the state share of instruction funds for any fiscal year, shall be uniformly applied to each campus in proportion to its share of the final allocation.

(I) DISTRIBUTION OF STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION

The state share of instruction payments to the institutions shall be in substantially equal monthly amounts during the fiscal year, unless otherwise determined by the Director of Budget and Management pursuant to section 126.09 of the Revised Code.
Payments during the first six months of the fiscal year may be based upon the state share of instruction appropriation estimates made for the various institutions of higher education and payments during the last six months of the fiscal year may be based on the final data from the Chancellor. If agreed to by the Chancellor and the Inter-University Council, payments to universities in each month of a fiscal year shall be based on final data in the higher education information system for the selected three-year period that is acceptable to both parties.

(J) STUDY ON THE USE OF AT-RISK WEIGHTS IN THE STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FORMULAS

The Chancellor of Higher Education, with the assistance of the Inter-University Council and the Ohio Association of Community Colleges, shall study the most appropriate definitions of at-risk students and formula weights for at-risk students that may be used in the distribution to universities and community colleges from the foregoing appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, beginning in fiscal year 2024. The study shall do all of the following:

(1) Examine and evaluate the impact on formula distributions of the at-risk weights that have been used in the state share of instruction formulas since the inception of a performance-based funding model in Ohio, including the overall level of at-risk funding, the distribution of such funding among the state institutions of higher education, and the impact of such funding on institutional outcomes such as course completion and degree or certificate completion;

(2) Research the use of at-risk weights in the funding formulas of other states;

(3) Survey the academic research on at-risk weights in higher education allocation formulas, particularly in the context of
performance-based funding;

(4) Make recommendations on the definitions of at-risk students, the funding formula weights for such identified students, and the level of funding for at-risk students. The recommendations should have as their objectives fairness, simplicity, transparency, and the provision of sufficient incentives to increase the course completion and degree completion of at-risk students in state institutions of higher education. Separate definitions and weighting schemes may be considered within each sector's share of the foregoing appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction.

The study shall be completed by June 30, 2022.

Section 381.150. STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 AND 2023

(A) The foregoing appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, shall be distributed according to the section of this act entitled "STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION FORMULAS."

(1) Of the foregoing appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, $474,064,305 in fiscal year 2022 and $478,463,002 in fiscal year 2023 shall be distributed to state-supported community colleges, state community colleges, and technical colleges.

(2) Of the foregoing appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, $1,582,613,811 in fiscal year 2022 and $1,597,298,400 in fiscal year 2023 shall be distributed to state-supported university main and regional campuses.

(B) Any increases in the amount distributed to an institution from appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, above the prior year shall be used by the institution to provide need-based aid and to provide counseling, support services, and
Section 381.160. RESTRICTION ON FEE INCREASES

(A) In fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the boards of trustees of state institutions of higher education shall restrain increases in in-state undergraduate instructional and general fees.

(1) For the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 academic years, all of the following shall apply:

(a) Each state university or college, as defined in section 3345.12 of the Revised Code and university branch established under Chapter 3355. of the Revised Code shall not increase its in-state undergraduate instructional and general fees by more than two per cent over what the institution charged for the previous academic year.

(b) Each community college established under Chapter 3354., state community college established under Chapter 3358., or technical college established under Chapter 3357. of the Revised Code may increase its in-state undergraduate instructional and general fees by not more than five dollars per credit hour over what the institution charged for the previous academic year.

(c) For state institutions of higher education, as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code, increases for all other special fees, including the creation of new special fees, shall be subject to the approval of the Chancellor of Higher Education.

(2) The limitations under division (A)(1) of this section do not apply to room and board, student health insurance, fees for auxiliary goods or services provided to students at the cost incurred to the institution, fees assessed to students as a pass-through for licensure and certification examinations, fees in elective courses associated with travel experiences, elective service charges, fines, voluntary sales transactions, and fees,
which may appear directly on a student's tuition bill as assessed by the institution's bursar, to offset the cost of providing textbooks to students.

(B) The limitations under this section shall not apply to increases required to comply with institutional covenants related to their obligations or to meet unfunded legal mandates or legally binding obligations incurred or commitments made prior to the effective date of this section with respect to which the institution had identified such fee increases as the source of funds. Any increase required by such covenants and any such mandates, obligations, or commitments shall be reported by the Chancellor of Higher Education to the Controlling Board. These limitations may also be modified by the Chancellor, with the approval of the Controlling Board, to respond to exceptional circumstances as identified by the Chancellor.

(C) Institutions offering an undergraduate tuition guarantee pursuant to section 3345.48 of the Revised Code may increase instructional and general fees pursuant to that section.

Section 381.170. HIGHER EDUCATION - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

(A) Funds appropriated for instructional subsidies at colleges and universities may be used to provide such branch or other off-campus undergraduate courses of study and such master's degree courses of study as may be approved by the Chancellor of Higher Education.

(B) In providing instructional and other services to students, boards of trustees of state institutions of higher education shall supplement state subsidies with income from charges to students. Except as otherwise provided in this act, each board shall establish the fees to be charged to all students, including an instructional fee for educational and associated operational support of the institution and a general fee for
noninstructional services, including locally financed student services facilities used for the benefit of enrolled students. The instructional fee and the general fee shall encompass all charges for services assessed uniformly to all enrolled students. Each board may also establish special purpose fees, service charges, and fines as required; such special purpose fees and service charges shall be for services or benefits furnished individual students or specific categories of students and shall not be applied uniformly to all enrolled students. A tuition surcharge shall be paid by all students who are not residents of Ohio.

The board of trustees of a state institution of higher education shall not authorize a waiver or nonpayment of instructional fees or general fees for any particular student or any class of students other than waivers specifically authorized by law or approved by the Chancellor. This prohibition is not intended to limit the authority of boards of trustees to provide for payments to students for services rendered the institution, nor to prohibit the budgeting of income for staff benefits or for student assistance in the form of payment of such instructional and general fees.

Each state institution of higher education in its statement of charges to students shall separately identify the instructional fee, the general fee, the tuition charge, and the tuition surcharge. Fee charges to students for instruction shall not be considered to be a price of service but shall be considered to be an integral part of the state government financing program in support of higher educational opportunity for students.

(C) The boards of trustees of state institutions of higher education shall ensure that faculty members devote a proper and judicious part of their work week to the actual instruction of students. Total class credit hours of production per academic term per full-time faculty member is expected to meet the standards set...
forth in the budget data submitted by the Chancellor of Higher Education.

(D) The authority of government vested by law in the boards of trustees of state institutions of higher education shall in fact be exercised by those boards. Boards of trustees may consult extensively with appropriate student and faculty groups. Administrative decisions about the utilization of available resources, about organizational structure, about disciplinary procedure, about the operation and staffing of all auxiliary facilities, and about administrative personnel shall be the exclusive prerogative of boards of trustees. Any delegation of authority by a board of trustees in other areas of responsibility shall be accompanied by appropriate standards of guidance concerning expected objectives in the exercise of such delegated authority and shall be accompanied by periodic review of the exercise of this delegated authority to the end that the public interest, in contrast to any institutional or special interest, shall be served.

**Section 381.180. WAR ORPHANS AND SEVERELY DISABLED VETERANS' CHILDREN SCHOLARSHIPS**

The foregoing appropriation item 235504, War Orphans and Severely Disabled Veterans' Children Scholarships, shall be used to reimburse state institutions of higher education for waivers of instructional fees and general fees provided by them, to provide grants to institutions that have received a certificate of authorization from the Chancellor of Higher Education under Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code, in accordance with the provisions of section 5910.04 of the Revised Code, and to fund additional scholarship benefits provided by section 5910.032 of the Revised Code.

During each fiscal year, the Chancellor, as soon as possible
after cancellation, may certify to the Director of Budget and
Management the amount of canceled prior-year encumbrances in
appropriation item 235504, War Orphans and Severely Disabled
Veterans' Children Scholarships. Upon receipt of the
certification, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer
cash, up to the certified amount, from the General Revenue Fund to
the War Orphans and Severely Disabled Veterans' Children
Scholarship Reserve Fund (Fund 5PW0).

Section 381.200. OHIOLINK

The foregoing appropriation item 235507, OhioLINK, shall be
used by the Chancellor of Higher Education to support OhioLINK, a
consortium organized under division (T) of section 3333.04 of the
Revised Code to serve as the state's electronic library
information and retrieval system, which provides access statewide
to an extensive set of electronic databases and resources, the
library holdings of Ohio's public and participating private
nonprofit colleges and universities, and the State Library of
Ohio.

Section 381.210. AIR FORCE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Of the foregoing appropriation item 235508, Air Force
Institute of Technology, $75,000 in each fiscal year shall be
allocated to the Aerospace Professional Development Center in
Dayton for statewide workforce development services in the
aerospace industry.

The remainder of the foregoing appropriation item 235508, Air
Force Institute of Technology, shall be used to: (A) strengthen
the research and educational linkages between the Wright Patterson
Air Force Base and institutions of higher education in Ohio; and
(B) support the Defense Associated Graduate Student Innovators, an
engineering graduate consortium of Wright State University, the
University of Dayton, and the Air Force Institute of Technology, with the participation of the University of Cincinnati and The Ohio State University.

Section 381.220. OHIO SUPERCOMPUTER CENTER

The foregoing appropriation item 235510, Ohio Supercomputer Center, shall be used by the Chancellor of Higher Education to support the operation of the Ohio Supercomputer Center, a consortium organized under division (T) of section 3333.04 of the Revised Code, located at The Ohio State University. The Ohio Supercomputer Center is a statewide resource available to Ohio research universities both public and private. It is also intended that the center be made accessible to private industry as appropriate.

The Ohio Supercomputer Center's services shall support Ohio's colleges, universities, and businesses to make Ohio a leader in using computational science, modeling, and simulation to promote higher education, research, and economic competitiveness.

Section 381.230. COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

The foregoing appropriation item 235511, Cooperative Extension Service, shall be disbursed through the Chancellor of Higher Education to The Ohio State University in monthly payments, unless otherwise determined by the Director of Budget and Management under section 126.09 of the Revised Code.

Section 381.240. CENTRAL STATE SUPPLEMENT

The foregoing appropriation item 235514, Central State Supplement, shall be disbursed by the Chancellor of Higher Education to Central State University. Funds shall be used in a manner consistent with the goals of increasing enrollment, improving course completion, and increasing the number of degrees.
conferred.

**Section 381.250. CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**

The foregoing appropriation item 235515, Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, shall be disbursed to Case Western Reserve University through the Chancellor of Higher Education in accordance with agreements entered into under section 3333.10 of the Revised Code, provided that the state support per full-time medical student shall not exceed that provided to full-time medical students at state universities.

**Section 381.260. FAMILY PRACTICE**

The foregoing appropriation item 235519, Family Practice, shall be distributed in each fiscal year, based on each medical school's share of residents placed in a family practice and graduates practicing in a family practice.

**Section 381.270. SHAWNEE STATE SUPPLEMENT**

The foregoing appropriation item 235520, Shawnee State Supplement, shall be disbursed by the Chancellor of Higher Education to Shawnee State University. Funds shall be used in a manner consistent with the goals of improving course completion, increasing the number of degrees conferred, and furthering the university's mission of service to the Appalachian region.

**Section 381.280. GERIATRIC MEDICINE**

The Chancellor of Higher Education shall distribute appropriation item 235525, Geriatric Medicine, consistent with existing criteria and guidelines.

**Section 381.285. PRIMARY CARE RESIDENCIES**
The foregoing appropriation item 235526, Primary Care Residencies, shall be distributed in each fiscal year, based on each medical school's share of residents placed in a primary care field and graduates practicing in a primary care field.

Section 381.290. Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center

The foregoing appropriation item 235535, Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, shall be disbursed through the Chancellor of Higher Education to The Ohio State University in monthly payments, unless otherwise determined by the Director of Budget and Management under section 126.09 of the Revised Code.

The Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, an entity of the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences of The Ohio State University, shall further its mission of enhancing Ohio's economic development and job creation by continuing to internally allocate on a competitive basis appropriated funding of programs based on demonstrated performance. Academic units, faculty, and faculty-driven programs shall be evaluated and rewarded consistent with agreed-upon performance expectations as called for in the College's Expectations and Criteria for Performance Assessment.

Section 381.300. State University Clinical Teaching

The foregoing appropriation items 235536, The Ohio State University Clinical Teaching; 235537, University of Cincinnati Clinical Teaching; 235538, University of Toledo Clinical Teaching; 235539, Wright State University Clinical Teaching; 235540, Ohio University Clinical Teaching; and 235541, Northeast Ohio Medical University Clinical Teaching, shall be distributed through the Chancellor of Higher Education.
Section 381.310. CENTRAL STATE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The foregoing appropriation item 235546, Central State Agricultural Research and Development, shall be used in conjunction with appropriation item 235548, Central State Cooperative Extension Services, by Central State University for its state match requirement as an 1890 land grant university.

Section 381.320. CAPITAL COMPONENT

The foregoing appropriation item 235552, Capital Component, shall be used by the Chancellor of Higher Education to provide funding for prior commitments made pursuant to the state's former capital funding policy for state colleges and universities that was originally established in H.B. 748 of the 121st General Assembly. Appropriations from this item shall be distributed to all campuses for which the estimated campus debt service attributable to qualifying capital projects was less than the campus's formula-determined capital component allocation. Campus allocations shall be determined by subtracting the estimated campus debt service attributable to qualifying capital projects from the campus's formula-determined capital component allocation. Moneys distributed from this appropriation item shall be restricted to capital-related purposes.

Any campus for which the estimated campus debt service attributable to qualifying capital projects is greater than the campus's formula-determined capital component allocation shall have the difference subtracted from its State Share of Instruction allocation in each fiscal year. Appropriation equal to the sum of all such amounts shall be transferred from appropriation item 235501, State Share of Instruction, to appropriation item 235552, Capital Component.
Section 381.330. LIBRARY DEPOSITORIES

The foregoing appropriation item 235555, Library Depositories, shall be distributed to the state's five regional depository libraries for the cost-effective storage of and access to lesser-used materials in university library collections. The depositories shall be administered by the Chancellor of Higher Education, or by OhioLINK at the discretion of the Chancellor.

Section 381.340. OHIO ACADEMIC RESOURCES NETWORK (OARNET)

The foregoing appropriation item 235556, Ohio Academic Resources Network, shall be used by the Chancellor of Higher Education to support the operations of the Ohio Academic Resources Network, a consortium organized under division (T) of section 3333.04 of the Revised Code, which shall include support for Ohio's colleges and universities in maintaining and enhancing network connections, using new network technologies to improve research, education, and economic development programs, and sharing information technology services. To the extent network capacity is available, OARnet shall support allocating bandwidth to eligible programs directly supporting Ohio's economic development.

Section 381.350. LONG-TERM CARE RESEARCH

The foregoing appropriation item 235558, Long-term Care Research, shall be disbursed to Miami University for long-term care research.

Section 381.360. OHIO COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANT

(A)(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Eligible institution" means any institution described in divisions (B)(2)(a) to (c) of section 3333.122 of the Revised Code.
(b) The three "sectors" of institutions of higher education consist of the following:

(i) State colleges and universities, community colleges, state community colleges, university branches, and technical colleges;

(ii) Eligible private nonprofit institutions of higher education;

(iii) Eligible private for-profit career colleges and schools.

(2) Awards for students attending an eligible institution shall be determined by the Chancellor.

For students attending an eligible institution year-round, awards may be distributed on an annual basis, once Pell grants have been exhausted.

(3) If the Chancellor determines that the amounts appropriated for support of the Ohio College Opportunity Grant program are inadequate to provide grants to all eligible students as calculated under division (D) of section 3333.122 of the Revised Code, the Chancellor may create a distribution formula for fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023 based on the formula used in fiscal year 2021, or may follow methods established in division (C)(1)(a) or (b) of section 3333.122 of the Revised Code. If the Chancellor determines that reductions in award amounts are necessary, the Chancellor shall reduce the award amounts proportionally among the sectors of institutions specified in division (A)(1) of this section in a manner determined by the Chancellor. The Chancellor shall notify the Controlling Board of the distribution method. Any formula calculated under this division shall be complete and established to coincide with the start of each academic year.
(B) Prior to determining the amount of funds available to award under this section and section 3333.122 of the Revised Code, the Chancellor shall use the foregoing appropriation item 235563, Ohio College Opportunity Grant, to pay for waivers of tuition and student fees for eligible students under the Ohio Safety Officer's College Memorial Fund Program under sections 3333.26 of the Revised Code.

In each fiscal year, with the exception of sections 3333.121 and 3333.124 of the Revised Code and the section of this act entitled "STATE FINANCIAL AID RECONCILIATION," the Chancellor shall not distribute or obligate or commit to be distributed an amount greater than what is appropriated under the foregoing appropriation item 235563, Ohio College Opportunity Grant.

(C) The Chancellor shall establish, and post on the Department of Higher Education's web site, award tables based on any formulas created under division (A) of this section. The Chancellor shall notify students and institutions of any reductions in awards under this section.

(D) Notwithstanding section 3333.122 of the Revised Code, no student shall be eligible to receive an Ohio College Opportunity Grant for more than ten semesters, fifteen quarters, or the equivalent of five academic years, less the number of semesters or quarters in which the student received an Ohio Instructional Grant.

(E) During each fiscal year, the Chancellor, as soon as possible after cancellation, may certify to the Director of Budget and Management the amount of canceled prior-year encumbrances in appropriation item 235563, Ohio College Opportunity Grant. Upon receipt of the certification, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash, up to the certified amount, from the General Revenue Fund to the Ohio College Opportunity Grant Program Reserve Fund (Fund 5PU0).
Section 381.365. THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE SUPPLEMENT

The foregoing appropriation item 235569, The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine Supplement, shall be distributed through the Chancellor of Higher Education to The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine to provide supplemental support for education, research, and operations.

Section 381.370. THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY CLINIC SUPPORT

The foregoing appropriation item 235572, The Ohio State University Clinic Support, shall be distributed through the Chancellor of Higher Education to The Ohio State University for support of dental and veterinary medicine clinics.

Section 381.373. FEDERAL RESEARCH NETWORK

The foregoing appropriation item 235578, Federal Research Network, shall be allocated to The Ohio State University to collaborate with federal installations in Ohio, state institutions of higher education as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code, private nonprofit institutions of higher education holding certificates of authorization under Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code, and the private sector to align the state's research assets with emerging missions and job growth opportunities emanating from federal installations, strengthen related workforce development and technology commercialization programs, and better position the state's university system to directly impact new job creation in Ohio. A portion of the foregoing appropriation item 235578, Federal Research Network, shall be used to support the growth of small business federal contractors in the state and to expand the participation of Ohio businesses in the federal Small Business Innovation Research Program and related federal programs.
Section 381.376. RURAL UNIVERSITY PROGRAM

The foregoing appropriation item 235598, Rural University Program, shall be used for the Rural University Program, a collaboration of Bowling Green State University, Kent State University, Miami University, and Ohio University that provides rural communities with economic development, public administration, and public health services. Each of the four participating universities shall receive $100,000 in each fiscal year to support their respective programs.

Section 381.380. NATIONAL GUARD SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Chancellor of Higher Education shall disburse funds from appropriation item 235599, National Guard Scholarship Program. During each fiscal year, the Chancellor, as soon as possible after cancellation, may certify to the Director of Budget and Management the amount of canceled prior-year encumbrances in appropriation item 235599, National Guard Scholarship Program. Upon receipt of the certification, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash, up to the certified amount, from the General Revenue Fund to the National Guard Scholarship Reserve Fund (Fund 5BM0).

Section 381.390. PLEDGE OF FEES

Any new pledge of fees, or new agreement for adjustment of fees, made in the biennium ending June 30, 2023, to secure bonds or notes of a state institution of higher education for a project for which bonds or notes were not outstanding on the effective date of this section or to secure a refund of prior debt that is anticipated to increase the total cost of retiring the original debt shall be effective only after approval by the Chancellor of Higher Education, unless approved in a previous biennium.
Section 381.400. HIGHER EDUCATION GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND DEBT SERVICE

The foregoing appropriation item 235909, Higher Education General Obligation Bond Debt Service, shall be used to pay all debt service and related financing costs during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, for obligations issued under sections 151.01 and 151.04 of the Revised Code.

Section 381.410. SALES AND SERVICES

The Chancellor of Higher Education is authorized to charge and accept payment for the provision of goods and services. Such charges shall be reasonably related to the cost of producing the goods and services. Except as otherwise provided by law, no charges may be levied for goods or services that are produced as part of the routine responsibilities or duties of the Chancellor. All revenues received by the Chancellor shall be deposited into Fund 4560, and may be used by the Chancellor to pay for the costs of producing the goods and services.

Section 381.420. HIGHER EDUCATIONAL FACILITY COMMISSION ADMINISTRATION

The foregoing appropriation item 235602, Higher Educational Facility Commission Administration, shall be used by the Chancellor of Higher Education for operating expenses related to the Chancellor's support of the activities of the Ohio Higher Educational Facility Commission. Upon the request of the Chancellor, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash in an amount up to the amount appropriated from the foregoing appropriation item 235602, Higher Educational Facility Commission Administration, in each fiscal year from the HEFC Operating Expenses Fund (Fund 4610) to the HEFC Administration Fund (Fund 4E80).
Section 381.460. OHIOCORPS PROGRAM

Of the appropriation item 235594, OhioCorps Program, up to $50,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Chancellor of Higher Education to implement and administer the OhioCorps Program pursuant to sections 3333.80 to 3333.802 of the Revised Code.

The remainder of the appropriation item 235594, OhioCorps Program, shall be used by the Chancellor of Higher Education to assist eligible state institutions of higher education, as defined in division (A)(4) of section 3333.80 of the Revised Code, in establishing and administering OhioCorps mentorship programs and scholarships under sections 3333.80 and 3333.801 of the Revised Code.

On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Chancellor of Higher Education may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the appropriation item, 235594, OhioCorps Program, at the end of fiscal year 2021 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2022. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2022 for purposes of providing funds to support mentorship programs and scholarships under the OhioCorps Program.

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Chancellor of Higher Education may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the appropriation item, 235594, OhioCorps Program, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023 for purposes of providing funds to support mentorship programs and scholarships under the OhioCorps Program.
Section 381.470. STATE FINANCIAL AID RECONCILIATION

By the first day of September in each fiscal year, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Chancellor of Higher Education shall certify to the Director of Budget and Management the amount necessary to pay any outstanding prior year obligations to higher education institutions for the state's financial aid programs. The amounts certified are hereby appropriated to appropriation item 235618, State Financial Aid Reconciliation, from revenues received in the State Financial Aid Reconciliation Fund (Fund 5Y50).

Section 381.480. NURSING LOAN PROGRAM

The foregoing appropriation item 235606, Nursing Loan Program, shall be used to administer the nurse education assistance program.

Section 381.520. RESEARCH INCENTIVE THIRD FRONTIER

The foregoing appropriation items 235634, Research Incentive Third Frontier, and 235639, Research Incentive Third Frontier-Tax, shall be used by the Chancellor of Higher Education to advance collaborative research at institutions of higher education. Of the foregoing appropriation items 235634, Research Incentive Third Frontier, and 235639, Research Incentive Third Frontier - Tax, up to $2,500,000 in each fiscal year may be allocated toward research regarding the improvement of water quality, up to $1,500,000 in each fiscal year may be allocated for spinal cord research, up to $1,000,000 in each fiscal year may be allocated toward research regarding the reduction of infant mortality, up to $1,000,000 in each fiscal year may be allocated toward research regarding opiate addiction issues in Ohio, up to $750,000 in each fiscal year may be allocated toward research regarding cyber security initiatives, up to $300,000 in each fiscal year may be allocated toward the I-Corps@Ohio program, and up to $200,000 in each fiscal year may
be allocated toward the Ohio Innovation Exchange program.

**Section 381.530. VETERANS PREFERENCES**

The Chancellor of Higher Education shall work with the Department of Veterans Services to develop specific veterans preference guidelines for higher education institutions. These guidelines shall ensure that the institutions' hiring practices are in accordance with the intent of Ohio's veterans preference laws.

**Section 381.540.** (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Board of trustees" includes the managing authority of a university branch district.

(2) "State institution of higher education" has the same meaning as in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code.

(B) The board of trustees of any state institution of higher education, notwithstanding any rule of the institution to the contrary, may adopt a policy providing for mandatory furloughs of employees, including faculty, to achieve spending reductions necessitated by institutional budget deficits.

**Section 381.550. EFFICIENCY REPORTS**

In each fiscal year, the board of trustees of each public institution of higher education shall approve the institution's efficiency report submitted to the Chancellor of Higher Education under section 3333.95 of the Revised Code.

**MEDICAL EDUCATION POST-GRADUATION RESIDENCY REPORTS**

For each fiscal year, each institution of higher education that receives funds from the foregoing appropriation items 235515, Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, 235519, Family Practice, 235525, Geriatric Medicine, 235526, Primary Care
Residencies, 235536, The Ohio State University Clinical Teaching, 235537, University of Cincinnati Clinical Teaching, 235538, University of Toledo Clinical Teaching, 235539, Wright State University Clinical Teaching, 235540, Ohio University Clinical Teaching, 235541, Northeast Ohio Medical University Clinical Teaching, 235558, Long-term Care Research, and 235572, The Ohio State University Clinic Support, shall report to the Chancellor of Higher Education the residency status of graduates from the respective programs receiving support from those appropriation items one year and five years after graduating.

**Section 381.580.** The Chancellor of Higher Education shall support the continued development of the Ohio Innovation Exchange for the purpose of showcasing the research expertise of Ohio's university and college faculty in a variety of fields, including, but not limited to, engineering, biomedicine, and information technology, and to identify institutional research equipment available in the state.

**Section 381.620.** FUND NAME CHANGES

On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management shall rename the Publications Fund (Fund 4560) the Sales and Services Fund (Fund 4560) and the OIG Reconciliation Fund (Fund 5Y50) the State Financial Aid Reconciliation Fund (Fund 5Y50).

**Section 383.10.** DRC DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION AND CORRECTION

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Federal Fund Group 60505
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TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 2,047,278,385 $ 2,102,643,342 60510

EXPEDITED PARDON INITIATIVE 60511

Of the foregoing appropriation item 501321, Institutional Operations, up to $500,000 in each fiscal year shall be used by the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction to distribute grants for advancing the expedited pardon initiative and encouraging eligible individuals to participate. 60512

OSU MEDICAL CHARGES 60517
Notwithstanding section 341.192 of the Revised Code, at the request of the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, the Ohio State University Medical Center, including the Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Richard J. Solove Research Institute and the Richard M. Ross Heart Hospital, shall provide necessary care to persons who are confined in state adult correctional facilities. The provision of necessary inpatient care billed to the Department shall be reimbursed at a rate not to exceed the authorized reimbursement rate for the same service established by the Department of Medicaid under the Medicaid Program.

ADULT CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES LEASE RENTAL BOND PAYMENTS

The foregoing appropriation item 501406, Adult Correctional Facilities Lease Rental Bond Payments, shall be used to meet all payments during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, by the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction pursuant to leases and agreements for facilities made under Chapters 152. and 154. of the Revised Code. These appropriations are the source of funds pledged for bond service charges on related obligations issued under Chapters 152. and 154. of the Revised Code.

PROBATION IMPROVEMENT AND INCENTIVE GRANTS

The foregoing appropriation item 501610, Probation Improvement and Incentive Grants, shall be allocated by the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction to municipalities as Probation Improvement and Incentive Grants with an emphasis on: (1) providing services to those addicted to opiates and other illegal substances, and (2) supplementing the programs and services funded by grants distributed from the foregoing appropriation item 501407, Community Nonresidential Programs.

Section 387.10. RDF STATE REVENUE DISTRIBUTIONS

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Fiduciary Fund Group 60568

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Improvement Fund

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Holding Account Fund Group 60582
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Group

TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 8,336,807,236 $ 8,571,708,288 60585

Section 387.20. ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Appropriation items in Section 387.10 of this act shall be used for the purpose of administering and distributing the designated revenue distribution funds according to the Revised Code. If it is determined that additional appropriations are necessary for this purpose in any appropriation items in Section 387.10 of this act, such amounts are hereby appropriated.

GENERAL REVENUE FUND TRANSFERS

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer from the General Revenue Fund to the Local Government Tangible Property Tax Replacement Fund (Fund 7081) and the School District Tangible Property Tax Replacement Fund (Fund 7047) in the Revenue Distribution Fund Group, those amounts necessary to reimburse local taxing units and school districts under sections 5709.92 and 5709.93 of the Revised Code. Also, in fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023, the Director of Budget and Management may make temporary transfers from the General Revenue Fund to ensure sufficient balances in the Local Government Tangible Property Tax Replacement Fund (Fund 7081) and the School District Tangible Property Tax Replacement Fund (Fund 7047) and to replenish the General Revenue Fund for such transfers.

PROPERTY TAX REIMBURSEMENT - EDUCATION

The foregoing appropriation item 200903, Property Tax Reimbursement - Education, is appropriated to pay for the state's costs incurred because of the homestead exemption, the property...
tax rollback, and payments required under division (C) of section 5705.2110 of the Revised Code. In cooperation with the Department of Taxation, the Department of Education shall distribute these funds directly to the appropriate school districts of the state, notwithstanding sections 321.24 and 323.156 of the Revised Code, which provide for payment of the homestead exemption and property tax rollback by the Tax Commissioner to the appropriate county treasurer and the subsequent redistribution of these funds to the appropriate local taxing districts by the county auditor.

Upon receipt of these amounts, each school district shall distribute the amount among the proper funds as if it had been paid as real or tangible personal property taxes. Payments for the costs of administration shall continue to be paid to the county treasurer and county auditor as provided for in sections 319.54, 321.26, and 323.156 of the Revised Code.

Any sums, in addition to the amount specifically appropriated in appropriation item 200903, Property Tax Reimbursement - Education, for the homestead exemption and the property tax rollback payments, and payments required under division (C) of section 5705.2110 of the Revised Code, which are determined to be necessary for these purposes, are hereby appropriated.

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION, PROPERTY TAX ROLLBACK

The foregoing appropriation item 110908, Property Tax Reimbursement—Local Government, is hereby appropriated to pay for the state's costs incurred due to the Homestead Exemption, the Manufactured Home Property Tax Rollback, and the Property Tax Rollback. The Tax Commissioner shall distribute these funds directly to the appropriate local taxing districts, except for school districts, notwithstanding the provisions in sections 321.24 and 323.156 of the Revised Code, which provide for payment of the Homestead Exemption, the Manufactured Home Property Tax Rollback, and Property Tax Rollback by the Tax Commissioner to the
appropriate county treasurer and the subsequent redistribution of these funds to the appropriate local taxing districts by the county auditor.

Upon receipt of these amounts, each local taxing district shall distribute the amount among the proper funds as if it had been paid as real property taxes. Payments for the costs of administration shall continue to be paid to the county treasurer and county auditor as provided for in sections 319.54, 321.26, and 323.156 of the Revised Code.

Any sums, in addition to the amounts specifically appropriated in appropriation item 110908, Property Tax Allocation—Local Government, for the Homestead Exemption, the Manufactured Home Property Tax Rollback, and the Property Tax Rollback payments, which are determined to be necessary for these purposes, are hereby appropriated.

TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX REIMBURSEMENTS

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal years 2022 and 2023, any city, local, or exempted village school district that has a nuclear power plant located within its territory shall receive the same payment amount under section 5709.92 of the Revised Code as in fiscal year 2017.

MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX

The foregoing appropriation item 110995, Municipal Income Tax, shall be used to make payments to municipal corporations under section 5745.05 of the Revised Code. If it is determined that additional appropriations are necessary to make such payments, such amounts are hereby appropriated.

MUNICIPAL NET PROFIT TAX

The foregoing appropriation item 110902, Municipal Net Profit Tax, shall be used to make payments to municipal corporations...
under section 718.83 of the Revised Code. If it is determined that additional amounts are necessary to make such payments, such amounts are hereby appropriated.

During fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023, if the Tax Commissioner determines that there is insufficient cash in the Municipal Net Profit Tax Fund (Fund 5VR0) to meet monthly distribution obligations under section 718.83 of the Revised Code, the Tax Commissioner shall certify to the Director of Budget and Management the amount of additional cash necessary to satisfy those obligations. In addition, the Commissioner shall submit a plan to the Director requesting the necessary cash be transferred from one or a combination of the following funds: the Municipal Income Tax Administrative Fund, the Local Sales Tax Administrative Fund, the General School District Income Tax Administrative Fund, the Motor Fuel Tax Administrative Fund, the Property Tax Administrative Fund, or the General Revenue Fund. This plan shall include a proposed repayment schedule to reimburse those funds for any cash transferred in accordance with this section. After receiving the certification and funding plan from the Tax Commissioner and if the Director determines that sufficient cash is available, the Director may transfer the cash to the Municipal Net Profit Tax Fund in accordance with the plan submitted by the Tax Commissioner or as otherwise determined by the Director of Budget and Management. The Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash from the Municipal Net Profit Tax Fund to reimburse the funds from which cash was transferred for the purpose outlined in this section.

Section 391.10. OSB OHIO STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

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TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $14,900,930 $15,125,162

**Section 395.10. SOS SECRETARY OF STATE**

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Holding Account Fund Group

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R002 050606 Corporate/Business $ 85,000 $ 85,000 60750
Filing Refunds
TOTAL HLD Holding Account Fund $ 85,000 $ 85,000 60751
Group

Federal Fund Group

3AS0 050616 Help America Vote Act $ 1,500,000 $ 1,500,000 60753
(HAVA)
TOTAL FED Federal Fund Group $ 1,500,000 $ 1,500,000 60754
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 37,112,389 $ 36,170,894 60755

**Section 395.20. POLL WORKERS TRAINING**

The foregoing appropriation item 050407, Poll Workers Training, shall be used to reimburse county boards of elections for precinct election official (PEO) training pursuant to section 3501.27 of the Revised Code. An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered portion of the foregoing appropriation item 050407, Poll Workers Training at the end of fiscal year 2022 is hereby reappropriated to fiscal year 2023 for the same purpose.

**COUNTY VOTING SYSTEMS LEASE RENTAL PAYMENTS**

The foregoing appropriation item 050509, County Voting Systems Lease Rental Payments, shall be used to make payments during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, pursuant to leases and agreements entered into under Section 4 of S.B. 135 of the 132nd General Assembly with respect to financing the costs associated with the acquisition, development, installation, and implementation of county voting systems.

**BOARD OF VOTING MACHINE EXAMINERS**

The foregoing appropriation item 050610, Board of Voting Machine Examiners, shall be used to pay for the services and expenses of the members of the Board of Voting Machine Examiners, and for other expenses that are authorized to be paid from the
Board of Voting Machine Examiners Fund (Fund 4S80) created in section 3506.05 of the Revised Code. Moneys not used shall be returned to the person or entity submitting equipment for examination. If it is determined by the Secretary of State that additional appropriation amounts are necessary, the Secretary of State may request that the Director of Budget and Management approve such amounts. Upon approval of the Director of Budget and Management, such amounts are hereby appropriated.

BALLOT ADVERTISING COSTS

Notwithstanding division (G) of section 3501.17 of the Revised Code, upon requests submitted by the Secretary of State, the Controlling Board may approve transfers from the Controlling Board Emergency Purposes/Contingencies Fund (Fund 5KM0) to the Statewide Ballot Advertising Fund (Fund 5FH0) in order to pay for the cost of public notices associated with statewide ballot initiatives.

ABSENT VOTER'S BALLOT APPLICATION MAILING

Notwithstanding division (B) of section 111.31 of the Revised Code, upon the request of the Secretary of State, the Controlling Board may approve cash and appropriation transfers from the Controlling Board Emergency Purposes/Contingencies Fund (Fund 5KM0) to the Absent Voter's Ballot Application Mailing Fund (Fund 5RG0) to be used by the Secretary of State to pay the costs of printing and mailing unsolicited applications for absent voters' ballots for the general election to be held in November 2022.

ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAM

Upon the request of the Secretary of State, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $200,000 per fiscal year in cash from the Business Services Operating Expenses Fund (Fund 5990) to the Address Confidentiality Program Fund (Fund 5SN0).

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE CENTENNIAL COMMISSION
The foregoing appropriation item 050634, Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission, shall be used to carry out the duties of the Womens' Suffrage Commission in accordance with S.B. 30 of the 133rd General Assembly. An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered portion of the foregoing appropriation item 050634, Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission, at the end of fiscal year 2021 is hereby reappropriated to fiscal year 2022 for the same purpose.

An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered, portion of the foregoing appropriation item 050634, Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission, at the end of fiscal year 2022 is hereby reappropriated in fiscal year 2023 for the same purpose.

CORPORATE/BUSINESS FILING REFUNDS

The foregoing appropriation item 050606, Corporate/Business Filing Refunds, shall be used to hold revenues until they are directed to the appropriate accounts or until they are refunded. If it is determined by the Secretary of State that additional appropriation amounts are necessary, the Secretary of State may request that the Director of Budget and Management approve such amounts. Upon approval of the Director of Budget and Management, such amounts are hereby appropriated.

HAVA FUNDS

An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered portion of appropriation item 050616, Help America Vote Act (HAVA), at the end of fiscal year 2021 is hereby reappropriated for the same purpose in fiscal year 2022.

An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered portion of appropriation item 050616, Help America Vote Act (HAVA), at the end of fiscal year 2022 is hereby reappropriated for the same purpose in fiscal year 2023.
Section 397.10. SEN THE OHIO SENATE

GRF 020321  Operating Expenses  $ 15,902,029  $ 15,902,029  60840
TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund  $ 15,902,029  $ 15,902,029  60841

Internal Service Activity Fund Group  60842
1020 020602  Senate Reimbursement  $ 425,800  $ 425,800  60843
4090 020601  Miscellaneous Sales  $ 34,497  $ 34,497  60844
TOTAL ISA Internal Service Activity Fund Group  $ 460,297  $ 460,297  60845

TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS  $ 16,362,326  $ 16,362,326  60847

OPERATING EXPENSES  60848

On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Clerk of the Senate may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 020321, Operating Expenses, at the end of fiscal year 2021 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2022. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2022.

On July 1, 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Clerk of the Senate may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 020321, Operating Expenses, at the end of fiscal year 2022 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2023. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for fiscal year 2023.

Section 399.10. CSV COMMISSION ON SERVICE AND VOLUNTEERISM  60863

General Revenue Fund  60864
GRF 866321  CSV Operations  $ 529,252  $ 529,252  60865
TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund  $ 529,252  $ 529,252  60866

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group  60867
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Retirement Fund

| TOTAL DSF Debt Service Fund Group | $1,326,580,000 | $1,263,305,000 |
| TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS     | $1,326,580,000 | $1,263,305,000 |

### ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Appropriation items in this section are for the purpose of paying debt service and financing costs during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, on bonds or notes of the state issued under the Ohio Constitution, Revised Code, and acts of the General Assembly. If it is determined that additional amounts are necessary for this purpose, such amounts are hereby appropriated.

#### Section 403.10. SOA SOUTHERN OHIO AGRICULTURAL AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

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| TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS           | $98,270 | $0 |

#### Section 404.10. SHP STATE SPEECH AND HEARING PROFESSIONALS BOARD

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**Section 407.10.** BTA BOARD OF TAX APPEALS

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**Section 409.10.** TAX DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION

General Revenue Fund

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**Section 409.20. TAX REFUNDS**

The foregoing appropriation item 110635, Tax Refunds, shall be used to pay refunds under section 5703.052 of the Revised Code. If it is determined that additional appropriations are necessary.
for this purpose, such amounts are hereby appropriated.

VENDOR'S LICENSE PAYMENTS

The foregoing appropriation item 110631, Vendor's License Application, shall be used to make payments to county auditors under section 5739.17 of the Revised Code. If it is determined that additional appropriations are necessary to make such payments, such amounts are hereby appropriated.

INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION PLAN ADMINISTRATION

The foregoing appropriation item 110616, International Registration Plan Administration, shall be used under section 5703.12 of the Revised Code for audits of persons with vehicles registered under the International Registration Plan.

TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE STREAMLINED SALES TAX PROJECT

Of the foregoing appropriation item 110607, Local Tax Administration, the Tax Commissioner may disburse funds, if available, for the purposes of paying travel expenses incurred by members of Ohio's delegation to the Streamlined Sales Tax Project, as appointed under section 5740.02 of the Revised Code. Any travel expense reimbursement paid for by the Department of Taxation shall be done in accordance with applicable state laws and guidelines.

TOBACCO SETTLEMENT ENFORCEMENT

The foregoing appropriation item 110404, Tobacco Settlement Enforcement, shall be used by the Tax Commissioner to pay costs incurred in the enforcement of divisions (F) and (G) of section 5743.03 of the Revised Code.

PROPERTY TAX ADMINISTRATION

Notwithstanding section 5703.80 or division (F) of section 321.24 of the Revised Code, in fiscal year 2022, the Tax Commissioner shall not compute or certify the amounts calculated under divisions (A) and (B) of that section as amended by this
act. The Director of Budget and Management shall not transfer any amounts from the General Revenue Fund to the Property Tax Administration Fund in fiscal year 2022. In fiscal year 2022, the Tax Commissioner shall not subtract any amounts computed under section 5703.80 of the Revised Code, as amended by this act, from the payments made from the General Revenue Fund to county treasurers under division (F) of section 321.24 of the Revised Code. In fiscal year 2023, the Property Tax Administration Fund shall be funded as provided in section 5703.80 and division (F) of section 321.24 of the Revised Code.

Section 411.10. DOT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

General Revenue Fund

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TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund $15,782,465 $15,782,465
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $15,782,465 $15,782,465

Section 411.20. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION – STATE

Of the foregoing appropriation item 775470, Public Transportation – State, $7,362,778 in each fiscal year shall be used for grants to support public transit.

Section 413.10. TOS TREASURER OF STATE

General Revenue Fund

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**Section 413.20. OFFICE OF THE SINKING FUND**

The foregoing appropriation item 090401, Office of the Sinking Fund, shall be used for costs incurred by or on behalf of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund and the Ohio Public Facilities Commission with respect to State of Ohio general obligation bonds or notes, and the Treasurer of State with respect to
to State of Ohio general obligation and special obligation bonds or notes, including, but not limited to, printing, advertising, delivery, rating fees and the procurement of ratings, professional publications, membership in professional organizations, and other services referred to in division (D) of section 151.01 of the Revised Code. The General Revenue Fund shall be reimbursed for such costs relating to the issuance and administration of Highway Capital Improvement bonds or notes authorized under Ohio Constitution, Article VIII, Section 2m and Chapter 151. of the Revised Code. That reimbursement shall be made from appropriation item 155902, Highway Capital Improvement Bond Retirement Fund, by intrastate transfer voucher pursuant to a certification by the Office of the Sinking Fund of the actual amounts used. The amounts necessary to make such a reimbursement are hereby appropriated from the Highway Capital Improvement Bond Retirement Fund created in section 151.06 of the Revised Code.

STABLE ACCOUNT ADMINISTRATION

The foregoing appropriation item 090613, STABLE Account Administration, shall be used for administration of an Achieve a Better Living Experience (ABLE) account program.

TAX REFUNDS

The foregoing appropriation item 090635, Tax Refunds, shall be used to pay refunds under section 5703.052 of the Revised Code. If the Director of Budget and Management determines that additional amounts are necessary for this purpose, such amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 413.30. TREASURY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM LEASE RENTAL PAYMENTS

The foregoing appropriation item 090406, Treasury Management System Lease Rental Payments, shall be used to make payments
during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, pursuant to leases and agreements entered into under Section 701.20 of H.B. 497 of the 130th General Assembly and other prior acts of the General Assembly with respect to financing the costs associated with the acquisition, development, implementation, and integration of the Treasury Management System.

Section 413.40. OHIOMEANSJOBS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM

The foregoing appropriation item 090610, OhioMeansJobs Workforce Development, shall be used for the OhioMeansJobs Workforce Development Revolving Loan Program to provide loans to individuals for workforce training.

Of the foregoing appropriation item 090610, OhioMeansJobs Workforce Development, up to $250,000 in fiscal year 2022 may be used by the Treasurer of State to administer the program.

Any unexpended and unencumbered portion of the foregoing appropriation item 090610, OhioMeansJobs Workforce Development, at the end of fiscal year 2022 is hereby reappropriated for the same purpose in fiscal year 2023. To the extent that reappropriated funds are available, of the foregoing appropriation item 090610, OhioMeansJobs Workforce Development, up to $250,000 in fiscal year 2023 may be used by the Treasurer of State to administer the program.

The Treasurer of State shall determine, during the second half of fiscal year 2023, if the cash balance and anticipated loan repayments to the OhioMeansJobs Workforce Development Revolving Loan Fund (Fund 5NH0), will be sufficient to meet the appropriation level of $250,000 in fiscal year 2023. If those resources are insufficient, the Treasurer of State may submit a request to the Controlling Board for a transfer of up to $325,000 cash from the Controlling Board Emergency Purposes/Contingencies
Fund (Fund 5KM0), to Fund 5NH0.

Section 414.10. VTO VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS

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Fund Group 796,697 $ 384,644 $ 61145

Federal Fund Group 61146
3680  900614 Veterans Training $ 903,149 $ 922,108 $ 61147
3BX0  900609 Medicare Services $ 3,578,278 $ 3,578,278 $ 61148
3L20  900601 Veterans' Homes $ 27,183,376 $ 29,957,759 $ 61149

Operations - Federal 61150
TOTAL FED Federal Fund Group $ 31,664,803 $ 34,458,145
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS $ 102,050,761 $ 101,741,639 61151

VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS' RENT 61152

The foregoing appropriation item 900408, Department of Veterans Services, shall be used to pay veterans organizations' rent in buildings managed by the Department of Administrative Services. 61153

VETERANS COMPENSATION GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND DEBT SERVICE 61157

The foregoing appropriation item 900901, Veterans Compensation General Obligation Bond Debt Service, shall be used to pay all debt service and related financing costs during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, on obligations issued under Section 2r of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution. 61158

Section 417.10. DVM VETERINARY MEDICAL LICENSING BOARD 61163

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group 61164
4K90  888609 Operating Expenses $ 444,238 $ 440,278 $ 61165
TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose 61166
Fund Group $ 444,238 $ 440,278 $ 61167

Internal Service Activity Fund Group 61168
5BU0  888602 Veterinary Student Loan Program $ 30,000 $ 30,000 $ 61169
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| 1470 470612 Vocational Education $ 1,538,933 $ 1,416,746 |
| 1750 470613 Education Services $ 2,964,749 $ 2,546,450 |
| 4790 470609 Employee Food Service $ 20,300 $ 20,300     |
| 4A20 470602 Child Support $ 153,968 $ 90,968           |
| 4G60 470605 Juvenile Special Revenue - Non-Federal  |
| $ 109,663 $ 109,663                                   |
| 5BN0 470629 E-Rate Program $ 59,000 $ 59,000          |
| TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose                          |
| $ 4,846,613 $ 4,243,127                               |

| Federal Fund Group                                   |
| $                                    |
3210 470601  Education  $ 974,805 $ 987,656 61198
3210 470603  Juvenile Justice  $ 2,289,557 $ 2,294,382 61199
  Prevention
3210 470606  Nutrition  $ 930,000 $ 930,000 61200
3210 470614  Title IV-E  $ 3,386,344 $ 3,449,344 61201
  Reimbursements
3V50 470604  Juvenile  $ 1,907,500 $ 1,907,501 61202
  Justice/Delinquency
  Prevention
TOTAL FED Federal 61203
Fund Group  $ 9,488,206 $ 9,568,883 61204
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS  $ 237,264,883 $ 242,247,292 61205

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS 61206

For purposes of implementing juvenile sentencing reforms, and 61207
notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the 61208
Department of Youth Services may use up to $1,375,000 of the 61209
unexpended, unencumbered balance of the portion of appropriation 61210
item 470401, RECLAIM Ohio, that is allocated to juvenile 61211
correctional facilities in each fiscal year to expand Targeted 61212
RECLAIM, the Behavioral Health Juvenile Justice Initiative, and 61213
other evidence-based community programs.

JUVENILE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES LEASE RENTAL BOND PAYMENTS 61215

The foregoing appropriation item 470412, Juvenile 61216
Correctional Facilities Lease Rental Bond Payments, shall be used 61217
to meet all payments during the period from July 1, 2021, through 61218
June 30, 2023, by the Department of Youth Services under the 61219
leases and agreements for facilities made under Chapters 152. and 61220
154. of the Revised Code. These appropriations are the source of 61221
funds pledged for bond service charges on related obligations 61222
issued under Chapters 152. and 154. of the Revised Code.

EDUCATION SERVICES 61224
The foregoing appropriation item 470613, Education Services, shall be used to fund the operating expenses of providing educational services to youth supervised by the Department of Youth Services. Operating expenses include, but are not limited to, teachers' salaries, maintenance costs, and educational equipment.

**FLEXIBLE FUNDING FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**

In collaboration with the county family and children first council, the juvenile court of that county that receives allocations from one or both of the foregoing appropriation items 470401, RECLAIM Ohio, and 470510, Youth Services, may transfer portions of those allocations to a flexible funding pool as authorized by the section of this act titled "FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST FLEXIBLE FUNDING POOL."

**Section 503.10. PERSONAL SERVICE EXPENSES**

Unless otherwise prohibited by law, any appropriation from which personal service expenses are paid shall bear the employer's share of public employees' retirement, workers' compensation, disabled workers' relief, and insurance programs; the costs of centralized financial services, centralized payroll processing, and related reports and services; centralized human resources services, including affirmative action and equal employment opportunity programs; the Office of Collective Bargaining; centralized information technology management services; administering the enterprise resource planning system; and administering the state employee merit system as required by section 124.07 of the Revised Code. These costs shall be determined in conformity with the appropriate sections of law and paid in accordance with procedures specified by the Office of Budget and Management. Expenditures from appropriation item 070601, Public Audit Expense - Intra-State, may be exempted from
the requirements of this section.

Section 503.20. SATISFACTION OF JUDGMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS AGAINST THE STATE

Except as otherwise provided in this section, an appropriation in this act or any other act may be used for the purpose of satisfying judgments, settlements, or administrative awards ordered or approved by the Court of Claims or by any other court of competent jurisdiction in connection with civil actions against the state. This authorization does not apply to appropriations to be applied to or used for payment of guarantees by or on behalf of the state, or for payments under lease agreements relating to, or debt service on, bonds, notes, or other obligations of the state. Notwithstanding any other statute to the contrary, this authorization includes appropriations from funds into which proceeds of direct obligations of the state are deposited only to the extent that the judgment, settlement, or administrative award is for, or represents, capital costs for which the appropriation may otherwise be used and is consistent with the purpose for which any related obligations were issued or entered into. Nothing contained in this section is intended to subject the state to suit in any forum in which it is not otherwise subject to suit, and is not intended to waive or compromise any defense or right available to the state in any suit against it.

Section 503.30. CAPITAL PROJECT SETTLEMENTS

This section specifies an additional and supplemental procedure to provide for payments of judgments and settlements if the Director of Budget and Management determines, pursuant to division (C)(4) of section 2743.19 of the Revised Code, that sufficient unencumbered moneys do not exist in the fund to support
a particular appropriation to pay the amount of a final judgment rendered against the state or a state agency, including the settlement of a claim approved by a court, in an action upon and arising out of a contractual obligation for the construction or improvement of a capital facility if the costs under the contract were payable in whole or in part from a state capital projects appropriation. In such a case, the Director may either proceed pursuant to division (C)(4) of section 2743.19 of the Revised Code or apply to the Controlling Board to increase an appropriation or create an appropriation out of any unencumbered moneys in the state treasury to the credit of the capital projects fund from which the initial state appropriation was made. The amount of an increase in appropriation or new appropriation approved by the Controlling Board is hereby appropriated from the applicable capital projects fund and made available for the payment of the judgment or settlement.

If the Director does not make the application authorized by this section or the Controlling Board disapproves the application, and the Director does not make application under division (C)(4) of section 2743.19 of the Revised Code, the Director shall for the purpose of making that payment make a request to the General Assembly as provided for in division (C)(5) of that section.

Section 503.40. RE-ISSUANCE OF VOIED WARRANTS

In order to provide funds for the reissuance of voided warrants under section 126.37 of the Revised Code, there is hereby appropriated, out of moneys in the state treasury from the fund credited as provided in section 126.37 of the Revised Code, that amount sufficient to pay such warrants when approved by the Office of Budget and Management.

Section 503.50. REAPPROPRIATION OF UNEXPENDED ENCUMBERED
(A) Notwithstanding the original year of appropriation or encumbrance, the unexpended balance of an operating appropriation or reappropriation that a state agency lawfully encumbered prior to the close of fiscal year 2021 or fiscal year 2022 is hereby reappropriated on the first day of July of the following fiscal year from the fund from which it was originally appropriated or reappropriated for the period of time listed in this section and shall remain available only for the purpose of discharging the encumbrance:

(1) For an encumbrance for personal services, maintenance, equipment, or items for resale not otherwise identified in this section, for a period of not more than five months from the end of the fiscal year;

(2) For an encumbrance for an item of special order manufacture not available on state contract or in the open market, for a period of not more than five months from the end of the fiscal year or, with the written approval of the Director of Budget and Management, for a period of not more than twelve months from the end of the fiscal year;

(3) For an encumbrance for reclamation of land or oil and gas wells, for a period ending when the encumbered appropriation is expended provided such period does not extend beyond the FY 2022 – FY 2023 biennium;

(4) For an encumbrance for any other type of expense not otherwise identified in division (A)(1), (2), or (3) of this section, for such period as the Director approves, provided such period does not extend beyond the FY 2022 – FY 2023 biennium.

(B) Any operating appropriations for which unexpended balances are reappropriated in fiscal year 2022 or fiscal year
2023 pursuant to division (A)(2) of this section shall be reported to the Controlling Board by the Director of Budget and Management by the thirty-first day of December of each year. The report shall include the item, the cost of the item, and the name of the vendor. The report shall be updated on a quarterly basis for encumbrances remaining open.

(C) Upon the expiration of the reappropriation period set out in division (A) of this section, a reappropriation made by this section lapses and the Director of Budget and Management shall cancel the encumbrance of the unexpended reappropriation not later than the end of the weekend following the expiration of the reappropriation period.

(D) If the Controlling Board approved a purchase, that approval remains in effect so long as the appropriation used to make that purchase remains encumbered.

Section 503.60. CORRECTION OF ACCOUNTING ERRORS

(A) The Director of Budget and Management may correct accounting errors committed by the staff of the Office of Budget and Management, such as reestablishing encumbrances or appropriations canceled in error, during the cancellation of operating encumbrances in November and of non-operating encumbrances in December.

(B) The Director of Budget and Management may at any time correct accounting errors committed by staff or a state agency or state institution of higher education, as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code, such as reestablishing prior year non-operating encumbrances canceled or modified in error. The reestablished encumbrance amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 503.70. TEMPORARY REVENUE HOLDING

The Director of Budget and Management may create funds in the
state treasury solely for the purpose of temporarily holding revenue required to be credited to a fund in the state treasury, whose disposition is not immediately known at the time of receipt. Once identified, the Director shall credit the revenue to the appropriate fund in the state treasury.

Upon certification by a director or head of a state agency, the Director of Budget and Management may create funds in the state treasury on behalf of an agency when the agency is required by law to detain funds in escrow. The Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash between funds within the state treasury to satisfy escrow requirements.

**Section 503.80. APPROPRIATIONS RELATED TO CASH TRANSFERS AND RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF ENCUMBRANCES**

Any cash transferred by the Director of Budget and Management under section 126.15 of the Revised Code is hereby appropriated. Any amounts necessary to re-establish appropriations or encumbrances under section 126.15 of the Revised Code are hereby appropriated.

**Section 503.90. TRANSFERS OF THIRD FRONTIER APPROPRIATIONS**

The Director of Budget and Management may transfer appropriations between the Third Frontier Research and Development Fund (Fund 7011) and the Third Frontier Research and Development Taxable Bond Fund (Fund 7014) as necessary to maintain the exclusion from the calculation of gross income for federal income taxation purposes under the Internal Revenue Code with respect to obligations issued to fund projects appropriated from the Third Frontier Research and Development Fund (Fund 7011).

The Director may also create new appropriation items within the Third Frontier Research and Development Taxable Bond Fund (Fund 7014) and make transfers of appropriations to them for
projects originally funded from appropriations made from the Third Frontier Research and Development Fund (Fund 7011).

Section 503.100. INCOME TAX DISTRIBUTION TO COUNTIES

There are hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the state treasury to the credit of the General Revenue Fund, which are not otherwise appropriated, funds sufficient to make any payment required by division (B)(2) of section 5747.03 of the Revised Code.

Section 503.110. EXPENDITURES AND APPROPRIATION INCREASES APPROVED BY THE CONTROLLING BOARD

Any money that the Controlling Board approves for expenditure or any increase in appropriation that the Controlling Board approves under sections 127.14, 131.35, and 131.39 of the Revised Code or any other provision of law is hereby appropriated for the period ending June 30, 2023.

Section 503.120. FUNDS RECEIVED FOR USE OF GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE

If the Governor's Residence Fund (Fund 4H20) receives payment for use of the residence pursuant to section 107.40 of the Revised Code, the amounts so received are hereby appropriated to appropriation item 100604, Governor's Residence Gift.

Section 504.10. GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT SERVICE PAYMENTS

Certain appropriations are in this act for the purpose of paying debt service and financing costs on general obligation bonds or notes of the state issued pursuant to the Ohio Constitution, Revised Code, and acts of the General Assembly. If it is determined that additional appropriations are necessary for this purpose, such amounts are hereby appropriated.
Section 504.20. LEASE RENTAL PAYMENTS FOR DEBT SERVICE

Certain appropriations are in this act for the purpose of making lease rental payments pursuant to leases and agreements relating to bonds, notes, or other obligations issued by or on behalf of the state pursuant to the Ohio Constitution, Revised Code, and acts of the General Assembly. If it is determined that additional appropriations are necessary for this purpose, such amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 504.30. AUTHORIZATION FOR TREASURER OF STATE AND OBM TO EFFECTUATE CERTAIN DEBT SERVICE PAYMENTS

The Office of Budget and Management shall process payments from general obligation and lease rental payment appropriation items during the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023, relating to bonds, notes, or other obligations issued by or on behalf of the state pursuant to the Ohio Constitution, Revised Code, and acts of the General Assembly. Payments shall be made upon certification by the Treasurer of State of the dates and the amounts due on those dates.

Section 505.10. ARBITRAGE REBATE AUTHORIZATION

If it is determined that a payment is necessary in the amount computed at the time to represent the portion of investment income to be rebated or amounts in lieu of or in addition to any rebate amount to be paid to the federal government in order to maintain the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on those state obligations under section 148(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, such an amount is hereby appropriated from those funds designated by or pursuant to the applicable proceedings authorizing the issuance of state obligations.

Payments for this purpose shall be approved and vouchedered by
the Office of Budget and Management.

Section 505.20. STATEWIDE INDIRECT COST RECOVERY

Whenever the Director of Budget and Management determines that an appropriation made to a state agency from a fund of the state is insufficient to provide for the recovery of statewide indirect costs under section 126.12 of the Revised Code, the amount required for such purpose is hereby appropriated from the available receipts of such fund.

Section 505.30. TRANSFERS ON BEHALF OF THE STATEWIDE INDIRECT COST ALLOCATION PLAN

The total transfers made from the General Revenue Fund by the Director of Budget and Management under this section shall not exceed the amounts transferred into the General Revenue Fund under section 126.12 of the Revised Code.

The director of an agency may certify to the Director of Budget and Management the amount of expenses not allowed to be included in the Statewide Indirect Cost Allocation Plan under federal regulations, from any fund included in the Statewide Indirect Cost Allocation Plan, prepared as required by section 126.12 of the Revised Code.

Upon determining that no alternative source of funding is available to pay for such expenses, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash from the General Revenue Fund into the fund for which the certification is made, up to the amount of the certification. The director of the agency receiving such funds shall include, as part of the next budget submission prepared under section 126.02 of the Revised Code, a request for funding for such activities from an alternative source such that further federal disallowances would not be required.

The director of an agency may certify to the Director of
Budget and Management the amount of expenses paid in error from a 61493
fund included in the Statewide Indirect Cost Allocation Plan. The 61494
Director of Budget and Management may transfer cash from the fund 61495
from which the expenditure should have been made into the fund 61496
from which the expenses were erroneously paid, up to the amount of 61497
the certification.

The director of an agency may certify to the Director of 61498
Budget and Management the amount of expenses or revenues not 61499
allowed to be included in the Statewide Indirect Cost Allocation 61500
Plan under federal regulations, for any fund included in the 61501
Statewide Indirect Cost Allocation Plan, for which the federal 61502
government requires payment. If the Director of Budget and 61503
Management determines that an appropriation made to a state agency 61504
from a fund of the state is insufficient to pay the amount 61505
required by the federal government, the amount required for such 61506
purpose is hereby appropriated from the available receipts of such 61507
fund, up to the amount of the certification.

Section 505.40. FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INTEREST REQUIREMENTS 61508

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, on or 61509
before the first day of September of each fiscal year, the 61510
Director of Budget and Management, in order to reduce the payment 61511
of adjustments to the federal government, as determined by the 61512
plan prepared under division (A) of section 126.12 of the Revised 61513
Code, may designate such funds as the Director considers necessary 61514
to retain their own interest earnings.

Section 505.50. FEDERAL CASH MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT ACT 61515

Pursuant to the plan for compliance with the Federal Cash 61516
Management Improvement Act required by section 131.36 of the 61517
Revised Code, the Director of Budget and Management may cancel and 61518
re-establish all or part of encumbrances in like amounts within 61519
the funds identified by the plan. The amounts necessary to
re-establish all or part of encumbrances are hereby appropriated.

Section 505.60. INTEREST EARNINGS FOR FEDERAL FUNDS

Notwithstanding section 113.09 of the Revised Code, the
Director of Budget and Management may designate any fund within
the state treasury that receives federal revenue to be credited
with investment earnings to comply with federal law.

Section 509.10. TRANSFERS TO THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND OF
INTEREST EARNED

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the
Director of Budget and Management, through June 30, 2023, may
transfer interest earned by any state fund to the General Revenue
Fund. This section does not apply to funds whose source of revenue
is restricted or protected by the Ohio Constitution, federal tax

Section 509.20. CASH TRANSFERS TO THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND
FROM NON-GRF FUNDS

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the
Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $200,000,000
cash, during the biennium ending June 30, 2023, from non-General
Revenue Funds that are not constitutionally restricted to the
General Revenue Fund.

Section 509.50. MEDICAL MARIJUANA CONTROL PROGRAM REPAYMENTS

On October 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the
Director of Commerce and the Executive Director of the Board of
Pharmacy shall consult with the Director of Budget and Management
to determine a repayment schedule for the biennium ending June 30,
2023, to fully repay transfers on behalf of each agency from the Emergency Purposes/Contingency Fund (Fund 5KM0) to the Medical Marijuana Control Program Fund (Fund 5YS0). Payments made by the Department of Commerce and the Board of Pharmacy in accordance with this repayment schedule shall be credited to the General Revenue Fund.

Section 512.10. GENERAL REVENUE FUND TRANSFER TO TOURISM OHIO FUND

On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $20,000,000 cash from the General Revenue Fund to the Tourism Ohio Fund (Fund 5MJ0).

Section 512.20. GENERAL REVENUE FUND TRANSFER TO STATEWIDE TREATMENT AND PREVENTION FUND

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in each fiscal year of the biennium ending June 30, 2023, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $5,000,000 cash from the General Revenue Fund to the Statewide Treatment and Prevention Fund (Fund 4750).

Section 512.30. GENERAL REVENUE FUND TRANSFER TO STATEWIDE COMMUNITY POLICE RELATIONS FUND

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2023, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $1,150,000 cash from the General Revenue Fund to the Statewide Community Police Relations Fund (Fund 5RS0).

Section 512.40. GENERAL REVENUE FUND TRANSFER TO TARGETED ADDICTION PROGRAM FUND

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in each
fiscal year of the biennium ending June 30, 2023, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $23,750,000 cash from the General Revenue Fund to the Targeted Addiction Program Fund (Fund 5TZ0).

**Section 512.70. GENERAL REVENUE FUND TRANSFER TO STUDENT WELLNESS AND SUCCESS FUND**

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Director of Budget and Management may transfer up to $500,000,000 cash in fiscal year 2022 and up to $600,000,000 cash in fiscal year 2023 from the General Revenue Fund to the Student Wellness and Success Fund (Fund 5VS0), which is hereby created in the state treasury.

**Section 513.10. FISCAL YEAR 2021 GENERAL REVENUE FUND ENDING BALANCE**

Notwithstanding section 131.44 of the Revised Code, the Director of Budget and Management shall determine the surplus General Revenue Fund revenue that existed on June 30, 2021. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, except for the transfers listed in this section, the surplus shall remain in the General Revenue Fund. The Director shall transfer cash, not to exceed the amount of the surplus revenue from the General Revenue Fund in the following order:

(A) Up to $25,000,000 cash to the Emergency Purposes Fund (Fund 5KM0);

(B) Up to $25,000,000 cash to the Disaster Services Fund (Fund 5E20);

(C) Up to $16,300,000 cash to the Tobacco Use Prevention Fund (Fund 5BX0); and

(D) Up to $16,000,000 cash to the Ohio Governor Imagination
Library Fund (Fund 5JV0).

Section 514.10. UTILITY RADIOLOGICAL SAFETY BOARD ASSESSMENTS

Unless the agency and nuclear electric utility mutually agree to a higher amount by contract, the maximum amounts that may be assessed against nuclear electric utilities under division (B)(2) of section 4937.05 of the Revised Code and deposited into the specified funds are as follows:

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<td>Emergency Response Plan</td>
<td>Department of Public Safety</td>
<td>$1,368,624</td>
<td>$1,378,304</td>
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Section 516.10. CASH TRANSFERS AND ABOLISHMENT OF FUNDS

(A) On July 1, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management shall transfer the cash balance from each of the funds as indicated in the table below to the fund also indicated in the table below. Upon completion of each transfer and on the effective date of its repeal by this act, where applicable, the fund from which the cash balance was transferred is hereby abolished.
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<td>Disaster Services Plan and Grant Administration 3370 Disaster Relief Fund</td>
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<td>US DOE Grant 3370 Disaster Relief Fund</td>
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<td>4550</td>
<td>Commodity Foods Fund 1380 Computer Services Fund</td>
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<td>MCD</td>
<td>5SC0</td>
<td>Medicaid Services – Physical UPL 5AN0 Care Innovation and Community Improvement Program</td>
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(B) The following funds are hereby abolished on the effective date of their repeal by this act:

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Section 518.10. (A) As used in Sections 518.10 to 518.16 of this act, "business certification programs" means the Minority Business Enterprise program, the Encouraging Diversity, Growth, and Equity program, the Women-owned Business Enterprise program, and the Veteran-friendly Business Procurement program.

(B) On July 1, 2021, the administration of the business certification programs shall be transferred from the Department of Administrative Services to the Department of Development.

(C) Business related to the business certification programs commenced but not completed by the Department of Administrative Services on July 1, 2021, shall be completed by the Department of Development, as appropriate, in the same manner, and with the same effect, as if completed by the Department of Administrative Services. No validation, cure, right, privilege, remedy, obligation, or liability is lost or impaired by reason of the transfer required by this section but shall be administered by the Director of Development or the Department of Development, as appropriate.

(D) The rules, orders, and determinations of the Department of Administrative Services pertaining to the business certification programs continue in effect as rules, orders, and determinations of the Department of Development until modified or rescinded by that agency.

(E) No judicial or administrative action or proceeding pending on July 1, 2021, is affected by the transfer of functions related to the business certification programs from the Director of Administrative Services or the Department of Administrative Services to the Director of Development or the Department of Development, and those actions related to the administration of these programs shall be prosecuted or defended in the name of the Director of Development or the Department of Development, as
appropriate. On application to the court or other tribunal, the Director of Development or the Department of Development, whichever is appropriate, shall be substituted as a party in such actions and proceedings.

(F) When the Equal Employment Coordinator, the Director of Administrative Services, or the Department of Administrative Services is referred to in any rule, contract, grant, or other document related to the administration of the business certification programs, the reference is deemed to refer to the Director or Department of Development, as appropriate.

Section 518.11. Notwithstanding sections 4117.08 and 4117.10 of the Revised Code, the transfer of the business certification programs from the Department of Administrative Services to the Department of Development and the reassignment of certain functions and duties of the Department of Administrative Services by this act are not appropriate subjects for collective bargaining under Chapter 4117. of the Revised Code.

Section 518.12. (A) Subject to the layoff provisions of sections 124.321 to 124.328 of the Revised Code, on July 1, 2021, those employees of the Department of Administrative Services who administer the business certification programs are transferred to the Department of Development.

(B)(1) During the period beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the Director of Development may establish, change, and abolish positions of the Department of Development and assign, reassign, classify, reclassify, transfer, reduce, promote, or demote all employees of the Department who are not subject to Chapter 4117. of the Revised Code.

(2) The authority granted under division (B)(1) of this section includes assigning or reassigning an exempt employee, as
defined in section 124.152 of the Revised Code, to a bargaining unit classification if the Director determines that the bargaining unit classification is the proper classification for that employee. If an employee in the E-1 pay range is to be assigned, reassigned, classified, reclassified, transferred, reduced, or demoted to a position in a lower classification during the period specified in division (B)(1) of this section, the Director of Development, or in the case of transfer outside the Department of Development, the Director of Administrative Services, shall assign the employee to the appropriate classification and place the employee in Step X. The employee shall not receive any increase in compensation until the maximum rate of pay for that classification exceeds the employee's compensation.

(3) Actions taken by the Director of Development pursuant to division (B)(1) of this section are not subject to appeal to the State Personnel Board of Review.

Section 518.13. The Director of Development may enter into one or more contracts with private or government entities for staff training and development to facilitate the transfer of staff and duties related to the business certification programs from the Department of Administrative Services to the Department of Development. Division (B) of section 127.16 of the Revised Code does not apply to contracts entered into under this section.

Section 518.14. Notwithstanding division (D) of section 127.14 and section 131.35 of the Revised Code, except for the General Revenue Fund, the Controlling Board may, upon the request of the Director of Development, increase appropriations for any fund, as necessary, to assist in paying either or both of the following as a result of the transfer described in Sections 518.10 to 518.13 of this act: (1) The costs of increases in employee compensation that occur on or after July 1, 2021, pursuant to
collective bargaining agreements under Chapter 4117. of the Revised Code; (2) The costs of salary increases on or after July 1, 2021, for employees who are exempt from collective bargaining that are provided under law. Such amounts are hereby appropriated.

Section 518.15. (A) Notwithstanding any provision of the law to the contrary, on or after the effective date of this section, the Director of Budget and Management shall make budget and accounting changes made necessary by the transfer described in Section 518.10 of this act, including administrative organization, program transfers, the renaming of funds, the creating of new funds, the transfer of state funds and the consolidation of funds as authorized by Section 518.10 of this act. The Director may, if necessary, cancel or establish encumbrances or parts of encumbrances in fiscal years 2021 and 2022 in the appropriate fund and appropriation items for the same purpose and for payment to the same vendor. The established encumbrances are hereby appropriated.

(B) All records, documents, files, equipment, assets, and other materials of the business certification programs are transferred from the Department of Administrative Services to the Department of Development.

Section 518.16. (A) On and after July 1, 2021, the Director of the Legislative Service Commission shall renumber the rules of the Department of Administrative Services set forth in Chapter 123:2-14 of the Ohio Administrative Code and Section 123:5-1-16 of the Ohio Administrative Code to reflect their transfer to the Department of Development.

(B) Notwithstanding section 121.95 of the Revised Code, any new rules or amendments to the rules implementing sections 122.921, 122.922, 121.924, or 122.925 of the Revised Code that are
Section 518.20. On the effective date of this section, the Development Services Agency is renamed the Department of Development and the Director of Development Services is redesignated the Director of Development.

All of the Development Services Agency's rules, orders, and determinations continue in effect as rules, orders, and determinations of the Department of Development until modified or rescinded by the Department. All employees of the Development Services Agency continue with the Department of Development and retain their positions and all benefits accruing thereto. Except as otherwise noted in law, whenever the Development Services Agency or the Director of Development Services is referred to in a statute, rule, contract, or other instrument, the reference is deemed to refer to the Department of Development or to the Director of Development, whichever is appropriate in context. No pending action or proceeding being prosecuted or defended in court or before an agency by the Development Services Agency or by the Director of Development Services is affected by the renaming and shall be prosecuted or defended in the name of the Department of Development or the Director of Development, whichever is appropriate. Upon application to the court or agency, the Department of Development or the Director of Development shall be substituted.

Section 518.30. (A) On December 30, 2021, the Southern Ohio Agricultural Community Development Foundation is hereby abolished. The Department of Agriculture is successor to and assumes any remaining obligations and authority of the Foundation. Any business commenced, but not completed by the Foundation, shall be completed by the Department in the same manner and with the same
effect as if completed by the Foundation. Any validation, right, 61802
cure, privilege, remedy, obligation, or liability is not lost or 61803
impaired solely by this abolishment and shall be administered by 61804
the Department. Any action or proceeding pending on the effective 61805
date of this section is not affected by the abolishment of the 61806
Foundation and shall be defended in the name of the Department. In 61807
all such actions and proceedings, the Department may be 61808
substituted as a party upon application to the court or other 61809
tribunal.

(B) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the 61810
Department of Agriculture shall designate the positions and 61811
employees of the Foundation, if any, to be transferred to the 61812
Department. Any employee transferred to the Department retains the 61813
employee's respective classification. However, the Department may 61814
reassign and reclassify the employee's position and compensation 61815
as the Department determines to be in the best interest of the 61816
Department. The Department shall assist with and provide payment 61817
for the filing fees of any required financial disclosure 61818
statements of members of the board of trustees or employees of the 61819
Foundation for calendar year 2021.

(C) Notwithstanding section 145.297 of the Revised Code, the 61820
Department may, at the Department's discretion and with the 61821
approval of the Office of Budget and Management, establish a 61822
retirement incentive plan for eligible employees of the Foundation 61823
who are members of the Public Employee Retirement System. Any 61824
retirement incentive plan established pursuant to this section 61825
shall remain in effect until December 29, 2021.

(D) On or before December 30, 2021, all equipment, assets, 61826
supplies, records, and other property of the Foundation are 61827
transferred to the Department of Agriculture or shall be disposed 61828
of in a lawful manner.
(E) On December 30, 2021, all rules of the Foundation are hereby rescinded.

(F) On December 30, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management shall transfer the cash balance in the Southern Ohio Agricultural and Community Development Operating Expenses Fund (Fund 5M90) to the Ohio Proud Marketing Fund (Fund 4R00). Upon completion of the transfer, the Southern Ohio Agricultural and Community Development Operating Expenses Fund (Fund 5M90) is hereby abolished. The Director of Budget and Management shall cancel any existing encumbrances against appropriation item 945601, Operating Expenses, and re-establish them against 700636, Ohio Proud Marketing. The re-established amounts are hereby appropriated.

On December 30, 2021, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Treasurer of State shall remit the cash balance of the Southern Ohio Agricultural and Community Development Foundation Endowment Fund to the Ohio Proud Marketing Fund (Fund 4R00). Upon completion of this remittance, the Southern Ohio Agricultural and Community Development Foundation Endowment Fund is hereby abolished.

No cash transferred or remitted under this division shall be used to hire an executive agency lobbyist as defined under section 121.60 of the Revised Code, or a legislative agent, as defined under section 101.70 of the Revised Code.

(G) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Department of Agriculture shall, in consultation with the Department of Administrative Services and the Office of Budget and Management, attend to any matters associated with winding up the affairs of the Southern Ohio Agricultural and Community Development Foundation including but not limited to coordination of a final audit of the Foundation. If it is determined by the Director of Agriculture that additional appropriation is necessary in appropriation item 945601, Operating Expenses, or after
December 30, 2021, in appropriation item 700636, Ohio Proud Marketing, to wind up the affairs of the Foundation including to pay for any final audit or other expenditures of the Foundation, the Director of Agriculture shall certify the amount of additional appropriation needed to the Director of Budget and Management. Upon the approval of the Director of Budget and Management, amounts up to those certified by the Director of Agriculture are hereby appropriated for that purpose.

(H) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, on or after the effective date of this section, the Director of Budget and Management may make accounting and budgeting changes necessary to effectuate this section. The Director may, if necessary, cancel or establish encumbrances or parts of encumbrances in fiscal years 2022 and 2023 in the appropriate fund and appropriation item for the same purpose and for payment to the same vendor.

Section 518.40. (A)(1) Subject to the layoff provisions of sections 124.321 to 124.328 of the Revised Code, on July 1, 2021, or as soon thereafter as can be effectuated, any employees of the Department of Health identified necessary to the operation of a central warehouse are transferred to the Department of Administrative Services. The employees shall retain their positions and benefits.

(2) The Director of Administrative Services may establish, change, and abolish positions of the Department of Health and assign, reassign, classify, reclassify, transfer, reduce, promote, or demote all employees of the Department of Health who are not subject to Chapter 4117. of the Revised Code.

(3) The authority granted under division (A)(2) of this section includes assigning or reassigning an exempt employee, as defined in section 124.152 of the Revised Code, to a bargaining
unit classification if the Director of Administrative Services determines that the bargaining unit classification is the proper classification for that employee. If an employee in the E-1 pay range is to be assigned, reassigned, classified, reclassified, transferred, reduced, or demoted to a position in a lower classification during the period specified in division (A)(1) of this section, the Director of Administrative Services shall assign the employee to the appropriate classification and place the employee in Step X. The employee shall not receive any increase in compensation until the maximum rate of pay for that classification exceeds the employee's compensation.

(4) Actions taken by the Director of Health or the Director of Administrative Services under this section are not subject to appeal to the State Personnel Board of Review.

(5) On or after July 1, 2021, notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Director of Budget and Management may make budget changes made necessary by this section, including canceling encumbrances of the Department of Health and reestablishing them as encumbrances of the Department of Administrative Services. Any reestablished encumbrances are hereby appropriated.

Section 610.10. That Section 733.61 of H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 733.61. (A) Notwithstanding section 3319.236 of the Revised Code, for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school year through the 2022-2023 school years only, a school district, community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, or science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code may permit an individual who holds a valid educator license in any of grades
seven through twelve to teach a computer science course if, prior
to teaching the course, the individual completes a professional
development program approved by the district superintendent or
school principal that provides content knowledge specific to the
course the individual will teach. The superintendent or principal
shall approve any professional development program endorsed by the
organization that creates and administers the national Advanced
Placement examinations as appropriate for the course the
individual will teach.

(B) Nothing in this section shall permit an individual
described in division (A) of this section to teach a computer
science course in a school district or school other than the
school district or school that employed the individual at the time
the individual completed the professional development program
required by that division.

(C) Beginning July 1, 2021 2023, a school district or public
school shall permit an individual to teach a computer science
course only in accordance with section 3319.236 of the Revised
Code.

(D) Notwithstanding section 3301.012 of the Revised Code, as
used in this section, "computer science course" means any course
that is reported in the education management information system
established under section 3301.0714 of the Revised Code as a
computer science course.

Section 610.11. That existing Section 733.61 of H.B. 166 of
the 133rd General Assembly is hereby repealed.

Section 610.20. That Sections 125.10 and 125.11 of H.B. 59 of
the 130th General Assembly (as amended by H.B. 166 of the 133rd
General Assembly) be amended to read as follows:
Sec. 125.10. Sections 5168.01, 5168.02, 5168.03, 5168.04, 5168.05, 5168.06, 5168.07, 5168.08, 5168.09, 5168.10, 5168.11, 5168.13, 5168.99, and 5168.991 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed, effective October 16, 2021.

Sec. 125.11. Sections 5168.20, 5168.21, 5168.22, 5168.23, 5168.24, 5168.25, 5168.26, 5168.27, and 5168.28 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed, effective October 1, 2021.

Section 610.21. That existing Sections 125.10 and 125.11 of H.B. 59 of the 130th General Assembly (as amended by H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly) are hereby repealed.

Section 610.30. That Section 757.50 of H.B. 59 of the 130th General Assembly is hereby repealed.

Section 701.10. STATE PAY FOR SUCCESS CONTRACT FUND

The State Pay for Success Contract Fund shall be used for the purpose of funding a pay for success project pursuant to section 113.60 of the Revised Code. The Treasurer of State, in consultation with the Director of Administrative Services and Chancellor of Higher Education, shall initiate a pay for success contract with a service intermediary, as selected by the Department of Higher Education, and a service provider, as required, to improve Ohio National Guard Scholarship utilization and the postsecondary outcomes for scholarship recipients. The program shall be delivered to eligible Ohio National Guard members planning to matriculate at a state institution of higher education in Ohio, as defined under section 3345.12 of the Revised Code.

Section 701.20. The Director of Development shall adopt rules prescribing the alternative eligibility requirements described by
division (I) of section 122.17 of the Revised Code, as amended by
this act, as soon as possible following the effective date of this
section.

Section 701.30. The intent of the General Assembly in
amending section 169.07 of the Revised Code is to make clear that
the section should be read to mean that the Director of Commerce
is not required to hold harmless or intervene and assume the
defense of a holder that has failed to act in good faith and in
compliance with Chapter 169. of the Revised Code and its
accompanying regulations when reporting unclaimed property. It is
not meant to insure or indemnify the holder against the holder's
own acts or omissions, negligence, bad faith, or breach of any
duties owed the unclaimed funds owner or the Director.

Section 733.20. (A) In furtherance of the State of Ohio's
intent to improve affordability in higher education, and in
recognition of the positive achievements of the Ohio Faculty
Council's October 2017 resolution supporting textbook
affordability initiatives, the State of Ohio hereby tasks Ohio's
institutions of higher education with evaluating their respective
implementation of textbook affordability initiatives.

(B)(1) Consistent with requirements in Title I, Section 133
of the federal "Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008,"
institutions of higher education receiving federal financial aid
shall disclose required and recommended textbooks not later than
the time at which students can first begin to register for a
course.

(2) Prior to academic year 2022-2023, the administration of
each state institution of higher education, as defined in section
3345.011 of the Revised Code, shall work collaboratively with the
institution's faculty senate, or equivalent body, to consider
adopting a formally recognized textbook auto-adoption policy.

(3) The administration and faculty senate may use, as an example, the textbook auto-adoption policy implemented by faculty at Wright State University in 2018, under which faculty members retain full authority in selecting textbooks and materials appropriate for their classes.

(C) Not later than August 15, 2022, the board of trustees of each state institution of higher education shall adopt a resolution or otherwise formally vote to affirm or decline adoption of the policy. If the board of trustees adopts the policy as agreed upon by the administration and faculty senate, the state institution shall formally transmit a copy of its resolution to the Chancellor of Higher Education.

Section 755.10. DIESEL EMISSIONS REDUCTION GRANT PROGRAM

There is hereby established in the Highway Operating Fund (Fund 7002), used by the Department of Transportation, a Diesel Emissions Reduction Grant Program. The Director of Environmental Protection shall administer the program and shall solicit, evaluate, score, and select projects submitted by public and private entities that are eligible for the federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Program. The Director of Transportation shall process Federal Highway Administration-approved projects as recommended by the Director of Environmental Protection.

In addition to the allowable expenditures set forth in section 122.861 of the Revised Code, Diesel Emissions Reduction Grant Program funds also may be used to fund projects involving the purchase or use of hybrid and alternative fuel vehicles that are allowed under guidance developed by the Federal Highway Administration for the CMAQ Program.
Public entities eligible to receive funds under section 122.861 of the Revised Code and CMAQ shall be reimbursed from moneys in Fund 7002 designated for the Department of Transportation's Diesel Emissions Reduction Grant Program.

Private entities eligible to receive funds under section 122.861 of the Revised Code and CMAQ shall be reimbursed, at the direction of the local public agency sponsor and upon approval of the Department of Transportation, through direct payments. These reimbursements shall be made from moneys in Fund 7002 designated for the Department of Transportation's Diesel Emissions Reduction Grant Program. Total expenditures from Fund 7002 for the Diesel Emissions Reduction Grant Program shall not exceed $10,000,000 in both fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023.

Any allocations under this section represent CMAQ program moneys within the Department of Transportation for use by the Diesel Emissions Reduction Grant Program by the Environmental Protection Agency. These allocations shall not reduce the amount of such moneys designated for metropolitan planning organizations.

The Director of Environmental Protection, in consultation with the Director of Transportation, shall develop guidance for the distribution of funds and for the administration of the Diesel Emissions Reduction Grant Program. The guidance shall include a method of prioritization for projects, acceptable technologies, and procedures for awarding grants.

Section 757.10. The State of Ohio does not intend to collect tax on unemployment compensation reported to unsuspecting victims of fraud on an Internal Revenue Service form 1099-G from the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services consistent with Internal Revenue Service Information Release 2021-24. The State of Ohio also encourages victims of fraud to report that fraud to the agency that issued the 1099-G to avoid potential billings and
assessment from the Internal Revenue Service.

**Section 757.20. BUSINESS INCENTIVE TAX CREDITS**

In order to facilitate an understanding of business incentive tax credits, as defined in section 107.036 of the Revised Code, the following table provides an estimate of the amount of credits that may be authorized in each fiscal year of the 2022-2023 biennium, an estimate of the credits expected to be claimed in each fiscal year of that biennium, and an estimate of the amount of credits authorized that will remain outstanding at the end of that biennium. In totality, this table provides an estimate of the state revenue forgone due to business incentive tax credits in the 2022-2023 biennium and future biennium.

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*The Job Creation Tax Credit (JCTC) estimate of credits outstanding represents the estimated potential value of certificates to be issued under the program in the future with the existing portfolio of approved and active incentives. The estimate assumes that the companies receiving credits will continue to meet the performance objectives required to continue receiving the credit.*

**Section 803.10.** The amendments by this act to divisions (H) and (I) of section 3319.31 of the Revised Code are remedial in nature and apply to any proceeding, investigation, or citation involving an applicant for an initial license, as defined in that section, that, as of the effective date of those amendments, has not reached final adjudication, including all available appeals.

**Section 803.20.** The amendment by this act of sections 4303.26 and 4303.271 of the Revised Code applies to transfer and renewal applications filed under those sections that are due on or after February 1, 2022.

**Section 803.30.** The amendment by this act of section 5709.121 of the Revised Code applies to tax year 2021 and every tax year thereafter, as well as to any tax year at issue in an application for exemption from taxation or any appeal from such an application pending before the Tax Commissioner, the Board of Tax Appeals, any court of common pleas or court of appeals, or the Supreme Court on the effective date of that amendment and to the property that is the subject of any such application or appeal.

**Section 803.40.** (A) As used in this section, "exclusive property" and "auxiliary property" have the same meanings as in section 5709.21 of the Revised Code.
(B) The amendment by this act of section 5709.21 of the Revised Code applies to applications for an exempt facility certificate filed on and after the effective date of this section.

(C) If exclusive property is not listed on an application for an exempt facility certificate filed under section 5709.21 of the Revised Code before the effective date of this section, the burden is on the applicant to prove that such property was installed, used, and necessary for the operation of an exempt facility, and that it is not auxiliary property.

(D) Division (C) of this section is remedial in nature and is intended to clarify the law as it existed prior to its enactment by this act, and shall it be construed accordingly.

Section 803.50. The amendment of section 5726.20 of the Revised Code is intended to clarify the law as it existed prior to the enactment of this act and shall be construed accordingly.

Section 803.60. The amendment or enactment by this act of divisions (A)(5), (6), and (33) and (S)(5) of section 5747.01 of the Revised Code is intended to clarify the law as it existed before the enactment of this act and shall be construed accordingly.

Section 803.70. The amendment by this act of division (H) of section 5747.08 of the Revised Code is intended to clarify the law as it existed before the amendment by this act of that division and shall be construed accordingly. The amendment applies to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2016.

Section 803.80. The amendment by this act of division (L) of section 5747.08 of the Revised Code applies to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2021.
Section 806.10. SEVERABILITY

The items of law contained in this act, and their applications, are severable. If any item of law contained in this act, or if any application of any item of law contained in this act, is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other items of law contained in this act and their applications that can be given effect without the invalid item of law or application.

Section 809.10. NO EFFECT AFTER END OF BIENNIUM

An item of law, other than an amending, enacting, or repealing clause, that composes the whole or part of an uncodified section contained in this act has no effect after June 30, 2023, unless its context clearly indicates otherwise.

Section 812.10. SUBJECT TO REFERENDUM

Except as otherwise provided in this act, the amendment, enactment, or repeal by this act of a section is subject to the referendum under Ohio Constitution, Article II, section 1c and therefore takes effect on the ninety-first day after this act is filed with the Secretary of State or, if a later effective date is specified below, on that date.

The amendment of sections 102.02, 183.021, and 183.33 and the repeal of sections 183.12, 183.13, 183.14, 183.15, 183.16, and 183.17 of the Revised Code by this act take effect December 30, 2021.

Section 812.20. The amendment, new enactment, or repeal by this act of the sections listed below is exempt from the referendum under section 1d of Article II, Ohio Constitution, and therefore takes effect immediately when this act becomes law or, if a later effective date is specified below, on that date.
Sections 4301.43 and 5751.03 of the Revised Code.

Section 812.23. Sections of this act prefixed with numbers in the 200s, 300s, 400s, and 500s and Section 757.10 of this act are exempt from the referendum under Ohio Constitution, Article II, Section 1d, and therefore take immediate effect when this act becomes law.

Section 820.10. The General Assembly, applying the principle stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of simultaneous operation, finds that the following sections, presented in this act as composites of the sections as amended by the acts indicated, are the resulting versions of the sections in effect prior to the effective date of the sections as presented in this act:

Section 111.16 of the Revised Code as amended by both H.B. 31 and H.B. 133 of the 132nd General Assembly.

Section 119.12 of the Revised Code as amended by both H.B. 52 and H.B. 64 of the 131st General Assembly.

Section 169.13 of the Revised Code as amended by both H.B. 699 and S.B. 223 of the 126th General Assembly.

Section 2923.13 of the Revised Code as amended by both H.B. 234 and S.B. 43 of the 130th General Assembly.

Section 2929.14 of the Revised Code as amended by H.B. 63, S.B. 1, S.B. 20, and S.B. 201, all of the 132nd General Assembly.


Section 3319.31 of the Revised Code, as amended by H.B. 123 and H.B. 263, both of the 133rd General Assembly.


Section 5126.05 of the Revised Code as amended by both H.B. 158 and H.B. 483 of the 131st General Assembly.

Section 5747.01 of the Revised Code as amended by H.B. 18, H.B. 197, S.B. 26, and S.B. 276, all of the 133rd General Assembly.