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A BILL

То	amend sections 4517.22, 5709.911, and 5747.98	1
	and to enact sections 901.61, 5709.916, and	2
	5747.77 of the Revised Code to temporarily allow	3
	income tax credits for beginning farmers who	4
	participate in a financial management program	5
	and for businesses that sell or rent	6
	agricultural land, livestock, facilities, or	7
	equipment to beginning farmers, to modify the	8
	law governing certain tax increment financing	9
	arrangements, to alter the types of vehicles	10
	that may be purchased at a motor vehicle show,	11
	to permit, for a limited time, the abatement of	12
	unpaid taxes, penalties, and interest for	13
	certain municipal property, and to make an	14
	appropriation.	15

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

Section 1. That sections 4517.22, 5709.911, and 5747.98 be	16
amended and sections 901.61, 5709.916, and 5747.77 of the	17
Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:	18
Sec. 901.61. (A) As used in this section:	19
(1) "Agricultural asset" means agricultural land,	20
livestock, facilities, buildings, and machinery used for	21
agricultural production in this state.	22
(2) "Agricultural land" means land that is composed of	23
tracts, lots, or parcels totaling not less than ten acres	24
devoted to agricultural production or totaling less than ten	25
acres devoted to agricultural production if the land produces an	26
average yearly gross income of at least two thousand five	27
hundred dollars from agricultural production.	28
(3) "Agricultural production" has the same meaning as in	29
section 929.01 of the Revised Code.	30
(4) "Beginning farmer" means an individual who has been	31
certified as a beginning farmer by the director of agriculture	32
or a participating land grant college under division (B) of this	33
section or who has received a substantially equivalent	34
certification from the United States department of agriculture.	35
"Beginning farmer" does not include an individual who has	36
previously been certified as a beginning farmer but no longer	37
meets the criteria for certification.	38
(5) "Owner of agricultural assets" means a person that is	39
the owner in fee of agricultural land or that has legal title to	4 C
any other agricultural asset. An "owner of agricultural assets"	41

director of agriculture and participating land grant colleges

shall certify individuals as beginning farmers. An individual

director or college shall provide the certification if the

this state and:

years, into farming;

may apply to the director or college for certification, and the

director or college determines that the individual meets all of

until the individual no longer meets all of the requirements of

this division. To qualify, the individual must be a resident of

(1) Be seeking entry, or have entered within the last ten

the requirements of this division. The certification is valid

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(2) Farm, or intend to farm, land in this state;	71
(3) Not be a partner, member, shareholder, or trustee of	72
the owner of the agricultural assets the individual is seeking	73
to purchase or rent.	74
(4) Have a total net worth, including the assets and	75
liabilities of the individual's spouse and dependents, of less	76
than eight hundred thousand dollars in 2021 and an amount in	77
subsequent years which is adjusted for inflation by multiplying	78
that amount by the cumulative inflation rate as determined by	79
the consumer price index (all items) prepared by the United	80
States bureau of labor statistics.	81
(5) Provide the majority of the day-to-day physical labor	82
for and management of the farm;	83
(6) Have adequate farming experience or demonstrate	84
knowledge in the type of farming for which the individual seeks	85
assistance;	86
(7) Submit projected earnings statements and demonstrate a	87
<pre>profit potential;</pre>	88
(8) Demonstrate that farming will be a significant source	89
of income for the individual;	90
(9) Participate in a financial management program approved	91
under division (C) of this section;	92
(10) Meet any other requirements prescribed by the	93
director.	94
(C) For the purposes of the tax credit authorized in	95
division (B) of section 5747.77 of the Revised Code, the	96
director of agriculture, in consultation with the participating	97
land grant colleges, shall certify financial management programs	98

that would qualify a beginning farmer for the credit authorized	99
under that division. The director and colleges shall establish a	100
procedure for certifying such programs and shall maintain a list	101
of certified programs on the web site of the department of	102
agriculture.	103
(D) (1) The owner of agricultural assets who sells	104
agricultural assets to a beginning farmer during the calendar	105
year or who rents agricultural assets to a beginning farmer	106
during the calendar year or in either of the two preceding	107
calendar years may apply to the director of agriculture, on	108
forms prescribed by the director, for a tax credit under	109
division (A) of section 5747.77 of the Revised Code, provided,	110
in the case of a rental, the asset is rented at prevailing	111
community rates, as determined under the rules adopted under	112
division (G) of this section. The application shall identify or	113
<pre>include all of the following:</pre>	114
(a) The name of the beginning farmer;	115
(b) The date the sale was made or the date the lease was	116
<pre>entered into;</pre>	117
(c) If applying for the credit on the basis of the sale of	118
an agricultural asset, the sale price of the asset;	119
(d) If applying for the credit on the basis of renting an	120
<pre>agricultural asset:</pre>	121
(i) The duration of the lease;	122
(ii) Proof that the asset is rented at prevailing	123
<pre>community rates;</pre>	124
(iii) The amount, in cash equivalent, of the gross rental	125
income received during the taxable year for which the credit is	126

sought;	127
(iv) Whether the asset is rented pursuant to a share rent	128
agreement.	129
(2) The director shall approve an application received	130
under this section if the director determines that the applicant	131
is eligible for the credit and if awarding the credit would not	132
cause the limit described in division (F) of this section to be	133
exceeded. The director shall issue a tax credit certificate to	134
an approved applicant listing the amount of the credit the	135
applicant is authorized to claim under division (A) of section	136
5747.77 of the Revised Code, which shall equal three and ninety-	137
nine one-hundredths per cent of one of the following:	138
(a) The sale price of the agricultural asset;	139
(b) The gross rental income received during the calendar	140
year pursuant to a rental agreement, provided the agreement was	141
entered into on or after the first day of the second preceding	142
<pre>calendar year;</pre>	143
(c) The gross rental income received during the taxable	144
year pursuant to a share rent agreement, provided the agreement	145
was entered into on or after the first day of the second	146
preceding calendar year.	147
(E) A beginning farmer may apply to the director of	148
agriculture, on forms prescribed by the director, for a tax	149
credit under division (B) of section 5747.77 of the Revised Code	150
equal to the cost the individual incurred during the calendar	151
year for participating in a financial management program	152
approved under division (C) of this section or a substantially	153
equivalent financial management program approved by the United	154
States department of agriculture. The application shall include	155

(1) "General market area" means the contiguous

geographical area established by a motor vehicle show sponsor

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that is based upon the size of the show and that does not	184
unreasonably exclude any licensed new motor vehicle dealer.	185
(2) "Gross vehicle weight rating" means the unladenmaximum	186
weight of while loaded at which a motor vehicle fully-	187
equippedcan safely operate as rated by its manufacturer.	188
(3) "Livestock trailer" means a new or used trailer	189
designed by its manufacturer to be used to transport horses or	190
to transport animals generally used for food or in the	191
production of food, including cattle, sheep, goats, rabbits,	192
poultry, swine, and any other animals included by the director	193
of agriculture in rules adopted under section 901.72 of the	194
Revised Code.	195
(4) "Major livestock show" means any show of livestock	196
that is held at the Ohio state fairgrounds, is national in	197
scope, and that continues for more than ten consecutive days.	198
(5) "Motor vehicle show" means a display of new motor	199
vehicles that lasts not more than ten days by more than one new	200
motor vehicle dealer dealing in competitive types of motor	201
vehicles and that is authorized by the registrar of motor	202
vehicles primarily to allow the general public an opportunity to	203
compare and inspect a variety of makes and models	204
simultaneously, test drive vehicles, and gain an understanding	205
of new technology and available features.	206
(6) "Truck" has the same meaning as in section 4511.01 of	207
the Revised Code.	208
(B) Any group of licensed new motor vehicle dealers may	209
display motor vehicles at a motor vehicle show within the	210
general market area assigned by the sponsor if, not less than	211
thirty days before the planned opening date of the motor vehicle	212

show, the sponsor executes and files with the registrar an 213 affidavit, in a form prescribed by the registrar, that certifies 214 that all requirements of this section have been or will be met, 215 as applicable. 216

If the registrar approves the affidavit, the registrar 217 shall grant the sponsor permission to conduct the motor vehicle 218 show. If the registrar determines that there is a deficiency in 219 the affidavit, the registrar shall inform the sponsor of the 220 deficiency as soon as possible after the registrar receives the 221 222 affidavit so that the sponsor has the opportunity to remedy the 223 deficiency. The registrar also shall describe with specificity the measures the sponsor is required to take in order to cure 224 the deficiency. The sponsor shall return the corrected affidavit 225 to the registrar not later than before the planned opening date 226 of the motor vehicle show in order for the sponsor to be 227 eligible to hold the show. If the registrar finds that the 228 deficiency has been cured in the corrected affidavit, the 229 registrar shall grant the sponsor permission to conduct the 230 motor vehicle show. If the registrar finds that the deficiency 231 has not been cured, the registrar shall deny the sponsor 232 permission to conduct the motor vehicle show. 233

- (C) No contracts shall be signed, deposits taken, or sales
 consummated at the location of a motor vehicle show.

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- (D) Any sponsor of a motor vehicle show or the sponsor's

 representative shall offer by mail an invitation to all new

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 motor vehicle dealers dealing in competitive types of motor

 vehicles in the general market area to participate and display

 motor vehicles in the show. The sponsor or representative may

 offer a similar invitation to manufacturers or distributors. A

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 copy of each invitation shall be retained by the sponsor for one

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year after the show.

- (E) A manufacturer or distributor may hold in any public 244 place a motor vehicle show at which only one motor vehicle is 245 displayed, but no such single unit show shall be held unless the 246 manufacturer or distributor executes and files with the 247 registrar not less than thirty days before the show an 248 affidavit, in a form prescribed by the registrar, that certifies 249 that all requirements of this section have been or will be met, 250 as applicable, and subsequently receives approval of that 251 252 affidavit from the registrar.
- (F) The registrar shall not grant permission for any motor vehicle show to be held, unless it is proven to the registrar's satisfaction that no attempt is being made to circumvent the provisions of sections 4517.01 to 4517.45 of the Revised Code.
- (G) Nothing contained in this section shall be construed 257 as prohibiting the taking of orders for nonmotorized 258 recreational vehicles as defined in section 4501.01 of the 259 Revised Code at sports or camping shows. 260
- (H) No motor vehicle dealer, motor vehicle leasing dealer, motor vehicle auction owner, or distributor licensed under sections 4517.01 to 4517.45 of the Revised Code shall display a motor vehicle at any place except the dealer's, owner's, or distributor's licensed location, unless the dealer, owner, or distributor first obtains permission from the registrar and complies with the applicable rules of the motor vehicle dealers board or the display is authorized pursuant to section 4517.221 of the Revised Code.
- (I) Nothing contained in this section shall be construed 270 as prohibiting the display of, the taking of orders for, or the 271

sale of, livestock trailers at livestock and agricultural shows,	272
including county fairs. Notwithstanding section 4517.03 of the	273
Revised Code, livestock trailers may be sold at livestock and	274
agricultural shows, including county fairs, as permitted by this	275
division.	276
(J) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the	277
contrary, for a period not to exceed thirty days, contracts may	278
be signed, deposits taken, and sales consummated at the location	279
of a motor vehicle show where the if all of the following apply:	280
(1) The motor vehicles involved are horse trailers or	281
towing motor vehicles that are trucks and have a gross vehicle	282
weight <pre>rating_of six thousand eight hundred pounds or more than</pre>	283
three-quarters of a ton, the.	284
(2) The motor vehicle show is being held as part of or in	285
connection with a major livestock show, the.	286
(3) The licensed new motor vehicle dealers involved have	287
complied with the applicable requirements of this section, and	288
the.	289
(4) The registrar has granted permission for the motor	290
vehicle show in accordance with division (F) of this section.	291
(K)(1) Notwithstanding division (H) of this section, if,	292
pursuant to division (B) of this section, the registrar has	293
granted a show representative permission to hold a motor vehicle	294
show at the annual fair of a county or independent agricultural	295
society and if the society files a certification under division	296
(K)(2) of this section, a new motor vehicle dealer may display	297
motor vehicles at that annual fair even if no other new motor	298
vehicle dealer displays competitive makes and models at the	299
fair.	300

(2) To obtain a waiver under division (K)(1) of this	301
section, a county or independent agricultural society shall	302
certify all of the following:	303
(a) That an invitation was sent to all new motor vehicle	304
dealers within the county where the fair is held;	305
(b) That the terms of the invitation were reasonable and	306
nondiscriminatory;	307
(c) That only one new motor vehicle dealer accepted the	308
invitation.	309
(L)(1) Until six months after the effective date of this	310
amendment March 23, 2015, whoever violates this section or	311
section 4517.221 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor	312
of the fourth degree.	313
(2) The board shall adopt rules establishing the amount of	314
a penalty for a violation of this section or section 4517.221 of	315
the Revised Code, which shall not exceed one thousand dollars	316
for each violation.	317
(3) Beginning six months after the effective date of this	318
amendment March 23, 2015, after finding, pursuant to	319
adjudication conducted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the	320
Revised Code, that a person has violated this section or section	321
4517.221 of the Revised Code, the board may order the person to	322
pay an administrative penalty described in division (L)(2) of	323
this section for each violation in accordance with the rule	324
adopted by the board.	325
(4) For purposes of the administrative penalties described	326
in divisions (L)(2) and (3) of this section, each sale that	327
occurs in violation of this section or section 4517.221 of the	328
Revised Code and each day that a violation occurs or continues	329

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to occur constitutes a separate violation.

(5) All penalties collected pursuant to division (L)(3) of this section shall be paid to the title defect rescission fund 332 established in section 1345.52 of the Revised Code. 333

334 Sec. 5709.911. (A) (1) A municipal corporation, township, or county that has enacted an ordinance or resolution under 335 section 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the 336 Revised Code or that has entered into an agreement referred to 337 in section 725.02 or 1728.07 of the Revised Code may file an 338 application for exemption under those sections in the same 339 manner as other real property tax exemptions, notwithstanding 340 the indication in division (A) of section 5715.27 of the Revised 341 Code that the owner of the property may file the application. An 342 application for exemption may not be filed by a municipal 343 corporation, township, or county for an exemption of a parcel 344 under section 5709.40, 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the Revised Code 345 if the property owner excludes the property from such exemption 346 as provided in that section. 347

- (2) Except as provided in division (B) of this section, if the application for exemption under section 725.02, 1728.10, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the Revised Code is filed by a municipal corporation, township, or county and more than one real property tax exemption applies by law to the property or a portion of the property, both of the following apply:
- (a) An exemption granted under section 725.02, 1728.10, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the Revised Code shall be subordinate to an exemption with respect to the property or portion of the property granted under any other provision of the Revised Code.

- (b) Neither service payments in lieu of taxes under 360 section 725.04, 5709.42, 5709.46, 5709.74, or 5709.79 of the 361 Revised Code, nor service charges in lieu of taxes under section 362 1728.11 or 1728.111 of the Revised Code, shall be required with 363 respect to the property or portion of the property that is 364 exempt from real property taxes under that other provision of 365 the Revised Code during the effective period of the exemption. 366
- (B) (1) If the application for exemption under section 367 725.02, 1728.10, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.73, or 5709.78 368 of the Revised Code is filed by the owner of the property or by 369 a municipal corporation, township, or county with the owner's 370 written consent attached to the application, and if more than 371 one real property tax exemption applies by law to the property 372 or a portion of the property, no other exemption shall be 373 granted for the portion of the property already exempt under 374 section 725.02, 1728.10, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.73, or 375 5709.78 of the Revised Code unless the municipal corporation, 376 township, or county that enacted the authorizing ordinance or 377 resolution for the earlier exemption provides its duly 378 authorized written consent to the subsequent exemption by means 379 of a duly enacted ordinance or resolution. 380
- (2) If the application for exemption under section 725.02, 381 1728.10, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the 382 Revised Code is filed by a municipal corporation, township, or 383 county and approved by the tax commissioner, if the owner of the 384 property subsequently provides written consent to the exemption 385 and the consent is filed with the tax commissioner, and if more 386 than one real property tax exemption applies by law to the 387 property or a portion of the property, no other exemption shall 388 be granted for the portion of the property already exempt under 389 section 725.02, 1728.10, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.73, or 390

5709.78 of the Revised Code unless the municipal corporation,	391
township, or county that enacted the authorizing ordinance or	392
resolution for the earlier exemption provides its duly	393
authorized written consent to the subsequent exemption by means	394
of a duly enacted ordinance or resolution.	395
(C)(1) (C) After the tax commissioner has approved or	396
partially approved an application for exemption filed by or with	397
the consent of a property owner under the circumstances	398
described in division (B)(1) of this section or if a property	399
owner subsequently provides written consent to an exemption	400
under the circumstances described in division (B)(2) of this	401
section, the municipal corporation, township, county, or	402
property owner shall file a notice one of the following with the	403
county recorder for the county in which the property is located:	404
(1) A notice that clearly identifies the property and the	405
owner of the property and states that the property, regardless	406
of future use or ownership, remains liable for any service	407
payments or service charges required by the exemption until the	408
terms of the exemption have been satisfied, unless the municipal	409
corporation, township, or county consents to the subsequent	410
exemption and relinquishes its right to collect the service	411
payments or service charges as provided in division (B)(1) or	412
(2) of this section, as applicable;	413
(2) An agreement, declaration, or covenant by which the	414
owner of the property subject to the exemption binds the owner	415
and the property, regardless of future use or ownership, to the	416
obligation to make service payments or service charges in lieu	417
of taxes as required by the exemption until the terms of the	418
exemption have been satisfied, unless the municipal corporation,	419
township, or county consents to the subsequent exemption and	420

relinquishes its right to collect the service payments or	421
service charges as provided in division (B)(1) or (2) of this	422
section, as applicable.	423
The county recorder's office shall charge a fee of	424
fourteen dollars to record the notice, agreement, declaration,	425
or covenant, the proceeds of which shall be retained by the	426
county.	427
(2) If a property owner subsequently provides written	428
consent to an exemption under the circumstances described in	429
division (B)(2) of this section, the municipal corporation,	430
township, county, or property owner shall file notice with the	431
county recorder for the county in which the property is located	432
that clearly identifies the property and the owner of the	433
property and states that the property, regardless of future use-	434
or ownership, remains liable for any service payments or service	435
charges required by the exemption until the terms of the	436
exemption have been satisfied, unless the municipal corporation,	437
township, or county consents to the subsequent exemption and	438
relinquishes its right to collect the service payments or	439
service charges as provided in division (B)(2) of this section.	440
The county recorder's office shall charge a fee of fourteen-	441
dollars to record the notice, the proceeds of which shall be	442
retained by the county.	443
(D) Upon filing of the notice, agreement, declaration, or	444
covenant with the county recorder, the provisions of division	445
(B) of this section are binding on all future owners of the	446
property or portion of the property, regardless of how the	447
property is used. Failure to file the a notice, agreement,	448
declaration, or covenant with the county recorder relieves	449
future owners of the property from the obligation to make	450

service payments in lieu of taxes under section 725.04, 5709.42,	451
5709.46, 5709.74, or 5709.79 of the Revised Code or service	452
charges in lieu of taxes under section 1728.11 or 1728.111 of	453
the Revised Code, if the property or a portion of the property	454
later qualifies for exemption under any other provision of the	455
Revised Code. Failure to file the a notice, agreement,	456
declaration, or covenant does not, however, relieve the owner of	457
the property, at the time the application for exemption is	458
filed, from making those payments or charges.	459
Sec. 5709.916. (A) As used in this section, "incentive	460
district ordinance" means an ordinance adopted under division	461
(C) of section 5709.40 of the Revised Code.	462
(B) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of section	463
5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.42, 5709.43, or 5709.911 of the Revised	464
Code, divisions (C) and (D) of this section apply to any	465
exemption granted by a municipal corporation by an ordinance	466
adopted under division (B) of section 5709.40 or section 5709.41	467
of the Revised Code before March 1, 2022, declaring improvements	468
to one or more parcels of real property located within an	469
existing incentive district, created by an incentive district	470
ordinance adopted by the same municipal corporation, to be a	471
public purpose and concurrently exempting a percentage of such	472
improvements from real property taxation.	473
(C) For the period that the exemptions are concurrent	474
under division (B) of this section:	475
(1) With respect to improvements exempted under only the	476
incentive district ordinance, the exemption percentage, any	477
payments required to a city, local, or exempted village school	478
district or county, and the purposes for which the remaining	479
service payment revenue is used shall be determined based on	480

that ordinance.	481
(2) With respect to improvements that are concurrently	482
exempt under both the incentive district ordinance and the	483
subsequent ordinance adopted as specified under division (B) of	484
this section, the exemption percentage equals the sum of the	485
exemption percentages authorized by each such ordinance, not to	486
exceed one hundred per cent. Service payments shall be collected	487
under section 5709.42 of the Revised Code based on that	488
cumulative exemption percentage. The service payment revenue,	489
net of any required payments to city, local, or exempted village	490
school districts or counties, shall first be directed and used	491
in accordance with the ordinance that authorizes the dominant	492
exemption, as determined under division (D) of this section. If	493
the dominant exemption is less than one hundred per cent, the	494
service payment revenue attributed to the remaining portion of	495
the exempt improvements shall be distributed and used in	496
accordance with the ordinance that authorizes the subordinate	497
exemption, as determined under division (D) of this section.	498
(3) The property owner shall not be required to pay as	499
service payments in lieu of taxes under section 5709.42 of the	500
Revised Code an amount that is greater than the amount of real	501
property taxes the owner would have been required to pay on the	502
improvements exempted by the incentive district ordinance and	503
the subsequent ordinance adopted as specified under division (B)	504
of this section. Division (C)(3) of this section does not apply	505
to "minimum service payment obligations," as defined in section	506
5709.91 of the Revised Code.	507
(D) For purposes of division (C) of this section:	508
(1) If one application for exemption is filed by the	509
municipal corporation, as described in division (A) of section	510

5709.911 of the Revised Code, without written consent of the	511
property owner and the other application for exemption is filed	512
by the property owner or with the property owner's consent, as	513
described in division (B)(1) or (2) of section 5709.911 of the	514
Revised Code, the exemption granted or sought in the application	515
filed or consented to by the owner is dominant, and the	516
exemption granted or sought in the application filed by the	517
municipal corporation without the owner's consent is	518
subordinate.	519
(2) If both applications for exemption are filed by the	520
municipal corporation, as described in division (A) of section	521
5709.911 of the Revised Code, without written consent of the	522
property owner, the most recently authorized exemption is	523
dominant, and the earlier authorized exemption is subordinate.	524
(3) If both applications for exemption are filed by the	525
property owner or with the property owner's consent, as	526
described in division (B)(1) or (2) of section 5709.911 of the	527
Revised Code, the most recently authorized exemption is	528
dominant, and the earlier authorized exemption is subordinate.	529
(E) On and after March 1, 2022, an ordinance adopted under	530
division (B) or (C) of section 5709.40 or section 5709.41 of the	531
Revised Code exempting improvements to a parcel from real	532
property taxation terminates and replaces any prior exemption of	533
improvements to the same parcel authorized by a previous	534
ordinance adopted by the same municipal corporation under	535
division (B) or (C) of section 5709.40 or section 5709.41 of the	536
Revised Code, regardless of whether the application for	537
exemption under either or both ordinances was filed by, or with	538
the consent of, the property owner. A municipal ordinance	539
adopted under division (B) or (C) of section 5709.40 or section	540

5709.41 of the Revised Code before that date may terminate and	541
replace a prior exemption of improvements to the same parcel by	542
the same municipal corporation in the manner prescribed by this	543
division if the ordinance clearly expresses that intent.	544
Sec. 5747.77. (A) There is hereby allowed a nonrefundable	545
credit against a taxpayer's aggregate liability under section	546
5747.02 of the Revised Code for a taxpayer that is issued a	547
credit certificate under division (D) of section 901.61 of the	548
Revised Code. The credit shall be claimed for the taxable year	549
during which the certificate is issued.	550
The credit shall be claimed in the order required under	551
section 5747.98 of the Revised Code. If a credit exceeds the	552
aggregate amount of tax otherwise due for a taxable year, the	553
excess may be carried forward and applied against the tax due	554
for not more than seven succeeding taxable years, provided that	555
the amount applied to the tax due for any taxable year shall be	556
subtracted from the amount available to carry forward to	557
succeeding years.	558
(B) There is hereby allowed a nonrefundable credit against	559
a taxpayer's aggregate liability under section 5747.02 of the	560
Revised Code for a taxpayer that is issued a credit certificate	561
under division (E) of section 901.61 of the Revised Code. The	562
credit shall be claimed for the taxable year during which the	563
certificate is issued.	564
The credit shall be claimed in the order required under	565
section 5747.98 of the Revised Code. If a credit exceeds the	566
aggregate amount of tax otherwise due for the taxable year, the	567
excess may be carried forward and applied against the tax due	568
for not more than three succeeding taxable years, provided that	569
the amount applied to the tax due for any taxable year shall be	570

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enumerated in this section and the credit granted under division	652
(H) of section 5747.08 of the Revised Code, the amount of the	653
credit for a taxable year shall not exceed the taxpayer's	654
aggregate amount of tax due under section 5747.02 of the Revised	655
Code, after allowing for any other credit that precedes it in	656
the order required under this section. Any excess amount of a	657
particular credit may be carried forward if authorized under the	658
section creating that credit. Nothing in this chapter shall be	659
construed to allow a taxpayer to claim, directly or indirectly,	660
a credit more than once for a taxable year.	661

Section 2. That existing sections 4517.22, 5709.911, and 5747.98 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.

Section 3. The amendment or enactment by this act of sections 5747.77 and 5747.98 of the Revised Code applies to taxable years beginning on or after the effective date of this section.

Section 4. All items in this act are hereby appropriated as designated out of any moneys in the state treasury to the credit of the designated fund. For all operating appropriations made in this act, those in the first column are for fiscal year 2022 and those in the second column are for fiscal year 2023. The operating appropriations made in this act are in addition to any other operating appropriations made for the FY 2022-FY 2023 biennium.

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may file with the Tax Commissioner an application requesting

that the property be placed on the tax exempt list and that all

unpaid taxes, penalties, and interest on the property be abated.

(C) The application shall be made on the form prescribed

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by the Tax Commissioner under section 5715.27 of the Revised 700 Code and shall list the name of the county in which the property 701 is located; the property's legal description; its taxable value; 702 the amount in dollars of the unpaid taxes, penalties, and 703 interest; the date of acquisition of title to the property; the 704 use of the property during any time that the unpaid taxes 705 accrued; and any other information required by the Tax 706 Commissioner. The county auditor shall supply the required 707 information upon request of the applicant. 708

- (D) Upon request of the applicant, the county treasurer shall determine if all taxes, penalties, and interest that became a lien on the qualified property before it first was used for an exempt purpose have been paid in full. If so, the county treasurer shall issue a certificate to the applicant stating that all such taxes, penalties, and interest have been paid in full. Prior to filing the application with the Tax Commissioner, the applicant shall attach the county treasurer's certificate to it.
- (E) Upon receipt of the application and after 718 consideration of it, the Tax Commissioner shall determine if the 719 applicant meets the qualifications set forth in this section, 720 and if so shall issue an order directing that the property be 721 placed on the tax exempt list of the county and that all unpaid 722 taxes, penalties, and interest for every year the property met 723 the qualifications for exemption described in section 5709.08 of 724 the Revised Code be abated. If the Tax Commissioner finds that 725 the property is not now being so used or is being used for a 726 purpose that would foreclose its right to tax exemption, the Tax 727 Commissioner shall issue an order denying the application. 728
 - (F) If the Tax Commissioner finds that the property is not

entitled to tax exemption and to the abatement of unpaid taxes,	730
penalties, and interest for any of the years for which the owner	731
claims an exemption or abatement, the Tax Commissioner shall	732
order the county treasurer of the county in which the property	733
is located to collect all taxes, penalties, and interest due on	734
the property for those years in accordance with law.	735

Section 7. Pursuant to division (G) of section 5703.95 of 736 the Revised Code, which states that any bill introduced in the 737 House of Representatives or the Senate that proposes to enact or 738 modify one or more tax expenditures should include a statement 739 explaining the objective of the tax expenditure or its 740 modification and the sponsor's intent in proposing the tax 741 expenditure or its modification: 742

The purpose of this act is to help the next generation 743 enter agriculture by removing some of the existing barriers to 744 entry and exit. The current tax code structure incentivizes 745 farmers to hold onto their land until the time of death. The 746 change proposed by this act will more readily allow succession 747 to occur during the lifetime of a farmer, allowing beginning 748 farmers to acquire assets sooner. 749