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Am. S. B. No. 166

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## A BILL

То	amend sections 3301.17, 3313.6113, 3735.671,	1
	5709.82, 5709.83, and 5747.07 and to enact	2
	sections 3303.07, 3313.905, 3317.162, and	3
	5747.073 of the Revised Code with regard to	4
	career-technical education and the compensation	5
	of joint vocational school districts located in	6
	community reinvestment areas.	7

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

Section 1. That sections 3301.17, 3313.6113, 3735.671,	8
5709.82, 5709.83, and 5747.07 be amended and sections 3303.07,	9
3313.905, 3317.162, and 5747.073 of the Revised Code be enacted	10
to read as follows:	11
Sec. 3301.17. (A) The board of education of each city,	12
exempted village, local, and joint vocational school district	13
may make a driver education course available to high school	14
students enrolled in the district in accordance with Chapter	15
4508. of the Revised Code. No school district making such a	16
course available shall require any pupil student to enroll in	17

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the Revised Code to make a driver education course available to	47
high school students enrolled in the district.	48
Sec. 3303.07. (A) As used in this section:	49
(1) "Lead district" has the same meaning as in section	50
3317.023 of the Revised Code;	51
(2) "Ohio technical center" has the same meaning as in	52
section 3333.94 of the Revised Code.	53
(B) The department of education shall establish the	54
student pathways for career success grant program to provide	55
grants to lead districts and Ohio technical centers for the	56
purpose of improving or expanding upon career-technical	57
education programming that meets state or regional workforce	58
needs.	59
(C) The state board of education shall adopt rules in	60
accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to administer	61
the program that address all of the following:	62
(1) Grant eligibility requirements;	63
(2) Grant application forms and procedures, including	64
reapplication procedures;	65
(3) Any other rules the state board considers necessary	66
for the operation of the program.	67
(D) When adopting rules under division (C) of this	68
section, the state board may prioritize the awarding of grants	69
for career-technical education programs that prepare students	70
for occupations included in the list of in-demand jobs created	71
under section 6301.11 of the Revised Code.	72
Sec. 3313.6113. (A) The superintendent of public	73

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of this section, an agreement entered into under this section 132 shall not be approved by the legislative authority unless the 133 board of education of the city, local, or exempted village 134 school district within the territory of which the property is or 135 will be located approves the agreement. For the purpose of 136 obtaining such approval, the legislative authority shall certify 137 a copy of the agreement to the board of education not later than 138 forty-five days prior to approving the agreement, excluding 139 Saturday, Sunday, and a legal holiday as defined in section 1.14 140 of the Revised Code. The board of education, by resolution 141 adopted by a majority of the board, shall approve or disapprove 142 the agreement and certify a copy of the resolution to the 143 legislative authority not later than fourteen days prior to the 144 date stipulated by the legislative authority as the date upon 145 which approval of the agreement is to be formally considered by 146 the legislative authority. The board of education may include in 147 the resolution conditions under which the board would approve 148 the agreement. The legislative authority may approve an 149 agreement at any time after the board of education certifies its 150 resolution approving the agreement to the legislative authority, 151 or, if the board approves the agreement conditionally, at any 152 time after the conditions are agreed to by the board and the 153 legislative authority. 154

(2) Approval of an agreement by the board of education is 155 not required under division (A)(1) of this section if, for each 156 tax year the real property is exempted from taxation, the sum of 157 the following quantities, as estimated at or prior to the time 158 the agreement is formally approved by the legislative authority, 159 equals or exceeds fifty per cent of the amount of taxes, as 160 estimated at or prior to that time, that would have been charged 161 and payable that year upon the real property had that property 162

not been exempted from taxation:

- (a) The amount of taxes charged and payable on any portion 164 of the assessed valuation of the new structure or of the 165 increased assessed valuation of an existing structure after 166 remodeling began that will not be exempted from taxation under 167 the agreement; 168
- (b) The amount of taxes charged and payable on tangible personal property located on the premises of the new structure or of the structure to be remodeled under the agreement, whether payable by the owner of the structure or by a related member, as defined in section 5733.042 of the Revised Code without regard to division (B) of that section.
- (c) The amount of any cash payment by the owner of the new structure or structure to be remodeled to the school district, the dollar value, as mutually agreed to by the owner and the board of education, of any property or services provided by the owner of the property to the school district, whether by gift, loan, or otherwise, and any payment by the legislative authority to the school district pursuant to section 5709.82 of the Revised Code.

The estimates of quantities used for purposes of division

(A) (2) of this section shall be estimated by the legislative

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authority. The legislative authority shall certify to the board

of education that the estimates have been made in good faith.

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Departures of the actual quantities from the estimates

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subsequent to approval of the agreement by the board of

education do not invalidate the agreement.

(3) If a board of education has adopted a resolution 190 waiving its right to approve agreements and the resolution 191

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remains in effect, approval of an agreement by the board is not	192
required under this division. If a board of education has	193
adopted a resolution allowing a legislative authority to deliver	194
the notice required under this division fewer than forty-five	195
business days prior to the legislative authority's execution of	196
the agreement, the legislative authority shall deliver the	197
notice to the board not later than the number of days prior to	198
such execution as prescribed by the board in its resolution. If	199
a board of education adopts a resolution waiving its right to	200
approve agreements or shortening the notification period, the	201
board shall certify a copy of the resolution to the legislative	202
authority. If the board of education rescinds such a resolution,	203
it shall certify notice of the rescission to the legislative	204
authority.	205

- (4) If the owner of the property or the legislative authority agree to make any payment to the school district as described in division (A)(2)(c) of this section, the owner or legislative authority shall agree to make payments to the joint vocational school district within which the property is located at the same rate or amount and under the same terms received by the city, local, or exempted village school district.
- (B) Each agreement shall include the following 213 information:
  - (1) The names of all parties to the agreement; 215
- (2) A description of the remodeling or construction,

  whether or not to be exempted from taxation, including existing

  or new structure size and cost thereof; the value of machinery,

  equipment, furniture, and fixtures, including an itemization of

  the value of machinery, equipment, furniture, and fixtures used

  at another location in this state prior to the agreement and

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relocated or to be relocated from that location to the property,	222
and the value of machinery, equipment, furniture, and fixtures	223
at the facility prior to the execution of the agreement; the	224
value of inventory at the property, including an itemization of	225
the value of inventory held at another location in this state	226
prior to the agreement and relocated or to be relocated from	227
that location to the property, and the value of inventory held	228
at the property prior to the execution of the agreement;	229
(3) The scheduled starting and completion dates of	230
remodeling or construction of real property or of investments	231
made in machinery, equipment, furniture, fixtures, and	232
inventory;	233
(4) Estimates of the number of employee positions to be	234
created each year of the agreement and of the number of employee	235
positions retained by the owner due to the remodeling or	236
construction, itemized as to the number of full-time, part-time,	237
permanent, and temporary positions;	238
(5) Estimates of the dollar amount of payroll attributable	239
to the positions set forth in division (B)(4) of this section,	240
similarly itemized;	241
(6) The number of employee positions, if any, at the	242
property and at any other location in this state at the time the	243
agreement is executed, itemized as to the number of full-time,	244
part-time, permanent, and temporary positions.	245
(C) Each agreement shall set forth the following	246
information and incorporate the following statements:	247
(1) A description of real property to be exempted from	248
taxation under the agreement, the percentage of the assessed	249

valuation of the real property exempted from taxation, and the

period for which the exemption is granted, accompanied by the	251
statement: "The exemption commences the first year for which the	252
real property would first be taxable were that property not	253
exempted from taxation. No exemption shall commence after	254
(insert date) nor extend beyond (insert	255
date)."	256
(2) " (insert name of owner) shall pay such real	257
property taxes as are not exempted under this agreement and are	258
charged against such property and shall file all tax reports and	259
returns as required by law. If (insert name of owner)	260
fails to pay such taxes or file such returns and reports,	261
exemptions from taxation granted under this agreement are	262
rescinded beginning with the year for which such taxes are	263
charged or such reports or returns are required to be filed and	264
thereafter."	265
(3) " (insert name of owner) hereby certifies	266
that at the time this agreement is executed, (insert	267
name of owner) does not owe any delinquent real or tangible	268
personal property taxes to any taxing authority of the State of	269
Ohio, and does not owe delinquent taxes for which	270
(insert name of owner) is liable under Chapter 5733., 5735.,	271
5739., 5741., 5743., 5747., or 5753. of the Ohio Revised Code,	272
or, if such delinquent taxes are owed, (insert name	273
of owner) currently is paying the delinquent taxes pursuant to	274
an undertaking enforceable by the State of Ohio or an agent or	275
instrumentality thereof, has filed a petition in bankruptcy	276
under 11 U.S.C.A. 101, et seq., or such a petition has been	277
filed against (insert name of owner). For the	278
purposes of this certification, delinquent taxes are taxes that	279
remain unpaid on the latest day prescribed for payment without	280
penalty under the chapter of the Revised Code governing payment	281

of those taxes."	282
(4) " (insert name of municipal corporation or	283
county) shall perform such acts as are reasonably necessary or	284
appropriate to effect, claim, reserve, and maintain exemptions	285
from taxation granted under this agreement including, without	286
limitation, joining in the execution of all documentation and	287
providing any necessary certificates required in connection with	288
such exemptions."	289
(5) "If for any reason (insert name of	290
municipal corporation or county) revokes the designation of the	291
area, entitlements granted under this agreement shall continue	292
for the number of years specified under this agreement, unless	293
(insert name of owner) materially fails to fulfill	294
its obligations under this agreement and	295
(insert name of municipal corporation or county) terminates or	296
modifies the exemptions from taxation pursuant to this	297
agreement."	298
(6) "If (insert name of owner) materially fails	299
to fulfill its obligations under this agreement, or if	300
(insert name of municipal corporation or county)	301
determines that the certification as to delinquent taxes	302
required by this agreement is fraudulent, (insert	303
name of municipal corporation or county) may terminate or modify	304
the exemptions from taxation granted under this agreement."	305
(7) " (insert name of owner) shall provide to	306
the proper tax incentive review council any information	307
reasonably required by the council to evaluate the applicant's	308
compliance with the agreement, including returns filed pursuant	309
to section 5711.02 of the Ohio Revised Code if requested by the	310
council."	311

(8) "This agreement is not transferable or assignable	312
without the express, written approval of (insert name	313
of municipal corporation or county)."	314
(9) "Exemptions from taxation granted under this agreement	315
shall be revoked if it is determined that (insert	316
name of owner), any successor to that person, or any related	317
member (as those terms are defined in division (E) of section	318
3735.671 of the Ohio Revised Code) has violated the prohibition	319
against entering into this agreement under division (E) of	320
section 3735.671 or section 5709.62 or 5709.63 of the Ohio	321
Revised Code prior to the time prescribed by that division or	322
either of those sections."	323
(10) " (insert name of owner) and	324
(insert name of municipal corporation or county) acknowledge	325
that this agreement must be approved by formal action of the	326
legislative authority of (insert name of municipal	327
corporation or county) as a condition for the agreement to take	328
effect. This agreement takes effect upon such approval."	329
The statement described in division (C)(6) of this section	330
may include the following statement, appended at the end of the	331
statement: ", and may require the repayment of the amount of	332
taxes that would have been payable had the property not been	333
exempted from taxation under this agreement." If the agreement	334
includes a statement requiring repayment of exempted taxes, it	335
also may authorize the legislative authority to secure repayment	336
of such taxes by a lien on the exempted property in the amount	337
required to be repaid. Such a lien shall attach, and may be	338
perfected, collected, and enforced, in the same manner as a	339
mortgage lien on real property, and shall otherwise have the	340
same force and effect as a mortgage lien on real property.	341

- (D) Except as otherwise provided in this division, an 342 agreement entered into under this section shall require that the 343 owner pay an annual fee equal to the greater of one per cent of 344 the amount of taxes exempted under the agreement or five hundred 345 dollars; provided, however, that if the value of the incentives 346 exceeds two hundred fifty thousand dollars, the fee shall not 347 exceed two thousand five hundred dollars. The fee shall be 348 payable to the legislative authority once per year for each year 349 the agreement is effective on the days and in the form specified 350 in the agreement. Fees paid shall be deposited in a special fund 351 created for such purpose by the legislative authority and shall 352 be used by the legislative authority exclusively for the purpose 353 of complying with section 3735.672 of the Revised Code and by 354 the tax incentive review council created under section 5709.85 355 of the Revised Code exclusively for the purposes of performing 356 the duties prescribed under that section. The legislative 357 authority may waive or reduce the amount of the fee, but such 358 waiver or reduction does not affect the obligations of the 359 legislative authority or the tax incentive review council to 360 comply with section 3735.672 or 5709.85 of the Revised Code. 361
- (E) If any person that is party to an agreement granting 362 an exemption from taxation discontinues operations at the 363 structure to which that exemption applies prior to the 364 expiration of the term of the agreement, that person, any 365 successor to that person, and any related member shall not enter 366 into an agreement under this section or section 5709.62, 367 5709.63, or 5709.632 of the Revised Code, and no legislative 368 authority shall enter into such an agreement with such a person, 369 successor, or related member, prior to the expiration of five 370 years after the discontinuation of operations. As used in this 371 division, "successor" means a person to which the assets or 372

equity of another person has been transferred, which transfer	373
resulted in the full or partial nonrecognition of gain or loss,	374
or resulted in a carryover basis, both as determined by rule	375
adopted by the tax commissioner. "Related member" has the same	376
meaning as defined in section 5733.042 of the Revised Code	377
without regard to division (B) of that section.	378

The director of development services shall review all agreements submitted to the director under division (F) of this section for the purpose of enforcing this division. If the director determines there has been a violation of this division, the director shall notify the legislative authority of such violation, and the legislative authority immediately shall revoke the exemption granted under the agreement.

(F) When an agreement is entered into under this section, the legislative authority authorizing the agreement shall forward a copy of the agreement to the director of development services within fifteen days after the agreement is entered into.

#### Sec. 5709.82. (A) As used in this section:

- (1) "New employee" means both of the following:
- (a) Persons employed in the construction of real property exempted from taxation under the chapters or sections of the Revised Code enumerated in division (B) of this section;
- (b) Persons not described by division (A)(1)(a) of this

  section who are first employed at the site of such property and

  who within the two previous years have not been subject, prior

  to being employed at that site, to income taxation by the

  municipal corporation within whose territory the site is located

  on income derived from employment for the person's current

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employer. "New employee" does not include any person who 402 replaces a person who is not a new employee under division (A) 403 (1) of this section.

- (2) "Infrastructure costs" means costs incurred by a 405 municipal corporation in a calendar year to acquire, construct, 406 reconstruct, improve, plan, or equip real or tangible personal 407 property that directly benefits or will directly benefit the 408 exempted property. If the municipal corporation finances the 409 acquisition, construction, reconstruction, improvement, 410 planning, or equipping of real or tangible personal property 411 that directly benefits the exempted property by issuing debt, 412 "infrastructure costs" means the annual debt charges incurred by 413 the municipal corporation from the issuance of such debt. Real 414 or tangible personal property directly benefits exempted 415 property only if the exempted property places or will place 416 direct, additional demand on the real or tangible personal 417 property for which such costs were or will be incurred. 418
- (3) "Taxing unit" has the same meaning as in division (H) 419 of section 5705.01 of the Revised Code.
- (B) (1) Except as otherwise provided under division (C) of 421 this section, the legislative authority of any political 422 subdivision that has acted under the authority of Chapter 725. 423 or 1728., sections 3735.65 to 3735.70, or section 5709.40, 424 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632, 5709.73, 5709.78, 425 5709.84, or 5709.88 of the Revised Code to grant an exemption 426 427 from taxation for real or tangible personal property may negotiate with the board of education of each city, local, 428 exempted village, or joint vocational school district or other 429 taxing unit within the territory of which the exempted property 430 is located, and enter into an agreement whereby the school 431

district or taxing unit is compensated for tax revenue foregone 432 by the school district or taxing unit as a result of the 433 exemption. Except as otherwise provided in division (B)(1) of 434 this section, if a political subdivision enters into more than 435 one agreement under this section with respect to a tax 436 exemption, the political subdivision shall provide to each 437 school district or taxing unit with which it contracts the same 438 percentage of tax revenue foregone by the school district or 439 taxing unit, which may be based on a good faith projection made 440 at the time the exemption is granted. Such percentage shall be 441 calculated on the basis of amounts paid by the political 442 subdivision and any amounts paid by an owner under division (B) 443 (2) of this section. A political subdivision may provide a 444 school district or other taxing unit with a smaller percentage 445 of foregone tax revenue than that provided to other school 446 districts or taxing units only if the school district or taxing 447 unit expressly consents in the agreement to receiving a smaller 448 percentage. If a subdivision has acted under the authority of 449 section 3735.671, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.62, 5709.63, 450 5709.632, 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the Revised Code and enters 451 into a compensation agreement with a city, local, or exempted 452 village school district, the subdivision shall provide 453 compensation to the joint vocational school district within the 454 territory of which the exempted property is located at the same 455 rate and under the same terms as received by the city, local, or 456 exempted village school district. 457

(2) An owner of property exempted from taxation under the 458 authority described in division (B)(1) of this section may, by 459 becoming a party to an agreement described in division (B)(1) of 460 this section or by entering into a separate agreement with a 461 school district or other taxing unit, agree to compensate the 462

school district or taxing unit by paying cash or by providing property or services by gift, loan, or otherwise. If the owner's property is exempted under the authority of section 3735.671, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632, 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the Revised Code and the owner enters into a compensation agreement with a city, local, or exempted village school district, the owner shall provide compensation to the joint vocational school district within the territory of which the owner's property is located at the same rate and under the same terms as received by the city, local, or exempted village school district. 

- (C) This division does not apply to the following:
- (1) The legislative authority of a municipal corporation that has acted under the authority of division (H) of section 715.70 or division (U) of section 715.72 of the Revised Code to consent to the granting of an exemption from taxation for real or tangible personal property in a joint economic development district.
- (2) The legislative authority of a municipal corporation that has specified in an ordinance adopted under section 5709.40, 5709.41, or 5709.45 of the Revised Code that payments in lieu of taxes provided for under section 5709.42 or 5709.46 of the Revised Code shall be paid to the city, local, or exempted village school district in which the improvements are located in the amount of taxes that would have been payable to the school district if the improvements had not been exempted from taxation, as directed in the ordinance.

If the legislative authority of any municipal corporation has acted under the authority of Chapter 725. or 1728. or section 3735.671, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.62, 5709.63,

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5709.632, or 5709.88, or a housing officer under section 3735.67 493 of the Revised Code, to grant or consent to the granting of an 494 exemption from taxation for real or tangible personal property 495 on or after July 1, 1994, the municipal corporation imposes a 496 tax on incomes, and the payroll of new employees resulting from 497 the exercise of that authority equals or exceeds one million 498 dollars in any tax year for which such property is exempted, the 499 legislative authority and the board of education of each city, 500 local, or exempted village school district within the territory 501 of which the exempted property is located shall attempt to 502 negotiate an agreement providing for compensation to the school 503 district for all or a portion of the tax revenue the school 504 district would have received had the property not been exempted 505 from taxation. The agreement may include as a party the owner of 506 the property exempted or to be exempted from taxation and may 507 include provisions obligating the owner to compensate the school 508 district by paying cash or providing property or services by 509 gift, loan, or otherwise. Such an obligation is enforceable by 510 the board of education of the school district pursuant to the 511 terms of the agreement. 512

If the legislative authority and board of education fail to negotiate an agreement that is mutually acceptable within six months of formal approval by the legislative authority of the instrument granting the exemption, the legislative authority shall compensate the school district in the amount and manner prescribed by division (D) of this section.

(D) Annually, the legislative authority of a municipal 519 corporation subject to this division shall pay to the city, 520 local, or exempted village school district within the territory 521 of which the exempted property is located an amount equal to 522 fifty per cent of the difference between the amount of taxes 523

levied and collected by the municipal corporation on the incomes	524
of new employees in the calendar year ending on the day the	525
payment is required to be made, and the amount of any	526
infrastructure costs incurred in that calendar year. For	527
purposes of such computation, the amount of infrastructure costs	528
shall not exceed thirty-five per cent of the amount of those	529
taxes unless the board of education of the school district, by	530
resolution adopted by a majority of the board, approves an	531
amount in excess of that percentage. If the amount of those	532
taxes or infrastructure costs must be estimated at the time the	533
payment is made, payments in subsequent years shall be adjusted	534
to compensate for any departure of those estimates from the	535
actual amount of those taxes.	536

A municipal corporation required to make a payment under 537 this section shall make the payment from its general fund or a 538 special fund established for the purpose. The payment is payable 539 on the thirty-first day of December of the tax year for or in 540 which the exemption from taxation commences and on that day for 541 each subsequent tax year property is exempted and the 542 legislative authority and board fail to negotiate an acceptable 543 agreement under division (C) of this section. 544

Sec. 5709.83. (A) Except as otherwise provided in division 545 (B) or (C) of this section, prior to taking formal action to 546 adopt or enter into any instrument granting a tax exemption 547 under section 725.02, 1728.06, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 548 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632, 5709.73, 5709.78, 5709.84, or 549 5709.88 of the Revised Code or formally approving an agreement 550 under section 3735.671 of the Revised Code, or prior to 551 forwarding an application for a tax exemption for residential 552 property under section 3735.67 of the Revised Code to the county 553 auditor, the legislative authority of the political subdivision 554

or housing officer shall notify the board of education of each	555
city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school	556
district in which the proposed tax-exempted property is located.	557
The notice shall include a copy of the instrument or	558
application. The notice shall be delivered not later than	559
fourteen days prior to the day the legislative authority takes	560
formal action to adopt or enter into the instrument, or not	561
later than fourteen days prior to the day the housing officer	562
forwards the application to the county auditor. If the board of	563
education comments on the instrument or application to the	564
legislative authority or housing officer, the legislative	565
authority or housing officer shall consider the comments. If the	566
board of education of the city, local, exempted village, or	567
joint vocational school district so requests, the legislative	568
authority or the housing officer shall meet in person with a	569
representative designated by the board of education to discuss	570
the terms of the instrument or application.	571

- (B) The notice otherwise required to be provided to boards 572 of education under division (A) of this section is not required 573 if the board has adopted a resolution waiving its right to 574 receive such notices, and that resolution remains in effect. If 575 a board of education adopts such a resolution, the board shall 576 cause a copy of the resolution to be certified to the 577 legislative authority. If the board of education rescinds such a 578 resolution, it shall certify notice of the rescission to the 579 legislative authority. A board of education may adopt such a 580 resolution with respect to any one or more counties, townships, 581 or municipal corporations situated in whole or in part within 582 the school district. 583
- (C) If a legislative authority is required to provide 584 notice to a city, local, or exempted village school district of 585

its intent to <del>grant such an exemption adopt or enter into any</del>	586
instrument granting a tax exemption as required by section	587
<u>3735.671,</u> 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632,	588
5709.73, or 5709.78 of the Revised Code, the legislative	589
authority, before adopting a resolution or ordinance or entering	590
into an agreement under that section, shall notify the board of	591
education of each joint vocational school district in which the	592
property to be exempted is located using the same time	593
requirements for the notice that applies to notices to city,	594
local, and exempted village school districts. The content of the	595
notice and procedures for responding to the notice are the same	596
as required in division (A) of this section.	597

#### Sec. 5747.07. (A) As used in this section:

- (1) "Partial weekly withholding period" means a period 599 during which an employer directly, indirectly, or constructively 600 pays compensation to, or credits compensation to the benefit of, 601 an employee, and that consists of a consecutive Saturday, 602 Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday or a consecutive Wednesday, 603 Thursday, and Friday. There are two partial weekly withholding 604 periods each week, except that a partial weekly withholding 605 period cannot extend from one calendar year into the next 606 calendar year; if the first day of January falls on a day other 607 than Saturday or Wednesday, the partial weekly withholding 608 period ends on the thirty-first day of December and there are 609 three partial weekly withholding periods during that week. 610
- (2) "Undeposited taxes" means the taxes an employer is

  required to deduct and withhold from an employee's compensation

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  pursuant to section 5747.06 of the Revised Code that have not

  been remitted to the tax commissioner pursuant to this section

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  or to the treasurer of state pursuant to section 5747.072 of the

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(3) A "week" begins on Saturday and concludes at the end	617
of the following Friday.	618
(4) "Client employer," "professional employer	619
organization," "professional employer organization agreement,"	620
and "professional employer organization reporting entity" have	621
the same meanings as in section 4125.01 of the Revised Code.	622
(B) Except as provided in divisions (C) and (D) of this	623
section—and in, division (A) of section 5747.072, and section	624
5747.073 of the Revised Code, every employer required to deduct	625
and withhold any amount under section 5747.06 of the Revised	626
Code shall file a return and shall pay the amount required by	627
law as follows:	628
(1) An employer who accumulates or is required to	629
accumulate undeposited taxes of one hundred thousand dollars or	630
more during a partial weekly withholding period shall make the	631
payment of the undeposited taxes by the close of the first	632
banking day after the day on which the accumulation reaches one	633
hundred thousand dollars. If required under division (I) of this	634
section, the payment shall be made by electronic funds transfer	635
under section 5747.072 of the Revised Code.	636
(2) Except as required by division (B)(1) of this section,	637
an employer whose actual or required payments under this section	638
were at least eighty-four thousand dollars during the twelve-	639
month period ending on the thirtieth day of June of the	640
preceding calendar year shall make the payment of undeposited	641
taxes within three banking days after the close of a partial	642
weekly withholding period during which the employer was required	643
to deduct and withhold any amount under this chapter. If	644

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required under division (I) of this section, the payment shall be made by electronic funds transfer under section 5747.072 of the Revised Code.

- (3) Except as required by divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this 648 section, if an employer's actual or required payments were more 649 than two thousand dollars during the twelve-month period ending 650 on the thirtieth day of June of the preceding calendar year, the 651 employer shall make the payment of undeposited taxes for each 652 month during which they were required to be withheld no later 653 than fifteen days following the last day of that month. The 654 employer shall file the return prescribed by the tax 655 commissioner with the payment. 656
- (4) Except as required by divisions (B)(1), (2), and (3)

  of this section, an employer shall make the payment of

  undeposited taxes for each calendar quarter during which they

  were required to be withheld no later than the last day of the

  month following the last day of March, June, September, and

  December each year. The employer shall file the return

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  prescribed by the tax commissioner with the payment.
- (C) The return and payment schedules prescribed by

  divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this section do not apply to the

  return and payment of undeposited school district income taxes

  arising from taxes levied pursuant to Chapter 5748. of the

  Revised Code. Undeposited school district income taxes shall be

  returned and paid pursuant to divisions (B)(3) and (4) of this

  section, as applicable.
- (D) (1) The requirements of division (B) of this section are met if the amount paid is not less than ninety-five per cent of the actual tax withheld or required to be withheld for the prior quarterly, monthly, or partial weekly withholding period,

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and the underpayment is not due to willful neglect. Any
underpayment of withheld tax shall be paid within thirty days of
the date on which the withheld tax was due without regard to
division (D)(1) of this section. An employer described in
division (B)(1) or (2) of this section shall make the payment by
electronic funds transfer under section 5747.072 of the Revised
Code.

- (2) If the tax commissioner believes that quarterly or monthly payments would result in a delay that might jeopardize the remittance of withholding payments, the commissioner may order that the payments be made weekly, or more frequently if necessary, and the payments shall be made no later than three banking days following the close of the period for which the jeopardy order is made. An order requiring weekly or more frequent payments shall be delivered to the employer personally or by certified mail and remains in effect until the commissioner notifies the employer to the contrary.
- (3) If compelling circumstances exist concerning the 692 remittance of undeposited taxes, the commissioner may order the 693 employer to make payments under any of the payment schedules 694 under division (B) of this section. The order shall be delivered 695 to the employer personally or by certified mail and shall remain 696 in effect until the commissioner notifies the employer to the 697 contrary. For purposes of division (D)(3) of this section, 698 "compelling circumstances" exist if either or both of the 699 following are true: 700
- (a) Based upon annualization of payments made or required 701 to be made during the preceding calendar year and during the 702 current calendar year, the employer would be required for the 703 next calendar year to make payments under division (B)(2) of 704

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- (b) Based upon annualization of payments made or required to be made during the current calendar year, the employer would be required for the next calendar year to make payments under division (B)(2) of this section.
- (E) (1) An employer described in division (B) (1) or (2) of 710 this section shall file, not later than the last day of the 711 712 month following the end of each calendar quarter, a return covering, but not limited to, both the actual amount deducted 713 and withheld and the amount required to be deducted and withheld 714 for the tax imposed under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code 715 during each partial weekly withholding period or portion of a 716 partial weekly withholding period during that quarter. The 717 employer shall file the quarterly return even if the aggregate 718 amount required to be deducted and withheld for the quarter is 719 zero dollars. At the time of filing the return, the employer 720 shall pay any amounts of undeposited taxes for the quarter, 721 whether actually deducted and withheld or required to be 722 deducted and withheld, that have not been previously paid. If 723 required under division (I) of this section, the payment shall 724 be made by electronic funds transfer. The tax commissioner shall 725 prescribe the form and other requirements of the quarterly 726 return. 727
- (2) In addition to other returns required to be filed and
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  payments required to be made under this section, every employer
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  required to deduct and withhold taxes shall file, not later than
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  the thirty-first day of January of each year, an annual return
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  and withheld during the entire preceding year for the tax
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imposed under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code and for each tax imposed under Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code. At the time of filing that return, the employer shall pay over any amounts of undeposited taxes for the preceding year, whether actually deducted and withheld or required to be deducted and withheld, that have not been previously paid. The employer shall make the annual report, to each employee and to the tax commissioner, of the compensation paid and each tax withheld, as the commissioner by rule may prescribe.

Each employer required to deduct and withhold any tax is liable for the payment of that amount required to be deducted and withheld, whether or not the tax has in fact been withheld, unless the failure to withhold was based upon the employer's good faith in reliance upon the statement of the employee as to liability, and the amount shall be deemed to be a special fund in trust for the general revenue fund.

- (F) Each employer shall file with the employer's annual return the following items of information on employees for whom withholding is required under section 5747.06 of the Revised Code:
- (1) The full name of each employee, the employee's address, the employee's school district of residence, and in the case of a nonresident employee, the employee's principal county of employment;
  - (2) The social security number of each employee;
- (3) The total amount of compensation paid before any deductions to each employee for the period for which the annual return is made;
  - (4) The amount of the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of

the Revised Code and the amount of each tax imposed under Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code withheld from the compensation of the employee for the period for which the annual return is made. The commissioner may extend upon good cause the period for filing any notice or return required to be filed under this section and may adopt rules relating to extensions of time. If the extension results in an extension of time for the payment of the amounts withheld with respect to which the return is filed, the employer shall pay, at the time the amount withheld is paid, an amount of interest computed at the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code on that amount withheld, from the day that amount was originally required to be paid to the day of actual payment or to the day an assessment is issued under section 5747.13 of the Revised Code, whichever occurs first. 

- (5) In addition to all other interest charges and penalties imposed, all amounts of taxes withheld or required to be withheld and remaining unpaid after the day the amounts are required to be paid shall bear interest from the date prescribed for payment at the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code on the amount unpaid, in addition to the amount withheld, until paid or until the day an assessment is issued under section 5747.13 of the Revised Code, whichever occurs first.
- (G) An employee of a corporation, limited liability company, or business trust having control or supervision of or charged with the responsibility of filing the report and making payment, or an officer, member, manager, or trustee of a corporation, limited liability company, or business trust who is responsible for the execution of the corporation's, limited liability company's, or business trust's fiscal

responsibilities, shall be personally liable for failure to file 795 the report or pay the tax due as required by this section. The 796 dissolution, termination, or bankruptcy of a corporation, 797 limited liability company, or business trust does not discharge 798 a responsible officer's, member's, manager's, employee's, or 799 trustee's liability for a failure of the corporation, limited 800 801 liability company, or business trust to file returns or pay tax due. 802

(H) If an employer required to deduct and withhold income 803 804 tax from compensation and to pay that tax to the state under sections 5747.06 and 5747.07 of the Revised Code sells the 805 employer's business or stock of merchandise or quits the 806 employer's business, the taxes required to be deducted and 807 withheld and paid to the state pursuant to those sections prior 808 to that time, together with any interest and penalties imposed 809 on those taxes, become due and payable immediately, and that 810 person shall make a final return within fifteen days after the 811 date of selling or quitting business. The employer's successor 812 shall withhold a sufficient amount of the purchase money to 813 cover the amount of the taxes, interest, and penalties due and 814 unpaid, until the former owner produces a receipt from the tax 815 commissioner showing that the taxes, interest, and penalties 816 have been paid or a certificate indicating that no such taxes 817 are due. If the purchaser of the business or stock of 818 merchandise fails to withhold purchase money, the purchaser 819 shall be personally liable for the payment of the taxes, 820 interest, and penalties accrued and unpaid during the operation 821 of the business by the former owner. If the amount of taxes, 822 interest, and penalties outstanding at the time of the purchase 823 exceeds the total purchase money, the tax commissioner in the 824 commissioner's discretion may adjust the liability of the seller 825

or the responsibility of the purchaser to pay that liability to	826
maximize the collection of withholding tax revenue.	827
(I) An employer whose actual or required payments under	828
this section exceeded eighty-four thousand dollars during the	829
twelve-month period ending on the thirtieth day of June of the	830
preceding calendar year shall make all payments required by this	831
section for the year by electronic funds transfer under section	832
5747.072 of the Revised Code.	833
(J)(1) Every professional employer organization and every	834
professional employer organization reporting entity shall file a	835
report with the tax commissioner within thirty days after	836
commencing business in this state that includes all of the	837
following information:	838
(a) The name, address, number the employer receives from	839
the secretary of state to do business in this state, if	840
applicable, and federal employer identification number of each	841
client employer of the professional employer organization or	842
professional employer organization reporting entity;	843
(b) The date that each client employer became a client of	844
the professional employer organization or professional employer	845
organization reporting entity;	846
(c) The names and mailing addresses of the chief executive	847
officer and the chief financial officer of each client employer	848
for taxation of the client employer.	849
(2) Beginning with the calendar quarter ending after a	850
professional employer organization or professional employer	851
organization reporting entity files the report required under	852
division $(J)(1)$ of this section, and every calendar quarter	853
thereafter, the professional employer organization or the	854

professional employer organization reporting entity shall file 855 an updated report with the tax commissioner. The professional 856 employer organization or professional employer organization 857 reporting entity shall file the updated report not later than 858 the last day of the month following the end of the calendar 859 quarter and shall include all of the following information in 860 the report:

- (a) If an entity became a client employer of the 862 professional employer organization or professional employer 863 organization reporting entity at any time during the calendar 864 quarter, all of the information required under division (J)(1) 865 of this section for each new client employer; 866
- 867 (b) If an entity terminated the professional employer organization agreement between the professional employer 868 organization or professional employer organization reporting 869 entity and the entity at any time during the calendar quarter, 870 the information described in division (J)(1)(a) of this section 871 for that entity, the date during the calendar quarter that the 872 entity ceased being a client of the professional employer 873 organization or professional employer organization reporting 874 entity, if applicable, or the date the entity ceased business 875 operations in this state, if applicable; 876
- (c) If the name or mailing address of the chief executive 877 officer or the chief financial officer of a client employer has 878 changed since the professional employer organization or 879 professional employer organization reporting entity previously 880 submitted a report under division (J)(1) or (2) of this section, 881 the updated name or mailing address, or both, of the chief 882 executive officer or the chief financial officer, as applicable; 883
  - (d) If none of the events described in divisions (J)(2)(a)

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(D) The tax commissioner may require an employer that	914
employs an eligible employee to provide any supporting	915
documentation necessary to demonstrate the employer's	916
eligibility for the credit allowed under this section.	917
Section 2. That existing sections 3301.17, 3313.6113,	918
3735.671, 5709.82, 5709.83, and 5747.07 of the Revised Code are	919
hereby repealed.	920
Section 3. (A) The Employers Providing Work-Based Learning	921
Pilot Program is created. The program expires two years after	922
the effective date of this section. For the program's duration,	923
both of the following apply:	924
(1) The Administrator of Workers' Compensation, subject to	925
the approval of the Bureau of Workers' Compensation Board of	926
Directors, shall grant a discount on premium rates for an	927
employer that provides work-based learning experiences for	928
students enrolled in a career-technical education program	929
approved under section 3317.161 of the Revised Code.	930
(2) In calculating the premium due under a policy insuring	931
an employer against liability for an employee's injury,	932
occupational disease, or death not covered under Chapter 4121.,	933
4123., 4127., or 4131. of the Revised Code, no company that is	934
authorized to transact the business of insurance in this state	935
shall increase the premium rate solely because the employer	936
provides work-based learning experiences described in division	937
(A) (1) of this section.	938
(B) Pursuant to section 4109.06 of the Revised Code, the	939
requirements of Chapter 4109. of the Revised Code do not apply	940
to a student participating in a work-based learning experience	941
described in division (A)(1) of this section.	942

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(C) Not later than the date on which the program expires,	943
the Administrator shall prepare and submit to the President of	944
the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives a	945
report that includes all of the following:	946
(1) The name of each employer that participated in and	947
received a discount on premium rates under the program;	948
(2) The amount of the discount on premium rates that each	949
employer received under the program;	950
(3) Statistical information regarding the students who	951
participated in an employer's work-based learning experience,	952
provided that the Administrator shall not include information	953
that identifies those students.	954