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# A BILL

Γ	To amend sections 145.01, 145.191, 145.38, 145.384,	1
	145.471, 145.472, 145.58, 742.26, 1509.01,	2
	1509.02, 1509.11, 1509.34, 2305.234, 2305.2341,	3
	3307.01, 3307.35, 3307.352, 3309.341, 3309.344,	4
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	5749.03, 5749.04, 5749.06, 5749.07, 5749.08,	7
	5749.10, 5749.12, 5749.13, 5749.14, 5749.15, and	8
	5749.17, to enact sections 190.01, 190.02,	9
	190.03, 190.04, 321.50, 3701.034, 5163.04, and	10
	5747.027, and to repeal sections 145.381,	11
	145.382, 1509.50, 3307.353, and 3309.345 of the	12
	Revised Code to modify the law governing re-	13
	employed retirants; to expand the immunity from	14
	liability for certain health care professionals,	15
	workers, and organizations when providing care	16
	to indigent and uninsured individuals; to	17
	require the Department of Health to ensure that	18
	certain funds are not used to perform elective	19
	abortions, or promote or affiliate with any	20
	entity that performs elective abortions; to	21
	modify the method of calculating the severance	22
	tax; to make certain changes to the sales tax;	23

to modify the income tax rates and calculation;	24
and to reduce General Revenue Fund	25
appropriations for the fiscal biennium ending	26
June 30, 2017; and to eliminate Medicaid funding	27
for the group described in section 192(a)(10)(i)	28
(VIII) of the "Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C.	29
1396a(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII).	30

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

Section 1. That sections 145.01, 145.191, 145.38, 145.384,	31
145.471, 145.472, 145.58, 742.26, 1509.01, 1509.02, 1509.11,	32
1509.34, 2305.234, 2305.2341, 3307.01, 3307.35, 3307.352,	33
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5747.02, 5747.05, 5747.08, 5747.41, 5749.01, 5749.02, 5749.03,	35
5749.04, 5749.06, 5749.07, 5749.08, 5749.10, 5749.12, 5749.13,	36
5749.14, 5749.15, and 5749.17 be amended and sections 190.01,	37
190.02, 190.03, 190.04, 321.50, 3701.034, 5163.04, and 5747.027	38
of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:	39
Sec. 145.01. As used in this chapter:	40
(A) "Public employee" means:	41
(A) "Public employee" means: (1) Any person holding an office, not elective, under the	41 42
(1) Any person holding an office, not elective, under the	42
(1) Any person holding an office, not elective, under the state or any county, township, municipal corporation, park	42 43
(1) Any person holding an office, not elective, under the state or any county, township, municipal corporation, park district, conservancy district, sanitary district, health	42 43 44
(1) Any person holding an office, not elective, under the state or any county, township, municipal corporation, park district, conservancy district, sanitary district, health district, metropolitan housing authority, state retirement	42 43 44 45
(1) Any person holding an office, not elective, under the state or any county, township, municipal corporation, park district, conservancy district, sanitary district, health district, metropolitan housing authority, state retirement board, Ohio historical society, public library, county law	42 43 44 45 46

same are, or have been, created by action of the general assembly or by the legislative authority of any of the units of local government named in division (A)(1) of this section, or employed and paid in whole or in part by the state or any of the authorities named in division (A)(1) of this section in any capacity not covered by section 742.01, 3307.01, 3309.01, or 5505.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) A person who is a member of the public employees retirement system and who continues to perform the same or similar duties under the direction of a contractor who has contracted to take over what before the date of the contract was a publicly operated function. The governmental unit with which the contract has been made shall be deemed the employer for the purposes of administering this chapter.

(3) Any person who is an employee of a public employer, 64 notwithstanding that the person's compensation for that 65 employment is derived from funds of a person or entity other 66 than the employer. Credit for such service shall be included as 67 total service credit, provided that the employee makes the 68 payments required by this chapter, and the employer makes the 69 payments required by sections 145.48 and 145.51 of the Revised 70 Code. 71

(4) A person who elects in accordance with section 145.015 of the Revised Code to remain a contributing member of the public employees retirement system.

(5) A person who is an employee of the legal rights
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service on September 30, 2012, and continues to be employed by
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the nonprofit entity established under Section 319.20 of Am.
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Sub. H.B. 153 of the 129th general assembly. The nonprofit
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entity is the employer for the purpose of this chapter.
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In all cases of doubt, the public employees retirement board shall determine under section 145.036, 145.037, or 145.038 of the Revised Code whether any person is a public employee, and its decision is final.

(B) "Member" means any public employee, other than a public employee excluded or exempted from membership in the retirement system by section 145.03, 145.031, 145.032, 145.033, 145.034, 145.035, or 145.38 of the Revised Code. "Member" includes a PERS retirant who becomes a member under division (C) of section 145.38 of the Revised Code. "Member" also includes a disability benefit recipient.

(C) "Head of the department" means the elective or
91 appointive head of the several executive, judicial, and
92 administrative departments, institutions, boards, and
93 commissions of the state and local government as the same are
94 created and defined by the laws of this state or, in case of a
95 charter government, by that charter.

(D) "Employer" or "public employer" means the state or any 97 county, township, municipal corporation, park district, 98 99 conservancy district, sanitary district, health district, metropolitan housing authority, state retirement board, Ohio 100 historical society, public library, county law library, union 101 cemetery, joint hospital, institutional commissary, state 102 medical university, state university, or board, bureau, 103 commission, council, committee, authority, or administrative 104 body as the same are, or have been, created by action of the 105 general assembly or by the legislative authority of any of the 106 units of local government named in this division not covered by 107 section 742.01, 3307.01, 3309.01, or 5505.01 of the Revised 108 Code. In addition, "employer" means the employer of any public 109

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employee.

(E) "Prior military service" also means all service
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credited for active duty with the armed forces of the United
States as provided in section 145.30 of the Revised Code.
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(F) "Contributor" means any person who has an account in 114
the employees' savings fund created by section 145.23 of the 115
Revised Code. When used in the sections listed in division (B) 116
of section 145.82 of the Revised Code, "contributor" includes 117
any person participating in a PERS defined contribution plan. 118

(G) "Beneficiary" or "beneficiaries" means the estate or a
person or persons who, as the result of the death of a member,
contributor, or retirant, qualify for or are receiving some
right or benefit under this chapter.

(H)(1) "Total service credit," except as provided in 123 section 145.37 of the Revised Code, means all service credited 124 to a member of the retirement system since last becoming a 125 member, including restored service credit as provided by section 126 145.31 of the Revised Code; credit purchased under sections 127 145.293 and 145.299 of the Revised Code; all the member's 128 military service credit computed as provided in this chapter; 129 all service credit established pursuant to section 145.297 of 130 the Revised Code; and any other service credited under this 131 chapter. For the exclusive purpose of satisfying the service 132 credit requirement and of determining eligibility for benefits 133 under sections 145.32, 145.33, 145.331, 145.332, 145.35, 145.36, 134 and 145.361 of the Revised Code, "five or more years of total 135 service credit" means sixty or more calendar months of 136 contributing service in this system. 137

(2) "One and one-half years of contributing service

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credit," as used in division (B) of section 145.45 of the 139 Revised Code, also means eighteen or more calendar months of 140 employment by a municipal corporation that formerly operated its 141 own retirement plan for its employees or a part of its 142 employees, provided that all employees of that municipal 143 retirement plan who have eighteen or more months of such 144 employment, upon establishing membership in the public employees 145 retirement system, shall make a payment of the contributions 146 they would have paid had they been members of this system for 147 the eighteen months of employment preceding the date membership 148 was established. When that payment has been made by all such 149 employee members, a corresponding payment shall be paid into the 150 employers' accumulation fund by that municipal corporation as 151 the employer of the employees. 152

(3) Where a member also is a member of the state teachers 153 retirement system or the school employees retirement system, or 154 both, except in cases of retirement on a combined basis pursuant 155 to section 145.37 of the Revised Code or as provided in section 156 145.383 of the Revised Code, service credit for any period shall 157 be credited on the basis of the ratio that contributions to the 158 public employees retirement system bear to total contributions 159 in all state retirement systems. 160

(4) Not more than one year of credit may be given for anyperiod of twelve months.

(5) "Ohio service credit" means credit for service thatwas rendered to the state or any of its political subdivisionsor any employer.

(I) "Regular interest" means interest at any rates for the
respective funds and accounts as the public employees retirement
board may determine from time to time.

(J) "Accumulated contributions" means the sum of all
amounts credited to a contributor's individual account in the
employees' savings fund together with any interest credited to
the contributor's account under section 145.471 or 145.472 of
the Revised Code.

(K)(1) "Final average salary" means the greater of the following:

(a) The sum of the member's earnable salaries for the 176 appropriate number of calendar years of contributing service, 177 determined under section 145.017 of the Revised Code, in which 178 the member's earnable salary was highest, divided by the same 179 number of calendar years or, if the member has fewer than the 180 appropriate number of calendar years of contributing service, 181 the total of the member's earnable salary for all years of 182 contributing service divided by the number of calendar years of 183 the member's contributing service; 184

(b) The sum of a member's earnable salaries for the 185 appropriate number of consecutive months, determined under 186 section 145.017 of the Revised Code, that were the member's last 187 months of service, up to and including the last month, divided 188 by the appropriate number of years or, if the time between the 189 first and final months of service is less than the appropriate 190 number of consecutive months, the total of the member's earnable 191 salary for all months of contributing service divided by the 192 number of years between the first and final months of 193 contributing service, including any fraction of a year, except 194 that the member's final average salary shall not exceed the 195 member's highest earnable salary for any twelve consecutive 196 months. 197

(2) If contributions were made in only one calendar year, 198

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"final average salary" means the member's total earnable salary.	199
(L) "Annuity" means payments for life derived from	200
contributions made by a contributor and paid from the annuity	201
and pension reserve fund as provided in this chapter. All	202
annuities shall be paid in twelve equal monthly installments.	203
(M) "Annuity reserve" means the present value, computed	204
upon the basis of the mortality and other tables adopted by the	205
board, of all payments to be made on account of any annuity, or	206
benefit in lieu of any annuity, granted to a retirant as	207
provided in this chapter.	208
(N)(1) "Disability retirement" means retirement as	209
provided in section 145.36 of the Revised Code.	210
(2) "Disability allowance" means an allowance paid on	211
account of disability under section 145.361 of the Revised Code.	212
(3) "Disability benefit" means a benefit paid as	213
disability retirement under section 145.36 of the Revised Code,	214
as a disability allowance under section 145.361 of the Revised	215
Code, or as a disability benefit under section 145.37 of the	216
Revised Code.	217
(4) "Disability benefit recipient" means a member who is	218
receiving a disability benefit.	219
(O) "Age and service retirement" means retirement as	220
provided in sections 145.32, 145.33, 145.331, 145.332, 145.37,	221
and 145.46 and former section 145.34 of the Revised Code.	222
(P) "Pensions" means annual payments for life derived from	223
contributions made by the employer that at the time of	224
retirement are credited into the annuity and pension reserve	225
fund from the employers' accumulation fund and paid from the	226

annuity and pension reserve fund as provided in this chapter.227All pensions shall be paid in twelve equal monthly installments.228

(Q) "Retirement allowance" means the pension plus thatportion of the benefit derived from contributions made by the230member.

(R)(1) Except as otherwise provided in division (R) of 232 this section, "earnable salary" means all salary, wages, and 233 other earnings paid to a contributor by reason of employment in 234 a position covered by the retirement system. The salary, wages, 235 and other earnings shall be determined prior to determination of 236 the amount required to be contributed to the employees' savings 237 fund under section 145.47 of the Revised Code and without regard 238 to whether any of the salary, wages, or other earnings are 239 treated as deferred income for federal income tax purposes. 240 "Earnable salary" includes the following: 241

(a) Payments made by the employer in lieu of salary,
wages, or other earnings for sick leave, personal leave, or
vacation used by the contributor;
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(b) Payments made by the employer for the conversion of
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sick leave, personal leave, and vacation leave accrued, but not
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used if the payment is made during the year in which the leave
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is accrued, except that payments made pursuant to section
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124.383 or 124.386 of the Revised Code are not earnable salary;
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(c) Allowances paid by the employer for maintenance,
consisting of housing, laundry, and meals, as certified to the
retirement board by the employer or the head of the department
that employs the contributor;

(d) Fees and commissions paid under section 507.09 of the 254Revised Code; 255

(e) Payments that are made under a disability leave 256 program sponsored by the employer and for which the employer is 257 required by section 145.296 of the Revised Code to make periodic 258 employer and employee contributions; 259 (f) Amounts included pursuant to former division (K)(3) 260 and former division (Y) of this section and section 145.2916 of 261 the Revised Code. 262 (2) "Earnable salary" does not include any of the 263 264 following: (a) Fees and commissions, other than those paid under 265 section 507.09 of the Revised Code, paid as sole compensation 266 for personal services and fees and commissions for special 267 services over and above services for which the contributor 268 receives a salary; 269 (b) Amounts paid by the employer to provide life 270 insurance, sickness, accident, endowment, health, medical, 271 hospital, dental, or surgical coverage, or other insurance for 272 the contributor or the contributor's family, or amounts paid by 273 the employer to the contributor in lieu of providing the 274 insurance; 275 (c) Incidental benefits, including lodging, food, laundry, 276 parking, or services furnished by the employer, or use of the 277 employer's property or equipment, or amounts paid by the 278

employer to the contributor in lieu of providing the incidental 279 benefits; 280

(d) Reimbursement for job-related expenses authorized by
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the employer, including moving and travel expenses and expenses
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related to professional development;
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(e) Payments for accrued but unused sick leave, personal 284

leave, or vacation that are made at any time other than in the 285
year in which the sick leave, personal leave, or vacation was 286
accrued; 287

(f) Payments made to or on behalf of a contributor that 288 are in excess of the annual compensation that may be taken into 289 account by the retirement system under division (a) (17) of 290 section 401 of the "Internal Revenue Code of 1986," 100 Stat. 291 2085, 26 U.S.C.A. 401(a) (17), as amended; 292

(g) Payments made under division (B), (C), or (E) of 293 section 5923.05 of the Revised Code, Section 4 of Substitute 294 Senate Bill No. 3 of the 119th general assembly, Section 3 of 295 Amended Substitute Senate Bill No. 164 of the 124th general 296 assembly, or Amended Substitute House Bill No. 405 of the 124th 297 general assembly; 298

(h) Anything of value received by the contributor that is
based on or attributable to retirement or an agreement to
retire, except that payments made on or before January 1, 1989,
that are based on or attributable to an agreement to retire
shall be included in earnable salary if both of the following
apply:

(i) The payments are made in accordance with contract305provisions that were in effect prior to January 1, 1986;306

(ii) The employer pays the retirement system an amount
specified by the retirement board equal to the additional
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liability resulting from the payments.
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(i) The portion of any amount included in section 145.2916310 of the Revised Code that represents employer contributions.311

(3) The retirement board shall determine by rule whetherany compensation not enumerated in division (R) of this section313

is earnable salary, and its decision shall be final. 314

(S) "Pension reserve" means the present value, computed
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upon the basis of the mortality and other tables adopted by the
board, of all payments to be made on account of any retirement
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allowance or benefit in lieu of any retirement allowance,
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granted to a member or beneficiary under this chapter.

(T) "Contributing service" means both of the following: 320

(1) All service credited to a member of the system since
January 1, 1935, for which contributions are made as required by
sections 145.47, 145.48, and 145.483 of the Revised Code. In any
year subsequent to 1934, credit for any service shall be allowed
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in accordance with section 145.016 of the Revised Code.

(2) Service credit received by election of the member326under section 145.814 of the Revised Code.327

(U) "State retirement board" means the public employees retirement board, the school employees retirement board, or the state teachers retirement board.

(V) "Retirant" means any former member who retires and is
receiving a monthly allowance as provided in sections 145.32,
145.33, 145.331, 145.332, and 145.46 and former section 145.34
of the Revised Code.

(W) "Employer contribution" means the amount paid by an335employer as determined under section 145.48 of the Revised Code.336

(X) "Public service terminates" means the last day for
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which a public employee is compensated for services performed
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for an employer or the date of the employee's death, whichever
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occurs first.

(Y) "Five years of service credit," for the exclusive 341

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purpose of satisfying the service credit requirements and of342determining eligibility under section 145.33 or 145.332 of the343Revised Code, means employment covered under this chapter or344under a former retirement plan operated, recognized, or endorsed345by the employer prior to coverage under this chapter or under a346combination of the coverage.347

(Z) "Deputy sheriff" means any person who is commissioned 348 and employed as a full-time peace officer by the sheriff of any 349 county, and has been so employed since on or before December 31, 350 351 1965; any person who is or has been commissioned and employed as a peace officer by the sheriff of any county since January 1, 352 1966, and who has received a certificate attesting to the 353 person's satisfactory completion of the peace officer training 354 school as required by section 109.77 of the Revised Code; or any 355 person deputized by the sheriff of any county and employed 356 pursuant to section 2301.12 of the Revised Code as a criminal 357 bailiff or court constable who has received a certificate 358 attesting to the person's satisfactory completion of the peace 359 officer training school as required by section 109.77 of the 360 Revised Code. 361

(AA) "Township constable or police officer in a township
police department or district" means any person who is
commissioned and employed as a full-time peace officer pursuant
to Chapter 505. or 509. of the Revised Code, who has received a
certificate attesting to the person's satisfactory completion of
the peace officer training school as required by section 109.77
of the Revised Code.

(BB) "Drug agent" means any person who is either of the 369 following: 370

(1) Employed full time as a narcotics agent by a county 371

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narcotics agency created pursuant to section 307.15 of the 372
Revised Code and has received a certificate attesting to the 373
satisfactory completion of the peace officer training school as 374
required by section 109.77 of the Revised Code; 375

(2) Employed full time as an undercover drug agent as
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defined in section 109.79 of the Revised Code and is in
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compliance with section 109.77 of the Revised Code.
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(CC) "Department of public safety enforcement agent" means 379 a full-time employee of the department of public safety who is 380 designated under section 5502.14 of the Revised Code as an 381 enforcement agent and who is in compliance with section 109.77 382 of the Revised Code. 383

(DD) "Natural resources law enforcement staff officer"
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means a full-time employee of the department of natural
resources who is designated a natural resources law enforcement
staff officer under section 1501.013 of the Revised Code and is
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in compliance with section 109.77 of the Revised Code.

(EE) "Park officer" means a full-time employee of the 389 department of natural resources who is designated a park officer 390 under section 1541.10 of the Revised Code and is in compliance 391 with section 109.77 of the Revised Code. 392

(FF) "Forest officer" means a full-time employee of the
department of natural resources who is designated a forest
officer under section 1503.29 of the Revised Code and is in
compliance with section 109.77 of the Revised Code.

(GG) "Preserve officer" means a full-time employee of the
department of natural resources who is designated a preserve
officer under section 1517.10 of the Revised Code and is in
compliance with section 109.77 of the Revised Code.

(HH) "Wildlife officer" means a full-time employee of the 401 department of natural resources who is designated a wildlife 402 officer under section 1531.13 of the Revised Code and is in 403 compliance with section 109.77 of the Revised Code. 404

(II) "State watercraft officer" means a full-time employee
of the department of natural resources who is designated a state
watercraft officer under section 1547.521 of the Revised Code
and is in compliance with section 109.77 of the Revised Code.

(JJ) "Park district police officer" means a full-time409employee of a park district who is designated pursuant to410section 511.232 or 1545.13 of the Revised Code and is in411compliance with section 109.77 of the Revised Code.412

(KK) "Conservancy district officer" means a full-time
employee of a conservancy district who is designated pursuant to
section 6101.75 of the Revised Code and is in compliance with
section 109.77 of the Revised Code.

(LL) "Municipal police officer" means a member of the 417 organized police department of a municipal corporation who is 418 employed full time, is in compliance with section 109.77 of the 419 Revised Code, and is not a member of the Ohio police and fire 420 pension fund. 421

(MM) "Veterans' home police officer" means any person who 422 is employed at a veterans' home as a police officer pursuant to 423 section 5907.02 of the Revised Code and is in compliance with 424 section 109.77 of the Revised Code. 425

(NN) "Special police officer for a mental health 426 institution" means any person who is designated as such pursuant 427 to section 5119.08 of the Revised Code and is in compliance with 428 section 109.77 of the Revised Code. 429 (OO) "Special police officer for an institution for the
developmentally disabled" means any person who is designated as
such pursuant to section 5123.13 of the Revised Code and is in
compliance with section 109.77 of the Revised Code.

(PP) "State university law enforcement officer" means any 434 person who is employed full time as a state university law 435 enforcement officer pursuant to section 3345.04 of the Revised 436 Code and who is in compliance with section 109.77 of the Revised 437 Code. 438

(QQ) "House sergeant at arms" means any person appointed
by the speaker of the house of representatives under division
(B) (1) of section 101.311 of the Revised Code who has arrest
authority under division (E) (1) of that section.

(RR) "Assistant house sergeant at arms" means any person
appointed by the house sergeant at arms under division (C)(1) of
section 101.311 of the Revised Code.
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(SS) "Regional transit authority police officer" means a 446
person who is employed full time as a regional transit authority 447
police officer under division (Y) of section 306.35 of the 448
Revised Code and is in compliance with section 109.77 of the 449
Revised Code. 450

(TT) "State highway patrol police officer" means a special 451 police officer employed full time and designated by the 452 superintendent of the state highway patrol pursuant to section 453 5503.09 of the Revised Code or a person serving full time as a 454 special police officer pursuant to that section on a permanent 455 basis on October 21, 1997, who is in compliance with section 456 109.77 of the Revised Code. 457

(UU) "Municipal public safety director" means a person who 458

serves full time as the public safety director of a municipal459corporation with the duty of directing the activities of the460municipal corporation's police department and fire department.461

(VV) Notwithstanding section 2901.01 of the Revised Code, 462 "PERS law enforcement officer" means a sheriff or any of the 463 following whose primary duties are to preserve the peace, 464 protect life and property, and enforce the laws of this state: a 465 deputy sheriff, township constable or police officer in a 466 township police department or district, drug agent, department 467 of public safety enforcement agent, natural resources law 468 enforcement staff officer, park officer, forest officer, 469 preserve officer, wildlife officer, state watercraft officer, 470 park district police officer, conservancy district officer, 471 veterans' home police officer, special police officer for a 472 mental health institution, special police officer for an 473 institution for the developmentally disabled, state university 474 law enforcement officer, municipal police officer, house 475 sergeant at arms, assistant house sergeant at arms, regional 476 transit authority police officer, or state highway patrol police 477 officer. "PERS law enforcement officer" also includes a person 478 serving as a municipal public safety director at any time during 479 the period from September 29, 2005, to March 24, 2009, if the 480 duties of that service were to preserve the peace, protect life 481 and property, and enforce the laws of this state. 482

(WW) "Hamilton county municipal court bailiff" means a 483
person appointed by the clerk of courts of the Hamilton county 484
municipal court under division (A)(3) of section 1901.32 of the 485
Revised Code who is employed full time as a bailiff or deputy 486
bailiff, who has received a certificate attesting to the 487
person's satisfactory completion of the peace officer basic 488
training described in division (D)(1) of section 109.77 of the 489

(XX) "PERS public safety officer" means a Hamilton county 491 municipal court bailiff, or any of the following whose primary 492 duties are other than to preserve the peace, protect life and 493 property, and enforce the laws of this state: a deputy sheriff, 494 township constable or police officer in a township police 495 department or district, drug agent, department of public safety 496 enforcement agent, natural resources law enforcement staff 497 officer, park officer, forest officer, preserve officer, 498 499 wildlife officer, state watercraft officer, park district police officer, conservancy district officer, veterans' home police 500 officer, special police officer for a mental health institution, 501 special police officer for an institution for the 502 developmentally disabled, state university law enforcement 503 officer, municipal police officer, house sergeant at arms, 504 assistant house sergeant at arms, regional transit authority 505 police officer, or state highway patrol police officer. "PERS 506 public safety officer" also includes a person serving as a 507 municipal public safety director at any time during the period 508 from September 29, 2005, to March 24, 2009, if the duties of 509 that service were other than to preserve the peace, protect life 510 and property, and enforce the laws of this state. 511

(YY) "Fiduciary" means a person who does any of the 512 following: 513

(1) Exercises any discretionary authority or control with
 respect to the management of the system or with respect to the
 management or disposition of its assets;

(2) Renders investment advice for a fee, direct or 517indirect, with respect to money or property of the system; 518

the administration of the system.	520
(ZZ) "Actuary" means an individual who satisfies all of	521
the following requirements:	522
(1) Is a member of the American academy of actuaries;	523
(2) Is an associate or fellow of the society of actuaries;	524
(3) Has a minimum of five years' experience in providing	525
actuarial services to public retirement plans.	526
(AAA) "PERS defined benefit plan" means the plan described	527
in sections 145.201 to 145.79 of the Revised Code.	528
(BBB) "PERS defined contribution plans" means the plan or	529
plans established under section 145.81 of the Revised Code.	530
Sec. 145.191. (A) Except as provided in division (F) of	531
this section, a public employees retirement system member or	532
contributor who, as of December 31, 2002, has less than five	533
years of total service credit is eligible to make an election	534
under this section. A member or contributor who is employed in	535
more than one position subject to this chapter is eligible to	536
make only one election. The election applies to all positions	537
subject to this chapter.	538
Not later than June 30, 2003, an eligible member or	539
contributor may elect to participate in a PERS defined	540
contribution plan. Unless a form evidencing an election is	541
received by the system on or before that date, a member or	542
contributor to whom this section applies is deemed to have	543
elected to continue participating in the PERS defined benefit	544
plan.	545

(3) Has any discretionary authority or responsibility in

(B) An election under this section shall be made in

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writing on a form provided by the system and filed with the 547 system. 548

(C) On the request of a member or contributor who made an 549 election under this section, the system shall credit to the plan 550 elected the accumulated contributions standing to the credit of 551 the member or contributor in the employees' savings fund and 552 cancel all service credit and eligibility for any payment, 553 benefit, or right under the PERS defined benefit plan. 554

(D) For each member or contributor who elected under this 555 section to participate in a PERS defined contribution plan and 556 made a request under division (C) of this section, any 557 additional deposits that were made by the member or contributor 558 prior to April 6, 2007, under the version of division (C) of 559 section 145.23 of the Revised Code as it existed immediately 560 prior to that date shall be credited to the defined contribution 561 plan. 562

(E) An election under this section is effective as of
January 1, 2003, and, except as provided in section 145.814 of
the Revised Code or rules governing the PERS defined benefit
plan, is irrevocable on receipt by the system.

(F) An election may not be made under this section by amember or contributor who is either of the following:568

(1) A PERS retirant who is a member under division (C) of569section 145.38 of the Revised Code;570

(2) A a PERS law enforcement officer or a PERS public571safety officer.572

 Sec. 145.38. (A) As used in this section and sections
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 145.381 and 145.384 of the Revised Code:
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employees retirement system who is receiving one of the 576 following: 577 (a) Age and service retirement benefits under section 578 145.32, 145.33, 145.331, 145.332, or 145.46 or former section 579 145.34 of the Revised Code: 580 (b) Age and service retirement benefits paid by the public 581 employees retirement system under section 145.37 of the Revised 582 583 (c) Any benefit paid under a PERS defined contribution 584 585 (2) "Other system retirant" means both of the following: 586 (a) A member or former member of the Ohio police and fire 587 pension fund, state teachers retirement system, school employees 588 retirement system, state highway patrol retirement system, or 589 Cincinnati retirement system who is receiving age and service or 590 commuted age and service retirement benefits or a disability 591 benefit from a system of which the person is a member or former 592 member: 593 (b) A member or former member of the public employees 594 retirement system who is receiving age and service retirement 595 benefits or a disability benefit under section 145.37 of the 596 Revised Code paid by the school employees retirement system or 597 the state teachers retirement system. 598

(1) "PERS retirant" means a former member of the public

(3) "Employ" or "employment" includes providing personal 599 services pursuant to a contract or as a consultant, as well as 600 direct employment. 601

(B) (1) Subject to this section and section 145.381 of the 602

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Revised Code, a PERS retirant or other system retirant may be 603 employed by a public employer. If so employed employment 604 commenced prior to the effective date of this amendment, the 605 PERS retirant or other system retirant shall contribute to the 606 public employees retirement system in accordance with section 607 145.47 of the Revised Code, and the employer shall make 608 contributions in accordance with section 145.48 of the Revised 609 Code. 610 611 (2) A public employer that employs a PERS retirant or 612 other system retirant, or enters into a contract for services asan independent contractor with a PERS retirant, shall notify the 613 retirement board of the employment or contract not later than-614 the end of the month in which the employment or contract 615 commences. Any overpayment of benefits to a PERS retirant by the 616

retirement system resulting from delay or failure of the617employer to give the notice shall be repaid to the retirement618system by the employer.619

(3) On receipt of notice from a public employer that a620person who is an other system retirant has been employed, the621retirement system shall notify the retirement system of which622the other system retirant was a member of such employment.623

 $\frac{(4)}{(a)}$  (a) A-An individual who became a PERS retirant prior to 624 the effective date of this amendment who has received a 625 retirement allowance for less than two months when employment 626 subject to this section division commences shall forfeit the 627 retirement allowance for any month the PERS retirant is employed 628 prior to the expiration of the two-month period. Service and 629 contributions for that period shall not be included in 630 calculation of any benefits payable to the PERS retirant, and 631 those contributions shall be refunded on the retirant's death or 632

termination of the employment.

(b) An individual who became an other system retirant 634 prior to the effective date of this amendment who has received a 635 retirement allowance or disability benefit for less than two 636 months when employment subject to this section commences shall 637 forfeit the retirement allowance or disability benefit for any 638 month the other system retirant is employed prior to the 639 expiration of the two-month period. Service and contributions 640 for that period shall not be included in the calculation of any 641 642 benefits payable to the other system retirant, and those 643 contributions shall be refunded on the retirant's death or 644 termination of the employment.

(c) (3) Contributions made on compensation earned after 645 the expiration of the two-month period described in division (B) 646 (2) of this section shall be used in the calculation of the benefit or payment due under section 145.384 of the Revised 648 Code. 649

(5) On receipt of notice from the Ohio police and fire-650 pension fund, school employees retirement system, or state 651 teachers retirement system of the re-employment of a PERS-652 retirant, the public employees retirement system shall not pay, 653 or if paid, shall recover, the amount to be forfeited by the 654 PERS retirant in accordance with section 742.26, 3307.35, or 655 3309.341 of the Revised Code. 656

(6) (C) A PERS retirant who enters, prior to the 657 effective date of this amendment, entered into a contract to 658 provide services as an independent contractor to the employer by 659 which the retirant was employed at the time of retirement or, 660 less than two months after the retirement allowance commences, 661 begins commenced began providing services as an independent 662

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contractor pursuant to a contract with another public employer, 663 shall forfeit the pension portion of the retirement benefit for 664 the period beginning the first day of the month following the 665 month in which the services begin and ending on the first day of 666 the month following the month in which the services end. The 667 annuity portion of the retirement allowance shall be suspended 668 on the day services under the contract begin and shall 669 accumulate to the credit of the retirant to be paid in a single 670 payment after services provided under the contract terminate. A 671 PERS retirant subject to this division (B) (6) of this section 672 shall not contribute to the retirement system and shall not 673 become a member of the system. 674 (7) As used in this division, "employment" includes 675 service for which a PERS retirant or other system retirant, the 676 retirant's employer, or both, have waived any earnable salary-677 for the service. 678 (C) (1) Except as provided in division (C) (3) of this 679 section, this division applies to both of the following: 680 681 (a) A PERS retirant who, prior to September 14, 2000, was subject to division (C)(1)(b) of this section as that division 682 existed immediately prior to September 14, 2000, and has not 683 elected pursuant to Am. Sub. S.B. 144 of the 123rd general 684 assembly to cease to be subject to that division; 685 (b) A PERS retirant to whom both of the following apply: 686 (i) The retirant held elective office in this state, or in 687 any municipal corporation, county, or other political-688 subdivision of this state at the time of retirement under this 689 690 chapter. (ii) The retirant was elected or appointed to the same-691

office for the remainder of the term or the term immediately	692
following the term during which the retirement occurred.	693
(2) A PERS retirant who is subject to this division is a	694
member of the public employees retirement system with all the	695
rights, privileges, and obligations of membership, except that	696
the membership does not include survivor benefits provided	697
pursuant to section 145.45 of the Revised Code or, beginning on-	698
the ninetieth day after September 14, 2000, any amount	699
calculated under section 145.401 of the Revised Code. The	700
pension portion of the PERS retirant's retirement allowance	701
shall be forfeited until the first day of the first month-	702
following termination of the employment. The annuity portion of	703
the retirement allowance shall accumulate to the credit of the-	704
PERS retirant to be paid in a single payment after termination-	705
of the employment. The retirement allowance shall resume on the-	706
first day of the first month following termination of the	707
employment. On termination of the employment, the PERS retirant-	708
shall elect to receive either a refund of the retirant's	709
contributions to the retirement system during the period of	710
employment subject to this section or a supplemental retirement-	711
allowance based on the retirant's contributions and service-	712
credit for that period of employment.	713
(3) This division does not apply to any of the following:	714
(a) A PERS retirant elected to office who, at the time of	715
the election for the retirant's current term, was not retired	716
but, not less than ninety days prior to the primary election for-	717
the term or the date on which a primary for the term would have-	718
been held, filed a written declaration of intent to retire-	719
before the end of the term with the director of the board of	720
elections of the county in which petitions for nomination or-	721

#### election to the office are filed;

(b) A PERS retirant elected to office who, at the time of	723
the election for the retirant's current term, was a retirant and	724
had been retired for not less than ninety days;	725

(c) A PERS retirant appointed to office who, at the time726of appointment to the retirant's current term, notified the727person or entity making the appointment that the retirant was728already retired or intended to retire before the end of the729term.730

(D) <del>(1) Except as provided in division (C) of this section,</del>	731
a An individual who becomes a PERS retirant or other system	732
retirant on or after the effective date of this amendment shall	733
forfeit the pension portion of the retirement allowance for the	734
period beginning the first day of the month following the month	735
in which employment begins and ending on the first day of the	736
month following the month in which employment ends. The annuity	737
portion of the retirement allowance shall be suspended on the	738
day employment begins and accumulate to the credit of the	739
retirant to be used in a recalculation of the retirement	740
allowance after employment ends. Neither the retirant nor the	741
retirant's employer shall contribute to the public employees	742
retirement system on the retirant's behalf.	743

(E) (1) A public employer that employs a PERS retirant or744other system retirant shall notify the retirant board of the745employment not later than the end of the month in which the746employment commences. Any overpayment of benefits to a PERS747retirant by the retirement system resulting from delay or748failure of the employer to give the notice shall be repaid to749the retirement system by the employer.750

(2) On receipt of notice from a public employer that an	751
individual who is an other system retirant has been employed,	752
the retirement system shall notify the retirement system of	753
which the other system retirant was a member of the employment.	754
(F) On receipt of notice from the Ohio police and fire	755
pension fund, school employees retirement system, or state	756
teachers retirement system of the re-employment of a PERS	757
retirant, the public employees retirement system shall not pay,	758
or if paid, shall recover, the amount to be forfeited by the	759
PERS retirant in accordance with section 742.26, 3307.35, or	760
3309.341 of the Revised Code.	
(G)(1) A PERS retirant or other system retirant subject to	762
this section is not a member of the public employees retirement	763
system, and, except as specified in this section does not have	764

any of the rights, privileges, or obligations of membership.765Except as specified in division (D)(G)(2) of this section, the766retirant is not eligible to receive health, medical, hospital,767or surgical benefits under section 145.58 of the Revised Code768for employment subject to this section.769

(2) A PERS retirant subject to this section shall receive 770 primary health, medical, hospital, or surgical insurance 771 coverage from the retirant's employer, if the employer provides 772 coverage to other employees performing comparable work. Neither 773 the employer nor the PERS retirant may waive the employer's 774 coverage, except that the PERS retirant may waive the employer's 775 776 coverage if the retirant has coverage comparable to that provided by the employer from a source other than the employer 777 or the public employees retirement system. If a claim is made, 778 the employer's coverage shall be the primary coverage and shall 779 pay first. The benefits provided under section 145.58 of the 780

Revised Code shall pay only those medical expenses not paid781through the employer's coverage or coverage the PERS retirant782receives through a source other than the retirement system.783

(E) (H) If the disability benefit of an other system 784 retirant employed under this section is terminated, the retirant 785 shall become a member of the public employees retirement system, 786 effective on the first day of the month next following the 787 termination with all the rights, privileges, and obligations of 788 membership. If such person, after the termination of the 789 disability benefit, earns two years of service credit under this 790 system or under the Ohio police and fire pension fund, state 791 teachers retirement system, school employees retirement system, 792 or state highway patrol retirement system, the person's prior 793 contributions as an other system retirant under this section 794 shall be included in the person's total service credit as a 795 public employees retirement system member, and the person shall 796 forfeit all rights and benefits of this section. Not more than 797 one year of credit may be given for any period of twelve months. 798

(F) (I)This section does not affect the receipt of799benefits by or eligibility for benefits of any person who on800August 20, 1976, was receiving a disability benefit or service801retirement pension or allowance from a state or municipal802retirement system in Ohio and was a member of any other state or803municipal retirement system of this state.804

(G) (J)The public employees retirement board may adopt805rules to carry out this section.806

Sec. 145.384. (A) As used in this section, "PERS retirant"807means a PERS retirant who is not subject to division (C) of has808the same meaning as in section 145.38 of the Revised Code. For809purposes of this section, "PERS retirant", except that it also810

includes both of the following: 811 (1) A member who retired under section 145.383 of the 812 Revised Code; 813 (2) A retirant whose retirement allowance resumed under 814 section 145.385 of the Revised Code. 815 (B) (1) An other system retirant or PERS retirant who has 816 made contributions under section 145.38 or 145.383 of the 817 Revised Code or, in the case of a retirant described in division 818 (A) (2) of this section, section 145.47 of the Revised Code may 819 file an application with the public employees retirement system 820 821 to receive either a benefit, as provided in division (B)(2) of this section, or payment of the retirant's contributions made 822 under those sections, as provided in division (H) of this 823 section. 824 (2) A benefit under this section shall consist of an 825 annuity having a reserve equal to the amount of the retirant's 826

accumulated contributions for the period of employment, other827than the contributions excluded pursuant to division (B) (4) (2)828(a) or (b) of section 145.38 of the Revised Code, and an amount829of the employer's contributions determined by the board.830

(a) Unless, as described in division (I) of this section, 831 the application is accompanied by a statement of the spouse's 832 consent to another form of payment or the board waives the 833 requirement of spousal consent, a PERS retirant or other system 834 retirant who is married at the time of application for a benefit 835 under this section shall receive a monthly annuity under which 836 the actuarial equivalent of the retirant's single life annuity 837 is paid in a lesser amount for life and one-half of the lesser 838 amount continues after the retirant's death to the surviving 839

840 spouse. (b) A PERS retirant or other system retirant who is not 841 subject to division (B)(2)(a) of this section shall elect either 842 to receive the benefit as a monthly annuity or a lump sum 843 payment discounted to the present value using a rate of interest 844 determined by the board. A retirant who elects to receive a 845 monthly annuity shall select one of the following as the plan of 846 847 payment: (i) The retirant's single life annuity; 848 (ii) The actuarial equivalent of the retirant's single 849 850 life annuity in an equal or lesser amount for life and continuing after death to a surviving beneficiary designated at 851 the time the plan of payment is selected. 852 If a retirant who is eligible to select a plan of payment 853 under division (B)(2)(b) of this section fails to do so, the 854 benefit shall be paid as a monthly annuity under the plan of 855 payment specified in rules adopted by the public employees 856 retirement board. 857 (c) Notwithstanding divisions (B)(2)(a) and (b) of this 858 section, if a monthly annuity would be less than twenty-five 859 dollars per month, the retirant shall receive a lump sum 860 861 payment. (C) (1) The death of a spouse or other designated 862 beneficiary under a plan of payment described in division (B) (2) 863 of this section cancels that plan of payment. The PERS retirant 864 or other system retirant shall receive the equivalent of the 865

retirant's single life annuity, as determined by the board, 866 effective the first day of the month following the date of 867 death. 868

(2) On divorce, annulment, or marriage dissolution, a PERS 869 retirant or other system retirant receiving a benefit described 870 in division (B)(2) of this section under which the beneficiary 871 is the spouse may, with the written consent of the spouse or 872 pursuant to an order of the court with jurisdiction over the 873 termination of the marriage, elect to cancel the plan and 874 receive the equivalent of the retirant's single life annuity as 875 determined by the board. The election shall be made on a form 876 provided by the board and shall be effective the month following 877 its receipt by the board. 878

(D) Following a marriage or remarriage, a PERS retirant or
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other system retirant who is receiving a benefit described in
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division (B) (2) (b) (i) of this section may elect a new plan of
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payment under division (B) (2) (b) of this section based on the
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actuarial equivalent of the retirant's single life annuity as
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determined by the board.

If the marriage or remarriage occurs on or after June 6,8852005, the election must be made not later than one year after886the date of the marriage or remarriage.887

The plan elected under this division shall be effective on 888 the date of receipt by the board of an application on a form 889 approved by the board, but any change in the amount of the 890 benefit shall commence on the first day of the month following 891 the effective date of the plan. 892

(E) A benefit payable under division (B) (2) of this893section shall commence on the latest of the following:894

(1) The last day for which compensation for all employment
subject to section 145.38, 145.383, or 145.385 of the Revised
Code was paid;

retirant of age sixty-five; 899 (3) If the PERS retirant or other system retirant was 900 previously employed under section 145.38, 145.383, or 145.385 of 901 the Revised Code and is receiving or previously received a 902 benefit under this section, completion of a period of twelve 903 months since the effective date of the last benefit under this 904 section; 905 906 (4) Ninety days prior to receipt by the board of the 907 member's completed application for retirement; 908 (5) A date specified by the retirant. (F) (1) If a PERS retirant or other system retirant dies 909 while employed in employment subject to section 145.38, 145.383, 910 or 145.385 of the Revised Code, a lump sum payment shall be paid 911 to the retirant's beneficiary under division (G) of this 912 section. The lump sum shall be calculated in accordance with 913 division (H) of this section if the retirant was under age 914 sixty-five at the time of death. It shall be calculated in 915 accordance with division (B)(2) of this section if the retirant 916 was age sixty-five or older at the time of death. 917 (2) If at the time of death a PERS retirant or other 918 system retirant receiving a monthly annuity under division (B) 919 (2) (b) (i) of this section has received less than the retirant 920 would have received as a lump sum payment, the difference 921 between the amount received and the amount that would have been 922 received as a lump sum payment shall be paid to the retirant's 923 beneficiary under division (G) of this section. 924 (3) If a beneficiary receiving a monthly annuity under 925

(2) Attainment by the PERS retirant or other system

division (B)(2) of this section dies and, at the time of the 926

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beneficiary's death, the total of the amounts paid to the 927 retirant and beneficiary are less than the amount the retirant 928 would have received as a lump sum payment, the difference 929 between the total of the amounts received by the retirant and 930 beneficiary and the amount that the retirant would have received 931 as a lump sum payment shall be paid to the beneficiary's estate. 932

(G) A PERS retirant or other system retirant employed 933 under section 145.38, 145.383, or 145.385 of the Revised Code 934 may designate one or more persons as beneficiary to receive any 935 benefits payable under division (B)(2)(b) of this section due to 936 death. The designation shall be in writing duly executed on a 937 form provided by the public employees retirement board, signed 938 by the PERS retirant or other system retirant, and filed with 939 the board prior to death. The last designation of a beneficiary 940 revokes all previous designations. The PERS retirant's or other 941 system retirant's marriage, divorce, marriage dissolution, legal 942 separation, withdrawal of account, birth of a child, or adoption 943 of a child revokes all previous designations. If there is no 944 designated beneficiary or the beneficiary is not located within 945 ninety days, the beneficiary shall be determined in the 946 following order of precedence: 947

(1)	Surviving spouse;	948
(2)	Children, share and share alike;	949
(3)	Parents, share and share alike;	950
(4)	Estate.	951
If a	any benefit payable under this section due to the death	952
PERS	3 retirant or other system retirant is not claimed by a	953

of a PERS retirant or other system retirant is not claimed by a953beneficiary within five years after the death, the amount954payable shall be transferred to the income fund and thereafter955

paid to the beneficiary or the estate of the PERS retirant or 956 other system retirant on application to the board. 957

(H) (1) A PERS retirant or other system retirant who 958 applies under division (B)(1) of this section for payment of the 959 retirant's contributions and is unmarried or is married and, 960 unless the board has waived the requirement of spousal consent, 961 includes with the application a statement of the spouse's 962 consent to the payment, shall be paid the contributions made 963 under section 145.38 or 145.383 of the Revised Code or, in the 964 case of a retirant described in division (A) (2) of this section, 965 section 145.47 of the Revised Code, plus interest as provided in 966 section 145.471 of the Revised Code, if the following conditions 967 are met: 968

(a) The retirant has not attained sixty-five years of age
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and has terminated employment subject to section 145.38,
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145.383, or 145.385 of the Revised Code for any cause other than
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death or the receipt of a benefit under this section.
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(b) Three months have elapsed since the termination of the
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retirant's employment subject to section 145.38, 145.383, or
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145.385 of the Revised Code, other than employment exempted from
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contribution pursuant to section 145.03 of the Revised Code.
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(c) The retirant has not returned to public service, other
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than service exempted from contribution pursuant to section
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145.03 of the Revised Code, during the three-month period.
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(2) Payment of a retirant's contributions cancels the980retirant's right to a benefit under division (B)(2) of this981section.982

(I) A statement of a spouse's consent under division (B)983(2) of this section to the form of a benefit or under division984

(H) of this section to a payment of contributions is valid only 985 if signed by the spouse and witnessed by a notary public. The 986 board may waive the requirement of spousal consent if the spouse 987 is incapacitated or cannot be located, or for any other reason 988 specified by the board. Consent or waiver is effective only with 989 regard to the spouse who is the subject of the consent or 990 waiver. 991

(J) No amount received under this section shall be
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 included in determining an additional benefit under section
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 145.323 of the Revised Code or any other post-retirement benefit
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 increase.

Sec. 145.471. (A) (1) On and after December 13, 2000, the 996 public employees retirement board shall credit interest to the 997 individual accounts of contributors, except that interest shall 998 not be credited to the individual account of a PERS or other 999 system retirant, as defined in section 145.38 of the Revised 1000 Code, for contributions received during the period described in 1001 division (B) $\frac{(4)}{(2)}$ (a) or (b) of section 145.38 of the Revised 1002 Code. For amounts deposited by a contributor under section 1003 145.62 or the version of division (C) of section 145.23 of the 1004 Revised Code as it existed immediately prior to the effective 1005 date of this amendment April 6, 2007, interest or earnings shall 1006 be credited in accordance with that section and former division. 1007

(2) Except as provided in section 145.472 of the Revised
Code, the board shall not credit interest to individual accounts
for the period beginning December 31, 1958, and ending on
December 13, 2000.

(B) For contributions received in a calendar year,
interest shall be earned beginning on the first day of the
calendar year next following and ending on the last day of that
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year, except that interest shall be earned, in the case of an 1015
application for retirement or payment under section 145.40 or 1016
145.43 of the Revised Code, ending on the last day of the month 1017
prior to retirement or payment under those sections. The board 1018
shall credit interest at the end of the calendar year in which 1019
it is earned. 1020

Sec. 145.472. This section applies to individuals who are contributors on December 13, 2000.

(A) Not later than thirty days after December 13, 2000, 1023 the public employees retirement board shall credit interest to 1024 the individual account of each contributor in accordance with 1025 this section, except that interest shall not be credited to the 1026 individual account of a PERS or other system retirant, as 1027 defined in section 145.38 of the Revised Code, for contributions 1028 received during the period described in division  $(B) \frac{(4)}{(2)} (a)$  or 1029 (b) of section 145.38 of the Revised Code. For amounts deposited 1030 by a contributor under section 145.62 or the version of division 1031 (C) of section 145.23 of the Revised Code as it existed 1032 immediately prior to the effective date of this amendment\_April\_ 1033 6, 2007, interest or earnings shall be credited in accordance 1034 with that section or former division. 1035

For contributors with service credit earned prior to1036December 31, 1981, the board may reflect the compounding of1037interest by using factors provided by the board's actuary.1038

(B) The interest credited under this section shall be
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calculated on all amounts on deposit in an individual's account
in the employees' savings fund as follows:
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(1) If this section takes effect on or before December 31, 10422000, interest shall be calculated on amounts on deposit on 1043

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(2) If this section takes effect after December 31, 2000, 1045
interest shall be calculated on amounts on deposit on December 1046
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Sec. 145.58. (A) The public employees retirement board 1048 shall adopt rules establishing eligibility for any coverage 1049 provided under this section. The rules shall base eligibility on 1050 years and types of service credit earned by members. Eligibility 1051 determinations shall be made in accordance with the rules, 1052 except that an individual who, as a result of making a false 1053 statement in an attempt to secure a benefit under this section, 1054 is convicted of violating section 2921.13 of the Revised Code is 1055 ineligible for coverage. 1056

(B) The board may enter into agreements with insurance 1057 companies, health insuring corporations, or government agencies 1058 authorized to do business in the state for issuance of a policy 1059 or contract of health, medical, hospital, or surgical coverage, 1060 or any combination thereof, for eligible individuals receiving 1061 age and service retirement or a disability or survivor benefit 1062 subscribing to the plan, or for PERS retirants employed under 1063 section 145.38 of the Revised Code, for coverage in accordance 1064 with division (D) (G) (2) of section 145.38 of the Revised Code. 1065 Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the policy 1066 or contract may also include coverage for any eligible 1067 individual's spouse and dependent children and for any of the 1068 eligible individual's sponsored dependents as the board 1069 determines appropriate. If all or any portion of the policy or 1070 contract premium is to be paid by any individual receiving age 1071 and service retirement or a disability or survivor benefit, the 1072 individual shall, by written authorization, instruct the board 1073

to deduct the premium agreed to be paid by the individual to the 1074 company, corporation, or agency. 1075

The board may contract for coverage on the basis of part 1076 or all of the cost of the coverage to be paid from appropriate 1077 funds of the public employees retirement system. The cost paid 1078 from the funds of the system shall be included in the employer's 1079 contribution rate provided by sections 145.48 and 145.51 of the 1080 Revised Code. The board may by rule provide coverage to 1081 individuals who are not eligible under the rules adopted under 1082 division (A) of this section if the coverage is provided at no 1083 cost to the retirement system. The board shall not pay or 1084 reimburse the cost for coverage under this section or section 1085 145.584 of the Revised Code for any such individual. 1086

The board may provide for self-insurance of risk or level1087of risk as set forth in the contract with the companies,1088corporations, or agencies, and may provide through the self-1089insurance method specific coverage as authorized by rules of the1090board.1091

(C) The board shall, beginning the month following receipt 1092 of satisfactory evidence of the payment for coverage, pay 1093 monthly to each recipient of service retirement, or a disability 1094 or survivor benefit under the public employees retirement system 1095 who is eligible for coverage under part B of the medicare 1096 program established under Title XVIII of "The Social Security 1097 Act Amendments of 1965," 79 Stat. 301 (1965), 42 U.S.C.A. 1395j, 1098 as amended, an amount determined by the board for such coverage, 1099 except that the board shall make no such payment to any 1100 individual who is not eligible for coverage under the rules 1101 adopted under division (A) of this section or pay an amount that 1102 exceeds the amount paid by the recipient for the coverage. 1103

At the request of the board, the recipient shall certify	1104
to the retirement system the amount paid by the recipient for	1105
coverage described in this division.	1106
(D) The board shall establish by rule requirements for the	1107
coordination of any coverage or payment provided under this	1108
section or section 145.584 of the Revised Code with any similar	1109
coverage or payment made available to the same individual by the	1110
Ohio police and fire pension fund, state teachers retirement	1111
system, school employees retirement system, or state highway	1112
patrol retirement system.	1113
(E) The board shall make all other necessary rules	1114
pursuant to the purpose and intent of this section.	1115
Sec. 190.01. As used in this division:	1116
(A) "Subdivision" has the same meaning as in section	1117
5705.01 of the Revised Code.	1118
(B) "Eligible subdivision" means a subdivision that is	1119
located in an eligible county.	1120
(C) "Eligible county" means a county appearing on the most	1121
recent determination certified by the chief of the division of	1122
oil and gas resources management under division (C)(2) of	1123
section 1509.11 of the Revised Code.	1124
(D) "Foundation for Appalachian Ohio" means a nonprofit	1125
corporation named "The Foundation for Appalachian Ohio."	1126
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Sec. 190.02. (A) There is hereby created the Ohio shale	1127
products regional commission. The commission shall ensure the	1128
long-term growth and continued prosperity of eligible	1129
subdivisions by doing all of the following:	1130
(1) Awarding grants from the severance tax endowment fund	1131

and the severance tax infrastructure fund; 1132 (2) Identifying local match programs for investments in 1133 eligible subdivisions; 1134 (3) Assisting the short-term and long-term needs of 1135 1136 eligible subdivisions; (4) Overseeing the long-term success of eligible 1137 subdivisions. 1138 (B)(1) The commission shall consist of the following 1139 members, appointed by the governor: 1140 (a) One member who is a county or civil engineer; 1141 (b) One member with experience in local economic 1142 development; 1143 (c) One member representing the region that includes all 1144 eligible counties; 1145 (d) One member representing eligible counties; 1146 (e) One member representing municipal corporations that 1147 are eligible subdivisions; 1148 (f) One member representing townships that are eligible 1149 subdivisions; 1150 (q) One member of the public recommended to the governor 1151 1152 by the speaker of the house of representatives; (h) One member of the public recommended to the governor 1153 by the president of the senate; 1154 (i) The president of the foundation for Appalachian Ohio 1155 or the president's designee. 1156

(2) In addition to the members described in division (B) 1157

(1) of this section, the commission shall consist of the	1158
following ex officio members:	1159
(a) The director of natural resources;	1160
(b) The chief investment officer of the nonprofit	1161
corporation formed under Chapter 187. of the Revised Code;	1162
(c) The director of transportation;	1163
(d) The director of the governor's office of Appalachian	1164
Ohio.	1165
(C) The governor shall appoint the first members of the	1166
commission not later than October 1, 2015. Commission members	1167
described in divisions (B)(1)(a) to (h) of this section shall	1168
serve four-year terms, except that for the first term beginning	1169
after the effective date of this section, members described in	1170
divisions (B)(1)(c), (d), (f), and (g) of this section each	1171
shall serve a two-year term. The member described in division	1172
(B)(1)(i) of this section shall continue to serve until the	1173
member is no longer eligible to serve on the commission or is	1174
removed by the governor for any of the reasons described in	1175
section 3.04 of the Revised Code.	1176
Members described in divisions (B)(1)(a) to (h) of this	1177
section may be reappointed. Each member shall hold office until	1178
the later of the end of the term for which the member was	1179
appointed or the date the member's successor takes office. Any	1180
member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before the	1181
expiration of the term for which the member's predecessor was	1182
appointed shall hold office for the remainder of the unexpired	1183
term. A vacancy in the commission shall be filled in the same	1184
manner as the original appointment. Members described in	1185
division (B)(1) of this section may be removed by the governor	1186

for any of the reasons described in section 3.04 of the Revised 1187 1188 Code. The governor shall not appoint an individual to the 1189 commission, nor shall an individual serve on the commission, if 1190 the individual has been convicted of or pleaded quilty or no 1191 contest to a felony offense. Members under indictment for a 1192 felony offense shall resign by force of law from the commission 1193 immediately upon indictment. 1194 1195 A member described in division (B)(1) of this section who fails to attend at least sixty per cent of the meetings of the 1196 commission during any two-year period shall resign by force of 1197 law from the commission immediately upon failing to meet this 1198 requirement. 1199 (D) At the first meeting of the commission, which shall 1200 occur not later than one year after the effective date of the 1201 enactment of this section, members of the commission shall elect 1202 a chairperson and a vice-chairperson. The vice-chairperson shall 1203 assume the duties of the chairperson in the absence of the 1204 chairperson. The commission shall meet annually or more 1205 frequently at the call of the chairperson. A majority of the 1206 commission constitutes a quorum. The member described in 1207 division (B)(1)(i) of this section shall not serve as a 1208 chairperson or vice-chairperson. The commission is a public body 1209 for purposes of section 121.22 of the Revised Code. Records of 1210 the commission are public records for purposes of section 149.43 1211 of the Revised Code. 1212 (E) Each member shall be reimbursed for travel expenses 1213 actually and necessarily incurred in the performance of their 1214 duties for the commission. The commission may approve and incur 1215

expenses that are necessary to assist the commission in the

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performance of its duties, including engaging the services of an 1217 attorney or a specialist to advise the commission on matters 1218 before it. 1219 (F) As requested by the commission, the governor's office 1220 of Appalachian Ohio shall provide staff and administrative 1221 assistance to the commission, including assistance to prepare 1222 the report required under division (H) of this section. 1223 (G) Expenses incurred by the Ohio shale products regional 1224 commission or members of the commission under division (E) of 1225 this section and expenses incurred by the governor's office of 1226 Appalachian Ohio for any assistance provided under division (F) 1227 of this section shall be paid by the commission from the 1228 severance tax infrastructure fund. After July 1, 2025, if the 1229 payment from the severance tax infrastructure fund would exceed 1230 the amount of interest earned on money in the fund during the 1231 preceding fiscal year, the excess shall be paid from the 1232 severance tax endowment fund. If the payment from the severance 1233 tax endowment fund would exceed the amount of interest earned on 1234 money in the fund during the preceding fiscal year, the excess 1235 shall be paid from the severance tax infrastructure fund. 1236 (H) On or before the first day of November of each year, 1237 the commission shall submit a report to the governor that 1238 includes financial statements for the severance tax endowment 1239

fund and the severance tax infrastructure fund and information1239about persons or eligible subdivisions requesting funds from the1240about persons or eligible subdivisions requesting funds from the1241commission, the amount so requested, and the purpose to which1242the requested funds were required to be used. The report shall1243also include the names of any persons or eligible subdivisions1244receiving funds from the commission, any amount so distributed,1245and the purpose for which the requested funds were required to1246

under Chapter 117. of the Revised Code. 1248 Sec. 190.03. There is hereby created the severance tax 1249 infrastructure fund, which shall be in the custody of the 1250 treasurer of state, but shall not be a part of the state 1251 treasury. The fund shall consist of money transferred to it from 1252 the severance tax receipts fund under section 5749.02 of the 1253 Revised Code. Money in the fund shall be used by the Ohio shale 1254 products regional commission for the public purpose of awarding 1255 1256 grants to eligible subdivisions to support and supplement investments in those subdivisions and to pay the expenses of the 1257 commission or members of the commission under division (E) of 1258 section 190.02 of the Revised Code and the expenses of the 1259 governor's office of Appalachian Ohio as authorized under 1260 division (G) of section 190.02 of the Revised Code. Interest 1261 earned on the money in the fund shall be credited to the fund. 1262 The commission is the trustee of the severance tax\_ 1263 infrastructure fund. Disbursements from the fund shall be paid 1264 by the treasurer of state only upon instruments duly authorized 1265 by the commission. At the request of the commission, the 1266 treasurer of state shall select and contract with one or more 1267 investment managers to invest money credited to the fund. The 1268 eligible list of investments shall be the same as for the public 1269 employees retirement system under section 145.11 of the Revised 1270 Code. All investments shall be subject to the same limitations 1271 and requirements as the retirement system under that section and 1272 sections 145.112 and 145.113 of the Revised Code. 1273 Sec. 190.04. There is hereby created the severance tax\_ 1274 endowment fund, which shall be in the custody of the treasurer 1275

be used. The report is subject to audit by the auditor of state

of state, but shall not be a part of the state treasury. The 1276

fund shall consist of money transferred to it from the severance	1277
tax receipts fund under section 5749.02 of the Revised Code.	1278
Money in the fund shall be used by the Ohio shale products	1279
regional commission for the public purpose of awarding grants	1280
for projects in subdivisions that were eligible subdivisions for	1281
any fiscal year that target long-term growth and continued	1282
prosperity in those subdivisions and to pay the expenses of the	1283
commission or members of the commission under division (E) of	1284
section 190.02 of the Revised Code and the expenses of the	1285
governor's office of Appalachian Ohio as authorized under	1286
division (G) of section 190.02 of the Revised Code.	1287
The commission is the trustee of the severance tax	1288
endowment fund. Disbursements from the fund shall be paid by the	1289
treasurer of state only upon instruments duly authorized by the	1290
commission. At the request of the commission, the treasurer of	1291
state shall select and contract with one or more investment	1292
managers to invest money credited to the fund. The eligible list	1293
of investments shall be the same as for the public employees	1294
retirement system under section 145.11 of the Revised Code. All	1295
investments shall be subject to the same limitations and	1296
requirements as the retirement system under that section and	1297
sections 145.112 and 145.113 of the Revised Code.	1298
The commission shall not prepare instruments requesting	1299
disbursement from the severance tax endowment fund before July_	1300
1, 2025. The treasurer of state shall not disburse money from	1301
the severance tax endowment fund before July 1, 2025.	1302
Sec. 321.50. Every county treasurer who receives money	1303
from the county severance tax fund under division (B)(7)(b)(i)	1304
of section 5749.02 of the Revised Code shall create in the	1305

county treasury a severance tax fund. The treasurer shall

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deposit any money so received in the fund. The treasurer shall	1307
notify the county auditor whenever the treasurer deposits money	1308
<u>in the fund.</u>	1309
Money in a county's severance tax fund shall be	1310
distributed according to an order of the county budget	1311
commission to subdivisions located in the county according to	1312
procedures and standards prescribed by the budget commission.	1313
The treasurer shall transfer money from the severance tax fund	1314
to subdivisions located in the county as prescribed in such	1315
order.	1316
Sec. 742.26. (A) As used in this section:	1317
(1) "Actuarial present value" means the calculation under	1318
which the probability of occurrence, based on a specified	1319
mortality table, and the discount for future monetary growth at	1320
a specified interest rate are considered by an actuary to	1321
determine the value of an annuity.	1322
(2) "Other system retirant" means a former member of the	1323
public employees retirement system, state teachers retirement	1324
system, school employees retirement system, state highway patrol	1325
retirement system, or Cincinnati retirement system who is	1326
receiving a disability benefit or an age and service or commuted	1327
age and service retirement benefit or allowance from a system of	1328
which the person is a former member.	1329
(3) "OPFPF retirant" means any person who is receiving a	1330
retirement allowance, other than a disability benefit, from the	1331
Ohio police and fire pension fund.	1332
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(4) "Employ" or "employment" includes providing personal	1333
services pursuant to a contract or as a consultant, as well as	1334
<u>direct employment.</u>	1335

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(B) The mortality table and interest rate used in
determining actuarial present value shall be determined by the
board of trustees of the fund based on the recommendations of an
actuary employed by the board.

(C) (1) An OPFPF retirant or other system retirant may be
employed as a member of a police or fire department. If so
amendment commenced before the effective date of this
amendment, the retirant shall make contributions to the fund in
accordance with section 742.31 of the Revised Code, and the
amployer shall make contributions in accordance with sections
742.33 and 742.34 of the Revised Code.

(2) An employer that employs an OPFPF retirant or other
system retirant shall notify the board of trustees of the fund
of the employment not later than the end of the month in which
the employment commences. On receipt of notice from an employer
that a person who is an other system retirant has been employed,
the fund shall notify the retirement system of which the other
system retirant was a member of such employment.

(D) An individual who became an OPFPF retirant or other 1354 system retirant prior to the effective date of this amendment 1355 who has received a retirement allowance or benefit for less than 1356 two months when employment subject to this section division 1357 commences shall forfeit the retirement allowance or benefit for 1358 the period that begins on the date the employment commences and 1359 ends on the earlier of the date the employment terminates or the 1360 date that is two months after the date on which the retirement 1361 allowance or benefit commenced. Service and contributions for 1362 that period shall not be included in the calculation of any 1363 benefits payable under this section, and those contributions 1364 shall be refunded on the retirant's death or termination of the 1365 employment.

(D) An individual who becomes an OPFPF retirant or other	1367
system retirant on or after the effective date of this amendment	1368
shall forfeit the pension portion of the retirement allowance or	1369
benefit for the period beginning the first day of the month	1370
following the month in which employment begins and ending on the	1371
first day of the month following the month in which employment	1372
ends. The annuity portion of the retirement allowance or benefit	1373
shall be suspended on the day employment begins and be used in a	1374
recalculation of the retirement allowance after employment ends.	1375
Neither the retirant nor the retirant's employer shall	1376
contribute to the Ohio police and fire pension fund on the	1377
retirant's behalf.	1378
(E) <u>A police or fire department that employs an OPFPF</u>	1379
retirant or other system retirant shall notify the board of	1380
trustees of the fund of the employment not later than the end of	1381
the month in which the employment commences. On receipt of	1382
notice from an employer that an individual who is an other	1383
system retirant has been employed, the fund shall notify the	1384
retirement system of which the other system retirant was a	1385
member of such employment.	1386
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<u>(F)</u> On receipt of notice from the public employees	1387
retirement system, school employees retirement system, or state	1388
teachers retirement system of the re-employment of an OPFPF	1389
retirant, the Ohio police and fire pension fund shall not pay,	1390
or if paid shall recover, the amount to be forfeited by the	1391
OPFPF retirant in accordance with section 145.38, 3307.35, or	1392
3309.341 of the Revised Code.	1393
$\frac{(F)}{(G)}$ (G) (1) On termination of employment under this section.	1394

(F)(G)(1) On termination of employment under this section,1394an OPFPF retirant or other system retirant may file an1395

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application with the board of trustees of the fund to receive1396either a benefit, as provided in division (F)(G)(2) of this1397section, or payment of the retirant's contributions made under1398this section, as provided in division (H)-(I) of this section.1399

(2) A benefit under this section shall consist of an 1400 annuity the actuarial present value of which is equal to two 1401 times the sum of all amounts deducted from the salary of the 1402 OPFPF retirant or other system retirant and credited to the 1403 retirant's individual account in the fund, other than 1404 contributions excluded pursuant to division (D) (C) (2) of this 1405 section, together with interest credited thereon at the rate 1406 determined by the board. 1407

(a) Unless, as described in division (I) (J) of this 1408 section, the application is accompanied by a statement of the 1409 spouse's consent to another form of payment or the board of 1410 trustees waives the requirement of spousal consent, a retirant 1411 who is married at the time of application under this division 1412 shall receive a monthly annuity under which the actuarial 1413 equivalent of the retirant's single life annuity is paid in a 1414 lesser amount for life and one-half of the lesser amount 1415 continues after the retirant's death to the surviving spouse. 1416

(b) A retirant who is not subject to division (F)(G)(2)(a) 1417 of this section shall elect to receive either a monthly annuity 1418 or a <u>lump sum lump sum payment</u>. If the retirant fails to elect a 1419 plan of payment, the annuity shall be paid as a monthly annuity 1420 under the plan of payment specified in rules adopted by the 1421 board of trustees of the fund. 1422

A retirant who elects to receive a monthly annuity shall 1423 select one of the following as the plan of payment: 1424

(i) The retirant's single life annuity;	1425
(ii) The actuarial equivalent of the retirant's single	1426
life annuity in an equal or lesser amount for life and	1427
continuing after death to a surviving beneficiary designated at	1428
the time the plan of payment is selected.	1429
(c) Notwithstanding divisions $\frac{(F)}{(G)}(2)(a)$ and (b) of this	1430
section, if a monthly annuity would be less than twenty-five	1431
dollars per month, the retirant shall receive a lump sum	1432
payment.	1433
(3) Interest shall be credited to accounts only at the	1434
time of calculation of a benefit payable under division $\frac{(F)(G)}{(G)}$	1435
(2) of this section.	1436
(4) A benefit payable under this division shall commence	1437
on the first day of the month immediately after the latest of	1438
the following:	1439
(a) The last day for which compensation for employment	1440
subject to this section was paid;	1441
(b) Attainment by the OPFPF retirant or other system	1442
retirant of age sixty;	1443
(c) If the OPFPF retirant or other system retirant was	1444
previously employed under this section and is receiving or	1445
previously received a benefit under this division, completion of	1446
a period of twelve months since the last benefit paid under this	1447
section commenced.	1448
(5) No amount received under this division shall be	1449
included in determining an additional benefit under section	1450
742.3711, 742.3716, or 742.3717 of the Revised Code or any other	1451
post-retirement benefit increase.	1452

(G) (H) (1) If an OPFPF retirant or other system retirant1453dies while employed in employment subject to this section, a1454lump-sum lump sum payment calculated in accordance with division1455(F) (G) (2) of this section shall be paid to the retirant's1456surviving spouse, or if there is no surviving spouse, to the1457retirant's estate.1458

(2) If at the time of death an OPFPF retirant or other 1459 system retirant receiving a monthly annuity under division (F) 1460 (G) (2) of this section has received less than would have been 1461 received as a lump sum lump sum payment under division (F)(G)(2) 1462 of this section, the difference between the amount received and 1463 the amount that would have been received as a lump-sum lump sum 1464 payment shall be paid to the retirant's surviving spouse, or if 1465 there is no surviving spouse, to the retirant's estate. 1466

(3) If a beneficiary receiving a monthly annuity under 1467 division  $\frac{(F)(G)}{(G)}(2)$  of this section dies and, at the time of the 1468 beneficiary's death, the total of the amounts paid to the 1469 retirant and beneficiary are less than the amount the retirant 1470 would have received as a lump sum payment, the difference 1471 between the total of the amounts received by the retirant and 1472 beneficiary and the amount that the retirant would have received 1473 as a lump sum payment shall be paid to the beneficiary's estate. 1474

(H) (I) (1) An OPFPF retirant or other system retirant who 1475 applies under division  $\frac{F}{G}(G)$  (1) of this section for payment of 1476 the retirant's contributions and is unmarried or is married and, 1477 unless the board of trustees has waived the requirement of 1478 spousal consent, includes with the application a statement of 1479 the spouse's consent to the payment shall be paid the 1480 contributions made under division (C)(1) of this section, plus 1481 interest, if the following conditions are met: 1482

(a) The retirant has not attained sixty years of age and
has terminated employment subject to this section for any cause
other than death or the receipt of a benefit under division (F)
(G) of this section.

(b) Three months have elapsed since the termination of employment subject to this section.

(c) The retirant has not returned to service subject to
this chapter or Chapter 145., 3307., or 3309. of the Revised
Code, other than service exempted from contribution to the
public employees retirement system pursuant to section 145.03 of
the Revised Code, during the three-month period.

(2) Payment of a retirant's contributions cancels the 1494 retirant's right to a benefit under division (F) (G) of this 1495 section. 1496

(I) (J) A statement of a spouse's consent under division 1497 (F) (G) of this section to the form of a benefit or under 1498 division (H) of this section to a payment of contributions 1499 is valid only if signed by the spouse and witnessed by a notary 1500 public. The board of trustees may waive the requirement of 1501 spousal consent if the spouse is incapacitated or cannot be 1502 1503 located, or for any other reason specified by the board. Consent or waiver is effective only with regard to the spouse who is the 1504 subject of the consent or waiver. 1505

(J) (K) An other system retirant subject to this section1506is not a member of the Ohio police and fire pension fund, does1507not have any of the rights, privileges, or obligations of1508membership, except as specified in this section, and is not1509eligible to receive health, medical, hospital, or surgical1510benefits under section 742.45 of the Revised Code for employment1511

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subject to this section.

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(K) (L) If any payment is made by the Ohio police and fire1513pension fund to an OPFPF retirant or other system retirant to1514which the retirant is not entitled, the retirant shall repay it1515to the fund. If the retirant fails to make the repayment, the1516fund shall withhold the amount due from any allowances or other1517amounts due the OPFPF retirant or other system retirant.1518

(L) (M) An OPFPF retirant who is employed under this1519section is not eligible to receive any benefits under section1520742.37 of the Revised Code for the employment under this1521section.1522

(M) (N)This section does not affect the receipt of1523benefits by or eligibility for benefits of any person who on1524August 20, 1976, was receiving a disability benefit or service1525retirement pension or allowance from a state or municipal1526retirement system in Ohio and was a member of any other state or1527municipal retirement system of this state.1528

(N) (O) The board of trustees of the fund may adopt rules 1529 to carry out this section. 1530

#### **Sec. 1509.01.** As used in this chapter: 1531

(A) "Well" means any borehole, whether drilled or bored,
within the state for production, extraction, or injection of any
gas or liquid mineral, excluding potable water to be used as
such, but including natural or artificial brines and oil field
waters.

(B) "Oil" means crude petroleum oil and all other
hydrocarbons, regardless of gravity, that are produced in liquid
form by ordinary production methods, but does not include
hydrocarbons that were originally in a gaseous phase in the
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reservoir. 1541 (C) "Gas" means all natural gas and all other fluid 1542 hydrocarbons that are not oil, including condensate. 1543 (D) "Condensate" means liquid hydrocarbons separated at or 1544 near the well pad or along the gas production or gathering 1545 system prior to or by gas processing. 1546 (E) "Pool" means an underground reservoir containing a 1547 common accumulation of oil or gas, or both, but does not include 1548 a gas storage reservoir. Each zone of a geological structure 1549 that is completely separated from any other zone in the same 1550 1551 structure may contain a separate pool. (F) "Field" means the general area underlaid by one or 1552 more pools. 1553 (G) "Drilling unit" means the minimum acreage on which one 1554 well may be drilled, but does not apply to a well for injecting 1555 gas into or removing gas from a gas storage reservoir. 1556 (H) "Waste" includes all of the following: 1557 (1) Physical waste, as that term generally is understood 1558 in the oil and gas industry; 1559 (2) Inefficient, excessive, or improper use, or the 1560 unnecessary dissipation, of reservoir energy; 1561 (3) Inefficient storing of oil or gas; 1562 (4) Locating, drilling, equipping, operating, or producing 1563 an oil or gas well in a manner that reduces or tends to reduce 1564 the quantity of oil or gas ultimately recoverable under prudent 1565 and proper operations from the pool into which it is drilled or 1566 that causes or tends to cause unnecessary or excessive surface 1567

loss or destruction of oil or gas;

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(5) Other underground or surface waste in the productionor storage of oil, gas, or condensate, however caused.1570

(I) "Correlative rights" means the reasonable opportunity
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to every person entitled thereto to recover and receive the oil
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and gas in and under the person's tract or tracts, or the
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equivalent thereof, without having to drill unnecessary wells or
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incur other unnecessary expense.

(J) "Tract" means a single, individually taxed parcel ofland appearing on the tax list.1577

(K) "Owner," unless referring to a mine, means the person 1578 who has the right to drill on a tract or drilling unit, to drill 1579 into and produce from a pool, and to appropriate the oil or gas 1580 produced therefrom either for the person or for others, except 1581 that a person ceases to be an owner with respect to a well when 1582 the well has been plugged in accordance with applicable rules 1583 adopted and orders issued under this chapter. "Owner" does not 1584 include a person who obtains a lease of the mineral rights for 1585 oil and gas on a parcel of land if the person does not attempt 1586 to produce or produce oil or gas from a well or obtain a permit 1587 under this chapter for a well or if the entire interest of a 1588 well is transferred to the person in accordance with division 1589 (B) of section 1509.31 of the Revised Code. 1590

(L) "Royalty interest" means the fee holder's share in the 1591production from a well. 1592

(M) "Discovery well" means the first well capable ofproducing oil or gas in commercial quantities from a pool.1594

(N) "Prepared clay" means a clay that is plastic and is1595thoroughly saturated with fresh water to a weight and1596

consistency great enough to settle through saltwater in the well1597in which it is to be used, except as otherwise approved by the1598chief of the division of oil and gas resources management.1599

(O) "Rock sediment" means the combined cutting and residuefrom drilling sedimentary rocks and formation.1601

(P) "Excavations and workings," "mine," and "pillar" have1602the same meanings as in section 1561.01 of the Revised Code.1603

(Q) "Coal bearing township" means a township designated as
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such by the chief of the division of mineral resources
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management under section 1561.06 of the Revised Code.
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(R) "Gas storage reservoir" means a continuous area of a
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subterranean porous sand or rock stratum or strata into which
gas is or may be injected for the purpose of storing it therein
and removing it therefrom and includes a gas storage reservoir
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as defined in section 1571.01 of the Revised Code.

(S) "Safe Drinking Water Act" means the "Safe Drinking
Water Act," 88 Stat. 1661 (1974), 42 U.S.C.A. 300(f), as amended
by the "Safe Drinking Water Amendments of 1977," 91 Stat. 1393,
42 U.S.C.A. 300(f), the "Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of
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1986," 100 Stat. 642, 42 U.S.C.A. 300(f), and the "Safe Drinking
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Water Act Amendments of 1996," 110 Stat. 1613, 42 U.S.C.A.
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300(f), and regulations adopted under those acts.

(T) "Person" includes any political subdivision,
department, agency, or instrumentality of this state; the United
States and any department, agency, or instrumentality thereof;
and any legal entity defined as a person under section 1.59 of
the Revised Code.

(U) "Brine" means all saline geological formation water1624resulting from, obtained from, or produced in connection with1625

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exploration, drilling, well stimulation, production of oil or 1626 gas, or plugging of a well. 1627 (V) "Waters of the state" means all streams, lakes, ponds, 1628 marshes, watercourses, waterways, springs, irrigation systems, 1629 drainage systems, and other bodies of water, surface or 1630 underground, natural or artificial, that are situated wholly or 1631 partially within this state or within its jurisdiction, except 1632 those private waters that do not combine or effect a junction 1633 with natural surface or underground waters. 1634 (W) "Exempt Mississippian well" means a well that meets 1635 all of the following criteria: 1636 (1) Was drilled and completed before January 1, 1980; 1637 (2) Is located in an unglaciated part of the state; 1638 (3) Was completed in a reservoir no deeper than the 1639 Mississippian Big Injun sandstone in areas underlain by 1640 Pennsylvanian or Permian stratigraphy, or the Mississippian 1641 Berea sandstone in areas directly underlain by Permian 1642 stratigraphy; 1643 (4) Is used primarily to provide oil or gas for domestic 1644 1645 use. 1646 (X) "Exempt domestic well" means a well that meets all of the following criteria: 1647 (1) Is owned by the owner of the surface estate of the 1648 tract on which the well is located; 1649 (2) Is used primarily to provide gas for the owner's 1650 domestic use; 1651 (3) Is located more than two hundred feet horizontal 1652

distance from any inhabited private dwelling house other than an 1653 inhabited private dwelling house located on the tract on which 1654 the well is located; 1655

(4) Is located more than two hundred feet horizontal
distance from any public building that may be used as a place of
resort, assembly, education, entertainment, lodging, trade,
manufacture, repair, storage, traffic, or occupancy by the
public.

(Y) "Urbanized area" means an area where a well or
production facilities of a well are located within a municipal
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corporation or within a township that has an unincorporated
population of more than five thousand in the most recent federal
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decennial census prior to the issuance of the permit for the
well or production facilities.

(Z) "Well stimulation" or "stimulation of a well" meansthe process of enhancing well productivity, including hydraulicfracturing operations.

(AA) "Production operation" means all operations and 1670 activities and all related equipment, facilities, and other 1671 structures that may be used in or associated with the 1672 exploration and production of oil, gas, or other mineral 1673 resources that are regulated under this chapter, including 1674 operations and activities associated with site preparation, site 1675 construction, access road construction, well drilling, well 1676 completion, well stimulation, well site activities, reclamation, 1677 and plugging. "Production operation" also includes all of the 1678 following: 1679

(1) The piping, equipment, and facilities used for theproduction and preparation of hydrocarbon gas or liquids for1681

transportation or delivery;

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(2) The processes of extraction and recovery, lifting,
stabilization, treatment, separation, production processing,
storage, waste disposal, and measurement of hydrocarbon gas and
liquids, including related equipment and facilities;
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(3) The processes and related equipment and facilities
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associated with production compression, gas lift, gas injection,
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fuel gas supply, well drilling, well stimulation, and well
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completion activities, including dikes, pits, and earthen and
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other impoundments used for the temporary storage of fluids and
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waste substances associated with well drilling, well
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stimulation, and well completion activities;

(4) Equipment and facilities at a wellpad or other 1694 location that are used for the transportation, handling, 1695 recycling, temporary storage, management, processing, or 1696 treatment of any equipment, material, and by-products or other 1697 substances from an operation at a wellpad that may be used or 1698 reused at the same or another operation at a wellpad or that 1699 will be disposed of in accordance with applicable laws and rules 1700 adopted under them. 1701

(BB) "Annular overpressurization" means the accumulation
 of fluids within an annulus with sufficient pressure to allow
 migration of annular fluids into underground sources of drinking
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 water.

(CC) "Idle and orphaned well" means a well for which a 1706 bond has been forfeited or an abandoned well for which no money 1707 is available to plug the well in accordance with this chapter 1708 and rules adopted under it. 1709

(DD) "Temporarily inactive well" means a well that has 1710

been granted temporary inactive status under section 1509.062 of	1711
the Revised Code.	1712
(EE) "Material and substantial violation" means any of the	1713
following:	1714
(1) Failure to obtain a permit to drill, reopen, convert,	1715
plugback, or plug a well under this chapter;	1716
(2) Failure to obtain, maintain, update, or submit proof	1717
of insurance coverage that is required under this chapter;	1718
(3) Failure to obtain, maintain, update, or submit proof	1719
of a surety bond that is required under this chapter;	1720
(4) Failure to plug an abandoned well or idle and orphaned	1721
well unless the well has been granted temporary inactive status	1722
under section 1509.062 of the Revised Code or the chief of the	1723
division of oil and gas resources management has approved	1724
another option concerning the abandoned well or idle and	1725
orphaned well;	1726
(5) Failure to restore a disturbed land surface as	1727
required by section 1509.072 of the Revised Code;	1728
(6) Failure to reimburse the oil and gas well fund	1729
pursuant to a final order issued under section 1509.071 of the	1730
Revised Code;	1731
(7) Failure to comply with a final nonappealable order of	1732
the chief issued under section 1509.04 of the Revised Code;	1733
(8) Failure to submit a report, test result, fee, or	1734
document that is required in this chapter or rules adopted under	1735
it.	1736
(FF) "Severer" has the same meaning as in section 5749.01	1737

of the Revised Code.	1738
(GG) "Horizontal well" means a well that is drilled for	1739
the production of oil or gas in which the wellbore reaches a	1740
horizontal or near horizontal position in the Point Pleasant,	1741
Utica, or Marcellus formation and the well is stimulated.	1742
(HH) "Well pad" means the area that is cleared or prepared	1743
for the drilling of one or more horizontal wells.	1744
Sec. 1509.02. There is hereby created in the department of	1745
natural resources the division of oil and gas resources	1746
management, which shall be administered by the chief of the	1747
division of oil and gas resources management. The division has	1748
sole and exclusive authority to regulate the permitting,	1749
location, and spacing of oil and gas wells and production	1750
operations within the state, excepting only those activities	1751
regulated under federal laws for which oversight has been	1752
delegated to the environmental protection agency and activities	1753
regulated under sections 6111.02 to 6111.028 of the Revised	1754
Code. The regulation of oil and gas activities is a matter of	1755
general statewide interest that requires uniform statewide	1756
regulation, and this chapter and rules adopted under it	1757
constitute a comprehensive plan with respect to all aspects of	1758
the locating, drilling, well stimulation, completing, and	1759
operating of oil and gas wells within this state, including site	1760
construction and restoration, permitting related to those	1761
activities, and the disposal of wastes from those wells. In	1762
order to assist the division in the furtherance of its sole and	1763
exclusive authority as established in this section, the chief	1764
may enter into cooperative agreements with other state agencies	1765
for advice and consultation, including visitations at the	1766
surface location of a well on behalf of the division. Such	1767

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cooperative agreements do not confer on other state agencies any 1768 authority to administer or enforce this chapter and rules 1769 adopted under it. In addition, such cooperative agreements shall 1770 not be construed to dilute or diminish the division's sole and 1771 exclusive authority as established in this section. Nothing in 1772 this section affects the authority granted to the director of 1773 transportation and local authorities in section 723.01 or 1774 4513.34 of the Revised Code, provided that the authority granted 1775 under those sections shall not be exercised in a manner that 1776 discriminates against, unfairly impedes, or obstructs oil and 1777 gas activities and operations regulated under this chapter. 1778

The chief shall not hold any other public office, nor 1779 shall the chief be engaged in any occupation or business that 1780 might interfere with or be inconsistent with the duties as 1781 chief. 1782

All moneys collected by the chief pursuant to sections 1783 1509.06, 1509.061, 1509.062, 1509.071, <u>1509.11</u>, 1509.13, 1784 1509.22, 1509.222, 1509.28, and 1509.34, and 1509.50 of the 1785 Revised Code, ninety per cent of moneys received by the-1786 treasurer of state revenue from the tax levied in divisions (A) 1787 (5) and , (6), (10), (11), (12), and (13) of section 5749.02 of 1788 the Revised Code, all civil penalties paid under section 1509.33 1789 of the Revised Code, and, notwithstanding any section of the 1790 Revised Code relating to the distribution or crediting of fines 1791 for violations of the Revised Code, all fines imposed under 1792 divisions (A) and (B) of section 1509.99 of the Revised Code and 1793 fines imposed under divisions (C) and (D) of section 1509.99 of 1794 the Revised Code for all violations prosecuted by the attorney 1795 general and for violations prosecuted by prosecuting attorneys 1796 that do not involve the transportation of brine by vehicle shall 1797 be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the oil 1798

and gas well fund, which is hereby created. Fines imposed under1799divisions (C) and (D) of section 1509.99 of the Revised Code for1800violations prosecuted by prosecuting attorneys that involve the1801transportation of brine by vehicle and penalties associated with1802a compliance agreement entered into pursuant to this chapter1803shall be paid to the county treasury of the county where the1804violation occurred.1805

The fund shall be used solely and exclusively for the 1806 purposes enumerated in division (B) of section 1509.071 of the 1807 Revised Code, for the expenses of the division associated with 1808 the administration of this chapter and Chapter 1571. of the 1809 Revised Code and rules adopted under them, and for expenses that 1810 are critical and necessary for the protection of human health 1811 and safety and the environment related to oil and gas production 1812 in this state. The expenses of the division in excess of the 1813 moneys available in the fund shall be paid from general revenue 1814 fund appropriations to the department. 1815

Sec. 1509.11. (A) (1) (a) The owner of any well, except a 1816 horizontal well, that is producing or capable of producing oil 1817 or gas shall file with the chief of the division of oil and gas 1818 resources management, on or before the thirty-first day of 1819 March, a statement of production of oil, gas, and brine for the 1820 last preceding calendar year in such form as the chief may 1821 prescribe. An-

An owner that has more than one hundred such wells in this 1823 state shall submit electronically the statement of production in 1824 a format that is approved by the chief. The chief shall include 1825 on the form, at the minimum, a request for the submittal of the 1826 information that a person who is regulated under this chapter is 1827 required to submit under the "Emergency Planning and Community 1828

Right To Know Act of 1986," 100 Stat. 1728, 42 U.S.C.A. 11001,-	1829
and regulations adopted under it, and that the division of oil	1830
and gas resources management does not obtain through other-	1831
reporting mechanisms.	1832
(b)(i) As used in division (A)(1)(b) of this section,	1833
"qualifying gas well" means either of the following:	1834
(I) An exempt domestic well, except for a well designated	1835
<u>as an exempt domestic well before June 30, 2010.</u>	1836
(II) A well that is not a horizontal well from which	1837
twenty-five per cent of the quantity of gas produced from the	1838
well in the preceding calendar year does not exceed nine hundred	1839
ten thousand cubic feet.	1840
(ii) The owner of one or more qualifying gas wells shall	1841
remit a fee of sixty dollars for each qualifying gas well to the	1842
director of the department of natural resources or the	1843
director's designee by the thirty-first day of March of each	1844
year, together with the annual statement filed in accordance	1845
with division (A)(1)(a) of this section or another form	1846
prescribed by the director for such purpose. Fees collected	1847
under this division shall be credited to the oil and gas well	1848
<u>fund.</u>	1849
(2) The owner of any horizontal well that is producing or	1850
capable of producing oil or gas shall file with the chief, on	1851
the forty-fifth day following the close of each calendar	1852
quarter, a statement of production of oil, gas, and brine for	1853
the preceding calendar quarter in a form that the chief	1854
prescribes. An owner that has more than one hundred horizontal	1855
wells in this state shall submit electronically the statement of	1856

production in a format that is approved by the chief. The chief

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shall include on the form, at a minimum, a request for the	1858
submittal of the information that a person who is regulated	1859
under this chapter is required to submit under the "Emergency-	1860
Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act of 1986," 100 Stat.	1861
1728, 42 U.S.C. 11001, and regulations adopted under it, and	1862
that the division does not obtain through other reporting	1863
mechanisms.	1864
(B) The chief shall not disclose information received from	1865
the department of taxation under division (C)(12) of section	1866
5703.21 of the Revised Code until the related statement of	1867
production required by division (A) of this section is filed	1868
with the chief.	1869
(C) Not later than the thirty-first day of July of each	1870
year, the chief shall do both of the following:	1871
(1) Calculate for each county and certify to the director	1872
of budget and management and the tax commissioner the quotient	1873
obtained by dividing (a) the number of horizontal wells drilled,	1874
plus the number of horizontal wells for which drilling was	1875
initiated pursuant to a permit issued under section 1509.06 of	1876
the Revised Code located in the county on the last day of the	1877
preceding fiscal year by (b) the number of all horizontal wells	1878
drilled, plus the number of all horizontal wells for which	1879
drilling was initiated pursuant to a permit issued under that	1880
section on that day. The chief shall not adjust any county's	1881
calculation after the calculations are certified.	1882
(2) Determine which counties in the state had active oil	1883
and gas development in the Point Pleasant, Utica, or Marcellus	1884
formation in the preceding fiscal year and, as soon as is	1885
practicable, certify that determination to the Ohio shale	1886
products commission.	1887

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Sec. 1509.34. (A) (1) If an owner fails to pay the fees 1888 imposed by this chapter, or if the chief of the division of oil 1889 and gas resources management incurs costs under division (E) of 1890 section 1509.071 of the Revised Code to correct conditions 1891 associated with the owner's well that the chief reasonably has 1892 determined are causing imminent health or safety risks, the 1893 1894 division of oil and gas resources management shall have a 1895 priority lien against that owner's interest in the applicable well in front of all other creditors for the amount of any such 1896 unpaid fees and costs incurred. The chief shall file a statement 1897 in the office of the county recorder of the county in which the 1898 applicable well is located of the amount of the unpaid fees and 1899 costs incurred as described in this division. The statement 1900 shall constitute a lien on the owner's interest in the well as 1901 of the date of the filing. The lien shall remain in force so 1902 long as any portion of the lien remains unpaid or until the 1903 chief issues a certificate of release of the lien. If the chief 1904 issues a certificate of release of the lien, the chief shall 1905 file the certificate of release in the office of the applicable 1906 county recorder. 1907

(2) A lien imposed under division (A) (1) of this section
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shall be in addition to any lien imposed by the attorney general
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for failure to pay the assessment imposed by section 1509.50 of
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the Revised Code or the tax levied under division (A) (5) or (6)
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of section 5749.02 of the Revised Code, as applicable.

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(3) or an owner for an outstanding balance of amounts due under
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(5) or (6), (10), (11), (12), or (13) of
(6) section 5749.02 of the Revised Code, as applicable, the tax
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against the owner's interest in the applicable well. Such a lien 1919 has priority in front of all other creditors. 1920 (B) The chief promptly shall issue a certificate of 1921 release of a lien under either of the following circumstances: 1922 (1) Upon the repayment in full of the amount of unpaid 1923 fees imposed by this chapter or costs incurred by the chief 1924 under division (E) of section 1509.071 of the Revised Code to 1925 correct conditions associated with the owner's well that the 1926 chief reasonably has determined are causing imminent health or 1927 safety risks; 1928 (2) Any other circumstance that the chief determines to be 1929 in the best interests of the state. 1930 (C) The chief may modify the amount of a lien under this 1931 section. If the chief modifies a lien, the chief shall file a 1932 statement in the office of the county recorder of the applicable 1933 county of the new amount of the lien. 1934 (D) An owner regarding which the division has recorded a 1935

lien against the owner's interest in a well in accordance with 1936
this section shall not transfer a well, lease, or mineral rights 1937
to another owner or person until the chief issues a certificate 1938
of release for each lien against the owner's interest in the 1939
well. 1940

(E) All money from the collection of liens under this
section shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit
of the oil and gas well fund created in section 1509.02 of the
Revised Code.

(F) As used in this section, "former section 1509.50 of1945the Revised Code" means section 1509.50 of the Revised Code as1946it existed before its repeal by ...B... of the 131st general1947

assembly. 1948 Sec. 2305.234. (A) As used in this section: 1949 (1) "Chiropractic claim," "medical claim," and "optometric 1950 claim" have the same meanings as in section 2305.113 of the 1951 Revised Code. 1952 (2) "Dental claim" has the same meaning as in section 1953 2305.113 of the Revised Code, except that it does not include 1954 any claim arising out of a dental operation or any derivative 1955 claim for relief that arises out of a dental operation. 1956 (3) "Governmental health care program" has the same 1957 meaning as in section 4731.65 of the Revised Code. 1958 (4) "Health care facility or location" means a hospital, 1959 clinic, ambulatory surgical facility, office of a health care 1960 professional or associated group of health care professionals, 1961 training institution for health care professionals, a free 1962 clinic or other nonprofit shelter or health care facility as 1963 those terms are defined in section 3701.071 of the Revised Code, 1964 or any other place where medical, dental, or other health-1965 related diagnosis, care, or treatment is provided to a person. 1966 (5) "Health care professional" means any of the following 1967 who provide medical, dental, or other health-related diagnosis, 1968 care, or treatment: 1969 1970

(a) Physicians authorized under Chapter 4731. of the 1970
Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic 1971
medicine and surgery; 1972

(b) Registered nurses and licensed practical nurses
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 licensed under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code and individuals
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 who hold a certificate of authority issued under that chapter
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that authorizes the practice of nursing as a certified	1976
registered nurse anesthetist, clinical nurse specialist,	1977
certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner;	1978
(c) Physician assistants authorized to practice under	1979
Chapter 4730. of the Revised Code;	1980
(d) Dentists and dental hygienists licensed under Chapter	1981
4715. of the Revised Code;	1982
(e) Physical therapists, physical therapist assistants,	1983
occupational therapists, occupational therapy assistants, and	1984
athletic trainers licensed under Chapter 4755. of the Revised	1985
Code;	1986
(f) Chiropractors licensed under Chapter 4734. of the	1987
Revised Code;	1988
(g) Optometrists licensed under Chapter 4725. of the	1989
Revised Code;	1990
(h) Podiatrists authorized under Chapter 4731. of the	1991
Revised Code to practice podiatry;	1992
(i) Dietitians licensed under Chapter 4759. of the Revised	1993
Code;	1994
(j) Pharmacists licensed under Chapter 4729. of the	1995
Revised Code;	1996
(k) Emergency medical technicians-basic, emergency medical	1997
technicians-intermediate, and emergency medical technicians-	1998
paramedic, certified under Chapter 4765. of the Revised Code;	1999
(1) Respiratory care professionals licensed under Chapter	2000
4761. of the Revised Code;	2001
(m) Speech-language pathologists and audiologists licensed	2002

under Chapter 4753. of the Revised Code;

(n) Licensed professional clinical counselors, licensed 2004 professional counselors, independent social workers, social 2005 workers, independent marriage and family therapists, and 2006 marriage and family therapists, licensed under Chapter 4757. of 2007 the Revised Code: 2008 (o) Psychologists licensed under Chapter 4732. of the 2009 Revised Code; 2010 (p) Individuals licensed or certified under Chapter 4758. 2011 of the Revised Code who are acting within the scope of their 2012 license or certificate as members of the profession of chemical 2013 dependency counseling or alcohol and other drug prevention 2014 services. 2015 (6) "Health care worker" means a person other than a 2016 health care professional who provides medical, dental, or other 2017 health-related care or treatment under the direction of a health 2018 care professional with the authority to direct that individual's 2019 activities, including medical technicians, medical assistants, 2020 dental assistants, orderlies, aides, and individuals acting in 2021 2022 similar capacities. (7) "Indigent and uninsured person" means a person who 2023 meets both of the following requirements: 2024 (a) Relative to being indigent, the person's income is not 2025 greater than two hundred per cent of the federal poverty line, 2026 as defined by the United States office of management and budget 2027

Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981," 95 Stat. 511, 42 U.S.C.20299902, as amended, except in any case in which division (A) (7) (b)2030(iii) of this section includes a person whose income is greater2031

and revised in accordance with section 673(2) of the "Omnibus

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than two hundred per cent of the federal poverty line. 2032

(b) Relative to being uninsured, one of the following2033applies:2034

(i) The person is not a policyholder, certificate holder, 2035
insured, contract holder, subscriber, enrollee, member, 2036
beneficiary, or other covered individual under a health 2037
insurance or health care policy, contract, or plan. 2038

(ii) The person is a policyholder, certificate holder, 2039 insured, contract holder, subscriber, enrollee, member, 2040 beneficiary, or other covered individual under a health 2041 insurance or health care policy, contract, or plan, but the 2042 insurer, policy, contract, or plan denies coverage or is the 2043 subject of insolvency or bankruptcy proceedings in any 2044 jurisdiction. 2045

(iii) Until June 30, 2019, the person is eligible for the 2046 medicaid program or is a medicaid recipient. 2047

(iv) Except as provided in division (A)(7)(b)(iii) of 2048 this section, the person is not eligible for or a recipient, 2049 enrollee, or beneficiary of any governmental health care 2050 program. 2051

(8) "Nonprofit health care referral organization" means an
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entity that is not operated for profit and refers patients to,
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or arranges for the provision of, health-related diagnosis,
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care, or treatment by a health care professional or health care
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worker.

(9) "Operation" means any procedure that involves cutting
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 or otherwise infiltrating human tissue by mechanical means,
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 including surgery, laser surgery, ionizing radiation,
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 therapeutic ultrasound, or the removal of intraocular foreign
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bodies. "Operation" does not include the administration of2061medication by injection, unless the injection is administered in2062conjunction with a procedure infiltrating human tissue by2063mechanical means other than the administration of medicine by2064injection. "Operation" does not include routine dental2065restorative procedures, the scaling of teeth, or extractions of2066teeth that are not impacted.2067

(10) "Tort action" means a civil action for damages for
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injury, death, or loss to person or property other than a civil
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action for damages for a breach of contract or another agreement
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between persons or government entities.

(11) "Volunteer" means an individual who provides any 2072 medical, dental, or other health-care related diagnosis, care, 2073 or treatment without the expectation of receiving and without 2074 receipt of any compensation or other form of remuneration from 2075 an indigent and uninsured person, another person on behalf of an 2076 indigent and uninsured person, any health care facility or 2077 location, any nonprofit health care referral organization, or 2078 any other person or government entity. 2079

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(12) "Community control sanction" has the same meaning as in section 2929.01 of the Revised Code.
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(13) "Deep sedation" means a drug-induced depression of 2082 consciousness during which a patient cannot be easily aroused 2083 but responds purposefully following repeated or painful-2084 stimulation, a patient's ability to independently maintain 2085 ventilatory function may be impaired, a patient may require 2086 assistance in maintaining a patent airway and spontaneous-2087 ventilation may be inadequate, and cardiovascular function is 2088 usually maintained. 2089

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(14) "General anesthesia" means a drug induced loss of	2090
consciousness during which a patient is not arousable, even by	2091
painful stimulation, the ability to independently maintain-	2092
ventilatory function is often impaired, a patient often requires-	2093
assistance in maintaining a patent airway, positive pressure	2094
ventilation may be required because of depressed spontaneous	2095
ventilation or drug-induced depression of neuromuscular-	2096
function, and cardiovascular function may be impaired.	2097

(B) (1) Subject to divisions division (F) and (G) (3) of 2098 this section, a health care professional who is a volunteer and 2099 complies with division (B)(2) of this section is not liable in 2100 damages to any person or government entity in a tort or other 2101 civil action, including an action on a medical, dental, 2102 chiropractic, optometric, or other health-related claim, for 2103 injury, death, or loss to person or property that allegedly 2104 arises from an action or omission of the volunteer in the 2105 provision to an indigent and uninsured person of medical, 2106 dental, or other health-related diagnosis, care, or treatment, 2107 including the provision of samples of medicine and other medical 2108 products, unless the action or omission constitutes willful or 2109 wanton misconduct. 2110

(2) To qualify for the immunity described in division (B)
(1) of this section, a health care professional shall do all of
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the following prior to providing diagnosis, care, or treatment:
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(a) Determine, in good faith, that the indigent and
uninsured person is mentally capable of giving informed consent
to the provision of the diagnosis, care, or treatment and is not
subject to duress or under undue influence;
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(b) Inform the person of the provisions of this section, 2118 including notifying the person that, by giving informed consent 2119

to the provision of the diagnosis, care, or treatment, the2120person cannot hold the health care professional liable for2121damages in a tort or other civil action, including an action on2122a medical, dental, chiropractic, optometric, or other health-2123related claim, unless the action or omission of the health care2124professional constitutes willful or wanton misconduct;2125

(c) Obtain the informed consent of the person and a 2126 written waiver, signed by the person or by another individual on 2127 behalf of and in the presence of the person, that states that 2128 the person is mentally competent to give informed consent and, 2129 without being subject to duress or under undue influence, gives 2130 informed consent to the provision of the diagnosis, care, or 2131 treatment subject to the provisions of this section. A written 2132 waiver under division (B)(2)(c) of this section shall state 2133 clearly and in conspicuous type that the person or other 2134 individual who signs the waiver is signing it with full 2135 knowledge that, by giving informed consent to the provision of 2136 the diagnosis, care, or treatment, the person cannot bring a 2137 tort or other civil action, including an action on a medical, 2138 dental, chiropractic, optometric, or other health-related claim, 2139 against the health care professional unless the action or 2140 omission of the health care professional constitutes willful or 2141 wanton misconduct. 2142

(3) A physician or podiatrist who is not covered by
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medical malpractice insurance, but complies with division (B) (2)
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of this section, is not required to comply with division (A) of
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section 4731.143 of the Revised Code.

(C) Subject to divisions division (F) and (G) (3) of this
section, health care workers who are volunteers are not liable
in damages to any person or government entity in a tort or other
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civil action, including an action upon a medical, dental, 2150 chiropractic, optometric, or other health-related claim, for 2151 injury, death, or loss to person or property that allegedly 2152 arises from an action or omission of the health care worker in 2153 the provision to an indigent and uninsured person of medical, 2154 dental, or other health-related diagnosis, care, or treatment, 2155 unless the action or omission constitutes willful or wanton 2156 misconduct. 2157

(D) Subject to divisions division (F) and (G) (3) of this 2158 2159 section, a nonprofit health care referral organization is not liable in damages to any person or government entity in a tort 2160 or other civil action, including an action on a medical, dental, 2161 chiropractic, optometric, or other health-related claim, for 2162 injury, death, or loss to person or property that allegedly 2163 arises from an action or omission of the nonprofit health care 2164 referral organization in referring indigent and uninsured 2165 persons to, or arranging for the provision of, medical, dental, 2166 or other health-related diagnosis, care, or treatment by a 2167 health care professional described in division (B)(1) of this 2168 section or a health care worker described in division (C) of 2169 this section, unless the action or omission constitutes willful 2170 or wanton misconduct. 2171

(E) Subject to divisions division (F) and (G) (3) of this 2172 section and to the extent that the registration requirements of 2173 section 3701.071 of the Revised Code apply, a health care 2174 facility or location associated with a health care professional 2175 described in division (B)(1) of this section, a health care 2176 worker described in division (C) of this section, or a nonprofit 2177 health care referral organization described in division (D) of 2178 this section is not liable in damages to any person or 2179 government entity in a tort or other civil action, including an 2180

action on a medical, dental, chiropractic, optometric, or other 2181 health-related claim, for injury, death, or loss to person or 2182 property that allegedly arises from an action or omission of the 2183 health care professional or worker or nonprofit health care 2184 referral organization relative to the medical, dental, or other 2185 health-related diagnosis, care, or treatment provided to an 2186 indigent and uninsured person on behalf of or at the health care 2187 facility or location, unless the action or omission constitutes 2188 willful or wanton misconduct. 2189

(F) (1) Except as provided in division (F) (2) of this 2190 section, the Immunities provided by divisions (B), (C), (D), 2191 and (E) of this section are not available to a health care 2192 professional, health care worker, nonprofit health care referral 2193 organization, or health care facility or location if, at the 2194 time of an alleged injury, death, or loss to person or property, 2195 the health care professionals or health care workers involved 2196 are providing one of the following: 2197

(a) Any medical, dental, or other health-related2198diagnosis, care, or treatment pursuant to a community service2199work order entered by a court under division (B) of section22002951.02 of the Revised Code or imposed by a court as a community2201control sanction;2202(b) Performance of an operation to which any one of the2203

following applies:

(i) The operation requires the administration of deep2205sedation or general anesthesia.2206

(ii) The operation is a procedure that is not typically2207performed in an office.2208

(iii) The individual involved is a health care 2209

or the education, training, and competence, as applicable, of	2211
the health care professional.	2212
(c) Delivery of a baby or any other the purposeful	2213
termination of a human pregnancy.	2214
(2) Division (F)(1) of this section does not apply when a	2215
health care professional or health care worker provides medical,	2216
dental, or other health-related diagnosis, care, or treatment-	2217
that is necessary to preserve the life of a person in a medical	2218
emergency.	2219
(G)(1) This section does not create a new cause of action	2220
or substantive legal right against a health care professional,	2221
health care worker, nonprofit health care referral organization,	2222
or health care facility or location.	2223
(2) This section does not affect any immunities from civil	2224
liability or defenses established by another section of the	2225
Revised Code or available at common law to which a health care	2226
professional, health care worker, nonprofit health care referral	2227
organization, or health care facility or location may be	2228
entitled in connection with the provision of emergency or other	2229
medical, dental, or other health-related diagnosis, care, or	2229
treatment.	2230
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(3) This section does not grant an immunity from tort or	2232
other civil liability to a health care professional, health care	2233
worker, nonprofit health care referral organization, or health-	2234
care facility or location for actions that are outside the scope	2235
of authority of health care professionals or health care	2236
workers.	2237

professional, and the operation is beyond the scope of practice

In the case of the diagnosis, care, or treatment of an 2238

indigent and uninsured person who is eligible for the medicaid 2239 program or is a medicaid recipient, this section grants an-2240 immunity from tort or other civil liability only if the person's 2241 2242 diagnosis, care, or treatment is provided in a free clinic, as defined in section 3701.071 of the Revised Code. 2243 2244 (4) This section does not affect any legal responsibility of a health care professional, health care worker, or nonprofit 2245 health care referral organization to comply with any applicable 2246 law of this state or rule of an agency of this state. 2247 (5) (4) This section does not affect any legal 2248 responsibility of a health care facility or location to comply 2249

with any applicable law of this state, rule of an agency of this 2250 state, or local code, ordinance, or regulation that pertains to 2251 or regulates building, housing, air pollution, water pollution, 2252 sanitation, health, fire, zoning, or safety. 2253

Sec. 2305.2341. (A) The medical liability insurance 2254 reimbursement program is hereby established. Free clinics and 2255 federally qualified health center look-alikes, including the 2256 clinics' and centers' staff and volunteer health care 2257 professionals and volunteer health care workers, may participate 2258 2259 in the medical liability insurance reimbursement program established by this section. The coverage provided under the 2260 program shall be limited to claims that arise out of the 2261 diagnosis, treatment, and care of patients of free clinics and 2262 centers, as defined in division (D) of this section. 2263

(B) A free clinic or federally qualified health center
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look-alike is eligible to receive reimbursement under the
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medical liability insurance reimbursement program for the
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premiums that the clinic or center pays for medical liability
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insurance coverage for the clinic or center, its staff, and
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volunteer health care professionals and health care workers.2269Free clinics and federally qualified health center look-alikes2270shall register with the department of health by the thirty-first2271day of January of each year in order to participate in and to2272obtain reimbursement under the program. Clinics that register2273with the department in accordance with this division shall2274receive priority over centers that register for reimbursement.2275

Free clinics and federally qualified health center look-2276alikes shall provide all of the following to the department of2277health at the time of registration:2278

(1) A statement of the number of volunteer and paid health
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 care professionals and health care workers providing health care
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 services at the free clinic or federally qualified health center
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 look-alike at that time;

(2) A statement of the number of health care services
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rendered by the free clinic or federally qualified health center
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look-alike during the previous fiscal year;
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(3) A signed form acknowledging that the free clinic or
federally qualified health center look-alike agrees to follow
its medical liability insurer's risk management and loss
prevention policies;

(4) A copy of the medical liability insurance policy
purchased by the free clinic or federally qualified health
center look-alike, or the policy's declaration page, and
documentation of the premiums paid by the clinic or center.

(C) The department of health shall reimburse free clinics
and federally qualified health center look-alikes participating
in the professional liability insurance reimbursement program
for up to eighty per cent of the premiums that the clinic or
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center pays for medical liability insurance coverage up to2298twenty thousand dollars. Appropriations to the department of2299health may be made from the general fund of the state for this2300purpose.2301

(D) As used in this section:

(1) "Federally qualified health center look-alike" means a
public or not-for-profit health center that meets the
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eligibility requirements to receive a federal public health
services grant under the "Public Health Services Act," 117 Stat.
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2020, 42 U.S.C. 254b, as amended, but does not receive grant
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funding.

(2) "Free clinic" means a nonprofit organization exempt 2309 from federal income taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the 2310 "Internal Revenue Code of 1986," as amended, or a program 2311 component of a nonprofit organization, whose primary mission is 2312 to provide health care services for free or for a minimal 2313 administrative fee to individuals with limited resources. A free 2314 clinic facilitates the delivery of health care services through 2315 the use of volunteer health care professionals and voluntary 2316 care networks. For this purpose, a free clinic shall comply with 2317 all of the following: 2318

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(b) A free clinic shall not bill a patient for health care services rendered.

(c) Free clinics shall not perform operations, as defined 2325 by divisions division (A) (9) and (F) (1) (b) of section 2305.234 2326

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of the Revised Code.	2327
A clinic is not a free clinic if the clinic bills	2328
medicaid, medicare, or other third-party payers for health care	2329
services rendered at the clinic, and receives twenty-five per	2330
cent or more of the clinic's annual revenue from the third-party	2331
payments.	2332
(3) "Health care professional" and "health care worker"	2333
have the same meanings as in section 2305.234 of the Revised	2334
Code.	2335
Sec. 3307.01. As used in this chapter:	2336
(A) "Employer" <u>or "public employer"</u> means the board of	2337
education, school district, governing authority of any community	2338
school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, a	2339
science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school	2340
established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, college,	2341
university, institution, or other agency within the state by	2342
which a teacher is employed and paid.	2343
(B)(1) "Teacher" means all of the following:	2344
(a) Any person paid from public funds and employed in the	2345
public schools of the state under any type of contract described	2346
in section 3311.77 or 3319.08 of the Revised Code in a position	2347
for which the person is required to have a license issued	2348
pursuant to sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code;	2349
(b) Any person employed as a teacher by a community school	2350
or a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school	2351
pursuant to Chapter 3314. or 3326. of the Revised Code;	2352

(c) Any person having a license issued pursuant to2353sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code and employed in2354

a public school in this state in an educational position, as 2355 determined by the state board of education, under programs 2356 provided for by federal acts or regulations and financed in 2357 whole or in part from federal funds, but for which no licensure 2358 requirements for the position can be made under the provisions 2359 of such federal acts or regulations; 2360

(d) Any other teacher or faculty member employed in any 2361 school, college, university, institution, or other agency wholly 2362 controlled and managed, and supported in whole or in part, by 2363 the state or any political subdivision thereof, including 2364 Central state university, Cleveland state university, and the 2365 university of Toledo; 2366

(e) The educational employees of the department of 2367education, as determined by the state superintendent of public 2368instruction. 2369

In all cases of doubt, the state teachers retirement board 2370 shall determine whether any person is a teacher, and its 2371 decision shall be final. 2372

(2) "Teacher" does not include any eligible employee of a
public institution of higher education, as defined in section
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3305.01 of the Revised Code, who elects to participate in an
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alternative retirement plan established under Chapter 3305. of
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the Revised Code.

(C) "Member" means any person included in the membership
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of the state teachers retirement system, which shall consist of
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all teachers and contributors as defined in divisions (B) and
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(D) of this section and all disability benefit recipients, as
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defined in section 3307.50 of the Revised Code. However, for
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purposes of this chapter, the following persons shall not be

considered members: 2384 (1) A student, intern, or resident who is not a member 2385 while employed part-time by a school, college, or university at 2386 which the student, intern, or resident is regularly attending 2387 classes; 2388 (2) A person denied membership pursuant to section 3307.24 2389 of the Revised Code; 2390 (3) An other system retirant, as defined in section 2391 3307.35 of the Revised Code, or a superannuate; 2392 2393 (4) An individual employed in a program established pursuant to the "Job Training Partnership Act," 96 Stat. 1322 2394 (1982), 29 U.S.C.A. 1501; 2395 (5) The surviving spouse of a member or retirant if the 2396 surviving spouse's only connection to the retirement system is 2397 an account in an STRS defined contribution plan. 2398 (D) "Contributor" means any person who has an account in 2399 the teachers' savings fund or defined contribution fund, except 2400 that "contributor" does not mean a member or retirant's 2401 surviving spouse with an account in an STRS defined contribution 2402 2403 plan. (E) "Beneficiary" means any person eligible to receive, or 2404 in receipt of, a retirement allowance or other benefit provided 2405 by this chapter. 2406 (F) "Year" means the year beginning the first day of July 2407 and ending with the thirtieth day of June next following, except 2408 that for the purpose of determining final average salary under 2409 the plan described in sections 3307.50 to 3307.79 of the Revised 2410

Code, "year" may mean the contract year.

(G) "Local district pension system" means any school 2412 teachers pension fund created in any school district of the 2413 state in accordance with the laws of the state prior to 2414 September 1, 1920. 2415 (H) "Employer contribution" means the amount paid by an 2416 employer, as determined by the employer rate, including the 2417 normal and deficiency rates, contributions, and funds wherever 2418 2419 used in this chapter. (I) "Five years of service credit" means employment 2420 covered under this chapter and employment covered under a former 2421 retirement plan operated, recognized, or endorsed by a college, 2422 institute, university, or political subdivision of this state 2423 prior to coverage under this chapter. 2424 (J) "Actuary" means an actuarial professional contracted 2425 with or employed by the state teachers retirement board, who 2426 shall be either of the following: 2427 (1) A member of the American academy of actuaries; 2428 (2) A firm, partnership, or corporation of which at least 2429 one person is a member of the American academy of actuaries. 2430 (K) "Fiduciary" means a person who does any of the 2431 2432 following: (1) Exercises any discretionary authority or control with 2433 respect to the management of the system, or with respect to the 2434 management or disposition of its assets; 2435 (2) Renders investment advice for a fee, direct or 2436 indirect, with respect to money or property of the system; 2437 (3) Has any discretionary authority or responsibility in 2438 the administration of the system. 2439

(L) (1) Except as provided in this division, "compensation" 2440 means all salary, wages, and other earnings paid to a teacher by 2441 reason of the teacher's employment, including compensation paid 2442 pursuant to a supplemental contract. The salary, wages, and 2443 other earnings shall be determined prior to determination of the 2444 amount required to be contributed to the teachers' savings fund 2445 or defined contribution fund under section 3307.26 of the 2446 Revised Code and without regard to whether any of the salary, 2447 wages, or other earnings are treated as deferred income for 2448 federal income tax purposes. 2449

(2) Compensation does not include any of the following:

(a) Payments for accrued but unused sick leave or personal
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leave, including payments made under a plan established pursuant
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to section 124.39 of the Revised Code or any other plan
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established by the employer;
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(b) Payments made for accrued but unused vacation leave, 2455
including payments made pursuant to section 124.13 of the 2456
Revised Code or a plan established by the employer; 2457

(c) Payments made for vacation pay covering concurrent
periods for which other salary, compensation, or benefits under
this chapter or Chapter 145. or 3309. of the Revised Code are
paid;

(d) Amounts paid by the employer to provide life
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insurance, sickness, accident, endowment, health, medical,
hospital, dental, or surgical coverage, or other insurance for
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the teacher or the teacher's family, or amounts paid by the
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employer to the teacher in lieu of providing the insurance;
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(e) Incidental benefits, including lodging, food, laundry, 2467parking, or services furnished by the employer, use of the 2468

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employer's property or equipment, and reimbursement for job-2469related expenses authorized by the employer, including moving2470and travel expenses and expenses related to professional2471development;2472

(f) Payments made by the employer in exchange for a 2473
member's waiver of a right to receive any payment, amount, or 2474
benefit described in division (L) (2) of this section; 2475

(g) Payments by the employer for services not actually 2476
rendered; 2477

(h) Any amount paid by the employer as a retroactive 2478
increase in salary, wages, or other earnings, unless the 2479
increase is one of the following: 2480

(i) A retroactive increase paid to a member employed by a 2481 school district board of education in a position that requires a 2482 license designated for teaching and not designated for being an 2483 administrator issued under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code 2484 that is paid in accordance with uniform criteria applicable to 2485 all members employed by the board in positions requiring the 2486 licenses; 2487

(ii) A retroactive increase paid to a member employed by a 2488 school district board of education in a position that requires a 2489 license designated for being an administrator issued under 2490 section 3319.22 of the Revised Code that is paid in accordance 2491 with uniform criteria applicable to all members employed by the 2492 board in positions requiring the licenses; 2493

(iii) A retroactive increase paid to a member employed by 2494
a school district board of education as a superintendent that is 2495
also paid as described in division (L) (2) (h) (i) of this section; 2496

(iv) A retroactive increase paid to a member employed by 2497

an employer other than a school district board of education in2498accordance with uniform criteria applicable to all members2499employed by the employer.2500

(i) Payments made to or on behalf of a teacher that are in 2501 excess of the annual compensation that may be taken into account 2502 by the retirement system under division (a) (17) of section 401 2503 of the "Internal Revenue Code of 1986," 100 Stat. 2085, 26 2504 U.S.C.A. 401(a)(17), as amended. For a teacher who first 2505 establishes membership before July 1, 1996, the annual 2506 compensation that may be taken into account by the retirement 2507 system shall be determined under division (d) (3) of section 2508 13212 of the "Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993," Pub. 2509 L. No. 103-66, 107 Stat. 472. 2510

(j) Payments made under division (B), (C), or (E) of 2511 section 5923.05 of the Revised Code, Section 4 of Substitute 2512 Senate Bill No. 3 of the 119th general assembly, Section 3 of 2513 Amended Substitute Senate Bill No. 164 of the 124th general 2514 assembly, or Amended Substitute House Bill No. 405 of the 124th 2515 general assembly; 2516

(k) Anything of value received by the teacher that isbased on or attributable to retirement or an agreement to2518retire;2519

(1) Any amount paid by the employer as a retroactive
payment of earnings, damages, or back pay pursuant to a court
order, court-adopted settlement agreement, or other settlement
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agreement, unless the retirement system receives both of the
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following:

(i) Teacher and employer contributions under sections3307.26 and 3307.28 of the Revised Code, plus interest2526

compounded annually at a rate determined by the board, for each 2527 year or portion of a year for which amounts are paid under the 2528 order or agreement; 2529 (ii) Teacher and employer contributions under sections 2530 3307.26 and 3307.28 of the Revised Code, plus interest 2531 compounded annually at a rate determined by the board, for each 2532 year or portion of a year not subject to division (L)(2)(1)(i) 2533 of this section for which the board determines the teacher was 2534 improperly paid, regardless of the teacher's ability to recover 2535 on such amounts improperly paid. 2536 (3) The retirement board shall determine both of the 2537 following: 2538 (a) Whether particular forms of earnings are included in 2539 any of the categories enumerated in this division; 2540 (b) Whether any form of earnings not enumerated in this 2541 division is to be included in compensation. 2542 Decisions of the board made under this division shall be 2543 final. 2544 (M) "Superannuate" means both of the following: 2545 (1) A former teacher receiving from the system a 2546 retirement allowance under section 3307.58 or 3307.59 of the 2547 Revised Code: 2548 (2) A former teacher receiving a benefit from the system 2549 under a plan established under section 3307.81 of the Revised 2550 Code, except that "superannuate" does not include a former 2551 teacher who is receiving a benefit based on disability under a 2552 plan established under section 3307.81 of the Revised Code. 2553

For purposes of sections section 3307.35 and 3307.353 of 2554

the Revised Code, "superannuate" also means a former teacher2555receiving from the system a combined service retirement benefit2556paid in accordance with section 3307.57 of the Revised Code,2557regardless of which retirement system is paying the benefit.2558

(N) "STRS defined benefit plan" means the plan described2559in sections 3307.50 to 3307.79 of the Revised Code.2560

(O) "STRS defined contribution plan" means the plans
established under section 3307.81 of the Revised Code and
includes the STRS combined plan under that section.
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Sec. 3307.35. (A) As used in this section and section 2564 3307.352 of the Revised Code<del>, "other</del>: 2565

(1) "Other" system retirant" means either both of the 2566 following: 2567

(1)-(a) A member or former member of the public employees 2568 retirement system, Ohio police and fire pension fund, school 2569 employees retirement system, state highway patrol retirement 2570 system, or Cincinnati retirement system who is receiving from a 2571 system of which the retirant is a member or former member age 2572 and service or commuted age and service retirement, a benefit, 2573 allowance, or distribution under a plan established under 2574 section 145.81 or 3309.81 of the Revised Code, or a disability 2575 benefit; 2576

(2) (b) A person who is participating or has participated2577in an alternative retirement plan established under Chapter25783305. of the Revised Code and is receiving a benefit, allowance,2579or distribution under the plan.2580

(2) "Employ" or "employment" includes providing personal2581services pursuant to a contract or as a consultant, as well as2582direct employment.2583

(B) (1) Subject to this section and section 3307.353 of the 2584 Revised Code, a superannuate or other system retirant may be 2585 employed as a teacher. 2586 (C) A If employment commenced before the effective date of 2587 this amendment, the superannuate or other system retirant 2588 employed in accordance with this section division shall 2589 contribute to the state teachers retirement system in accordance 2590 with section 3307.26 of the Revised Code and the employer shall 2591 contribute in accordance with sections 3307.28 and 3307.31 of 2592 the Revised Code. Such contributions shall be received as 2593 specified in section 3307.14 of the Revised Code. A superannuate 2594 or other system retirant employed as a teacher is not a member 2595 of the state teachers retirement system, does not have any of 2596 the rights, privileges, or obligations of membership, except as-2597 provided in this section, and is not eligible to receive health, 2598 medical, hospital, or surgical benefits under section 3307.39 of 2599 the Revised Code for employment subject to this section. 2600 (D) The employer that employs a superannuate or other-2601 system retirant shall notify the state teachers retirement board 2602 of the employment not later than the end of the month in which-2603 the employment commences. Any overpayment of benefits to a 2604 2605 superannuate by the retirement system resulting from an employer's failure to give timely notice may be charged to the 2606 employer and may be certified and deducted as provided in-2607 section 3307.31 of the Revised Code. 2608 2609 (E) On receipt of notice from an employer that a personwho is an other system retirant has been employed, the state 2610 teachers retirement system shall notify the state retirement 2611

system of which the other system retirant was a member of such 2612 employment. 2613

(F) A (2) An individual who became a superannuate or other 2614 system retirant prior to the effective date of this amendment 2615 who has received an allowance or benefit for less than two 2616 months when employment subject to this section division or 2617 section 3305.05 of the Revised Code commences shall forfeit the 2618 allowance or benefit for any month the superannuate or retirant 2619 is employed prior to the expiration of such period. The 2620 allowance or benefit forfeited each month shall be equal to the 2621 monthly amount the superannuate or other system retirant is 2622 eligible to receive under a single lifetime benefit plan of 2623 payment described in division (A) of section 3307.60 of the 2624 Revised Code. Contributions shall be made to the retirement 2625 system from the first day of such employment, but service and 2626 contributions for that period shall not be used in the 2627 calculation of any benefit payable to the superannuate or other 2628 system retirant, and those contributions shall be refunded on 2629 the superannuate's or retirant's death or termination of the 2630 employment. Contributions made on compensation earned after the 2631 expiration of such period shall be used in calculation of the 2632 benefit or payment due under section 3307.352 of the Revised 2633 Code. 2634

For purposes of this division, "employment" does not2635include uncompensated volunteer work if the position is2636different from the superannuate's or other system retirant's2637position with the employer by which the superannuate or retirant2638was employed at the time of retirement.2639

(G) (C) An individual who becomes a superannuate or other2640system retirant on or after the effective date of this amendment2641shall forfeit the pension portion of the retirement allowance2642for the period beginning the first day of the month following2643the month in which employment begins and ending on the first day2644

of the month following the month in which employment ends. The	2645
annuity portion of the retirement allowance shall be suspended	2646
on the day employment begins and accumulate to the credit of the	2647
superannuate or retirant to be used in a recalculation of the	2648
retirement allowance after the employment ends. Neither the	2649
superannuate or retirant nor the employer shall contribute to	2650
the state teachers retirement system on behalf of the	2651
<u>superannuate or retirant.</u>	2652
(D) The superannuate or other system retirant employed as	2653
a teacher is not a member of the state teachers retirement	2654
system, does not have any of the rights, privileges, or	2655
obligations of membership, except as provided in this section,	2656
and is not eligible to receive health, medical, hospital, or	2657
surgical benefits under section 3307.39 of the Revised Code for	2658
employment subject to this section.	2659
(E)(1) The public employer that employs a superannuate or	2660
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(H) (G) If the disability benefit of an other system 2680 retirant employed under this section is terminated, the retirant 2681 shall become a member of the state teachers retirement system, 2682 effective on the first day of the month next following the 2683 2684 termination, with all the rights, privileges, and obligations of membership. If the retirant, after the termination of the 2685 retirant's disability benefit, earns two years of service credit 2686 under this retirement system or under the public employees 2687 retirement system, Ohio police and fire pension fund, school 2688 employees retirement system, or state highway patrol retirement 2689 system, the retirant's prior contributions as an other system 2690 retirant under this section shall be included in the retirant's 2691 total service credit, as defined in section 3307.50 of the 2692 Revised Code, as a state teachers retirement system member, and 2693 the retirant shall forfeit all rights and benefits of this 2694 2695 section. Not more than one year of credit may be given for any period of twelve months. 2696

(I) (H) This section does not affect the receipt of2697benefits by or eligibility for benefits of any person who on2698August 20, 1976, was receiving a disability benefit or service2699retirement pension or allowance from a state or municipal2700retirement system in Ohio and was a member of any other state or2701municipal retirement system of this state.2702

(J) (I) The state teachers retirement board may make the 2703 necessary rules to carry into effect this section and to prevent 2704

the abuse of the rights and privileges thereunder. 2705

Sec. 3307.352. For purposes of this section,2706"superannuate" includes a member who retired under section27073307.351 of the Revised Code.2708

(A) Except as provided in division (B)(3) of this section, 2709 a superannuate or other system retirant who has made 2710 contributions under section 3307.35 or 3307.351 of the Revised 2711 Code may file an application with the state teachers retirement 2712 system for a benefit consisting of a single life annuity. The 2713 annuity shall have a reserve equal to the amount of the 2714 superannuate's or retirant's accumulated contributions, as 2715 defined in section 3307.50 of the Revised Code, for the period 2716 of employment, other than the contributions excluded pursuant to 2717 division  $\frac{(F)}{(B)}$  of section 3307.35 of the Revised Code, and 2718 an amount determined by the state teachers retirement board from 2719 the employers' trust created by section 3307.14 of the Revised 2720 Code, plus interest credited to the date of retirement at a rate 2721 of interest determined by the board. The superannuate or other 2722 system retirant shall elect either to receive the benefit as a 2723 monthly annuity for life or a lump sum payment discounted to the 2724 present value using a rate of interest determined by the board, 2725 except that if the monthly annuity would be less than twenty-2726 five dollars per month the superannuate or retirant shall 2727 2728 receive a lump sum payment.

A benefit payable under this division shall commence on 2729 the first day of the month immediately following the latest of 2730 the following: 2731

(1) The last day for which compensation for employment 2732subject to this section was paid; 2733

(2) Attainment by the superannuate or other system 2734 retirant of age sixty-five; 2735 (3) If the superannuate or other system retirant was 2736 previously employed under section 3307.35 or 3307.351 of the 2737 Revised Code and previously received or is receiving a benefit 2738 under this division, completion of a period of twelve months 2739 since the effective date of the last benefit under this 2740 division. 2741 2742 (B) (1) A superannuate or other system retirant under age sixty-five who has made contributions under section 3307.35 or 2743 3307.351 of the Revised Code may file an application with the 2744 state teachers retirement system for a return of those 2745 contributions if both of the following conditions are met: 2746 (a) The superannuate or retirant has terminated, for any 2747 reason other than death, the employment for which the 2748 contributions were made. 2749 (b) If the superannuate or retirant received a return of 2750 contributions under this division for a previous period of 2751 employment under section 3307.35 or 3307.351 of the Revised 2752 2753 Code, twelve months have passed since the date the retirement system returned the contributions. 2754 (2) A return of contributions under this division shall 2755 consist of the sum of the following: 2756 (a) The contributions the superannuate or other system 2757 retirant made under section 3307.35 or 3307.351 of the Revised 2758 Code other than the contributions excluded under division <del>(F)</del> 2759

(b) Interest at a rate determined by the state teachers2761retirement board credited through the later of the month the2762

(B)(2) of section 3307.35 of the Revised Code;

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superannuate or retirant terminated the employment for which the 2763 contributions are made or the date required by division (B)(1) 2764 (b) of this section. 2765

(3) Payment of a return of contributions under this 2766 division shall be made on a date determined by the state 2767 teachers retirement board but shall be not earlier than the 2768 later of the first day of the first month following termination 2769 of employment or the date required by division (B) (1) (b) of this 2770 section. The payment cancels the <u>superannuate</u> <u>superannuate's</u> or 2771 retirant's right to a benefit under division (A) of this section 2772 for the service for which the contributions were made. 2773

(C) (1) If a superannuate or other system retirant who made 2774 contributions under section 3307.35 or 3307.351 of the Revised 2775 Code dies before receiving a benefit under division (A) of this 2776 section or a return of contributions under division (B) of this 2777 section, a lump sum payment shall be paid to the beneficiary 2778 designated under division (D)(1) of section 3307.562 of the 2779 Revised Code. The lump sum shall be calculated in accordance 2780 with division (A) of this section, except that the interest 2781 shall be credited as follows: 2782

(a) If the superannuate or retirant was under age sixty2783
five at the time of death, the interest shall be credited
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through the month of death.
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(b) If the superannuate or retirant was age sixty-five or 2786 older at the time of death, the interest shall be credited 2787 through the later of the month in which the superannuate or 2788 retirant terminated the employment for which the contributions 2789 are made or the month the superannuate or retirant attained age 2790 sixty-five. 2791

(2) If at the time of death a superannuate or other system 2792 retirant receiving a monthly annuity under division (A) of this 2793 section has received less than the superannuate or retirant 2794 would have received as a lump sum payment, the difference 2795 between the amount received and the amount that would have been 2796 received as a lump sum payment shall be paid to the 2797 superannuate's or retirant's beneficiary designated under 2798 division (D)(1) of section 3307.562 of the Revised Code. 2799

(D) No amount received under this section shall be
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 included in determining an additional benefit under section
 3307.67 of the Revised Code or any other post-retirement benefit
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 increase.

Sec. 3309.341. (A) As used in this section and section 3309.344 of the Revised Code:

(1) "SERS retirant" means any person who is receiving a
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retirement allowance from the school employees retirement system
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under section 3309.36 or 3309.381 or former section 3309.38 of
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the Revised Code or any benefit paid under a plan established
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under section 3309.81 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Other system retirant" means a member or former
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member of the public employees retirement system, Ohio police
and fire pension fund, state teachers retirement system, state
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highway patrol retirement system, or Cincinnati retirement
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system who is receiving age and service or commuted age and
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service retirement, or a disability benefit from a system of
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which the retirant is a member or former member.

(3) "Employ" or "employment" includes providing personal2818services pursuant to a contract or as consultant, as well as2819direct employment.2820

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(B) (1) Subject to this section and section 3309.345 of the 2821 Revised Code, an SERS retirant or other system retirant may be 2822 employed by a public employer. If so employed, employment 2823 commenced before the effective date of this amendment, the SERS 2824 retirant or other system retirant shall contribute to the school 2825 employees retirement system in accordance with section 3309.47 2826 of the Revised Code, and the employer shall make contributions 2827 in accordance with section 3309.49 of the Revised Code. 2828 2829 (2) An employer that employs an SERS retirant or other system retirant shall notify the retirement board of the-2830

employment not later than the end of the month in which the2831employment commences. On receipt of notice from an employer that2832a person who is an other system retirant has been employed, the2833school employees retirement system shall notify the state2834retirement system of which the other system retirant was a2835member of such employment.2836

(C) An individual who became an SERS retirant or other 2837 system retirant prior to the effective date of this amendment 2838 who has received a retirement allowance or disability benefit 2839 for less than two months when employment subject to this section-2840 division commences shall forfeit the retirement allowance or 2841 disability benefit for any month the SERS retirant or other 2842 system retirant is employed prior to the expiration of the two-2843 month period. Service and contributions for that period shall 2844 not be included in the calculation of any benefits payable to 2845 the SERS retirant or other system retirant, and those 2846 contributions shall be refunded on death or termination of the 2847 employment. Contributions made on compensation earned after the 2848 expiration of such period shall be used in the calculation of 2849 the benefit or payment due under section 3309.344 of the Revised 2850 Code. 2851

(C) An individual who becomes an SERS retirant or other	2852
system retirant on or after the effective date of this amendment	2853
shall forfeit the pension portion of the retirement allowance	2854
for the period beginning the first day of the month following	2855
the month in which employment begins and ending on the first day	2856
of the month following the month in which employment ends. The	2857
annuity portion of the retirement allowance shall be suspended	2858
on the day employment begins and accumulate to the credit of the	2859
retirant to be used in a recalculation of the retirement	2860
allowance after employment ends. Neither the retirant nor the	2861
retirant's employer shall contribute to the school employees	2862
retirement system on the retirant's behalf.	2863
(D) <u>An employer that employs an SERS retirant or other</u>	2864
system retirant shall notify the school employees retirement	2865
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board of the employment not later than the end of the month in	2867
which the employment commences. On receipt of notice from an	
employer that an individual who is an other system retirant has	2868
been employed, the school employees retirement system shall	2869
notify the state retirement system of which the other system	2870
retirant was a member of such employment.	2871
(E) On receipt of notice from the Ohio police and fire	2872
pension fund, public employees retirement system, or state	2873
teachers retirement system of the re-employment of an SERS	2874
retirant, the school employees retirement system shall not pay,	2875
or if paid shall recover, the amount to be forfeited by the SERS	2876
retirant in accordance with section 145.38, 742.26, or 3307.35	2877
of the Revised Code.	2878
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(E) (F) An SERS retirant or other system retirant subject	2879

to this section is not a member of the school employees 2880 retirement system; does not have any of the rights, privileges, 2881

or obligations of membership, except as specified in this 2882 section; and is not eligible to receive health, medical, 2883 hospital, or surgical benefits under section 3309.69 of the 2884 Revised Code for employment subject to this section. 2885

(F) (G) If the disability benefit of an other system 2886 retirant employed under this section is terminated, the retirant 2887 shall become a member of the school employees retirement system, 2888 effective on the first day of the month next following the 2889 termination, with all the rights, privileges, and obligations of 2890 2891 membership. If the retirant, after the termination of the 2892 disability benefit, earns two years of service credit under this retirement system or under the public employees retirement 2893 system, Ohio police and fire pension fund, state teachers 2894 retirement system, or state highway patrol retirement system, 2895 the retirant's prior contributions as an other system retirant 2896 under this section shall be included in the retirant's total 2897 service credit as a school employees retirement system member, 2898 and the retirant shall forfeit all rights and benefits of this 2899 section. Not more than one year of credit may be given for any 2900 period of twelve months. 2901

(G) (H)This section does not affect the receipt of2902benefits by or eligibility for benefits of any person who on2903August 29, 1976, was receiving a disability benefit or service2904retirement pension or allowance from a state or municipal2905retirement system in Ohio and was a member of any other state or2906municipal retirement system of this state.2907

(H) (I)The school employees retirement board may adopt2908rules to carry out this section.2909

Sec. 3309.344. For purposes of this section, "SERS2910retirant" includes a member who retired under section 3309.3432911

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of the Revised Code.

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(A) Except as provided in division (B)(3) of this section,	2913
an SERS retirant or other system retirant who has made	2914
contributions under section 3309.341 or 3309.343 of the Revised	2915
Code may file an application with the school employees	2916
retirement system for a benefit consisting of a single life	2917
annuity. The annuity shall have a reserve equal to the amount of	2918
the retirant's accumulated contributions for the period of	2919
employment, other than the contributions excluded pursuant to	2920
division $\frac{(C)}{(B)}$ (2) of section 3309.341 of the Revised Code, and	2921
an amount of the employer's contributions determined by the	2922
board, plus interest credited to the date of retirement at a	2923
rate determined by the board. The SERS retirant or other system	2924
retirant shall elect either to receive the benefit as a monthly	2925
annuity for life or a lump sum payment discounted to the present	2926
value using a rate of interest determined by the board, except	2927
that if the monthly annuity would be less than twenty-five	2928
dollars per month, the retirant shall receive a lump sum	2929
payment.	2930

A benefit payable under this division shall commence on 2931 the first day of the month after the latest of the following: 2932

(1) The last day for which compensation for all employment
subject to sections 3309.341 and 3309.343 of the Revised Code
was paid;

(2) Attainment by the SERS retirant or other system2936retirant of age sixty-five;2937

(3) If the SERS retirant or other system retirant was
previously employed under section 3309.341 or 3309.343 of the
Revised Code and is receiving or previously received a benefit
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under this division, completion of a period of twelve months 2941 since the effective date of that benefit. 2942 (B) (1) An SERS or other system retirant under age sixty-2943 five who has made contributions under section 3309.341 or 2944 3309.343 of the Revised Code may file an application with the 2945 school employees retirement system for a return of those 2946 contributions if both of the following conditions are met: 2947 (a) The retirant has terminated, for any reason other than 2948

death, the employment for which the contributions were made. 2949

(b) If the retirant received a return of contributions
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 under this division for a previous period of employment under
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 section 3309.341 or 3309.343 of the Revised Code, twelve months
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 have passed since the date the retirement system returned the
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 contributions.

(2) A return of contributions under this division shall consist of all of the contributions the SERS or other system retirant made under section 3309.341 or 3309.343 of the Revised Code.

(3) Payment of a return of contributions under this
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division cancels the SERS or other system retirant's right to a
benefit under division (A) of this section for the service for
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which the contributions were made.
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(C) (1) If an SERS retirant or other system retirant who 2963 made contributions under section 3309.341 or 3309.343 of the 2964 Revised Code dies before receiving a benefit under division (A) 2965 of this section or a return of contributions under division (B) 2966 of this section, a lump sum payment shall be paid to the 2967 beneficiary under division (D) of this section. The lump sum 2968 shall be calculated in accordance with division (A) of this 2969 section.

(2) If at the time of death an SERS retirant or other
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system retirant receiving a monthly annuity under division (A)
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of this section has received less than the retirant would have
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received as a lump sum payment, the difference between the
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amount received and the amount that would have been received as
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a lump sum payment shall be paid to the retirant's beneficiary
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under division (D) of this section.

(D) An SERS retirant or other system retirant employed 2978 under section 3309.341 or 3309.343 of the Revised Code may 2979 designate one or more persons as beneficiary to receive any 2980 benefits payable under this section due to death. The 2981 designation shall be in writing duly executed on a form provided 2982 by the school employees retirement board, signed by the SERS 2983 retirant or other system retirant, and filed with the board 2984 prior to death. The last designation of a beneficiary revokes 2985 all previous designations. The SERS retirant's or other system 2986 retirant's marriage, divorce, marriage dissolution, legal 2987 separation, withdrawal of account, birth of the retirant's 2988 child, or adoption of a child revokes all previous designations. 2989 If there is no designated beneficiary, the beneficiary is the 2990 beneficiary designated under division (D) of section 3309.44 of 2991 the Revised Code. If any benefit payable under this section due 2992 to the death of an SERS retirant or other system retirant is not 2993 claimed by a beneficiary within five years after the death, the 2994 amount payable shall be transferred to the guarantee fund and 2995 thereafter paid to the beneficiary or the estate of the SERS 2996 retirant or other system retirant on application to the board. 2997

(E) No amount received under this section shall be 2998 included in determining an additional benefit under section 2999

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3309.374 of the Revised Code or any other post-retirement3000benefit increases.3001

Sec. 3501.13. (A) The director of the board of elections 3002 shall keep a full and true record of the proceedings of the 3003 board and of all moneys received and expended; file and preserve 3004 in the board's office all orders and records pertaining to the 3005 administration of registrations, primaries, and elections; 3006 receive and have the custody of all books, papers, and property 3007 belonging to the board; and perform other duties in connection 3008 with the office of director and the proper conduct of elections 3009 as the board determines. 3010

(B) Before entering upon the duties of the office, the
director shall subscribe to an oath that the director will
support the Constitution of the United States and the Ohio
Constitution, perform all the duties of the office to the best
of the director's ability, enforce the election laws, and
preserve all records, documents, and other property pertaining
to the conduct of elections placed in the director's custody.

3018 (C) The director may administer oaths to persons required by law to file certificates or other papers with the board, to 3019 precinct election officials, to witnesses who are called to 3020 testify before the board, and to voters filling out blanks at 3021 the board's offices. Except as otherwise provided by state or 3022 federal law, the records of the board and papers and books filed 3023 in its office are public records and open to inspection under 3024 such reasonable regulations as shall be established by the 3025 board. The following notice shall be posted in a prominent place 3026 at each board office: 3027

"Except as otherwise provided by state or federal law, 3028 records filed in this office of the board of elections are open 3029

to public inspection during normal office hours, pursuant to the	3030
following reasonable regulations: (the board shall here list its	3031
regulations). Whoever prohibits any person from inspecting the	3032
public records of this board is subject to the penalties of	3033
section 3599.161 of the Revised Code."	3034
(D) Upon receipt of a written declaration of intent to	3035
retire as provided for in section 145.38 of the Revised Code,	3036
the director shall provide a copy to each member of the board of	3037
elections.	3038
Sec. 3701.034.(A) As used in this section:	3039
(1) "Affiliate" means an entity that has with another	3040
entity a legal relationship created or governed by at least one	3041
written instrument that demonstrates any of the following:	3042
(a) Common ownership, management, or control;	3043
(b) A franchise agreement;	3044
(b) A franchise agreement; (c) The granting or extension of a license or other	3044 3045
(c) The granting or extension of a license or other	3045
(c) The granting or extension of a license or other agreement that authorizes an entity to use the other entity's	3045 3046
(c) The granting or extension of a license or other agreement that authorizes an entity to use the other entity's brand name, trademark, service mark, or other registered	3045 3046 3047
(c) The granting or extension of a license or other agreement that authorizes an entity to use the other entity's brand name, trademark, service mark, or other registered identification mark.	3045 3046 3047 3048
<pre>(c) The granting or extension of a license or other agreement that authorizes an entity to use the other entity's brand name, trademark, service mark, or other registered identification mark. (2) "Violence Against Women Act" means section 1910A of</pre>	3045 3046 3047 3048 3049
<pre>(c) The granting or extension of a license or other agreement that authorizes an entity to use the other entity's brand name, trademark, service mark, or other registered identification mark. (2) "Violence Against Women Act" means section 1910A of section 40151 of the "Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement</pre>	3045 3046 3047 3048 3049 3050
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prevention project operated by the United States centers for	3058
disease control and prevention.	3059
(5) "Minority HIV/AIDS initiative" means the minority	3060
HIV/AIDS initiative operated by the office of minority health in	3061
the United States department of health and human services.	3062
(B) The department of health shall ensure that all funds	3063
it receives through the Violence Against Women Act to distribute	3064
as grants for the purpose of education and prevention of	3065
violence against women are not used to do any of the following:	3066
(1) Perform elective abortions;	3067
(2) Promote elective abortions;	3068
(3) Contract with any entity that performs or promotes	3069
elective abortions;	3070
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(4) Become or continue to be an affiliate of any entity	3071
that performs or promotes elective abortions.	3072
(C) The department shall ensure that all funds it receives	3073
through the Breast and Cervical Cancer Mortality Prevention Act	3074
for a program to provide breast and cervical cancer screening	3075
and diagnostic testing and all federal and state funds that it	3076
uses to operate such a program are not used to do any of the	3077
following:	3078
(1) Perform elective abortions;	3079
(2) Promote elective abortions;	3080
(3) Contract with any entity that performs or promotes	3081
elective abortions;	3082
(4) Become or continue to be an affiliate of any entity	3083
that performs or promotes elective abortions.	3084

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(D) The department shall ensure that all materials it	3085
receives through the infertility prevention project are not	3086
distributed to entities that do any of the following and shall	3087
ensure that all funds it uses for treatment associated with the	3088
infertility prevention project are not used to do any of the	3089
<u>following:</u>	3090
(1) Perform elective abortions;	3091
(2) Promote elective abortions;	3092
(3) Contract with any entity that performs or promotes	3093
elective abortions;	3094
(4) Become or continue to be an affiliate of any entity	3095
that performs or promotes elective abortions.	3096
(E) The department shall ensure that all funds it receives	3097
through the minority HIV/AIDS initiative to distribute as grants	3098
and all other federal and state funds that are part of the	3099
grants distributed under this initiative are not used to do any	3100
of the following:	3101
(1) Perform elective abortions;	3102
(2) Promote elective abortions;	3103
(3) Contract with any entity that performs or promotes	3104
elective abortions;	3105
(4) Become or continue to be an affiliate of any entity	3106
that performs or promotes elective abortions.	3107
(F) The department shall ensure that all state funds it	3108
receives, including funding for infant mortality reduction or	3109
infant vitality initiatives, are not used to do any of the	3110
<u>following:</u>	3111

(1) Perform elective abortions;	3112
(2) Promote elective abortions;	3113
(3) Contract with any entity that performs or promotes	3114
elective abortions;	3115
(4) Become or continue to be an affiliate of any entity	3116
that performs or promotes elective abortions.	3117
Sec. 5163.04. The medicaid program shall not cover the	3118
group described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) of the	3119
"Social Security Act," 42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII).	3120
Sec. 5703.052. (A) There is hereby created in the state	3121
treasury the tax refund fund, from which refunds shall be paid	3122
for taxes illegally or erroneously assessed or collected, or for	3123
any other reason overpaid, that are levied by Chapter 4301.,	3124
4305., 5726., 5728., 5729., 5731., 5733., 5735., 5736., 5739.,	3125
5741., 5743., 5747., 5748., 5749., 5751., or 5753. and sections	3126
3737.71, 3905.35, 3905.36, 4303.33, 5707.03, 5725.18, 5727.28,	3127
5727.38, 5727.81, and 5727.811 of the Revised Code. Refunds for	3128
fees or wireless 9-1-1 charges illegally or erroneously assessed	3129
or collected, or for any other reason overpaid, that are levied	3130
by sections 128.42 or 3734.90 to 3734.9014 of the Revised Code	3131
also shall be paid from the fund. Refunds for amounts illegally	3132
or erroneously assessed or collected by the tax commissioner, or	3133
for any other reason overpaid, that are due under former section	3134
1509.50 of the Revised Code as that section existed before its	3135
repeal byB of the 131st general assembly shall be paid	3136
from the fund. However, refunds for taxes levied under section	3137
5739.101 of the Revised Code shall not be paid from the tax	3138
refund fund, but shall be paid as provided in section 5739.104	3139
of the Revised Code.	3140

(B) (1) Upon certification by the tax commissioner to the 3141 treasurer of state of a tax refund, a wireless 9-1-1 charge 3142 refund, or another amount refunded, or by the superintendent of 3143 insurance of a domestic or foreign insurance tax refund, the 3144 treasurer of state shall place the amount certified to the 3145 credit of the fund. The certified amount transferred shall be 3146 derived from the receipts of the same tax, fee, wireless 9-1-1 3147 charge, or other amount from which the refund arose. 3148

(2) When a refund is for a tax, fee, wireless 9-1-1 3149 charge, or other amount that is not levied by the state or that 3150 was illegally or erroneously distributed to a taxing 3151 3152 jurisdiction, the tax commissioner shall recover the amount of that refund from the next distribution of that tax, fee, 3153 wireless 9-1-1 charge, or other amount that otherwise would be 3154 made to the taxing jurisdiction. If the amount to be recovered 3155 would exceed twenty-five per cent of the next distribution of 3156 that tax, fee, wireless 9-1-1 charge, or other amount, the 3157 commissioner may spread the recovery over more than one future 3158 distribution, taking into account the amount to be recovered and 3159 the amount of the anticipated future distributions. In no event 3160 may the commissioner spread the recovery over a period to exceed 3161 thirty-six months. 3162

Sec. 5703.19. (A) To carry out the purposes of the laws 3163 that the tax commissioner is required to administer, the 3164 commissioner or any person employed by the commissioner for that 3165 purpose, upon demand, may inspect books, accounts, records, and 3166 memoranda of any person or public utility subject to those laws, 3167 and may examine under oath any officer, agent, or employee of 3168 that person or public utility. Any person other than the 3169 commissioner who makes a demand pursuant to this section shall 3170 produce the person's authority to make the inspection. 3171

(B) If a person or public utility receives at least ten 3172 days' written notice of a demand made under division (A) of this 3173 section and refuses to comply with that demand, a penalty of 3174 five hundred dollars shall be imposed upon the person or public 3175 utility for each day the person or public utility refuses to 3176 comply with the demand. Penalties imposed under this division 3177 may be assessed and collected in the same manner as assessments 3178 made under Chapter 3769., 4305., 5727., 5728., 5733., 5735., 3179 5736., 5739., 5743., 5745., 5747., 5749., 5751., or 5753., or 3180 sections 3734.90 to 3734.9014, of the Revised Code. 3181

(C) For the purpose of ensuring compliance with divisions 3182 (A) (10) to (13) of section 5749.02 of the Revised Code, the 3183 commissioner or any person employed by the commissioner for that 3184 purpose, upon demand, may perform the same functions referenced 3185 in division (A) of this section for any person involved in the 3186 sale, transfer, or other disposition of oil, gas, condensate, or 3187 natural gas liquids as those terms are defined in section\_ 3188 5749.01 of the Revised Code. 3189

# Sec. 5739.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Person" includes individuals, receivers, assignees, 3191
trustees in bankruptcy, estates, firms, partnerships, 3192
associations, joint-stock companies, joint ventures, clubs, 3193
societies, corporations, the state and its political 3194
subdivisions, and combinations of individuals of any form. 3195

(B) "Sale" and "selling" include all of the following
transactions for a consideration in any manner, whether
absolutely or conditionally, whether for a price or rental, in
money or by exchange, and by any means whatsoever:

(1) All transactions by which title or possession, or 3200

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both, of tangible personal property, is or is to be transferred, 3201 or a license to use or consume tangible personal property is or 3202 is to be granted; 3203 (2) All transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is 3204 to be furnished to transient guests; 3205 (3) All transactions by which: 3206 (a) An item of tangible personal property is or is to be 3207 repaired, except property, the purchase of which would not be 3208 subject to the tax imposed by section 5739.02 of the Revised 3209 Code; 3210 (b) An item of tangible personal property is or is to be 3211 installed, except property, the purchase of which would not be 3212 subject to the tax imposed by section 5739.02 of the Revised 3213 Code or property that is or is to be incorporated into and will 3214 become a part of a production, transmission, transportation, or 3215 distribution system for the delivery of a public utility 3216 service; 3217 (c) The service of washing, cleaning, waxing, polishing, 3218 or painting a motor vehicle is or is to be furnished; 3219 (d) Until August 1, 2003, industrial laundry cleaning 3220 services are or are to be provided and, on and after August 1, 3221 2003, laundry and dry cleaning services are or are to be 3222 3223 provided; (e) Automatic data processing, computer services, or 3224 electronic information services are or are to be provided for 3225

use in business when the true object of the transaction is the 3226 receipt by the consumer of automatic data processing, computer 3227 services, or electronic information services rather than the 3228 receipt of personal or professional services to which automatic 3229

data processing, computer services, or electronic information 3230 services are incidental or supplemental. Notwithstanding any 3231 other provision of this chapter, such transactions that occur 3232 between members of an affiliated group are not sales. An 3233 3234 "affiliated group" means two or more persons related in such a way that one person owns or controls the business operation of 3235 another member of the group. In the case of corporations with 3236 stock, one corporation owns or controls another if it owns more 3237 than fifty per cent of the other corporation's common stock with 3238 3239 voting rights. (f) Telecommunications service, including prepaid calling 3240 service, prepaid wireless calling service, or ancillary service, 3241 is or is to be provided, but not including coin-operated 3242 telephone service; 3243 (g) Landscaping and lawn care service is or is to be 3244 provided; 3245 (h) Private investigation and security service is or is to 3246 be provided; 3247 (i) Information services or tangible personal property is 3248 provided or ordered by means of a nine hundred telephone call; 3249 (j) Building maintenance and janitorial service is or is 3250 to be provided; 3251 3252 (k) Employment service is or is to be provided; (1) Employment placement service is or is to be provided; 3253 (m) Exterminating service is or is to be provided; 3254 (n) Physical fitness facility service is or is to be 3255 provided; 3256

(o) Recreation and sports club service is or is to be 3257 provided; 3258 (p) On and after August 1, 2003, satellite broadcasting 3259 service is or is to be provided; 3260 (q) On and after August 1, 2003, personal care service is 32.61 or is to be provided to an individual. As used in this division, 3262 "personal care service" includes skin care, the application of 3263 cosmetics, manicuring, pedicuring, hair removal, tattooing, body 3264 piercing, tanning, massage, and other similar services. 3265 "Personal care service" does not include a service provided by 3266 or on the order of a licensed physician or licensed 3267 chiropractor, or the cutting, coloring, or styling of an 3268 individual's hair. 3269

(r) On and after August 1, 2003, the transportation of 3270 persons by motor vehicle or aircraft is or is to be provided, 3271 when the transportation is entirely within this state, except 3272 for transportation provided by an ambulance service, by a 3273 transit bus, as defined in section 5735.01 of the Revised Code, 3274 and transportation provided by a citizen of the United States 3275 holding a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued 3276 under 49 U.S.C. 41102; 3277

(s) On and after August 1, 2003, motor vehicle towing
service is or is to be provided. As used in this division,
"motor vehicle towing service" means the towing or conveyance of
a wrecked, disabled, or illegally parked motor vehicle.
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(t) On and after August 1, 2003, snow removal service is
or is to be provided. As used in this division, "snow removal
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service" means the removal of snow by any mechanized means, but
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does not include the providing of such service by a person that
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has less than five thousand dollars in sales of such service 3286 during the calendar year. 3287 (u) Electronic publishing service is or is to be provided 3288 to a consumer for use in business, except that such transactions 3289 occurring between members of an affiliated group, as defined in 3290 division (B)(3)(e) of this section, are not sales. 3291 (4) All transactions by which printed, imprinted, 3292 overprinted, lithographic, multilithic, blueprinted, 3293 3294 photostatic, or other productions or reproductions of written or 3295 graphic matter are or are to be furnished or transferred; (5) The production or fabrication of tangible personal 3296 property for a consideration for consumers who furnish either 3297 directly or indirectly the materials used in the production of 3298 fabrication work; and include the furnishing, preparing, or 3299 serving for a consideration of any tangible personal property 3300 consumed on the premises of the person furnishing, preparing, or 3301 serving such tangible personal property. Except as provided in 3302 section 5739.03 of the Revised Code, a construction contract 3303 pursuant to which tangible personal property is or is to be 3304 incorporated into a structure or improvement on and becoming a 3305 part of real property is not a sale of such tangible personal 3306 property. The construction contractor is the consumer of such 3307

tangible personal property, provided that the sale and3308installation of carpeting, the sale and installation of3309agricultural land tile, the sale and erection or installation of3310portable grain bins, or the provision of landscaping and lawn3311care service and the transfer of property as part of such3312service is never a construction contract.3313

As used in division (B)(5) of this section: 3314

# H. B. No. 257 As Introduced

(a) "Agricultural land tile" means fired clay or concrete 3315 tile, or flexible or rigid perforated plastic pipe or tubing, 3316 incorporated or to be incorporated into a subsurface drainage 3317 system appurtenant to land used or to be used primarily in 3318 production by farming, agriculture, horticulture, or 3319 floriculture. The term does not include such materials when they 3320 are or are to be incorporated into a drainage system appurtenant 3321 to a building or structure even if the building or structure is 3322 used or to be used in such production. 3323

(b) "Portable grain bin" means a structure that is used or
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to be used by a person engaged in farming or agriculture to
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shelter the person's grain and that is designed to be
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disassembled without significant damage to its component parts.
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(6) All transactions in which all of the shares of stock 3328 of a closely held corporation are transferred, or an ownership 3329 interest in a pass-through entity, as defined in section 5733.04 3330 of the Revised Code, is transferred, if the corporation or pass-3331 through entity is not engaging in business and its entire assets 3332 consist of boats, planes, motor vehicles, or other tangible 3333 personal property operated primarily for the use and enjoyment 3334 of the shareholders or owners; 3335

(7) All transactions in which a warranty, maintenance or
service contract, or similar agreement by which the vendor of
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the warranty, contract, or agreement agrees to repair or
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maintain the tangible personal property of the consumer is or is
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(8) The transfer of copyrighted motion picture films used
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solely for advertising purposes, except that the transfer of
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such films for exhibition purposes is not a sale;
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(9) On and after August 1, 2003, all transactions by which
tangible personal property is or is to be stored, except such
property that the consumer of the storage holds for sale in the
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regular course of business;
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(10) All transactions in which "guaranteed auto 3348 protection" is provided whereby a person promises to pay to the 3349 consumer the difference between the amount the consumer receives 3350 from motor vehicle insurance and the amount the consumer owes to 3351 a person holding title to or a lien on the consumer's motor 3352 vehicle in the event the consumer's motor vehicle suffers a 3353 total loss under the terms of the motor vehicle insurance policy 3354 or is stolen and not recovered, if the protection and its price 3355 are included in the purchase or lease agreement; 3356

(11) (a) Except as provided in division (B) (11) (b) of this 3357 section, on and after October 1, 2009, all transactions by which 3358 health care services are paid for, reimbursed, provided, 3359 delivered, arranged for, or otherwise made available by a 3360 medicaid health insuring corporation pursuant to the 3361 corporation's contract with the state. 3362

(b) If the centers for medicare and medicaid services of 3363 the United States department of health and human services 3364 determines that the taxation of transactions described in 3365 division (B)(11)(a) of this section constitutes an impermissible 3366 health care-related tax under the "Social Security Act," section 3367 1903(w), 42 U.S.C. 1396b(w), and regulations adopted thereunder, 3368 the medicaid director shall notify the tax commissioner of that 3369 determination. Beginning with the first day of the month 3370 following that notification, the transactions described in 3371 division (B)(11)(a) of this section are not sales for the 3372 purposes of this chapter or Chapter 5741. of the Revised Code. 3373

The tax commissioner shall order that the collection of taxes3374under sections 5739.02, 5739.021, 5739.023, 5739.026, 5741.02,33755741.021, 5741.022, and 5741.023 of the Revised Code shall cease3376for transactions occurring on or after that date.3377

(12) All transactions by which a specified digital product
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is provided for permanent use or less than permanent use,
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regardless of whether continued payment is required.
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Except as provided in this section, "sale" and "selling"3381do not include transfers of interest in leased property where3382the original lessee and the terms of the original lease3383agreement remain unchanged, or professional, insurance, or3384personal service transactions that involve the transfer of3385tangible personal property as an inconsequential element, for3386which no separate charges are made.3387

(C) "Vendor" means the person providing the service or by 3388 whom the transfer effected or license given by a sale is or is 3389 to be made or given and, for sales described in division (B)(3) 3390 (i) of this section, the telecommunications service vendor that 3391 provides the nine hundred telephone service; if two or more 3392 persons are engaged in business at the same place of business 3393 under a single trade name in which all collections on account of 3394 sales by each are made, such persons shall constitute a single 3395 3396 vendor.

Physicians, dentists, hospitals, and veterinarians who are3397engaged in selling tangible personal property as received from3398others, such as eyeglasses, mouthwashes, dentifrices, or similar3399articles, are vendors. Veterinarians who are engaged in3400transferring to others for a consideration drugs, the dispensing3401of which does not require an order of a licensed veterinarian or3402physician under federal law, are vendors.3403

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(D) (1) "Consumer" means the person for whom the service is 3404
provided, to whom the transfer effected or license given by a 3405
sale is or is to be made or given, to whom the service described 3406
in division (B) (3) (f) or (i) of this section is charged, or to 3407
whom the admission is granted. 3408

(2) Physicians, dentists, hospitals, and blood banks 3409 operated by nonprofit institutions and persons licensed to 3410 practice veterinary medicine, surgery, and dentistry are 3411 consumers of all tangible personal property and services 3412 3413 purchased by them in connection with the practice of medicine, dentistry, the rendition of hospital or blood bank service, or 3414 the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery, and dentistry. In 3415 addition to being consumers of drugs administered by them or by 3416 their assistants according to their direction, veterinarians 3417 also are consumers of drugs that under federal law may be 3418 dispensed only by or upon the order of a licensed veterinarian 3419 or physician, when transferred by them to others for a 3420 consideration to provide treatment to animals as directed by the 3421 veterinarian. 3422

(3) A person who performs a facility management, or
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similar service contract for a contractee is a consumer of all
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tangible personal property and services purchased for use in
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connection with the performance of such contract, regardless of
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whether title to any such property vests in the contractee. The
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purchase of such property and services is not subject to the
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exception for resale under division (E) (1) of this section.

(4) (a) In the case of a person who purchases printed
matter for the purpose of distributing it or having it
distributed to the public or to a designated segment of the
gublic, free of charge, that person is the consumer of that

printed matter, and the purchase of that printed matter for that 3434 purpose is a sale. 3435 (b) In the case of a person who produces, rather than 3436 purchases, printed matter for the purpose of distributing it or 3437 having it distributed to the public or to a designated segment 3438 of the public, free of charge, that person is the consumer of 3439 all tangible personal property and services purchased for use or 3440 consumption in the production of that printed matter. That 3441 person is not entitled to claim exemption under division (B) (42) 3442 (f) of section 5739.02 of the Revised Code for any material 3443 incorporated into the printed matter or any equipment, supplies, 3444 or services primarily used to produce the printed matter. 3445 (c) The distribution of printed matter to the public or to 3446 a designated segment of the public, free of charge, is not a 3447 sale to the members of the public to whom the printed matter is 3448 distributed or to any persons who purchase space in the printed 3449 matter for advertising or other purposes. 3450 (5) A person who makes sales of any of the services listed 3451 in division (B)(3) of this section is the consumer of any 3452 tangible personal property used in performing the service. The 3453

purchase of that property is not subject to the resale exception3454under division (E)(1) of this section.3455

(6) A person who engages in highway transportation for
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hire is the consumer of all packaging materials purchased by
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that person and used in performing the service, except for
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packaging materials sold by such person in a transaction
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separate from the service.

(7) In the case of a transaction for health care services3461under division (B)(11) of this section, a medicaid health3462

insuring corporation is the consumer of such services. The 3463
purchase of such services by a medicaid health insuring 3464
corporation is not subject to the exception for resale under 3465
division (E)(1) of this section or to the exemptions provided 3466
under divisions (B)(12), (18), (19), and (22) of section 5739.02 3467
of the Revised Code. 3468

(E) "Retail sale" and "sales at retail" include all sales, 3469
except those in which the purpose of the consumer is to resell 3470
the thing transferred or benefit of the service provided, by a 3471
person engaging in business, in the form in which the same is, 3472
or is to be, received by the person. 3473

(F) "Business" includes any activity engaged in by any
person with the object of gain, benefit, or advantage, either
direct or indirect. "Business" does not include the activity of
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a person in managing and investing the person's own funds.
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(G) "Engaging in business" means commencing, conducting,
or continuing in business, and liquidating a business when the
liquidator thereof holds itself out to the public as conducting
such business. Making a casual sale is not engaging in business.

(H) (1) (a) "Price," except as provided in divisions (H) (2), 3482
(3), and (4), and (5) of this section, means the total amount of 3483
consideration, including cash, credit, property, and services, 3484
for which tangible personal property or services are sold, 3485
leased, or rented, valued in money, whether received in money or 3486
otherwise, without any deduction for any of the following: 3487

(i) The vendor's cost of the property sold;

(ii) The cost of materials used, labor or service costs,
interest, losses, all costs of transportation to the vendor, all
taxes imposed on the vendor, including the tax imposed under
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vendor; 3493 (iii) Charges by the vendor for any services necessary to 3494 complete the sale; 3495 (iv) On and after August 1, 2003, delivery charges. As 3496 used in this division, "delivery charges" means charges by the 3497 vendor for preparation and delivery to a location designated by 3498 the consumer of tangible personal property or a service, 3499 including transportation, shipping, postage, handling, crating, 3500 and packing. 3501 3502 (v) Installation charges; (vi) Credit for any trade-in. 3503 (b) "Price" includes consideration received by the vendor 3504 from a third party, if the vendor actually receives the 3505 consideration from a party other than the consumer, and the 3506 consideration is directly related to a price reduction or 3507 discount on the sale; the vendor has an obligation to pass the 3508 price reduction or discount through to the consumer; the amount 3509 of the consideration attributable to the sale is fixed and 3510 determinable by the vendor at the time of the sale of the item 3511 to the consumer; and one of the following criteria is met: 3512 (i) The consumer presents a coupon, certificate, or other 3513 document to the vendor to claim a price reduction or discount 3514 where the coupon, certificate, or document is authorized, 3515 distributed, or granted by a third party with the understanding 3516

Chapter 5751. of the Revised Code, and any other expense of the

(ii) The consumer identifies the consumer's self to the 3519 seller as a member of a group or organization entitled to a 3520

that the third party will reimburse any vendor to whom the

coupon, certificate, or document is presented;

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price reduction or discount. A preferred customer card that is	3521
available to any patron does not constitute membership in such a	3522
group or organization.	3523
(iii) The price reduction or discount is identified as a	3524
third party price reduction or discount on the invoice received	3525
by the consumer, or on a coupon, certificate, or other document	3526
presented by the consumer.	3527
presented by the consumer.	3327
(c) "Price" does not include any of the following:	3528
(i) Discounts, including cash, term, or coupons that are	3529
not reimbursed by a third party that are allowed by a vendor and	3530
taken by a consumer on a sale;	3531
(ii) Interest, financing, and carrying charges from credit	3532
extended on the sale of tangible personal property or services,	3533
if the amount is separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale,	3534
or similar document given to the purchaser;	3535
(iii) Any taxes legally imposed directly on the consumer	3536
that are separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or	3537
similar document given to the consumer. For the purpose of this	3538
division, the tax imposed under Chapter 5751. of the Revised	3539
Code is not a tax directly on the consumer, even if the tax or a	3540
portion thereof is separately stated.	3541
(iv) Notwithstanding divisions (H)(1)(b)(i) to (iii) of	3542
this section, any discount allowed by an automobile manufacturer	3543
to its employee, or to the employee of a supplier, on the	3544
purchase of a new motor vehicle from a new motor vehicle dealer	3545
in this state.	3546

(v) The dollar value of a gift card that is not sold by a 3547
vendor or purchased by a consumer and that is redeemed by the 3548
consumer in purchasing tangible personal property or services if 3549

the vendor is not reimbursed and does not receive compensation 3550 from a third party to cover all or part of the gift card value. 3551 For the purposes of this division, a gift card is not sold by a 3552 vendor or purchased by a consumer if it is distributed pursuant 3553 to an awards, loyalty, or promotional program. Past and present 3554 purchases of tangible personal property or services by the 3555 consumer shall not be treated as consideration exchanged for a 3556 gift card. 3557

(2) In the case of a sale of any new motor vehicle by a 3558 new motor vehicle dealer, as defined in section 4517.01 of the 3559 Revised Code, in which another motor vehicle is accepted by the 3560 dealer as part of the consideration received, "price" has the 3561 same meaning as in division (H) (1) of this section, reduced by 3562 the credit afforded the consumer by the dealer for the motor 3563 vehicle received in trade. 3564

(3) In the case of a sale of any watercraft or outboard 3565 motor by a watercraft dealer licensed in accordance with section 3566 1547.543 of the Revised Code, in which another watercraft, 3567 watercraft and trailer, or outboard motor is accepted by the 3568 dealer as part of the consideration received, "price" has the 3569 same meaning as in division (H)(1) of this section, reduced by 3570 the credit afforded the consumer by the dealer for the 3571 watercraft, watercraft and trailer, or outboard motor received 3572 in trade. As used in this division, "watercraft" includes an 3573 outdrive unit attached to the watercraft. 3574

(4) In the case of transactions for health care services 3575
under division (B)(11) of this section, "price" means the amount 3576
of managed care premiums received each month by a medicaid 3577
health insuring corporation. 3578

(5) In the case of a sale of tangible personal property in 3579

which the vendor agrees to accept a core from the consumer as	3580
part of the consideration received, "price" has the same meaning	3581
as in division (H)(1) of this section, reduced by the credit	3582
afforded to the consumer by the vendor for the core. If the core	3583
is not received by the vendor at the time of the sale, the price	3584
shall not be so reduced. If the core is received by the vendor	3585
after the sale, the vendor shall refund to the consumer the	3586
amount of tax paid on the credit afforded to the consumer for	3587
the core. As used in division (H)(5) of this section, "core"	3588
means an item of tangible personal property conveyed by a	3589
consumer to a vendor for the purpose of recycling or	3590
remanufacturing the item.	3591
(I) "Receipts" means the total amount of the prices of the	3592
sales of vendors, provided that the dollar value of gift cards	3593
distributed pursuant to an awards, loyalty, or promotional	3594

program, and cash discounts allowed and taken on sales at the 3595 time they are consummated are not included, minus any amount 3596 deducted as a bad debt pursuant to section 5739.121 of the 3597 Revised Code. "Receipts" does not include the sale price of 3598 property returned or services rejected by consumers when the 3599 full sale price and tax are refunded either in cash or by 3600 credit. 3601

(J) "Place of business" means any location at which agerson engages in business.3603

(K) "Premises" includes any real property or portion
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thereof upon which any person engages in selling tangible
personal property at retail or making retail sales and also
includes any real property or portion thereof designated for, or
devoted to, use in conjunction with the business engaged in by
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such person.

(L) "Casual sale" means a sale of an item of tangible 3610 personal property that was obtained by the person making the 3611 sale, through purchase or otherwise, for the person's own use 3612 and was previously subject to any state's taxing jurisdiction on 3613 its sale or use, and includes such items acquired for the 3614 seller's use that are sold by an auctioneer employed directly by 3615 the person for such purpose, provided the location of such sales 3616 is not the auctioneer's permanent place of business. As used in 3617 this division, "permanent place of business" includes any 3618 location where such auctioneer has conducted more than two 3619 auctions during the year. 3620

(M) "Hotel" means every establishment kept, used,
maintained, advertised, or held out to the public to be a place
where sleeping accommodations are offered to guests, in which
five or more rooms are used for the accommodation of such
guests, whether the rooms are in one or several structures,
except as otherwise provided in division (G) of section 5739.09
of the Revised Code.

(N) "Transient guests" means persons occupying a room or 3628rooms for sleeping accommodations for less than thirty 3629consecutive days. 3630

(O) "Making retail sales" means the effecting of 3631 transactions wherein one party is obligated to pay the price and 3632 the other party is obligated to provide a service or to transfer 3633 title to or possession of the item sold. "Making retail sales" 3634 does not include the preliminary acts of promoting or soliciting 3635 the retail sales, other than the distribution of printed matter 3636 which displays or describes and prices the item offered for 3637 sale, nor does it include delivery of a predetermined quantity 3638 of tangible personal property or transportation of property or 3639

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personnel to or from a place where a service is performed.

(P) "Used directly in the rendition of a public utility 3641 service" means that property that is to be incorporated into and 3642 will become a part of the consumer's production, transmission, 3643 transportation, or distribution system and that retains its 3644 classification as tangible personal property after such 3645 incorporation; fuel or power used in the production, 3646 transmission, transportation, or distribution system; and 3647 tangible personal property used in the repair and maintenance of 3648 3649 the production, transmission, transportation, or distribution system, including only such motor vehicles as are specially 3650 designed and equipped for such use. Tangible personal property 3651 and services used primarily in providing highway transportation 3652 for hire are not used directly in the rendition of a public 3653 utility service. In this definition, "public utility" includes a 3654 citizen of the United States holding, and required to hold, a 3655 certificate of public convenience and necessity issued under 49 3656 U.S.C. 41102. 3657

(Q) "Refining" means removing or separating a desirable
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 product from raw or contaminated materials by distillation or
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 physical, mechanical, or chemical processes.
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(R) "Assembly" and "assembling" mean attaching or fittingtogether parts to form a product, but do not include packaging a3662product.3663

(S) "Manufacturing operation" means a process in which
materials are changed, converted, or transformed into a
different state or form from which they previously existed and
different state or form from which they previously existed and
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includes refining materials, assembling parts, and preparing raw
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materials and parts by mixing, measuring, blending, or otherwise
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committing such materials or parts to the manufacturing process.

"Manufacturing operation" does not include packaging.

(T) "Fiscal officer" means, with respect to a regional 3671 transit authority, the secretary-treasurer thereof, and with 3672 respect to a county that is a transit authority, the fiscal 3673 officer of the county transit board if one is appointed pursuant 3674 to section 306.03 of the Revised Code or the county auditor if 3675 the board of county commissioners operates the county transit 3676 system. 3677

(U) "Transit authority" means a regional transit authority 3678 created pursuant to section 306.31 of the Revised Code or a 3679 county in which a county transit system is created pursuant to 3680 section 306.01 of the Revised Code. For the purposes of this 3681 chapter, a transit authority must extend to at least the entire 3682 area of a single county. A transit authority that includes 3683 territory in more than one county must include all the area of 3684 the most populous county that is a part of such transit 3685 authority. County population shall be measured by the most 3686 recent census taken by the United States census bureau. 3687

(V) "Legislative authority" means, with respect to a 3688 regional transit authority, the board of trustees thereof, and 3689 with respect to a county that is a transit authority, the board 3690 of county commissioners. 3691

(W) "Territory of the transit authority" means all of the 3692 area included within the territorial boundaries of a transit 3693 authority as they from time to time exist. Such territorial 3694 boundaries must at all times include all the area of a single 3695 county or all the area of the most populous county that is a 3696 part of such transit authority. County population shall be 3697 measured by the most recent census taken by the United States 3698 census bureau. 3699

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(X) "Providing a service" means providing or furnishing	3700
anything described in division (B)(3) of this section for	3701
consideration.	3702
(Y)(1)(a) "Automatic data processing" means processing of	3703
others' data, including keypunching or similar data entry	3704
services together with verification thereof, or providing access	3705
to computer equipment for the purpose of processing data.	3706
(b) "Computer services" means providing services	3707
consisting of specifying computer hardware configurations and	3708
evaluating technical processing characteristics, computer	3709
programming, and training of computer programmers and operators,	3710
provided in conjunction with and to support the sale, lease, or	3711
operation of taxable computer equipment or systems.	3712
(c) "Electronic information services" means providing	3713
access to computer equipment by means of telecommunications	3714
equipment for the purpose of either of the following:	3715
(i) Examining or acquiring data stored in or accessible to	3716
the computer equipment;	3717
(ii) Placing data into the computer equipment to be	3718
retrieved by designated recipients with access to the computer	3719
equipment.	3720
For transactions occurring on or after the effective date	3721
of the amendment of this section by H.B. 157 of the 127th	3722
general assembly, December 21, 2007, "electronic information	3723
services" does not include electronic publishing as defined in	3724
division (LLL) of this section.	3725
(d) "Automatic data processing, computer services, or	3726
electronic information services" shall not include personal or	3727
professional services.	3728

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(2) As used in divisions (B)(3)(e) and (Y)(1) of this 3729 section, "personal and professional services" means all services 3730 other than automatic data processing, computer services, or 3731 electronic information services, including but not limited to: 3732 (a) Accounting and legal services such as advice on tax 3733 matters, asset management, budgetary matters, quality control, 3734 information security, and auditing and any other situation where 3735 the service provider receives data or information and studies, 3736 alters, analyzes, interprets, or adjusts such material; 3737 (b) Analyzing business policies and procedures; 3738 (c) Identifying management information needs; 3739 (d) Feasibility studies, including economic and technical 3740 analysis of existing or potential computer hardware or software 3741 needs and alternatives; 3742 (e) Designing policies, procedures, and custom software 3743 for collecting business information, and determining how data 3744 should be summarized, sequenced, formatted, processed, 3745 controlled, and reported so that it will be meaningful to 3746 3747 management; (f) Developing policies and procedures that document how 3748 business events and transactions are to be authorized, executed, 3749 3750 and controlled; (g) Testing of business procedures; 3751 (h) Training personnel in business procedure applications; 3752 (i) Providing credit information to users of such 3753 information by a consumer reporting agency, as defined in the 3754 "Fair Credit Reporting Act," 84 Stat. 1114, 1129 (1970), 15 3755 U.S.C. 1681a(f), or as hereafter amended, including but not 3756

limited to gathering, organizing, analyzing, recording, and furnishing such information by any oral, written, graphic, or electronic medium;	3757 3758 3759
(j) Providing debt collection services by any oral, written, graphic, or electronic means.	3760 3761
The services listed in divisions (Y)(2)(a) to (j) of this section are not automatic data processing or computer services.	3762 3763
(Z) "Highway transportation for hire" means the	3764
transportation of personal property belonging to others for	3765
consideration by any of the following:	3766
(1) The holder of a permit or certificate issued by this	3767
state or the United States authorizing the holder to engage in	3768
transportation of personal property belonging to others for	3769
consideration over or on highways, roadways, streets, or any	3770
similar public thoroughfare;	3771
(2) A person who engages in the transportation of personal	3772
property belonging to others for consideration over or on	3773
highways, roadways, streets, or any similar public thoroughfare	3774
but who could not have engaged in such transportation on	3775
December 11, 1985, unless the person was the holder of a permit	3776
or certificate of the types described in division (Z)(1) of this	3777
section;	3778
(3) A person who leases a motor vehicle to and operates it	3779
for a person described by division (Z)(1) or (2) of this	3780
section.	3781
(AA)(1) "Telecommunications service" means the electronic	3782
transmission, conveyance, or routing of voice, data, audio,	3783
video, or any other information or signals to a point, or	3784
between or among points. "Telecommunications service" includes	3785

such transmission, conveyance, or routing in which computer processing applications are used to act on the form, code, or 3787 protocol of the content for purposes of transmission, 3788 conveyance, or routing without regard to whether the service is 3789 referred to as voice-over internet protocol service or is 3790 classified by the federal communications commission as enhanced 3791 or value-added. "Telecommunications service" does not include 3792 any of the following: 3793 (a) Data processing and information services that allow 3794 data to be generated, acquired, stored, processed, or retrieved 3795 and delivered by an electronic transmission to a consumer where 3796 the consumer's primary purpose for the underlying transaction is 3797 the processed data or information; 3798 (b) Installation or maintenance of wiring or equipment on 3799 a customer's premises; 3800 3801 (c) Tangible personal property; (d) Advertising, including directory advertising; 3802 (e) Billing and collection services provided to third 3803 3804 parties; (f) Internet access service; 3805 (g) Radio and television audio and video programming 3806 services, regardless of the medium, including the furnishing of 3807 transmission, conveyance, and routing of such services by the 3808 programming service provider. Radio and television audio and 3809 video programming services include, but are not limited to, 3810 cable service, as defined in 47 U.S.C. 522(6), and audio and 3811 video programming services delivered by commercial mobile radio 3812

service providers, as defined in 47 C.F.R. 20.3;

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(h) Ancillary service;	3814
(i) Digital products delivered electronically, including	3815
software, music, video, reading materials, or ring tones.	3816
(2) "Ancillary service" means a service that is associated	3817
with or incidental to the provision of telecommunications	3818
service, including conference bridging service, detailed	3819
telecommunications billing service, directory assistance,	3820
vertical service, and voice mail service. As used in this	3821
division:	3822
(a) "Conference bridging service" means an ancillary	3823
service that links two or more participants of an audio or video	3824
conference call, including providing a telephone number.	3825
"Conference bridging service" does not include	3826
telecommunications services used to reach the conference bridge.	3827
(b) "Detailed telecommunications billing service" means an	3828
ancillary service of separately stating information pertaining	3829
to individual calls on a customer's billing statement.	3830
(c) "Directory assistance" means an ancillary service of	3831
providing telephone number or address information.	3832
(d) "Vertical service" means an ancillary service that is	3833
offered in connection with one or more telecommunications	3834
services, which offers advanced calling features that allow	3835
customers to identify callers and manage multiple calls and call	3836
connections, including conference bridging service.	3837
(e) "Voice mail service" means an ancillary service that	3838
enables the customer to store, send, or receive recorded	3839
messages. "Voice mail service" does not include any vertical	3840
services that the customer may be required to have in order to	3841
utilize the voice mail service.	3842

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(3) "900 service" means an inbound toll telecommunications 3843 service purchased by a subscriber that allows the subscriber's 3844 customers to call in to the subscriber's prerecorded 3845 announcement or live service, and which is typically marketed 3846 under the name "900 service" and any subsequent numbers 3847 designated by the federal communications commission. "900 3848 service" does not include the charge for collection services 3849 provided by the seller of the telecommunications service to the 3850 3851 subscriber, or services or products sold by the subscriber to the subscriber's customer. 3852

(4) "Prepaid calling service" means the right to access
access number or authorization code, whether manually or
access number or authorization code, whether manually or
access of which the number declines with use in a known
access amount.

(5) "Prepaid wireless calling service" means a 3860 telecommunications service that provides the right to utilize 3861 mobile telecommunications service as well as other non-3862 telecommunications services, including the download of digital 3863 products delivered electronically, and content and ancillary 3864 services, that must be paid for in advance and that is sold in 3865 predetermined units or dollars of which the number declines with 3866 use in a known amount. 3867

(6) "Value-added non-voice data service" means a
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telecommunications service in which computer processing
applications are used to act on the form, content, code, or
protocol of the information or data primarily for a purpose
other than transmission, conveyance, or routing.

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(7) "Coin-operated telephone service" means a
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 telecommunications service paid for by inserting money into a
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 telephone accepting direct deposits of money to operate.
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(8) "Customer" has the same meaning as in section 5739.034(8) of the Revised Code.(8) 3877

(BB) "Laundry and dry cleaning services" means removing 3878 soil or dirt from towels, linens, articles of clothing, or other 3879 fabric items that belong to others and supplying towels, linens, 3880 articles of clothing, or other fabric items. "Laundry and dry 3881 cleaning services" does not include the provision of self-3882 service facilities for use by consumers to remove soil or dirt 3883 from towels, linens, articles of clothing, or other fabric 3884 items. 3885

(CC) "Magazines distributed as controlled circulation 3886 publications" means magazines containing at least twenty-four 3887 pages, at least twenty-five per cent editorial content, issued 3888 at regular intervals four or more times a year, and circulated 3889 without charge to the recipient, provided that such magazines 3890 are not owned or controlled by individuals or business concerns 3891 which conduct such publications as an auxiliary to, and 3892 essentially for the advancement of the main business or calling 3893 of, those who own or control them. 3894

(DD) "Landscaping and lawn care service" means the 3895 services of planting, seeding, sodding, removing, cutting, 3896 trimming, pruning, mulching, aerating, applying chemicals, 3897 watering, fertilizing, and providing similar services to 3898 establish, promote, or control the growth of trees, shrubs, 3899 flowers, grass, ground cover, and other flora, or otherwise 3900 maintaining a lawn or landscape grown or maintained by the owner 3901 for ornamentation or other nonagricultural purpose. However, 3902

"landscaping and lawn care service" does not include the 3903 providing of such services by a person who has less than five 3904 thousand dollars in sales of such services during the calendar 3905 year. 3906

(EE) "Private investigation and security service" means 3907 the performance of any activity for which the provider of such 3908 service is required to be licensed pursuant to Chapter 4749. of 3909 the Revised Code, or would be required to be so licensed in 3910 performing such services in this state, and also includes the 3911 services of conducting polygraph examinations and of monitoring 3912 or overseeing the activities on or in, or the condition of, the 3913 consumer's home, business, or other facility by means of 3914 electronic or similar monitoring devices. "Private investigation 3915 and security service" does not include special duty services 3916 provided by off-duty police officers, deputy sheriffs, and other 3917 peace officers regularly employed by the state or a political 3918 subdivision. 3919

(FF) "Information services" means providing conversation, 3920 giving consultation or advice, playing or making a voice or 3921 other recording, making or keeping a record of the number of 3922 callers, and any other service provided to a consumer by means 3923 of a nine hundred telephone call, except when the nine hundred 3924 telephone call is the means by which the consumer makes a 3925 contribution to a recognized charity. 3926

(GG) "Research and development" means designing, creating, 3927 or formulating new or enhanced products, equipment, or 3928 manufacturing processes, and also means conducting scientific or 3929 technological inquiry and experimentation in the physical 3930 sciences with the goal of increasing scientific knowledge which 3931 may reveal the bases for new or enhanced products, equipment, or 3932

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manufacturing processes.

(HH) "Qualified research and development equipment" means 3934 capitalized tangible personal property, and leased personal 3935 property that would be capitalized if purchased, used by a 3936 person primarily to perform research and development. Tangible 3937 personal property primarily used in testing, as defined in 3938 division (A)(4) of section 5739.011 of the Revised Code, or used 3939 for recording or storing test results, is not qualified research 3940 and development equipment unless such property is primarily used 3941 3942 by the consumer in testing the product, equipment, or manufacturing process being created, designed, or formulated by 3943 the consumer in the research and development activity or in 3944 recording or storing such test results. 3945

(II) "Building maintenance and janitorial service" means 3946 cleaning the interior or exterior of a building and any tangible 3947 personal property located therein or thereon, including any 3948 services incidental to such cleaning for which no separate 3949 charge is made. However, "building maintenance and janitorial 3950 service" does not include the providing of such service by a 3951 person who has less than five thousand dollars in sales of such 3952 3953 service during the calendar year.

(JJ) "Employment service" means providing or supplying 3954 personnel, on a temporary or long-term basis, to perform work or 3955 labor under the supervision or control of another, when the 3956 personnel so provided or supplied receive their wages, salary, 3957 or other compensation from the provider or supplier of the 3958 employment service or from a third party that provided or 3959 supplied the personnel to the provider or supplier. "Employment 3960 service" does not include: 3961

(1) Acting as a contractor or subcontractor, where the 3962

personnel performing the work are not under the direct control of the purchaser.	3963 3964
of the purchaser.	5501
(2) Medical and health care services.	3965
(3) Supplying personnel to a purchaser pursuant to a	3966
contract of at least one year between the service provider and	3967
the purchaser that specifies that each employee covered under	3968
the contract is assigned to the purchaser on a permanent basis.	3969
(4) Transactions between members of an affiliated group,	3970
as defined in division (B)(3)(e) of this section.	3971
(5) Transactions where the personnel so provided or	3972
supplied by a provider or supplier to a purchaser of an	3973
employment service are then provided or supplied by that	3974
purchaser to a third party as an employment service, except	3975
"employment service" does include the transaction between that	3976
purchaser and the third party.	3977
(KK) "Employment placement service" means locating or	3978
finding employment for a person or finding or locating an	3979
employee to fill an available position.	3980
(LL) "Exterminating service" means eradicating or	3981
attempting to eradicate vermin infestations from a building or	3982
structure, or the area surrounding a building or structure, and	3983
includes activities to inspect, detect, or prevent vermin	3984
infestation of a building or structure.	3985
(MM) "Physical fitness facility service" means all	3986
transactions by which a membership is granted, maintained, or	3987
renewed, including initiation fees, membership dues, renewal	3988
fees, monthly minimum fees, and other similar fees and dues, by	3989
a physical fitness facility such as an athletic club, health	3990
spa, or gymnasium, which entitles the member to use the facility	3991

for physical exercise.

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(NN) "Recreation and sports club service" means all 3993 transactions by which a membership is granted, maintained, or 3994 renewed, including initiation fees, membership dues, renewal 3995 fees, monthly minimum fees, and other similar fees and dues, by 3996 a recreation and sports club, which entitles the member to use 3997 the facilities of the organization. "Recreation and sports club" 3998 means an organization that has ownership of, or controls or 3999 leases on a continuing, long-term basis, the facilities used by 4000 its members and includes an aviation club, gun or shooting club, 4001 yacht club, card club, swimming club, tennis club, golf club, 4002 country club, riding club, amateur sports club, or similar 4003 organization. 4004

(00) "Livestock" means farm animals commonly raised for
food, food production, or other agricultural purposes,
food, but not limited to, cattle, sheep, goats, swine,
poultry, and captive deer. "Livestock" does not include
invertebrates, amphibians, reptiles, domestic pets, animals for
use in laboratories or for exhibition, or other animals not
commonly raised for food or food production.

(PP) "Livestock structure" means a building or structure
used exclusively for the housing, raising, feeding, or
sheltering of livestock, and includes feed storage or handling
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structures and structures for livestock waste handling.

(QQ) "Horticulture" means the growing, cultivation, and 4016
production of flowers, fruits, herbs, vegetables, sod, 4017
mushrooms, and nursery stock. As used in this division, "nursery 4018
stock" has the same meaning as in section 927.51 of the Revised 4019
Code. 4020

(RR) "Horticulture structure" means a building or 4021 structure used exclusively for the commercial growing, raising, 4022 or overwintering of horticultural products, and includes the 4023 area used for stocking, storing, and packing horticultural 4024 products when done in conjunction with the production of those 4025 products. 4026

(SS) "Newspaper" means an unbound publication bearing a 4027 title or name that is regularly published, at least as 4028 frequently as biweekly, and distributed from a fixed place of 4029 business to the public in a specific geographic area, and that 4030 contains a substantial amount of news matter of international, 4031 national, or local events of interest to the general public. 4032

(TT) "Professional racing team" means a person that 4033 employs at least twenty full-time employees for the purpose of 4034 conducting a motor vehicle racing business for profit. The 4035 person must conduct the business with the purpose of racing one 4036 or more motor racing vehicles in at least ten competitive 4037 professional racing events each year that comprise all or part 4038 of a motor racing series sanctioned by one or more motor racing 4039 sanctioning organizations. A "motor racing vehicle" means a 4040 vehicle for which the chassis, engine, and parts are designed 4041 exclusively for motor racing, and does not include a stock or 4042 production model vehicle that may be modified for use in racing. 4043 For the purposes of this division: 4044

(1) A "competitive professional racing event" is a motor
vehicle racing event sanctioned by one or more motor racing
sanctioning organizations, at which aggregate cash prizes in
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excess of eight hundred thousand dollars are awarded to the
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competitors.

(2) "Full-time employee" means an individual who is

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employed for consideration for thirty-five or more hours a week,4051or who renders any other standard of service generally accepted4052by custom or specified by contract as full-time employment.4053

(UU)(1) "Lease" or "rental" means any transfer of the 4054 possession or control of tangible personal property for a fixed 4055 or indefinite term, for consideration. "Lease" or "rental" 4056 includes future options to purchase or extend, and agreements 4057 described in 26 U.S.C. 7701(h)(1) covering motor vehicles and 4058 trailers where the amount of consideration may be increased or 4059 decreased by reference to the amount realized upon the sale or 4060 disposition of the property. "Lease" or "rental" does not 4061 include: 4062

(a) A transfer of possession or control of tangible
personal property under a security agreement or a deferred
payment plan that requires the transfer of title upon completion
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of the required payments;

(b) A transfer of possession or control of tangible
personal property under an agreement that requires the transfer
of title upon completion of required payments and payment of an
option price that does not exceed the greater of one hundred
dollars or one per cent of the total required payments;

(c) Providing tangible personal property along with an
operator for a fixed or indefinite period of time, if the
operator is necessary for the property to perform as designed.
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For purposes of this division, the operator must do more than
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maintain, inspect, or set up the tangible personal property.

(2) "Lease" and "rental," as defined in division (UU) of
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this section, shall not apply to leases or rentals that exist
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before June 26, 2003.

(3) "Lease" and "rental" have the same meaning as in
division (UU) (1) of this section regardless of whether a
transaction is characterized as a lease or rental under
generally accepted accounting principles, the Internal Revenue
Code, Title XIII of the Revised Code, or other federal, state,
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(VV) "Mobile telecommunications service" has the same 4086 meaning as in the "Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act," Pub. 4087 L. No. 106-252, 114 Stat. 631 (2000), 4 U.S.C.A. 124(7), as 4088 amended, and, on and after August 1, 2003, includes related fees 4089 and ancillary services, including universal service fees, 4090 detailed billing service, directory assistance, service 4091 initiation, voice mail service, and vertical services, such as 4092 caller ID and three-way calling. 4093

(WW) "Certified service provider" has the same meaning as 4094 in section 5740.01 of the Revised Code. 4095

(XX) "Satellite broadcasting service" means the 4096 distribution or broadcasting of programming or services by 4097 satellite directly to the subscriber's receiving equipment 4098 without the use of ground receiving or distribution equipment, 4099 except the subscriber's receiving equipment or equipment used in 4100 the uplink process to the satellite, and includes all service 4101 and rental charges, premium channels or other special services, 4102 installation and repair service charges, and any other charges 4103 having any connection with the provision of the satellite 4104 broadcasting service. 4105

(YY) "Tangible personal property" means personal property
that can be seen, weighed, measured, felt, or touched, or that
is in any other manner perceptible to the senses. For purposes
of this chapter and Chapter 5741. of the Revised Code, "tangible

personal property" includes motor vehicles, electricity, water,	4110
gas, steam, and prewritten computer software.	4111
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(ZZ) "Direct mail" means printed material delivered or	4112
distributed by United States mail or other delivery service to a	4113
mass audience or to addressees on a mailing list provided by the	4114
consumer or at the direction of the consumer when the cost of	4115
the items are not billed directly to the recipients. "Direct	4116
mail" includes tangible personal property supplied directly or	4117
indirectly by the consumer to the direct mail vendor for	4118
inclusion in the package containing the printed material.	4119
"Direct mail" does not include multiple items of printed	4120
material delivered to a single address.	4121
(AAA) "Computer" means an electronic device that accepts	4122
information in digital or similar form and manipulates it for a	4123
result based on a sequence of instructions.	4124
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(BBB) "Computer software" means a set of coded	4125
instructions designed to cause a computer or automatic data	4126
processing equipment to perform a task.	4127
(CCC) "Delivered electronically" means delivery of	4128
computer software from the seller to the purchaser by means	4129
other than tangible storage media.	4130
(DDD) "Prewritten computer software" means computer	4131
software, including prewritten upgrades, that is not designed	4132
and developed by the author or other creator to the	4133
specifications of a specific purchaser. The combining of two or	4134
more prewritten computer software programs or prewritten	4135
portions thereof does not cause the combination to be other than	4136
prewritten computer software. "Prewritten computer software"	4137
includes software designed and developed by the author or other	4138

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creator to the specifications of a specific purchaser when it is 4139 sold to a person other than the purchaser. If a person modifies 4140 or enhances computer software of which the person is not the 4141 author or creator, the person shall be deemed to be the author 4142 or creator only of such person's modifications or enhancements. 4143 4144 Prewritten computer software or a prewritten portion thereof 4145 that is modified or enhanced to any degree, where such modification or enhancement is designed and developed to the 4146 specifications of a specific purchaser, remains prewritten 4147 computer software; provided, however, that where there is a 4148 reasonable, separately stated charge or an invoice or other 4149 statement of the price given to the purchaser for the 4150 modification or enhancement, the modification or enhancement 4151 shall not constitute prewritten computer software. 4152

(EEE)(1) "Food" means substances, whether in liquid, 4153 concentrated, solid, frozen, dried, or dehydrated form, that are 4154 sold for ingestion or chewing by humans and are consumed for 4155 their taste or nutritional value. "Food" does not include 4156 alcoholic beverages, dietary supplements, soft drinks, or 4157 tobacco. 4158

(2) As used in division (EEE)(1) of this section: 4159

(a) "Alcoholic beverages" means beverages that are
suitable for human consumption and contain one-half of one per
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cent or more of alcohol by volume.
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(b) "Dietary supplements" means any product, other than
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tobacco, that is intended to supplement the diet and that is
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intended for ingestion in tablet, capsule, powder, softgel,
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gelcap, or liquid form, or, if not intended for ingestion in
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such a form, is not represented as conventional food for use as
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a sole item of a meal or of the diet; that is required to be

labeled as a dietary supplement, identifiable by the "supplement4169facts" box found on the label, as required by 21 C.F.R. 101.36;4170and that contains one or more of the following dietary4171ingredients:4172

 (i) A vitamin;
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 (ii) A mineral;
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 (iii) An herb or other botanical;
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 (iv) An amino acid;
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(v) A dietary substance for use by humans to supplement4177the diet by increasing the total dietary intake;4178

(vi) A concentrate, metabolite, constituent, extract, or
combination of any ingredient described in divisions (EEE) (2) (b)
(i) to (v) of this section.
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(c) "Soft drinks" means nonalcoholic beverages that
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contain natural or artificial sweeteners. "Soft drinks" does not
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include beverages that contain milk or milk products, soy, rice,
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or similar milk substitutes, or that contains greater than fifty
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per cent vegetable or fruit juice by volume.

(d) "Tobacco" means cigarettes, cigars, chewing or pipe4187tobacco, or any other item that contains tobacco.4188

(FFF) "Drug" means a compound, substance, or preparation, 4189 and any component of a compound, substance, or preparation, 4190 other than food, dietary supplements, or alcoholic beverages 4191 that is recognized in the official United States pharmacopoeia, 4192 official homeopathic pharmacopoeia of the United States, or 4193 official national formulary, and supplements to them; is 4194 intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, 4195 or prevention of disease; or is intended to affect the structure 4196

or any function of the body.

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(GGG) "Prescription" means an order, formula, or recipe4198issued in any form of oral, written, electronic, or other means4199of transmission by a duly licensed practitioner authorized by4200the laws of this state to issue a prescription.4201

(HHH) "Durable medical equipment" means equipment, 4202
including repair and replacement parts for such equipment, that 4203
can withstand repeated use, is primarily and customarily used to 4204
serve a medical purpose, generally is not useful to a person in 4205
the absence of illness or injury, and is not worn in or on the 4206
body. "Durable medical equipment" does not include mobility 4207
enhancing equipment.

(III) "Mobility enhancing equipment" means equipment, 4209 including repair and replacement parts for such equipment, that 4210 is primarily and customarily used to provide or increase the 4211 ability to move from one place to another and is appropriate for 4212 use either in a home or a motor vehicle, that is not generally 4213 used by persons with normal mobility, and that does not include 4214 any motor vehicle or equipment on a motor vehicle normally 4215 provided by a motor vehicle manufacturer. "Mobility enhancing 4216 equipment" does not include durable medical equipment. 4217

(JJJ) "Prosthetic device" means a replacement, corrective, 4218 or supportive device, including repair and replacement parts for 4219 the device, worn on or in the human body to artificially replace 4220 a missing portion of the body, prevent or correct physical 4221 deformity or malfunction, or support a weak or deformed portion 4222 of the body. As used in this division, "prosthetic device" does 4223 not include corrective eyeglasses, contact lenses, or dental 4224 prosthesis. 4225

(KKK) (1) "Fractional aircraft ownership program" means a 4226 program in which persons within an affiliated group sell and 4227 manage fractional ownership program aircraft, provided that at 4228 least one hundred airworthy aircraft are operated in the program 4229 and the program meets all of the following criteria: 4230 (a) Management services are provided by at least one 4231 program manager within an affiliated group on behalf of the 4232 fractional owners. 4233 (b) Each program aircraft is owned or possessed by at 4234 least one fractional owner. 4235 4236 (c) Each fractional owner owns or possesses at least a one-sixteenth interest in at least one fixed-wing program 4237 aircraft. 4238 (d) A dry-lease aircraft interchange arrangement is in 4239 effect among all of the fractional owners. 4240 (e) Multi-year program agreements are in effect regarding 4241 the fractional ownership, management services, and dry-lease 4242 aircraft interchange arrangement aspects of the program. 4243 (2) As used in division (KKK) (1) of this section: 4244 (a) "Affiliated group" has the same meaning as in division 4245 (B)(3)(e) of this section. 4246 (b) "Fractional owner" means a person that owns or 4247 4248 possesses at least a one-sixteenth interest in a program aircraft and has entered into the agreements described in 4249 division (KKK) (1) (e) of this section. 4250 (c) "Fractional ownership program aircraft" or "program 4251 aircraft" means a turbojet aircraft that is owned or possessed 4252 by a fractional owner and that has been included in a dry-lease 4253

aircraft interchange arrangement and agreement under divisions4254(KKK) (1) (d) and (e) of this section, or an aircraft a program4255manager owns or possesses primarily for use in a fractional4256aircraft ownership program.4257

(d) "Management services" means administrative and 4258 aviation support services furnished under a fractional aircraft 4259 ownership program in accordance with a management services 4260 agreement under division (KKK) (1) (e) of this section, and 4261 4262 offered by the program manager to the fractional owners, 4263 including, at a minimum, the establishment and implementation of 4264 safety guidelines; the coordination of the scheduling of the program aircraft and crews; program aircraft maintenance; 4265 program aircraft insurance; crew training for crews employed, 4266 furnished, or contracted by the program manager or the 4267 fractional owner; the satisfaction of record-keeping 4268 requirements; and the development and use of an operations 4269 manual and a maintenance manual for the fractional aircraft 4270 ownership program. 4271

(e) "Program manager" means the person that offers
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 management services to fractional owners pursuant to a
 management services agreement under division (KKK) (1) (e) of this
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 section.

(LLL) "Electronic publishing" means providing access to 4276 one or more of the following primarily for business customers, 4277 including the federal government or a state government or a 4278 political subdivision thereof, to conduct research: news; 4279 business, financial, legal, consumer, or credit materials; 4280 editorials, columns, reader commentary, or features; photos or 4281 images; archival or research material; legal notices, identity 4282 verification, or public records; scientific, educational, 4283

instructional, technical, professional, trade, or other literary 4284
materials; or other similar information which has been gathered 4285
and made available by the provider to the consumer in an 4286
electronic format. Providing electronic publishing includes the 4287
functions necessary for the acquisition, formatting, editing, 4288
storage, and dissemination of data or information that is the 4289
subject of a sale. 4290

(MMM) "Medicaid health insuring corporation" means a 4291 health insuring corporation that holds a certificate of 4292 authority under Chapter 1751. of the Revised Code and is under 4293 contract with the department of job and family services pursuant 4294 to section 5111.17 of the Revised Code. 4295

(NNN) "Managed care premium" means any premium, 4296
capitation, or other payment a medicaid health insuring 4297
corporation receives for providing or arranging for the 4298
provision of health care services to its members or enrollees 4299
residing in this state. 4300

(OOO) "Captive deer" means deer and other cervidae thathave been legally acquired, or their offspring, that areprivately owned for agricultural or farming purposes.4303

(PPP) "Gift card" means a document, card, certificate, or 4304 other record, whether tangible or intangible, that may be 4305 redeemed by a consumer for a dollar value when making a purchase 4306 of tangible personal property or services. 4307

(QQQ) "Specified digital product" means an electronically4308transferred digital audiovisual work, digital audio work, or4309digital book.4310

As used in division (QQQ) of this section: 4311

(1) "Digital audiovisual work" means a series of related 4312

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# images that, when shown in succession, impart an impression of 4313 motion, together with accompanying sounds, if any. (2) "Digital audio work" means a work that results from 4315 the fixation of a series of musical, spoken, or other sounds, 4316 including digitized sound files that are downloaded onto a 4317 device and that may be used to alert the customer with respect 4318 to a communication.

(3) "Digital book" means a work that is generally4320recognized in the ordinary and usual sense as a book.4321

(4) "Electronically transferred" means obtained by the4322purchaser by means other than tangible storage media.4323

Sec. 5747.02. (A) For the purpose of providing revenue for 4324 the support of schools and local government functions, to 4325 provide relief to property taxpayers, to provide revenue for the 4326 general revenue fund, and to meet the expenses of administering 4327 the tax levied by this chapter, there is hereby levied on every 4328 individual, trust, and estate residing in or earning or 4329 receiving income in this state, on every individual, trust, and 4330 estate earning or receiving lottery winnings, prizes, or awards 4331 4332 pursuant to Chapter 3770. of the Revised Code, on every individual, trust, and estate earning or receiving winnings on 4333 casino gaming, and on every individual, trust, and estate 4334 otherwise having nexus with or in this state under the 4335 Constitution of the United States, an annual tax measured in the 4336 case of individuals by Ohio adjusted gross income less an 4337 exemption for the taxpayer, the taxpayer's spouse, and each 4338 dependent as provided in section 5747.025 of the Revised Code; 4339 measured in the case of trusts by modified Ohio taxable income 4340 under division (D) of this section; and measured in the case of 4341 estates by Ohio taxable income. The tax imposed by this section 4342

on the balance thus obtained is hereby levied as follows: 4343 (1) For taxable years beginning in 2004: 4344 OHIO ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS 4345 - EXEMPTIONS (INDIVIDUALS) 4346 OR 4347 MODIFIED OHIO 4348 - TAXABLE INCOME (TRUSTS) 4349 OR 4350 OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (ESTATES) TAX 4351 \$5,000 or less .743% 4352 More than \$5,000 but \$37.15 plus 1.486% of the amount 4353 not more than \$10,000 in excess of \$5,000 4354 More than \$10,000 but \$111.45 plus 2.972% of the amount 4355 not more than \$15,000 in excess of \$10,000 4356 More than \$15,000 but \$260.05 plus 3.715% of the amount 4357 not more than \$20,000 in excess of \$15,000 4358 More than \$20,000 but \$445.80 plus 4.457% of the amount 4359 not more than \$40,000 in excess of \$20,000 4360 More than \$40,000 but \$1,337.20 plus 5.201% of the amount 4361 not more than \$80,000 in excess of \$40,000 4362 More than \$80,000 but \$3,417.60 plus 5.943% of the amount 4363 not more than \$100,000 in excess of \$80,000 4364 More than \$100,000 but \$4,606.20 plus 6.9% of the amount 4365 not more than \$200,000 in excess of \$100,000 4366 More than \$200,000 \$11,506.20 plus 7.5% of the amount 4367 <u>— in excess of \$200,000</u> 4368 (2) For taxable years beginning in 2005: 4369 OHIO ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS 4370 -- EXEMPTIONS (INDIVIDUALS) 4371 -OR-4372

MODIFIED OHIO	4373
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OR	4375
OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (ESTATES) TAX	4376
\$5,000 or less .712%	4377
More than \$5,000 but \$35.60 plus 1.424% of the amount	4378
not more than \$10,000 in excess of \$5,000	4379
More than \$10,000 but \$106.80 plus 2.847% of the amount	4380
not more than \$15,000 in excess of \$10,000	4381
More than \$15,000 but \$249.15 plus 3.559% of the amount	4382
not more than \$20,000 in excess of \$15,000	4383
More than \$20,000 but \$427.10 plus 4.27% of the amount	4384
not more than \$40,000 in excess of \$20,000	4385
More than \$40,000 but \$1,281.10 plus 4.983% of the amount	4386
not more than \$80,000 in excess of \$40,000	4387
More than \$80,000 but \$3,274.30 plus 5.693% of the amount	4388
not more than \$100,000 in excess of \$80,000	4389
More than \$100,000 but \$4,412.90 plus 6.61% of the amount	4390
not more than \$200,000 in excess of \$100,000	4391
More than \$200,000 \$11,022.90 plus 7.185% of the	4392
amount in excess of \$200,000	4393
(3) For taxable years beginning in 2006:	4394
OHIO ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS	4395
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MODIFIED OHIO	4398
TAXABLE INCOME (TRUSTS)	4399
OR	4400
OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (ESTATES) TAX	4401
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\$5,000 or less .681%

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More than \$5,000 but \$34.05 plus 1.361% of the amount 4403 not more than \$10,000 in excess of \$5,000 4404 More than \$10,000 but \$102.10 plus 2.722% of the amount 4405 not more than \$15,000 in excess of \$10,000 4406 More than \$15,000 but \$238.20 plus 3.403% of the amount 4407 not more than \$20,000 in excess of \$15,000 4408 More than \$20,000 but \$408.35 plus 4.083% of the amount 4409 not more than \$40,000 in excess of \$20,000 4410 More than \$40,000 but \$1,224.95 plus 4.764% of the amount 4411 not more than \$80,000 in excess of \$40,000 4412 More than \$80,000 but \$3,130.55 plus 5.444% of the amount 4413 not more than \$100,000 in excess of \$80,000 4414 More than \$100,000 but \$4,219.35 plus 6.32% of the amount 4415 not more than \$200,000 in excess of \$100,000 4416 More than \$200,000 \$10,539.35 plus 6.87% of the amount 4417 -in excess of \$200,000 4418 4419 (4) For taxable years beginning in 2007: OHIO ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS 4420 4421 OR 4422 MODIFIED OHIO 4423 4424 -----OR----4425 OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (ESTATES) 4426 \$5,000 or less <del>.649%</del> 4427 More than \$5,000 but \$32.45 plus 1.299% of the amount 4428 not more than \$10,000 in excess of \$5,000 4429 More than \$10,000 but \$97.40 plus 2.598% of the amount 4430 not more than \$15,000 in excess of \$10,000 4431

More than \$15,000 but \$227.30 plus 3.247% of the amount 4432

not more than \$20,000 in excess of \$15,000 4433 More than \$20,000 but \$389.65 plus 3.895% of the amount 4434 not more than \$40,000 in excess of \$20,000 4435 More than \$40,000 but \$1,168.65 plus 4.546% of the amount 4436 not more than \$80,000 in excess of \$40,000 4437 More than \$80,000 but \$2,987.05 plus 5.194% of the amount 4438 not more than \$100,000 in excess of \$80,000 4439 More than \$100,000 but \$4,025.85 plus 6.031% of the amount 4440 not more than \$200,000 in excess of \$100,000 4441 More than \$200,000 \$10,056.85 plus 6.555% of the amount 4442 4443 (5) For taxable years beginning in 2008, 2009, or 2010: 4444 OHIO ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS 4445 4446 4447 \_\_\_\_\_OR\_\_\_

MODIFIED OHIO	4448
TAXABLE INCOME (TRUSTS)	4449
OR	4450
OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (ESTATES) TAXABLE INCOME (ESTATES)	<del>\X</del> 4451

\$5,000 or less	618%	4452
More than \$5,000 but	\$30.90 plus 1.236% of the amount	4453
not more than \$10,000	in excess of \$5,000	4454
More than \$10,000 but	\$92.70 plus 2.473% of the amount	4455
not more than \$15,000	in excess of \$10,000	4456
More than \$15,000 but	\$216.35 plus 3.091% of the amount	4457
not more than \$20,000	in excess of \$15,000	4458
More than \$20,000 but	\$370.90 plus 3.708% of the amount	4459
not more than \$40,000	in excess of \$20,000	4460
More than \$40,000 but	\$1,112.50 plus 4.327% of the amount	4461
not more than \$80,000	in excess of \$40,000	4462

More than \$80,000 but \$2,843.30 plus 4.945% of the amount 4463 not more than \$100,000 in excess of \$80,000 4464 More than \$100,000 but \$3,832.30 plus 5.741% of the amount 4465 not more than \$200,000 in excess of \$100,000 4466 More than \$200,000 \$9,573.30 plus 6.24% of the amount 4467 <u>--in excess of \$200,000</u> 4468 4469 (6) For taxable years beginning in 2011 or 2012: OHIO ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS 4470 4471 \_\_\_\_\_OR\_\_\_\_ 4472 MODIFIED OHIO 4473 TAXABLE INCOME (TRUSTS) 4474 ----OR----4475 <del>-TAX</del> OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (ESTATES) 4476 \$5,000 or less .587% 4477 More than \$5,000 but \$29.35 plus 1.174% of the amount 4478 not more than \$10,000 in excess of \$5,000 4479 More than \$10,000 but \$88.05 plus 2.348% of the amount 4480 not more than \$15,000 in excess of \$10,000 4481 More than \$15,000 but \$205.45 plus 2.935% of the amount 4482 not more than \$20,000 in excess of \$15,000 4483 More than \$20,000 but \$352.20 plus 3.521% of the amount 4484 not more than \$40,000 in excess of \$20,000 4485 More than \$40,000 but \$1,056.40 plus 4.109% of the amount 4486 not more than \$80,000 in excess of \$40,000 4487 More than \$80,000 but \$2,700.00 plus 4.695% of the amount 4488 not more than \$100,000 in excess of \$80,000 4489 More than \$100,000 but \$3,639.00 plus 5.451% of the amount 4490 not more than \$200,000 in excess of \$100,000 4491 More than \$200,000 \$9,090.00 plus 5.925% of the amount 4492

<u>in excess of \$200,000</u>	4493
(7) For taxable years beginning in 2013:	4494
OHIO ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS	4495
EXEMPTIONS (INDIVIDUALS)	4496
OR	4497
MODIFIED OHIO	4498
TAXABLE INCOME (TRUSTS)	4499
OR	4500
OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (ESTATES) TAX	4501
<del>\$5,000 or less .537%</del>	4502
More than \$5,000 but \$26.86 plus 1.074% of the amount	4503
not more than \$10,000 in excess of \$5,000	4504
More than \$10,000 but \$80.57 plus 2.148% of the amount	4505
not more than \$15,000 in excess of \$10,000	4506
More than \$15,000 but \$187.99 plus 2.686% of the amount	4507
not more than \$20,000 in excess of \$15,000	4508
More than \$20,000 but \$322.26 plus 3.222% of the amount	4509
not more than \$40,000 in excess of \$20,000	4510
More than \$40,000 but \$966.61 plus 3.760% of the amount	4511
not more than \$80,000 in excess of \$40,000	4512
More than \$80,000 but \$2,470.50 plus 4.296% of the amount	4513
not more than \$100,000 in excess of \$80,000	4514
More than \$100,000 but \$3,329.68 plus 4.988% of the amount	4515
not more than \$200,000 in excess of \$100,000	4516
More than \$200,000	4517
in excess of \$200,000	4518
(8) For taxable years beginning in 2014 or thereafter:	4519
OHIO ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS	4520
EXEMPTIONS (INDIVIDUALS)	4521

OR			4522
MODIFIED OHIO			4523
TAXABLE INCOME (TRU	JSTS)		4524
OR			4525
OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (H	ESTATES)	TAX	4526
\$5,000 or less	.528%		4527
More than \$5,000 but	\$26.41 plus 1	.057% of the amount	4528
not more than \$10,000	in excess of S	\$5 <b>,</b> 000	4529
More than \$10,000 but	\$79.24 plus 2	.113% of the amount	4530
not more than \$15,000	in excess of S	\$10,000	4531
More than \$15,000 but	\$184.90 plus 2	2.642% of the amount	4532
not more than \$20,000	in excess of S	\$15 <b>,</b> 000	4533
More than \$20,000 but	\$316.98 plus 3	3.169% of the amount	4534
not more than \$40,000	in excess of S	\$20,000	4535
More than \$40,000 but	\$950.76 plus 3	3.698% of the amount	4536
not more than \$80,000	in excess of S	\$40 <b>,</b> 000	4537
More than \$80,000 but	\$2,430.00 plus	s 4.226% of the amount	4538
not more than \$100,000	) in excess of S	\$80 <b>,</b> 000	4539
More than \$100,000 but	z\$3,275.10 plus	s 4.906% of the amount	4540
not more than \$200,000	) in excess of S	\$100,000	4541
More than \$200,000	\$8,181.00 plus	s 5.333% of the amount	4542
in excess of \$20	0,000		4543
(2) For taxable	years beginning	g in 2015:	4544
OHIO ADJUSTED GROSS II	NCOME LESS		4545
EXEMPTIONS (INDIV	IDUALS)		4546
OR			4547
MODIFIED OHIO			4548
TAXABLE INCOME (TRU	JSTS)		4549
OR			4550
OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (1	ESTATES)	TAX	4551

\$5,000 or less 0.490% 4552 More than \$5,000 but \$24.50 plus 0.980% of the amount 4553 not more than \$10,000 in excess of \$5,000 4554 More than \$10,000 but \$73.51 plus 1.960% of the amount 4555 not more than \$15,000 in excess of \$10,000 4556 More than \$15,000 but \$171.51 plus 2.451% of the amount 4557 not more than \$20,000 in excess of \$15,000 4558 More than \$20,000 but \$294.07 plus 2.939% of the amount 4559 not more than \$40,000 in excess of \$20,000 4560 More than \$40,000 but \$881.93 plus 3.430% of the amount 4561 not more than \$80,000 in excess of \$40,000 4562 More than \$80,000 but \$2,254.05 plus 3.920% of the amount 4563 not more than \$100,000 in excess of \$80,000 4564 More than \$100,000 but \$3,038.11 plus 4.551% of the amount 4565 not more than \$200,000 in excess of \$100,000 4566 More than \$200,000 \$7,589.07 plus 4.947% of the amount 4567 in excess of \$200,000 4568 (3) For taxable years beginning in 2016: 4569 OHIO ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS 4570 4571 EXEMPTIONS (INDIVIDUALS) 4572 OR MODIFIED OHIO 4573 TAXABLE INCOME (TRUSTS) 4574 4575 OR OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (ESTATES) TAX 4576 \$5,000 or less 0.465% 4577 More than \$5,000 but \$23.25 plus 0.930% of the amount 4578 not more than \$10,000 in excess of \$5,000 4579 More than \$10,000 but \$69.76 plus 1.860% of the amount 4580 not more than \$15,000 in excess of \$10,000 4581

More than \$15,000 but \$162.77 plus 2.326% of the amount	4582
not more than \$20,000 in excess of \$15,000	4583
More than \$20,000 but \$279.08 plus 2.789% of the amount	4584
<u>not more than \$40,000 in excess of \$20,000</u>	4585
More than \$40,000 but \$836.96 plus 3.255% of the amount	4586
<u>not more than \$80,000 in excess of \$40,000</u>	4587
More than \$80,000 but \$2,139.11 plus 3.720% of the amount	4588
<u>not more than \$100,000 in excess of \$80,000</u>	4589
More than \$100,000 but \$2,883.20 plus 4.319% of the amount	4590
<u>not more than \$200,000 in excess of \$100,000</u>	4591
More than \$200,000 \$7,202.11 plus 4.695% of the amount	4592
in excess of \$200,000	4593
(4) For taxable years beginning in 2017:	4594
OHIO ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS	4595
EXEMPTIONS (INDIVIDUALS)	4596
OR	4597
MODIFIED OHIO	4598
TAXABLE INCOME (TRUSTS)	4599
OR	4600
OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (ESTATES) TAX	4601
\$5,000 or less 0.310%	4602
More than \$5,000 but \$15.50 plus 0.620% of the amount	4603
not more than \$10,000 in excess of \$5,000	4604
More than \$10,000 but \$46.51 plus 1.240% of the amount	4605
<u>not more than \$15,000 in excess of \$10,000</u>	4606
More than \$15,000 but \$108.51 plus 1.551% of the amount	4607
not more than \$20,000 in excess of \$15,000	4608
More than \$20,000 but \$186.05 plus 1.860% of the amount	4609
<u>not more than \$40,000 in excess of \$20,000</u>	4610
More than \$40,000 but \$557.97 plus 2.170% of the amount	4611

not more than \$80,000 in excess of \$40,000	4612
More than \$80,000 but \$1,426.08 plus 2.480% of the amount	4613
<u>not more than \$100,000 in excess of \$80,000</u>	4614
More than \$100,000 but \$1,922.13 plus 2.879% of the amount	4615
<u>not more than \$200,000 in excess of \$100,000</u>	4616
More than \$200,000 \$4,801.41 plus 3.130% of the amount	4617
in excess of \$200,000	4618
(5) For taxable years beginning in 2018:	4619
OHIO ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS	4620
EXEMPTIONS (INDIVIDUALS)	4621
OR	4622
MODIFIED OHIO	4623
TAXABLE INCOME (TRUSTS)	4624
OR	4625
OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (ESTATES) TAX	4626
<u>\$5,000 or less 0.155%</u>	4627
More than \$5,000 but \$7.75 plus 0.310% of the amount	4628
not more than \$10,000 in excess of \$5,000	4629
More than \$10,000 but \$23.25 plus 0.620% of the amount	4630
not more than \$15,000 in excess of \$10,000	4631
More than \$15,000 but \$54.26 plus 0.775% of the amount	4632
not more than \$20,000 in excess of \$15,000	4633
More than \$20,000 but \$93.03 plus 0.930% of the amount	4634
not more than \$40,000 in excess of \$20,000	4635
More than \$40,000 but \$278.99 plus 1.085% of the amount	4636
not more than \$80,000 in excess of \$40,000	4637
More than \$80,000 but \$713.04 plus 1.240% of the amount	4638
<u>not more than \$100,000 in excess of \$80,000</u>	4639
<u>More than \$100,000 but \$961.07 plus 1.440% of the amount</u>	4640
<u>not more than \$200,000 in excess of \$100,000</u>	4641

More than \$200,000 \$2,400.70 plus 1.565% of the	4642
amount in excess of \$200,000	4643
(6) For taxable years beginning in or after 2019, no tax	4644
is levied under this section.	4645
Except as otherwise provided in this division, in August-	4646
of each year, the tax commissioner shall make a new adjustment	4647
to the income amounts prescribed in this division by multiplying	4648
the percentage increase in the gross domestic product deflator	4649
computed that year under section 5747.025 of the Revised Code by	4650
each of the income amounts resulting from the adjustment under-	4651
this division in the preceding year, adding the resulting	4652
product to the corresponding income amount resulting from the	4653
adjustment in the preceding year, and rounding the resulting sum	4654
to the nearest multiple of fifty dollars. The tax commissioner-	4655
also shall recompute each of the tax dollar amounts to the	4656
extent necessary to reflect the new adjustment of the income	4657
amounts. The rates of taxation shall not be adjusted.	4658
The adjusted amounts apply to taxable years beginning in	4659
the calendar year in which the adjustments are made and to-	4660
taxable years beginning in each ensuing calendar year until a	4661
calendar year in which a new adjustment is made pursuant to this	4662
division. The tax commissioner shall not make a new adjustment	4663
in any year in which the amount resulting from the adjustment	4664
would be less than the amount resulting from the adjustment in	4665
the preceding year. The commissioner shall not make a new-	4666
adjustment for taxable years beginning in 2013, 2014, or 2015.	4667
(B) If the director of budget and management makes a	4668
certification to the tax commissioner under division (B) of	4669
section 131.44 of the Revised Code, the amount of tax as	4670

determined under division (A) of this section shall be reduced 4671

by the percentage prescribed in that certification for taxable 4672 years beginning in the calendar year in which that certification 4673 is made. 4674

(C) The levy of this tax on income does not prevent a
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municipal corporation, a joint economic development zone created
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under section 715.691, or a joint economic development district
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created under section 715.70 or 715.71 or sections 715.72 to
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715.81 of the Revised Code from levying a tax on income.

(D) This division applies only to taxable years of a trust4680beginning in 2002 or thereafter.4681

(1) The tax imposed by this section on a trust shall be
computed by multiplying the Ohio modified taxable income of the
trust by the rates prescribed by division (A) of this section.

(2) A resident trust may claim a credit against the tax 4685 computed under division (D) of this section equal to the lesser 4686 of (1) the tax paid to another state or the District of Columbia 4687 on the resident trust's modified nonbusiness income, other than 4688 the portion of the resident trust's nonbusiness income that is 4689 qualifying investment income as defined in section 5747.012 of 4690 the Revised Code, or (2) the effective tax rate, based on 4691 modified Ohio taxable income, multiplied by the resident trust's 4692 modified nonbusiness income other than the portion of the 4693 resident trust's nonbusiness income that is qualifying 4694 investment income. The credit applies before any other 4695 applicable credits. 4696

(3) The credits enumerated in divisions (A) (1) to (13) of
section 5747.98 of the Revised Code do not apply to a trust
subject to division (D) of this section. Any credits enumerated
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in other divisions of section 5747.98 of the Revised Code apply
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to a trust subject to division (D) of this section. To the4701extent that the trust distributes income for the taxable year4702for which a credit is available to the trust, the credit shall4703be shared by the trust and its beneficiaries. The tax4704commissioner and the trust shall be guided by applicable4705regulations of the United States treasury regarding the sharing4706of credits.4707

4708 (E) For the purposes of this section, "trust" means any trust described in Subchapter J of Chapter 1 of the Internal 4709 Revenue Code, excluding trusts that are not irrevocable as 4710 defined in division (I)(3)(b) of section 5747.01 of the Revised 4711 Code and that have no modified Ohio taxable income for the 4712 taxable year, charitable remainder trusts, qualified funeral 4713 trusts and preneed funeral contract trusts established pursuant 4714 to sections 4717.31 to 4717.38 of the Revised Code that are not 4715 qualified funeral trusts, endowment and perpetual care trusts, 4716 qualified settlement trusts and funds, designated settlement 4717 trusts and funds, and trusts exempted from taxation under 4718 section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. 4719

Sec. 5747.027. (A) As used in this section, "income tax4720expenditure" means any credit, deduction, exemption, or other4721tax provision in the Revised Code that effectively exempts4722income from the tax imposed under section 5747.02 of the Revised4723Code, except for any such provision required to be allowed under4724federal law.4725

(B) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1,47262015, but before January 1, 2019, a taxpayer shall not claim or4727take more than the following percentage of the amount of any4728income tax expenditure that the taxpayer is otherwise entitled4729to take or claim:4730

(1) For taxable years beginning in 2015, ninety-three per	4731
<u>cent.</u>	4732
(2) For taxable years beginning in 2016, eighty-eight per_	4733
cent.	4734
(3) For taxable years beginning in 2017, fifty-nine per	4735
<u>cent.</u>	4736
(4) For taxable years beginning in 2018, twenty-nine per	4737
<u>cent.</u>	4738
(5) For taxable years beginning in 2019, fifty per cent.	4739
(C) Nothing in this section prohibits a taxpayer	4740
disallowed from claiming the full amount of a credit because of	4741
this section against the tax imposed under section 5747.02 of	4742
the Revised Code from claiming the credit amount so disallowed	4743
against another tax, provided the credit is authorized to be	4744
claimed against that other tax.	4745
Sec. 5747.05. As used in this section, "income tax"	4746
includes both a tax on net income and a tax measured by net	4747
income.	4748
The following credits shall be allowed against the income	4749
tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code on	4750
individuals and estates:	4751
(A)(1) The amount of tax otherwise due under section	4752
5747.02 of the Revised Code on such portion of the adjusted	4753
gross income of any nonresident taxpayer that is not allocable	4754
or apportionable to this state pursuant to sections 5747.20 to	4755
5747.23 of the Revised Code;	4756
(2) The credit provided under this division shall not	4757
exceed the portion of the total tax due under section 5747.02 of	4758
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the Revised Code that the amount of the nonresident taxpayer's4759adjusted gross income not allocated to this state pursuant to4760sections 5747.20 to 5747.23 of the Revised Code bears to the4761total adjusted gross income of the nonresident taxpayer derived4762from all sources everywhere.4763

(3) The tax commissioner may enter into an agreement with 4764 the taxing authorities of any state or of the District of 4765 Columbia that imposes an income tax to provide that compensation 4766 paid in this state to a nonresident taxpayer shall not be 4767 subject to the tax levied in section 5747.02 of the Revised Code 4768 so long as compensation paid in such other state or in the 4769 District of Columbia to a resident taxpayer shall likewise not 4770 be subject to the income tax of such other state or of the 4771 District of Columbia. 4772

(B) The lesser of division (B)(1) or (2) of this section: 4773

(1) The amount of tax otherwise due under section 5747.024774 of the Revised Code on such portion of the adjusted gross income 4775 of a resident taxpayer that in another state or in the District 4776 of Columbia is subjected to an income tax. The credit provided 4777 under division (B)(1) of this section shall not exceed the 4778 portion of the total tax due under section 5747.02 of the 4779 Revised Code that the amount of the resident taxpayer's adjusted 4780 gross income subjected to an income tax in the other state or in 4781 the District of Columbia bears to the total adjusted gross 4782 income of the resident taxpayer derived from all sources 4783 everywhere. 4784

(2) The amount of income tax liability to another state or
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the District of Columbia on the portion of the adjusted gross
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income of a resident taxpayer that in another state or in the
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District of Columbia is subjected to an income tax. The credit
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provided under division (B)(2) of this section shall not exceed4789the amount of tax otherwise due under section 5747.02 of the4790Revised Code.4791

(3) If the credit provided under division (B) of this 4792 section is affected by a change in either the portion of 4793 adjusted gross income of a resident taxpayer subjected to an 4794 income tax in another state or the District of Columbia or the 4795 amount of income tax liability that has been paid to another 4796 state or the District of Columbia, the taxpayer shall report the 4797 change to the tax commissioner within sixty days of the change 4798 in such form as the commissioner requires. 4799

(a) In the case of an underpayment, the report shall be 4800 accompanied by payment of any additional tax due as a result of 4801 the reduction in credit together with interest on the additional 4802 tax and is a return subject to assessment under section 5747.13 4803 4804 of the Revised Code solely for the purpose of assessing any additional tax due under this division, together with any 4805 applicable penalty and interest. It shall not reopen the 4806 computation of the taxpayer's tax liability under this chapter 4807 from a previously filed return no longer subject to assessment 4808 except to the extent that such liability is affected by an 4809 adjustment to the credit allowed by division (B) of this 4810 section. 4811

(b) In the case of an overpayment, an application for
refund may be filed under this division within the sixty-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
verpayments resulting from an adjustment to the credit allowed

by division (B) of this section unless it is also filed within4819the time prescribed in section 5747.11 of the Revised Code. It4820shall not reopen the computation of the taxpayer's tax liability4821except to the extent that such liability is affected by an4822adjustment to the credit allowed by division (B) of this4823section.4824

(4) No credit shall be allowed under division (B) of this
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section for income tax paid or accrued to another state or to
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the District of Columbia if the taxpayer, when computing federal
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adjusted gross income, has directly or indirectly deducted, or
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was required to directly or indirectly deduct, the amount of
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that income tax.

(C) For a taxpayer sixty-five years of age or older during
the taxable year, a credit for such year equal to fifty dollars
for each return required to be filed under section 5747.08 of
the Revised Code.

(D) A taxpayer sixty-five years of age or older during the 4835 taxable year who has received a lump-sum distribution from a 4836 pension, retirement, or profit-sharing plan in the taxable year 4837 may elect to receive a credit under this division in lieu of the 4838 credit to which the taxpayer is entitled under division (C) of 4839 this section. A taxpayer making such election shall receive a 4840 credit for the taxable year equal to fifty dollars times the 4841 taxpayer's expected remaining life as shown by annuity tables 4842 issued under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and in 4843 effect for the calendar year which includes the last day of the 4844 taxable year. A taxpayer making an election under this division 4845 is not entitled to the credit authorized under division (C) of 4846 this section in subsequent taxable years except that if such 4847 election was made prior to July 1, 1983, the taxpayer is 4848

entitled to one-half the credit authorized under such division4849in subsequent taxable years but may not make another election4850under this division.4851

(E) A taxpayer who is not sixty-five years of age or older 4852 during the taxable year who has received a lump-sum distribution 4853 from a pension, retirement, or profit-sharing plan in a taxable 4854 year ending on or before July 31, 1991, may elect to take a 4855 credit against the tax otherwise due under this chapter for such 4856 year equal to fifty dollars times the expected remaining life of 4857 a taxpayer sixty-five years of age as shown by annuity tables 4858 issued under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and in 4859 effect for the calendar year which includes the last day of the 4860 taxable year. A taxpayer making an election under this division 4861 is not entitled to a credit under division (C) or (D) of this 4862 section in any subsequent year except that if such election was 4863 made prior to July 1, 1983, the taxpayer is entitled to one-half 4864 the credit authorized under division (C) of this section in 4865 subsequent years but may not make another election under this 4866 division. No taxpayer may make an election under this division 4867 for a taxable year ending on or after August 1, 1991. 4868

(F) A taxpayer making an election under either division
(D) or (E) of this section may make only one such election in
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the taxpayer's lifetime.

(G) (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,
dollars, rent, and capital gains, a nonrefundable credit equal
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to the percentage shown in the table contained in this division
dof the amount of tax due difference of the amount of tax shown
to be due on the joint return minus the husband's and wife's

minimum combined amount of tax, after allowing for any other 4879 credit that precedes the credit under this division in the order 4880 required under section 5747.98 of the Revised Code. 4881 (2) The credit to which a taxpayer is entitled under this 4882 division in any taxable year is the percentage shown in column B-4883 that corresponds with the taxpayer's adjusted gross income, less 4884 exemptions for the taxable year: 4885 4886 IF THE ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME, THE CREDIT FOR THE TAXABLE 4887 4888 LESS EXEMPTIONS, FOR THE YEAR IS: TAX YEAR IS: 4889 \$25,000 or less 20% 4890 More than \$25,000 but not more 15% 4891 than \$50,000 4892 More than \$50,000 but not more 10% 4893 than \$75,000 4894 More than \$75,000 -5% 4895 4896 (3) The credit allowed under this division shall not exceed six hundred fifty dollars in any taxable year. 4897 As used in this division: 4898 (a) "Minimum combined amount of tax" means the sum of the 4899 tax that would be due on the husband's and wife's returns if the 4900 husband and wife filed separate returns and made all adjustments 4901 and claimed all credits to which the husband and wife would be 4902 required or allowed to make or claim on each separate return. 4903 For the purpose of calculating "minimum combined amount of tax," 4904 adjustments or credits that could be taken or claimed by either 4905 the husband or wife on the husband's or wife's separate return 4906

shall be deemed to be claimed by each spouse in a manner that

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would result in the least combined tax due.	4908
(b) "Adjustment" means a deduction taken on a federal	4909
income tax return that is included in the computation of the	4910
husband's or the wife's federal adjusted gross income or an	4911
addition or deduction described in division (A) of section	4912
5747.01 of the Revised Code and allowed to the husband or wife.	4913
(c) "Credit" means any credit described in section 5747.98	4914
of the Revised Code.	4915
(H) No claim for credit under this section shall be	4916
allowed unless the claimant furnishes such supporting	4917
information as the tax commissioner prescribes by rules. Each	4918
credit under this section shall be claimed in the order required	4919
under section 5747.98 of the Revised Code.	4920
(I) An individual who is a resident for part of a taxable	4921
year and a nonresident for the remainder of the taxable year is	4922
allowed the credits under divisions (A) and (B) of this section	4923
in accordance with rules prescribed by the tax commissioner. In	4924
no event shall the same income be subject to both credits.	4925
(J) The credit allowed under division (A) of this section	4926
shall be calculated based upon the amount of tax due under	4927
section 5747.02 of the Revised Code after subtracting any other	4928
credits that precede the credit under that division in the order	4929
required under section 5747.98 of the Revised Code. The credit	4930
allowed under division (B) of this section shall be calculated	4931
based upon the amount of tax due under section 5747.02 of the	4932
Revised Code after subtracting any other credits that precede	4933
the credit under that division in the order required under	4934
section 5747.98 of the Revised Code.	4935
(K) No credit shall be allowed under division (B) of this	4936

section unless the taxpayer furnishes such proof as the tax4937commissioner shall require that the income tax liability has4938been paid to another state or the District of Columbia.4939

(L) No credit shall be allowed under division (B) of this
section for compensation that is not subject to the income tax
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of another state or the District of Columbia as the result of an
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agreement entered into by the tax commissioner under division
(A) (3) of this section.

Sec. 5747.08. An annual return with respect to the tax 4945 imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code and each tax 4946 imposed under Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code shall be made by 4947 every taxpayer for any taxable year for which the taxpayer is 4948 liable for the tax imposed by that section or under that 4949 chapter, unless the total credits allowed under divisions (E), 4950 (F), and (G) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code for the year 4951 are equal to or exceed the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the 4952 Revised Code, in which case no return shall be required unless 4953 the taxpayer is liable for a tax imposed pursuant to Chapter 4954 5748. of the Revised Code. 4955

(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
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(C) Returns or notices required of an estate or a trust4966shall be made and filed by the fiduciary of the estate or trust.4967

(D) (1) (a) Except as otherwise provided in division (D) (1) 4968 (b) of this section, any pass-through entity may file a single 4969 return on behalf of one or more of the entity's investors other 4970 than an investor that is a person subject to the tax imposed 4971 under section 5733.06 of the Revised Code. The single return 4972 shall set forth the name, address, and social security number or 4973 other identifying number of each of those pass-through entity 4974 investors and shall indicate the distributive share of each of 4975 those pass-through entity investor's income taxable in this 4976 state in accordance with sections 5747.20 to 5747.231 of the 4977 Revised Code. Such pass-through entity investors for whom the 4978 pass-through entity elects to file a single return are not 4979 entitled to the exemption or credit provided for by sections 4980 5747.02 and 5747.022 of the Revised Code; shall calculate the 4981 tax before business credits at the highest rate of tax set forth 4982 in section 5747.02 of the Revised Code for the taxable year for 4983 which the return is filed; and are entitled to only their 4984 distributive share of the business credits as defined in 4985 division (D)(2) of this section. A single check drawn by the 4986 pass-through entity shall accompany the return in full payment 4987 of the tax due, as shown on the single return, for such 4988 investors, other than investors who are persons subject to the 4989 tax imposed under section 5733.06 of the Revised Code. 4990

(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 5001 tax commissioner from requiring such investors to file the 5002 return and make the payment of taxes and related interest, 5003 penalty, and interest penalty required by this section or 5004 section 5747.02, 5747.09, or 5747.15 of the Revised Code. 5005 Nothing in division (D) of this section precludes such an 5006 investor from filing the annual return under this section, 5007 utilizing the refundable credit equal to the investor's 5008 proportionate share of the tax paid by the pass-through entity 5009 on behalf of the investor under division (I) of this section, 5010 and making the payment of taxes imposed under section 5747.02 of 5011 the Revised Code. Nothing in division (D) of this section shall 5012 be construed to provide to such an investor or pass-through 5013 entity any additional deduction or credit, other than the credit 5014 provided by division (I) of this section, solely on account of 5015 the entity's filing a return in accordance with this section. 5016 Such a pass-through entity also shall make the filing and 5017 payment of estimated taxes on behalf of the pass-through entity 5018 investors other than an investor that is a person subject to the 5019 tax imposed under section 5733.06 of the Revised Code. 5020

(2) For the purposes of this section, "business credits"
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 means the credits listed in section 5747.98 of the Revised Code
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 excluding the following credits:
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(a) The retirement credit under division (B) of section 50245747.055 of the Revised Code; 5025

(b) The senior citizen credit under division (C) of 5026 section 5747.05 of the Revised Code; 5027 (c) The lump sum distribution credit under division (D) of 5028 section 5747.05 of the Revised Code; 5029 5030 (d) The dependent care credit under section 5747.054 of the Revised Code; 5031 (e) The lump sum retirement income credit under division 5032 (C) of section 5747.055 of the Revised Code; 5033 (f) The lump sum retirement income credit under division 5034 (D) of section 5747.055 of the Revised Code; 5035 (q) The lump sum retirement income credit under division 5036 (E) of section 5747.055 of the Revised Code; 5037 (h) The credit for displaced workers who pay for job 5038 training under section 5747.27 of the Revised Code; 5039 (i) The twenty-dollar personal exemption credit under 5040 section 5747.022 of the Revised Code; 5041 (j) The joint filing credit under division (G) of section 5042 5747.05 of the Revised Code; 5043 (k) The nonresident credit under division (A) of section 5044 5747.05 of the Revised Code; 5045 (1) The credit for a resident's out-of-state income under 5046 division (B) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code; 5047 (m) The low-income credit under section 5747.056 of the 5048 Revised Code; 5049 (n) The earned income tax credit under section 5747.71 of 5050 the Revised Code. 5051

(3) The election provided for under division (D) of this 5052 section applies only to the taxable year for which the election 5053 is made by the pass-through entity. Unless the tax commissioner 5054 provides otherwise, this election, once made, is binding and 5055 irrevocable for the taxable year for which the election is made. 5056 Nothing in this division shall be construed to provide for any 5057 deduction or credit that would not be allowable if a nonresident 5058 pass-through entity investor were to file an annual return. 5059

(4) If a pass-through entity makes the election provided 5060 for under division (D) of this section, the pass-through entity 5061 shall be liable for any additional taxes, interest, interest 5062 penalty, or penalties imposed by this chapter if the tax 5063 commissioner finds that the single return does not reflect the 5064 correct tax due by the pass-through entity investors covered by 5065 that return. Nothing in this division shall be construed to 5066 limit or alter the liability, if any, imposed on pass-through 5067 entity investors for unpaid or underpaid taxes, interest, 5068 interest penalty, or penalties as a result of the pass-through 5069 entity's making the election provided for under division (D) of 5070 this section. For the purposes of division (D) of this section, 5071 "correct tax due" means the tax that would have been paid by the 5072 pass-through entity had the single return been filed in a manner 5073 reflecting the commissioner's findings. Nothing in division (D) 5074 of this section shall be construed to make or hold a pass-5075 through entity liable for tax attributable to a pass-through 5076 entity investor's income from a source other than the pass-5077 through entity electing to file the single return. 5078

(E) If a husband and wife file a joint federal income tax
return for a taxable year, they shall may elect to file a joint
return or separate returns under this section for that taxable
year, and, pursuant to that election, their liabilities are
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separate if they file separate returns or joint and several,5083but, if they file a joint return. If the federal income tax5084liability of either spouse is determined on a separate federal5085income tax return, they shall file separate returns under this5086section.5087

If or if either spouse is not required to file a federal 5088 income tax return and either or both are required to file a 5089 return pursuant to this chapter, they may elect to file separate 5090 or joint returns, and, pursuant to that election, their 5091 5092 liabilities are separate or joint and several. If a husband and wife file separate returns pursuant to this chapter, each must 5093 claim the taxpayer's own exemption, but not both, as authorized 5094 under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code on the taxpayer's own 5095 return. 5096

(F) Each return or notice required to be filed under this 5097 section shall contain the signature of the taxpayer or the 5098 taxpayer's duly authorized agent and of the person who prepared 5099 the return for the taxpayer, and shall include the taxpayer's 5100 social security number. Each return shall be verified by a 5101 declaration under the penalties of perjury. The tax commissioner 5102 5103 shall prescribe the form that the signature and declaration shall take. 5104

(G) Each return or notice required to be filed under this 5105 section shall be made and filed as required by section 5747.04 5106 of the Revised Code, on or before the fifteenth day of April of 5107 each year, on forms that the tax commissioner shall prescribe, 5108 together with remittance made payable to the treasurer of state 5109 in the combined amount of the state and all school district 5110 income taxes shown to be due on the form. 5111

Upon good cause shown, the commissioner may extend the 5112

period for filing any notice or return required to be filed 5113 under this section and may adopt rules relating to extensions. 5114 If the extension results in an extension of time for the payment 5115 of any state or school district income tax liability with 5116 respect to which the return is filed, the taxpayer shall pay at 5117 the time the tax liability is paid an amount of interest 5118 computed at the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of 5119 the Revised Code on that liability from the time that payment is 5120 due without extension to the time of actual payment. Except as 5121 provided in section 5747.132 of the Revised Code, in addition to 5122 all other interest charges and penalties, all taxes imposed 5123 under this chapter or Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code and 5124 remaining unpaid after they become due, except combined amounts 5125 due of one dollar or less, bear interest at the rate per annum 5126 prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code until paid or 5127 until the day an assessment is issued under section 5747.13 of 5128 the Revised Code, whichever occurs first. 5129

If the commissioner considers it necessary in order to5130ensure the payment of the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the5131Revised Code or any tax imposed under Chapter 5748. of the5132Revised Code, the commissioner may require returns and payments5133to be made otherwise than as provided in this section.5134

To the extent that any provision in this division5135conflicts with any provision in section 5747.026 of the Revised5136Code, the provision in that section prevails.5137

(H) The amounts withheld by an employer pursuant to 5138
section 5747.06 of the Revised Code, a casino operator pursuant 5139
to section 5747.063 of the Revised Code, or a lottery sales 5140
agent pursuant to section 5747.064 of the Revised Code shall be 5141
allowed to the recipient of the compensation casino winnings, or 5142

lottery prize award as credits against payment of the5143appropriate taxes imposed on the recipient by section 5747.025144and under Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code.5145

(I) If a pass-through entity elects to file a single 5146 return under division (D) of this section and if any investor is 5147 required to file the annual return and make the payment of taxes 5148 required by this chapter on account of the investor's other 5149 income that is not included in a single return filed by a pass-5150 through entity or any other investor elects to file the annual 5151 5152 return, the investor is entitled to a refundable credit equal to the investor's proportionate share of the tax paid by the pass-5153 through entity on behalf of the investor. The investor shall 5154 claim the credit for the investor's taxable year in which or 5155 with which ends the taxable year of the pass-through entity. 5156 Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to allow any credit 5157 provided in this chapter to be claimed more than once. For the 5158 purpose of computing any interest, penalty, or interest penalty, 5159 the investor shall be deemed to have paid the refundable credit 5160 provided by this division on the day that the pass-through 5161 entity paid the estimated tax or the tax giving rise to the 5162 credit. 5163

(J) The tax commissioner shall ensure that each return 5164 required to be filed under this section includes a box that the 5165 taxpayer may check to authorize a paid tax preparer who prepared 5166 the return to communicate with the department of taxation about 5167 matters pertaining to the return. The return or instructions 5168 accompanying the return shall indicate that by checking the box 5169 the taxpayer authorizes the department of taxation to contact 5170 the preparer concerning questions that arise during the 5171 processing of the return and authorizes the preparer only to 5172 provide the department with information that is missing from the 5173

return, to contact the department for information about the 5174 processing of the return or the status of the taxpayer's refund 5175 or payments, and to respond to notices about mathematical 5176 errors, offsets, or return preparation that the taxpayer has 5177 received from the department and has shown to the preparer. 5178

(K) The tax commissioner shall permit individual taxpayers 5179 to instruct the department of taxation to cause any refund of 5180 overpaid taxes to be deposited directly into a checking account, 5181 savings account, or an individual retirement account or 5182 individual retirement annuity, or preexisting college savings 5183 plan or program account offered by the Ohio tuition trust 5184 authority under Chapter 3334. of the Revised Code, as designated 5185 by the taxpayer, when the taxpayer files the annual return 5186 required by this section electronically. 5187

(L) The tax commissioner may adopt rules to administer5188this section.

Sec. 5747.41. (A) For the same purposes for which the tax 5190 is levied under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code, there is 5191 hereby levied a withholding tax on every qualifying pass-through 5192 entity having at least one qualifying investor who is an 5193 individual and on every qualifying trust having at least one 5194 qualifying beneficiary who is an individual. The withholding tax 5195 imposed by this section is imposed on the sum of the adjusted 5196 qualifying amounts of a qualifying pass-through entity's 5197 qualifying investors who are individuals and on the sum of the 5198 adjusted qualifying amounts of a qualifying trust's qualifying 5199 beneficiaries, at the rate of five per cent of that-5200 sumprescribed in division (B) of this section. 5201

The tax imposed by this section applies only if the5202qualifying entity has nexus with this state under the5203

year.

Constitution of the United States for any portion of the 5204 qualifying entity's qualifying taxable year, and the sum of the 5205 qualifying entity's adjusted qualifying amounts exceeds one 5206 thousand dollars for the qualifying entity's qualifying taxable 5207 5208 5209 The levy of the tax under this section does not prevent a municipal corporation or a joint economic development district 5210 created under section 715.70 or 715.71 or sections 715.72 to 5211 715.81 of the Revised Code from levying a tax on income. 5212 (B) The rate of the tax levied by division (A) of this 5213 section shall be one of the following: 5214 (1) For qualifying taxable years beginning in or before 5215 2015, five per cent. 5216 (2) For qualifying taxable years beginning in 2016, four 5217 and seven-tenths per cent. 5218 (3) For qualifying taxable years beginning in 2017, three 5219 and one-half per cent. 5220 (4) For qualifying taxable years beginning in 2018, one 5221 and six-tenths per cent. 5222

(5) For qualifying taxable years beginning in 2019 or 5223 5224 thereafter, no tax.

Sec. 5749.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Ton" shall mean two thousand pounds as measured at 5226 the point and time of severance, after the removal of any 5227 impurities, under such rules and regulations as the tax 5228 commissioner may prescribe. 5229

(B) "Taxpayer" means any person required to pay the tax 5230

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levied by Chapter 5749. of the Revised Code. 5231 (C) "Natural resource" means all forms of coal, salt, 5232 limestone, dolomite, sand, gravel, natural gas, and oil, 5233 condensate, and natural gas liquids. 5234 (D) "Owner," has <u>"exempt domestic well," "oil,"</u> 5235 "condensate," and "horizontal well" have the same meaning 5236 meanings as in section 1509.01 of the Revised Code. 5237 5238 (E) "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, association, joint stock company, corporation, or estate, or 5239 combination thereof. 5240 (F) "Return" means any report or statement required to be 5241 filed pursuant to Chapter 5749. of the Revised Code used to 5242 determine the tax due. 5243 (G) "Severance" means the extraction or other removal of a 5244 natural resource from the soil or water of this state. 5245 (H) "Severed" means the point at which the natural 5246 resource has been separated from the soil or water in this 5247 5248 state. 5249 (I) "Severer" means any person who actually removes the natural resources from the soil or water in this state. 5250 (J) "Gas" means all hydrocarbons that are in a gaseous 5251 5252 state at standard temperature and pressure. (K) "Natural gas liquids" means hydrocarbons separated 5253 from gas, including ethane, propane, butanes, pentanes, hexanes, 5254 and natural gasolines. 5255 (L) "Average quarterly spot price" means the following: 5256 (1) For oil, the average of each day's closing spot price 5257

reported for one barrel of crude oil for the calendar quarter	5258
that begins six months before the current calendar quarter, as	5259
reported by a publicly available source determined by the	5260
<pre>commissioner;</pre>	5261
(2) For gas, the average of each day's closing spot price	5262
reported for one thousand cubic feet of natural gas for the	5263
calendar quarter that begins six months before the current	5264
calendar quarter, as reported by a publicly available source	5265
determined by the commissioner.	5266
(3) For condensate, the average of each day's closing spot	5267
price reported for one barrel of Marcellus-Utica condensate for	5268
the calendar quarter that begins six months before the current	5269
calendar quarter, as reported by a source determined by the	5270
<u>commissioner;</u>	5271
(4) For natural gas liquids, the average of each day's	5272
closing spot price reported for one million British thermal	5273
units of natural gas plant liquids composite for the calendar	5274
quarter that begins six months before the current calendar	5275
quarter, as reported by a publicly available source determined	5276
by the commissioner.	5277
(M) "Former section 1509.50 of the Revised Code" means	5278
section 1509.50 of the Revised Code as it existed before its	5279
repeal byB of the 131st general assembly.	5280
Sec. 5749.02. (A) For the purpose of providing revenue to	5281
administer the state's coal mining and reclamation regulatory	5282
program <u>and the state's oil and gas regulatory program</u> , to meet	5283
the environmental and resource management needs of this state,	5284
to provide revenue to the general revenue fund and to fund the	5285
needs of local governments in this state, and to reclaim land	5286

affected by mining, an excise tax is hereby levied on the 5287 privilege of engaging in the severance of natural resources from 5288 the soil or water of this state. The tax shall be imposed upon 5289 the severer at the rates prescribed by  $\frac{divisions}{A}$  (A) (1) to (9) 5290 of this section: 5291 (1) Ten cents per ton of coal; 5292 (2) Four cents per ton of salt; 5293 (3) Two cents per ton of limestone or dolomite; 5294 (4) Two cents per ton of sand and gravel; 5295 (5) <u>Ten-Twenty cents per barrel of oil severed from a well</u> 5296 that is not a horizontal well; 5297 (6) Two and one-half Three cents per thousand cubic feet 5298 of natural gas severed from a well that is not a horizontal 5299 well; 5300 (7) One cent per ton of clay, sandstone or conglomerate, 5301 5302 shale, gypsum, or quartzite; (8) Except as otherwise provided in this division or in 5303 rules adopted by the reclamation forfeiture fund advisory board 5304 under section 1513.182 of the Revised Code, an additional 5305 fourteen cents per ton of coal produced from an area under a 5306 coal mining and reclamation permit issued under Chapter 1513. of 5307 the Revised Code for which the performance security is provided 5308 under division (C)(2) of section 1513.08 of the Revised Code. 5309 Beginning July 1, 2007, if at the end of a fiscal biennium the 5310 balance of the reclamation forfeiture fund created in section 5311 1513.18 of the Revised Code is equal to or greater than ten 5312 million dollars, the rate levied shall be twelve cents per ton. 5313 Beginning July 1, 2007, if at the end of a fiscal biennium the 5314

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balance of the fund is at least five million dollars, but less 5315 than ten million dollars, the rate levied shall be fourteen 5316 cents per ton. Beginning July 1, 2007, if at the end of a fiscal 5317 biennium the balance of the fund is less than five million 5318 dollars, the rate levied shall be sixteen cents per ton. 5319 Beginning July 1, 2009, not later than thirty days after the 5320 close of a fiscal biennium, the chief of the division of mineral 5321 resources management shall certify to the tax commissioner the 5322 amount of the balance of the reclamation forfeiture fund as of 5323 the close of the fiscal biennium. Any necessary adjustment of 5324 the rate levied shall take effect on the first day of the 5325 following January and shall remain in effect during the calendar 5326 biennium that begins on that date. 5327 (9) An additional one and two-tenths cents per ton of coal 5328 5329 mined by surface mining methods; (10) For oil severed from a horizontal well, six and one-5330 5331 half per cent of the product of the total volume of oil severed during the calendar quarter multiplied by the average quarterly 5332 spot price for oil applicable to that quarter; 5333

(11) For gas severed from a horizontal well, one of the5334following:5335

(a) For gas that enters the natural gas distribution5336system without further processing, six and one-half per cent of5337the product of the total volume of gas severed during the5338calendar quarter multiplied by the average quarterly spot price5339for gas applicable to that quarter;5340

(b) For all other gas, four and one-half per cent of the	5341
product of the total volume of gas after the gas is processed	5342
during the calendar quarter, regardless of where the processing	5343

facility is located, multiplied by the average quarterly spot	5344
price for gas applicable to that quarter.	5345
(12) For condensate collected during the calendar quarter	5346
at a point other than the wellhead and separated from oil or gas	5347
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severed from a horizontal well, regardless of where title is	
transferred, six and one-half per cent of the product of the	5349
volume of condensate so collected multiplied by the average	5350
quarterly spot price for condensate applicable to that quarter;	5351
(13) For natural gas liquids collected during the calendar	5352
quarter at a point other than the wellhead and separated from	5353
gas severed from a horizontal well, regardless of where title is	5354
transferred, four and one-half per cent of the product of the	5355
volume of natural gas liquids so collected multiplied by the	5356
average quarterly spot price for natural gas liquids applicable	5357
to that quarter.	5358
(B) After the director of budget and management transfers	5359
money from the severance tax receipts fund as required in	5360
division (H) of section 5749.06 of the Revised Code, money	5361
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remaining in the severance tax receipts fund, except for money	5362
in the fund from the amounts due under section 1509.50 of the	5363
Revised Code, shall be credited as follows:	5364
(1) Of the moneys in the fund from the tax levied in	5365
division (A)(1) of this section, four and seventy-six-hundredths	5366
per cent shall be credited to the geological mapping fund	5367
created in section 1505.09 of the Revised Code, eighty and	5368
ninety-five-hundredths per cent shall be credited to the coal	5369
mining administration and reclamation reserve fund created in	5370
section 1513.181 of the Revised Code, and fourteen and twenty-	5371
nine-hundredths per cent shall be credited to the unreclaimed	5372
lands fund created in section 1513.30 of the Revised Code.	5373

(2) The money in the fund from the tax levied in division	5374
(A)(2) of this section shall be credited to the geological	5375
mapping fund.	5376
(3) Of the moneys in the fund from the tax levied in	5377
divisions (A)(3) and (4) of this section, seven and five-tenths	5378
per cent shall be credited to the geological mapping fund,	5379
forty-two and five-tenths per cent shall be credited to the	5380
unreclaimed lands fund, and the remainder shall be credited to	5381
the surface mining fund created in section 1514.06 of the	5382
Revised Code.	5383
(4) Of the moneys in the fund from the tax levied in	5384
divisions (A)(5) and (6) of this section, ninety per cent shall	5385
be credited to the oil and gas well fund created in section	5386
1509.02 of the Revised Code and ten per cent shall be credited	5387
to the geological mapping fund. All of the moneys in the fund	5388
from the tax levied in division (A)(7) of this section shall be	5389
credited to the surface mining fund.	5390
(5) All of the moneys in the fund from the tax levied in	5391
division (A)(8) of this section shall be credited to the	5392
reclamation forfeiture fund.	5393
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(6) All of the moneys in the fund from the tax levied in	5394
division (A)(9) of this section shall be credited to the	5395
unreclaimed lands fund.	5396

(7) (a) (i) On the first day of July of each year, or as5397soon as practicable thereafter, the director of budget and5398management shall certify to the commissioner a schedule listing5399amounts from the severance tax receipts fund from the taxes5400levied under divisions (A) (10) to (13) of this section that the5401director will credit to the oil and gas well fund and geological5402

mapping fund in each month of the fiscal year. In determining	5403
the amount to be transferred each month, the director shall	5404
account for amounts appropriated for oil and gas regulation,	5405
geological mapping, and plugging idle and orphaned wells	5406
compared to the available balance of the oil and gas well fund	5407
and the geological mapping fund and anticipated revenue to those	5408
funds in that fiscal year from sources other than the taxes	5409
levied in divisions (A)(10) to (13) of this section.	5410
(ii) Not later than the twenty-fifth day of each month,	5411
the director of budget and management shall transfer from the	5412
severance tax receipts fund to the oil and gas well fund and the	5413
geological mapping fund the amount the director certified to be	5414
transferred to those funds for that month according to the	5415
certified schedule in division (B)(7)(a)(i) of this section.	5416
(b) After making each of the June, September, December,	5417
and March transfers from the severance tax receipts fund to the	5418
oil and gas well fund and the geological mapping fund in	5419
accordance with division (B)(7)(a)(ii) of this section, but	5420
before the ensuing first day of July, October, January, and	5421
April, respectively, the director of budget and management shall	5422
credit, transfer, or distribute any money remaining in the	5423
severance tax receipts fund from the taxes levied under	5424
divisions (A)(10) to (13) of this section as follows:	5425
(i) Ten per cent to the county severance tax fund, which	5426
is hereby created in the state treasury. On or before the last	5427
day of March, June, September, and December of each year, the	5428
commissioner shall distribute money in the fund to the severance	5429
tax fund of each county in the most recent proportions certified	5430
to the commissioner by the chief of the division of oil and gas	5431

resources management under division (C)(1) of section 1509.11 of

the Revised Code. Interest earned on money in the county 5433 severance tax fund shall be credited to the fund. 5434 (ii) Five per cent to the severance tax infrastructure 5435 fund created by section 190.03 of the Revised Code. 5436 5437 (iii) Five per cent to the severance tax endowment fund created by section 190.04 of the Revised Code. 5438 5439 (iv) Eighty per cent to the general revenue fund. (C) When, at the close of any fiscal year, the chief finds 5440 that the balance of the reclamation forfeiture fund, plus 5441 estimated transfers to it from the coal mining administration 5442 and reclamation reserve fund under section 1513.181 of the 5443 Revised Code, plus the estimated revenues from the tax levied by 5444 division (A)(8) of this section for the remainder of the 5445 calendar year that includes the close of the fiscal year, are 5446 sufficient to complete the reclamation of all lands for which 5447 the performance security has been provided under division (C)(2) 5448 of section 1513.08 of the Revised Code, the purposes for which 5449 the tax under division (A)(8) of this section is levied shall be 5450 deemed accomplished at the end of that calendar year. The chief, 5451 5452 within thirty days after the close of the fiscal year, shall certify those findings to the tax commissioner, and the tax 5453 levied under division (A)(8) of this section shall cease to be 5454 imposed for the subsequent calendar year after the last day of 5455 that calendar year on coal produced under a coal mining and 5456 reclamation permit issued under Chapter 1513. of the Revised 5457 Code if the permittee has made tax payments under division (A) 5458 (8) of this section during each of the preceding five full 5459 calendar years. Not later than thirty days after the close of a 5460 fiscal year, the chief shall certify to the tax commissioner the 5461 identity of any permittees who accordingly no longer are 5462

required to pay the tax levied under division (A)(8) of this	5463
section for the subsequent calendar year.	5464
(D) On or before the last day of the first month of each	5465
calendar quarter, the tax commissioner shall certify and post to	5466
the department of taxation's web site the average quarterly spot	5467
price applicable to oil, gas, condensate, and natural gas	5468
liquids for that quarter.	5469
Sec. 5749.03. The following shall be exempt from the tax	5470
imposed by section 5749.02 of the Revised Code and the amount	5471
due under section 1509.50 of the Revised Code:	5472
(A) The severance of natural resources from land or water	5473
in this state <del>owned legally or beneficially by the severer,</del>	5474
which natural resources will be used on the land from which they	5475
are taken by the severer as part of the improvement of or use in-	5476
the severer's homestead and which have a yearly cumulative	5477
market value of not greater than one thousand dollars. When	5478
severed natural resources so used exceed a cumulative market	5479
value of one thousand dollars during any year, the further-	5480
severance of natural resources shall be subject to the tax-	5481
imposed by section 5749.02 of the Revised Codefrom an exempt	5482
domestic well.	5483
(B) The severance of gas from a well that is not a	5484
horizontal well if the total amount of gas severed from the well	5485
does not exceed one of the following:	5486
(1) Nine hundred ten thousand cubic feet in a quarter for	5487
a severer filing quarterly returns under section 5749.06 of the	5488
Revised Code.	5489
(2) Three million six hundred forty thousand cubic feet in	5490
a year for a severer required by the commissioner to file_	5491

returns annually under section 5749.06 of the Revised Code.	5492
Sec. 5749.04. No severer shall sever or sell a natural	5493
resource in this state without first having obtained a <del>license</del>	5494
<del>or permit therefor from or registering with the department of</del>	5495
natural resources.	5496
Unless the severer has obtained a license or permit from	5497
another department of this state, the license or permit shall be-	5498
issued by the tax commissioner upon receipt of a completed-	5499
application on a form which he shall prescribe. The license or	5500
permit shall become effective on the date the application is	5501
accepted by the commissioner, who shall notify the applicant in-	5502
writing of the acceptance, and shall remain in effect until such-	5503
time as the commissioner revokes the license or permit. The	5504
commissioner may revoke the license or permit if he finds that	5505
the applicant has failed to fully and truthfully complete the	5506
application or has failed to pay the tax required by Chapter	5507
5749. of the Revised Code.	5508
The fee charged for the license or permit shall be fifty	5509
dollars. The remittance for such fee shall accompany the	5510
application and shall be made payable to the treasurer of state	5511
for deposit in the general revenue fund.	5512
Before severing a natural resource, each severer shall	5513
file an application with the commissioner on a form prescribed	5514
by the commissioner to establish a severance tax account. The	5515
application may require the severer to disclose any information	5516
the commissioner considers necessary to establish that account.	5517
Sec. 5749.06. (A)(1) Each severer liable for the tax	5518
imposed by section 5749.02 of the Revised Code and each severer	5519
or owner liable for the amounts due under section 1509.50 of the	5520

Revised Code shall make and file returns with the tax5521commissioner in the prescribed form and as of the prescribed5522times, computing and reflecting therein the tax as required by5523this chapter and amounts due under section 1509.50 of the5524Revised Code.5525

(2) The returns shall be filed for every quarterly period,
which periods shall end on the thirty-first day of March, the
thirtieth day of June, the thirtieth day of September, and the
thirty first day of December of each yearcalendar quarter, as
required by this section, unless a different return period is
prescribed for a taxpayer by the commissioner.
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(B) (1) A separate return shall be filed for each calendar 5532 quarterly period quarter, or other period, or any part thereof, 5533 during which the severer holds a license permit or has 5534 registered as provided by section 5749.04 of the Revised Code, 5535 or is required to hold the <del>license, or during which an owner is</del> 5536 required to file a returnpermit or be registered. The return 5537 shall be filed within forty-five days after the last on or 5538 before the fifteenth day of each such calendar month, or other 5539 period, or any part thereof, for which the return is required the 5540 second month following the end of each return period. The tax 5541 due is payable along with the return. All such returns shall 5542 contain such information as the commissioner may require to 5543 5544 fairly administer the tax.

(2) All returns shall be signed by the severer or owner, 5545
as applicable, shall contain the full and complete information 5546
requested, and shall be made under penalty of perjury. 5547

(C) If the commissioner believes that quarterly payments
of tax would result in a delay that might jeopardize the
collection of such tax payments, the commissioner may order that
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such payments be made weekly, or more frequently if necessary,5551such payments to be made not later than seven days following the5552close of the period for which the jeopardy payment is required.5553Such an order shall be delivered to the taxpayer personally or5554by certified mail and shall remain in effect until the5555commissioner notifies the taxpayer to the contrary.5556

(D) Upon good cause the commissioner may extend for thirty 5557
days the period for filing any notice or return required to be 5558
filed under this section, and may remit all or a part of 5559
penalties that may become due under this chapter. 5560

5561 (E) Any tax and any amount due under section 1509.50 of the Revised Code not paid by the day the tax or amount is due 5562 shall bear interest computed at the rate per annum prescribed by 5563 section 5703.47 of the Revised Code on that amount due from the 5564 day that the amount tax was originally required to be paid to 5565 the day of actual payment or to the day an assessment was issued 5566 under section 5749.07 or 5749.10 of the Revised Code, whichever 5567 occurs first. 5568

(F) A severer or owner, as applicable, that fails to file a complete return or pay the full amount due under this chapter within the time prescribed, including any extensions of time granted by the commissioner, shall be subject to a penalty not to exceed the greater of fifty dollars or ten per cent of the amount due for the period.

(G) (1) A severer or owner, as applicable, shall remit 5575 payments electronically and, if required by the commissioner, 5576 file each return electronically. The commissioner may require 5577 that the severer or owner use the Ohio business gateway, as 5578 defined in section 718.01 of the Revised Code, or another 5579 electronic means to file returns and remit payments 5580

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(2) A severer or owner that is required to remit payments

electronically under this section may apply to the commissioner, 5583 in the manner prescribed by the commissioner, to be excused from 5584 that requirement. The commissioner may excuse a severer or owner-5585 from the requirements of division (G) of this section for good 5586 5587 cause.

(3) If a severer or owner that is required to remit 5588 payments or file returns electronically under this section fails 5589 to do so, the commissioner may impose a penalty on the severer 5590 or owner not to exceed the following: 5591

(a) For the first or second payment or return the severer 5592 or owner fails to remit or file electronically, the greater of 5593 five per cent of the amount of the payment that was required to 5594 be remitted or twenty-five dollars; 5595

(b) For every payment or return after the second that the 5596 severer or owner fails to remit or file electronically, the 5597 greater of ten per cent of the amount of the payment that was 5598 required to be remitted or fifty dollars. 5599

(H) (1) All amounts that the commissioner receives under 5600 this section shall be deemed to be revenue from taxes imposed 5601 under this chapter or from the amount due under former section 5602 1509.50 of the Revised Code, as applicable, and shall be 5603 deposited in the severance tax receipts fund, which is hereby 5604 created in the state treasury. 5605

(2) The director of budget and management shall transfer 5606 from the severance tax receipts fund, as necessary, to the tax 5607 refund fund amounts equal to the refunds certified by the 5608 commissioner under section 5749.08 of the Revised Code. Any 5609

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amount transferred under division (H)(2) of this section shall5610be derived from receipts of the same tax or other amount from5611which the refund arose.5612

(3) After the director of budget and management makes any 5613 transfer required by division (H)(2) of this section, but not 5614 later than the fifteenth day of the each month following the end 5615 of each calendar quarter, the commissioner shall certify to the 5616 director the total amount remaining in the severance tax 5617 receipts fund organized according to the amount attributable to 5618 each natural resource and according to the amount attributable 5619 to a tax imposed by this chapter and the amounts due under 5620 section 1509.50 of the Revised Code and provide for payment to 5621 the funds specified in division (B) of section 5749.02 of the 5622 Revised Code. 5623

(I) Penalties imposed under this section are in addition 5624 to any other penalty imposed under this chapter and shall be 5625 considered as revenue arising from the tax levied under this 5626 chapter or the amount due under <u>former</u> section 1509.50 of the 5627 Revised Code, as applicable. The commissioner may collect any 5628 5629 penalty or interest imposed under this section in the same manner as provided for the making of an assessment in section 5630 5749.07 of the Revised Code. The commissioner may abate all or a 5631 portion of such interest or penalties and may adopt rules 5632 5633 governing such abatements.

# (J) For the purposes of this section:5634(1) "Tax imposed by section 5749.02 of the Revised Code"5635and "tax" includes amounts due under former section 1509.50 of5636the Revised Code.5637

(2) "Severer" includes an owner as defined in section

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petition shall indicate the objections of the party assessed,5669but additional objections may be raised in writing if received5670by the commissioner prior to the date shown on the final5671determination. If the petition has been properly filed, the5672commissioner shall proceed under section 5703.60 of the Revised5673Code.5674

(C) After an assessment becomes final, if any portion of 5675 the assessment remains unpaid, including accrued interest, a 5676 certified copy of the commissioner's entry making the assessment 5677 final may be filed in the office of the clerk of the court of 5678 common pleas in the county in which the party assessed resides 5679 or in which the party's business is conducted. If the party 5680 assessed maintains no place of business in this state and is not 5681 a resident of this state, the certified copy of the entry may be 5682 filed in the office of the clerk of the court of common pleas of 5683 Franklin county. 5684

Immediately upon the filing of such entry, the clerk shall 5685 enter a judgment for the state against the party assessed in the 5686 amount shown on the entry. The judgment may be filed by the 5687 clerk in a loose-leaf book entitled "special judgments for state 5688 severance tax," and shall have the same effect as other 5689 judgments. Execution shall issue upon the judgment upon the 5690 request of the commissioner, and all laws applicable to sales on 5691 execution shall apply to sales made under the judgment. 5692

If the assessment is not paid in its entirety within sixty5693days after the day the assessment is issued, the portion of the5694assessment consisting of tax due or amounts due under section56951509.50 of the Revised Code shall bear interest at the rate per5696annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code from the5697day the commissioner issues the assessment until it is paid or5698

until it is certified to the attorney general for collection 5699 under section 131.02 of the Revised Code, whichever comes first. 5700 If the unpaid portion of the assessment is certified to the 5701 attorney general for collection, the entire unpaid portion of 5702 the assessment shall bear interest at the rate per annum 5703 prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code from the date 5704 of certification until the date it is paid in its entirety. 5705 Interest shall be paid in the same manner as the tax and may be 5706 collected by the issuance of an assessment under this section. 5707 5708 (D) All money collected by the commissioner under this

section shall be paid to the treasurer of state, and when paid 5709 shall be considered as revenue arising from the tax imposed by 5710 section 5749.02 of the Revised Code and the amount due under 5711 section 1509.50 of the Revised Code, as applicable. 5712

(E) For the purposes of this section:

(1) "Tax imposed by section 5749.02 of the Revised Code" and "tax" includes amounts due under former section 1509.50 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Severer" includes an owner as defined in section 1509.01 of the Revised Code, with regard to amounts due from an owner under former section 1509.50 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5749.08. The tax commissioner shall refund to-5720 taxpayers the amount of taxes levied by section 5749.02 of the 5721 Revised Code and amounts due under <u>former</u> section 1509.50 of the 5722 Revised Code that were paid illegally or erroneously or paid on 5723 an illegal or erroneous assessment. Applications for refund 5724 shall be filed with the commissioner, on the form prescribed by 5725 the commissioner, within four years from the date of the illegal 5726 5727 or erroneous payment. On the filing of the application, the

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commissioner shall determine the amount of refund to which the 5728 applicant is entitled, plus interest computed in accordance with 5729 section 5703.47 of the Revised Code from the date of the payment 5730 of an erroneous or illegal assessment until the date the refund 5731 is paid. If the amount is not less than that claimed, the 5732 commissioner shall certify the amount to the director of budget 5733 and management and treasurer of state for payment from the tax 5734 refund fund created by section 5703.052 of the Revised Code. If 5735 the amount is less than that claimed, the commissioner shall 5736 proceed in accordance with section 5703.70 of the Revised Code. 5737

Sec. 5749.10. If the tax commissioner finds that a 5738 taxpayer, person liable for tax under this chapter or for any 5739 amount due under former section 1509.50 of the Revised Code is 5740 about to depart from the state, or remove the taxpayer's 5741 person's property therefrom, or conceal the taxpayer's person-5742 themselves or their property, or do any other act tending to 5743 prejudice or to render wholly or partly ineffectual proceedings 5744 to collect such tax or other amount due unless such proceedings 5745 are brought without delay, or if the commissioner believes that 5746 the collection of the tax or amount due from any taxpayer person 5747 will be jeopardized by delay, the commissioner shall give notice 5748 of such findings to such taxpayer the person together with the 5749 demand for an immediate return and immediate payment of such tax 5750 or other amount due, with penalty as provided in section 5749.15 5751 of the Revised Code, whereupon such tax or other amount due 5752 shall become immediately due and payable. In such cases the 5753 commissioner may immediately file an entry with the clerk of the 5754 court of common pleas in the same manner and with the same 5755 effect as provided in section 5749.07 of the Revised Code, 5756 provided that if such taxpayer the person, within five days from 5757 notice of the assessment, furnishes evidence satisfactory to the 5758

commissioner, under the regulations prescribed rules adopted by 5759 the commissioner, that the taxpayer person is not in default in 5760 making returns or paying any tax prescribed by this chapter or 5761 amount due under former section 1509.50 of the Revised Code, or 5762 that the taxpayer person will duly return and pay, or post bond 5763 satisfactory to the commissioner conditioned upon payment of the 5764 tax or other amount finally determined to be due, then such tax 5765 or other amount due shall not be payable prior to the time and 5766 manner otherwise fixed for payment under section 5749.07 of the 5767 Revised Code, and the person assessed shall be restored the 5768 rights granted under such section. Upon satisfaction of the 5769 assessment the commissioner shall order the bond cancelled, 5770 securities released, and judgment vacated. 5771

Any assessment issued under this section shall bear 5772 interest as prescribed under section 5749.07 of the Revised 5773 Code. 5774

Sec. 5749.12. Any nonresident of this state who accepts 5775 the privilege extended by the laws of this state to nonresidents 5776 severing natural resources in this state, and any resident of 5777 this state who subsequently becomes a nonresident or conceals 5778 the resident's whereabouts, makes the secretary of state of Ohio 5779 the person's agent for the service of process or notice in any 5780 assessment, action, or proceedings instituted in this state 5781 against such person under this chapter or for purposes of 5782 amounts due under former section 1509.50 of the Revised Code. 5783

Such process or notice shall be served as provided under5784section 5703.37 of the Revised Code.5785

Sec. 5749.13. The tax commissioner may prescribe5786requirements as to the keeping of records and other pertinent5787documents and the filing of copies of federal income tax returns5788

and determinations. The commissioner may require any person, by 5789 rule or by notice served on that person, to keep such records as 5790 the commissioner considers necessary to show whether that person 5791 is liable, and the extent of liability, for the tax imposed 5792 under this chapter and the amount due under former section 5793 1509.50 of the Revised Code. Such records and other documents 5794 shall be open during business hours to the inspection of the 5795 commissioner, and shall be preserved for a period of four years 5796 after the date the return was required to be filed or actually 5797 was filed, whichever is later, unless the commissioner, in 5798 writing, consents to their destruction within that period, or by 5799 order requires that they be kept longer. 5800

Sec. 5749.14. The tax commissioner shall enforce and5801administer this chapter and applicable provisions of section58021509.50 of the Revised Code. In addition to any other powers5803conferred upon the commissioner by law, the commissioner may:5804

(A) Prescribe all forms required to be filed pursuant to 5805this chapter; 5806

(B) Promulgate Adopt such rules as the commissioner finds
 necessary to carry out this chapter and applicable provisions of
 section 1509.50 of the Revised Code;
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(C) Appoint and employ such personnel as may be necessary
 to carry out the duties imposed upon the commissioner by this
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 chapter.

Sec. 5749.15. Any person who fails to file a return or pay 5813 the tax as required under this chapter or other amount due under 5814 <u>former</u> section 1509.50 of the Revised Code who is assessed such 5815 taxes or other amount due pursuant to section 5749.07 or 5749.10 5816 of the Revised Code may be liable for a penalty of up to twenty- 5817 five per cent of the amount assessed. The tax commissioner may5818adopt rules relating to the imposition and remission of5819penalties imposed under this section.5820

5821 Sec. 5749.17. Except for purposes of enforcing Chapter-1509. of the Revised Code, any Any information provided to the 5822 department of natural resources by the department of taxation in 5823 accordance with division (C) (12) of section 5703.21 of the 5824 5825 Revised Code shall not be disclosed publicly by the department of natural resources. However the department of natural 5826 5827 resources may provide such information to the attorney general for purposes of enforcement of Chapter 1509. of the Revised 5828 Code. 5829

Section 2. That existing sections 145.01, 145.191, 145.38, 5830 145.384, 145.471, 145.472, 145.58, 742.26, 1509.01, 1509.02, 5831 1509.11, 1509.34, 2305.234, 2305.2341, 3307.01, 3307.35, 5832 3307.352, 3309.341, 3309.344, 3501.13, 5703.052, 5703.19, 5833 5739.01, 5747.02, 5747.05, 5747.08, 5747.41, 5749.01, 5749.02, 5834 5749.03, 5749.04, 5749.06, 5749.07, 5749.08, 5749.10, 5749.12, 5835 5749.13, 5749.14, 5749.15, and 5749.17 and sections 145.381, 5836 145.382, 1509.50, 3307.353, and 3309.345 of the Revised Code are 5837 hereby repealed. 5838

Section 3. The amendment, enactment, or repeal by this act5839of sections 190.01, 190.02, 190.03, 190.04, 321.50, 1509.01,58401509.02, 1509.11, 1509.34, 1509.50, 5703.052, 5703.19, 5749.01,58415749.02, 5749.03, 5749.04, 5749.06, 5749.07, 5749.08, 5749.10,58425749.12, 5749.13, 5749.14, 5749.15, and 5749.17 shall take5843effect on July 1, 2015.5844

Section 4. Notwithstanding division (B) (7) (a) (ii) of5845section 5749.02 of the Revised Code, the Director of Budget and5846Management shall make the first transfer required under that5847

division on or before December 15, 2015, and that transfer shall5848be for the amount listed on the schedule certified under5849division (B) (7) (a) (i) of that section for November 2015.5850

Section 5. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Candidate" has the same meaning as in division (C) (3)
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of section 3517.01 of the Revised Code, but is limited to
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candidates for the public offices specified in this section.
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(2) "Contribution" has the same meaning as in division (C) 5855
(5) of section 3517.01 of the Revised Code, but is limited to 5856 contributions of money only. 5857

(B) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a 5858 nonrefundable credit is allowed against the tax imposed by 5859 section 5747.02 of the Revised Code for contributions of money 5860 made to the campaign committee of candidates for any of the 5861 following public offices: Governor, Lieutenant Governor, 5862 Secretary of State, Auditor of State, Treasurer of State, 5863 Attorney General, member of the State Board of Education, Chief 5864 Justice of the Supreme Court, Justice of the Supreme Court, or 5865 5866 member of the General Assembly.

(C) The amount of the credit for a taxable year equals the 5867 lesser of the combined total contributions made during the 5868 taxable year by each taxpayer filing a return required to be 5869 filed under section 5747.08 of the Revised Code or the amount of 5870 fifty dollars, in the case of an individual return, or one 5871 hundred dollars, in the case of a joint return. 5872

(D) The taxpayer shall claim the credit in the order
prescribed in division (A) (10) of section 5747.98 of the Revised
Code as that section existed before its amendment by H.B. 64 of
the 131st General Assembly.

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(E) The credit for a taxable year shall not exceed the tax
otherwise due for that year after allowing for any other credits
that precede the credit under this section in that order.

Section 6. (A) Notwithstanding the sections of Sub. H.B. 5880 64 of the 131st General Assembly numbered in the 200s, 300s, or 5881 400s, aggregate General Revenue Fund appropriations for each 5882 agency in fiscal year 2016 and fiscal year 2017 shall be reduced 5883 by the amount specified in the table below. Not later than July 5884 15 of each fiscal year and subject to division (B) of this 5885 section, the Director of Budget and Management shall determine 5886 the amount of the reductions to individual General Revenue Fund 5887 appropriation items in a manner that best preserves the critical 5888 services of the state, provided that the aggregate amount of the 5889 reductions for each agency is equal to the amount specified in 5890 the table below. 5891

Agency	FY 2016	FY 2017	5892
Adjutant General	\$618,447	\$837 <b>,</b> 390	5893
Department of Administrative	\$1,741,676	\$2,367,601	5894
Services			5895
Department of Aging	\$720 <b>,</b> 635	\$975 <b>,</b> 755	5896
Department of Agriculture	\$982,464	\$1,728,634	5897
Ohio Arts Council	\$827 <b>,</b> 655	\$1,163,041	5898
Attorney General	\$2,898,448	\$3,924,556	5899
Auditor of State	\$1,782,693	\$2,413,803	5900
Office of Budget and Management	\$300 <b>,</b> 270	\$406,571	5901
Capitol Square Review and	\$224,006	\$303,309	5902

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Advisory Board			5903
Ohio Civil Rights Commission	\$338,425	\$458,234	5904
Controlling Board	\$29,733	\$146,206	5905
Court of Claims	\$160,433	\$214,979	5906
Development Services Agency	\$2,511,441	\$3,167,460	5907
Department of Developmental	\$4,788,655	\$6,483,935	5908
Disabilities			5909
Department of Education	\$476,896,966	\$682,284,702	5910
Ohio Elections Commission	\$20,852	\$28,234	5911
State Employment Relations	\$235,454	\$318,810	5912
Board			5913
Environmental Protection Agency	\$683,749	\$925 <b>,</b> 809	5914
Environmental Review Appeals	\$34,148	\$46,238	5915
Commission			5916
Broadcast Educational Media	\$646,898	\$875 <b>,</b> 913	5917
Commission			5918
Ohio Ethics Commission	\$86,481	\$117 <b>,</b> 097	5919
Ohio Expositions Commission	\$31,298	\$42,379	5920
Ohio Facilities Construction	\$578 <b>,</b> 393	\$766 <b>,</b> 204	5921
Commission			5922
Office of the Governor	\$197,642	\$267,502	5923

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Commission on Hispanic/Latino	\$24,586	\$33,291	5925
Affairs			5926
Ohio History Connection	\$839,450	\$1,111,206	5927
Ohio House of Representatives	\$1,456,807	\$1,972,546	5928
Office of the Inspector General	\$83,113	\$112 <b>,</b> 537	5929
Department of Job and Family	\$44,437,834	\$60,222,638	5930
Services			5931
Joint Committee on Agency	\$30,869	\$43,417	5932
Rule Review			5933
Joint Education Oversight	\$78 <b>,</b> 246	\$105 <b>,</b> 946	5934
Committee			5935
Joint Medicaid Oversight	\$20 <b>,</b> 156	\$41,558	5936
Committee			5937
Judicial Conference of Ohio	\$62,534	\$87 <b>,</b> 978	5938
The Judiciary/Supreme Court	\$9,260,448	\$12,753,452	5939
Joint Legislative Ethics	\$34,428	\$46,616	5940
Committee			5941
Legislative Service Commission	\$1,544,288	\$2,090,997	5942
State Library Board	\$369,317	\$500 <b>,</b> 062	5943
Department of Mental Health	\$23,003,080	\$31,734,851	5944
and Addiction Services			5945
Ohio Military Facilities	\$156,492	\$211 <b>,</b> 893	5946

Veterans' Organizations

Department of Youth Services

Department of Veterans Services \$1,857,041

Commission			5947
Commission on Minority Health	\$98,063	\$132,780	5948
Department of Natural Resources	\$3,321,197	\$4,465,183	5949
Opportunities for Ohioans with	\$1,017,251	\$1,377,378	5950
Disabilities Agency			5951
Ohio Public Defender Commission	\$1,671,658	\$2,265,453	5952

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Department of Public Safety	\$1,132,955	\$1,534,044
Department of Higher Education	\$138,006,773	\$191,324,991
Department of Rehabilitation and	\$94,248,665	\$132,049,028
Correction		
Ohio State School for the Blind	\$500,773	\$678 <b>,</b> 057
Ohio School for the Deaf	\$601,205	\$850,018
Secretary of State	\$148,869	\$201,571
The Ohio Senate	\$783 <b>,</b> 593	\$1,061,001
Board of Tax Appeals	\$106,414	\$144,087
Department of Taxation	\$4,323,296	\$5,853,830
Department of Transportation	\$957 <b>,</b> 728	\$1,296,783
Treasurer of State	\$1,823,224	\$2,468,682

(B) The following General Revenue Fund appropriation items 5968 used for debt service, property tax reimbursement, or Medicaid 5969

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Agency	ALI	ALI Title	5972
Department of Administrative	100413	Enterprise Data	5973
Services		Center Solutions	5974
		Lease Rental	5975
		Payments	5976
Department of Administrative	100414	MARCS Lease Rental	5977
Services		Payments	5978
Department of Administrative	100415	OAKS Lease Rental	5979
Services		Payments	5980
Department of Administrative	100416	STARS Lease Rental	5981
Services		Payments	5982
Department of Administrative	100447	Administrative	5983
Services		Buildings Lease	5984
		Rental Bond Payments	5985
Department of Aging	656423	Long-Term Care	5986
		Program Support -	5987
		State	5988
Development Services Agency	195901	Coal Research &	5989
		Development General	5990
		Obligation Bond Debt	5991
		Service	5992

Development Services Agency	195905	Third Frontier	5993
		Research &	5994
		Development General	5995
		Obligation Bond Debt	: 5996
		Service	5997
Development Services Agency	195912	Job Ready Site	5998
		Development General	5999
		Obligation Bond Debt	: 6000
		Service	6001
Department of Developmental	320415	Developmental	6002
Disabilities		Disabilities	6003
		Facilities Lease	6004
		Rental Bond Payments	\$ 6005
Department of Developmental	653321	Medicaid Program	6006
Disabilities		Support - State	6007
Department of Developmental	653407	Medicaid Services	6008
Disabilities			6009
Ohio Facilities Construction	230401	Cultural Facilities	6010
Commission		Lease Rental Bond	6011
		Payments	6012
Ohio Facilities Construction	230908	Common Schools	6013
Commission		General Obligation	6014

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		Bond Debt Service	6015
Department of Health	654453	Medicaid - Health	6016
		Care Quality	6017
		Assurance	6018
Department of Job and Family	655522	Medicaid Program	6019
Services		Support - Local	6020
Department of Job and Family	655523	Medicaid Program	6021
Services		Support - Local	6022
		Transportation	6023
Department of Medicaid	651425	Medicaid Program	6024
		Support - State	6025
Department of Medicaid	651525	Medicaid/Health Care	6026
		Services	6027
Department of Medicaid	651526	Medicare Part D	6028
Department of Medicaid	651527	Medicaid for Inmates	6029
		Pilot Program	6030
Department of Mental Health	336415	Mental Health	6031
and Addiction Services		Facilities Lease-	6032
		Rental Bond Payments	6033
Department of Mental Health	652321	Medicaid Support	6034
and Addiction Services			6035
Department of Natural Resour	cces 725413	Parks and	6036

		Recreational	6037
		Facilities Lease	6038
		Rental Bond Payments	6039
Department of Natural Resources	725903	Natural Resources	6040
		General Obligation	6041
		Bond Debt Service	6042
Public Works Commission	150904	Conservation General	6043
		Obligation Bond Debt	6044
		Service	6045
Public Works Commission	150907	Infrastructure	6046
		Improvement General	6047
		Obligation Bond Debt	6048
		Service	6049
Department of Higher Education	235909	Higher Education	6050
		General Obligation	6051
		Bond Debt Service	6052
Department of Rehabilitation and	501406	Adult Correctional	6053
Correction		Facilities Lease	6054
		Rental Bond Payments	6055
State Revenue Distributions	110908	Property Tax	6056
		Reimbursement -	6057
		Local Government	6058

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		Reimbursement -	6060
		Education	6061
Treasurer of State	090406	Treasury Management	6062
		System Lease Rental	6063
		Payments	6064
Department of Veterans Services	900901	Veterans	6065
		Compensation General	6066
		Obligation Bond Debt	6067
		Service	6068
Department of Youth Services	470412	Juvenile	6069
		Correctional	6070
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Facilities Lease

(C) Notwithstanding the sections of Sub. H.B. 64 of the 6073 131st General Assembly numbered in the 200s, 300s, or 400s and 6074 division (B) of this section, the following appropriation items 6075 for the Department of Medicaid in fiscal year 2016 and fiscal 6076 year 2017 shall be reduced by the amount specified in the table 6077 below to eliminate Medicaid funding for the group described in 6078 section 192(a)(10)(i)(VIII) of the "Social Security Act," 42 6079 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII). 6080 ALI Title FY 2016 FY 2017 6081 ALI

651525 Medicaid/Health Care

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	Services		6083
	State	\$0	\$119,890,105 6084
	Federal	\$4,196,201,284	\$4,680,792,151 6085
	Medicaid/Health Care	\$4,196,201,284	\$4,800,682,256 6086
	Services Total		6087
651639	Medicaid Services -	\$0	\$6,009,895 6088
	Recoveries		6089
651623	Medicaid Services -	\$223,482,670	\$240,395,803 6090
	Federal		6091