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A BILL

To enact section 122.043 of the Revised Code to
require the Director of Development Services to
establish a youth summer jobs pledging
initiative to increase access to summer
employment opportunities for high school and
college youth.

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

Section 1. That section 122.043 of the Revised Code be
enacted to read as follows:

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Sec. 122.043. (A) As used in this section, "OhioMeansJobs"
has the same meaning as in section 6301.01 of the Revised Code.

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(B) The director of development services shall establish a
youth summer jobs pledging initiative to increase access to
summer employment opportunities for high school and college
youth in this state. The director shall adopt, and thereafter
may amend or rescind, rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised
Code to establish, and to operate, maintain, and improve, the
initiative, which shall include all of the following:

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(1) A requirement that the development services agency
identify and compile pledges, not later than the last day of

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February in each year, of employment opportunities that will be 20
available to high school and college youth during the following 21
summer; 22

(2) The establishment of a scale to determine the 23
suggested number of employment opportunities an employer may 24
pledge to be available to high school and college youth during 25
the summer, based on the employer's assets, annual gross 26
receipts, and number of employees; 27

(3) The establishment of a searchable summer employment 28
opportunity database on the OhioMeansJobs web site in which the 29
agency shall post all of the summer employment opportunity 30
information that it compiles, including contact information for 31
the potential employers, and that high school and college youth 32
may access to identify summer employment opportunities; 33

(4) A requirement that the agency publicize the 34
availability of the summer employment opportunity database in a 35
manner that targets high school and college youth in this state; 36

(5) The development of a form to appear on the 37
OhioMeansJobs web site, when youth access the summer employment 38
opportunity database, encouraging them to answer the question, 39
"What do you dream about doing with your first paycheck?" and 40
allowing them to answer anonymously. 41

(C) The agency shall compile the answers submitted through 42
the OhioMeansJobs web site under division (B) (5) of this section 43
into an annual report. Not later than the thirty-first day of 44
December of each year, the agency shall submit a copy of the 45
compiled report to the president and minority leader of the 46
senate and the speaker and minority leader of the house of 47
representatives. 48