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A BILL

То	amend sections 3313.66, 3313.661, 3314.03,	1
	3326.11, and 5502.03 and to enact sections	2
	3313.206 and 3313.754 of the Revised Code	3
	regarding expulsion of a student from a public	4
	school for communicating a threat of violence to	5
	occur on school grounds.	6

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

Section 1. That sections 3313.66, 3313.661, 3314.03,	7
3326.11, and 5502.03 be amended and sections 3313.206 and	8
3313.754 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:	9
Sec. 3313.206. The superintendent of each school district	10
and the chief administrative officer for each chartered	11
nonpublic school shall report to the Ohio school safety center	12
established under division (E) of section 5502.03 of the Revised	13
Code each time a student enrolled in the district or school	14
makes a threat described in division (B)(6) of section 3313.66	15
of the Revised Code, regardless of whether the district or	16
school has taken any disciplinary action against the student, to	17
the extent the report is permitted under section 3319.321 of the	18
Revised Code or 20 U.S.C. 1232g.	19

Sec. 3313.66. (A)(1) Except as provided under division (B)	20
(2) of this section, and subject to section 3313.668 of the	21
Revised Code, the superintendent of schools of a city, exempted	22
village, or local school district, or the principal of a public	23
school may suspend a pupil from school for not more than ten	24
school days. The board of education of a city, exempted village,	25
or local school district may adopt a policy granting assistant	26
principals and other administrators the authority to suspend a	27
pupil from school for a period of time as specified in the	28
policy of the board of education, not to exceed ten school days.	29
If at the time an out-of-school suspension is imposed there are	30
fewer than ten school days remaining in the school year in which	31
the incident that gives rise to the suspension takes place, the	32
superintendent shall not apply any remaining part of the period	33
of the suspension to the following school year. The	34
superintendent may instead require the pupil to participate in a	35
community service program or another alternative consequence for	36
a number of hours equal to the remaining part of the period of	37
the suspension. The pupil shall be required to begin the pupil's	38
community service or alternative consequence during the first	39
full week day of summer break. Each school district, in its	40
discretion, may develop an appropriate list of alternative	41
consequences. In the event that a pupil fails to complete	42
community service or the assigned alternative consequence, the	43
school district may determine the next course of action, which	44
shall not include requiring the pupil to serve the remaining	45
time of the out-of-school suspension at the beginning of the	46
following school year.	47
No pupil shall be issued an out-of-school suspension	48
unless prior to the suspension the superintendent or principal	49

does both of the following:

(a) Gives the pupil written notice of the intention to	51
suspend the pupil and the reasons for the intended suspension	52
and, if the proposed suspension is based on a violation listed	53
in division (A) of section 3313.662 of the Revised Code and if	54
the pupil is sixteen years of age or older, includes in the	55
notice a statement that the superintendent may seek to	56
permanently exclude the pupil if the pupil is convicted of or	57
adjudicated a delinquent child for that violation;	58
(b) Provides the pupil an opportunity to appear at an	59
informal hearing before the principal, assistant principal,	60
superintendent, or superintendent's designee and challenge the	61
reason for the intended suspension or otherwise to explain the	62
pupil's actions.	63
(2) If a pupil is issued an in-school suspension, the	64
superintendent or principal shall ensure the pupil is serving	65
the suspension in a supervised learning environment.	66
(3) Each school district board shall adopt a policy	67
establishing parameters for completing and grading assignments	68
missed because of a pupil's suspension.	69
(a) The policy shall provide the pupil an opportunity to	70
do both of the following:	71
(i) Complete any classroom assignments missed because of	72
the suspension;	73
(ii) Receive at least partial credit for a completed	74
assignment.	75
(b) The policy may permit grade reductions on account of	76
the pupil's suspension.	77
(c) The policy shall prohibit the receipt of a failing	78

grade on a completed assignment solely on account of the pupil's	79
suspension.	80
(B)(1) Except as provided under division (B)(2), (3), or	81
(4), (5) , or (6) of this section, and subject to section	82
3313.668 of the Revised Code, the superintendent of schools of a	83
city, exempted village, or local school district may expel a	84
pupil from school for a period not to exceed the greater of	85
eighty school days or the number of school days remaining in the	86
semester or term in which the incident that gives rise to the	87
expulsion takes place, unless the expulsion is extended pursuant	88
to division (F) of this section. If at the time an expulsion is	89
imposed there are fewer than eighty school days remaining in the	90
school year in which the incident that gives rise to the	91
expulsion takes place, the superintendent may apply any	92
remaining part or all of the period of the expulsion to the	93
following school year.	94
(2)(a) Unless a pupil is permanently excluded pursuant to	95
section 3313.662 of the Revised Code, the superintendent of	96
schools of a city, exempted village, or local school district	97
shall expel a pupil from school for a period of one year for	98
bringing a firearm to a school operated by the board of	99
education of the district or onto any other property owned or	100
controlled by the board, except that the superintendent may	101
reduce this requirement on a case-by-case basis in accordance	102
with the policy adopted by the board under section 3313.661 of	103
the Revised Code.	104
(b) The superintendent of schools of a city, exempted	105
village, or local school district may expel a pupil from school	106
for a period of one year for bringing a firearm to an	107
interscholastic competition, an extracurricular event, or any	108

other school program or activity that is not located in a school	109
or on property that is owned or controlled by the district. The	110
superintendent may reduce this disciplinary action on a case-by-	111
case basis in accordance with the policy adopted by the board	112
under section 3313.661 of the Revised Code.	113

- (c) Any expulsion pursuant to division (B)(2) of this

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 section shall extend, as necessary, into the school year

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 following the school year in which the incident that gives rise

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 to the expulsion takes place. As used in this division,

 "firearm" has the same meaning as provided pursuant to the "Gun
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 Free Schools Act," 115 Stat. 1762, 20 U.S.C. 7151.
- (3) The board of education of a city, exempted village, or 120 local school district may adopt a resolution authorizing the 121 superintendent of schools to expel a pupil from school for a 122 period not to exceed one year for bringing a knife capable of 123 causing serious bodily injury to a school operated by the board, 124 onto any other property owned or controlled by the board, or to 125 an interscholastic competition, an extracurricular event, or any 126 other program or activity sponsored by the school district or in 127 which the district is a participant, or for possessing a firearm 128 or knife capable of serious bodily injury, at a school, on any 129 other property owned or controlled by the board, or at an 130 interscholastic competition, an extracurricular event, or any 131 other school program or activity, which firearm or knife was 132 initially brought onto school board property by another person. 133 The resolution may authorize the superintendent to extend such 134 an expulsion, as necessary, into the school year following the 135 school year in which the incident that gives rise to the 136 expulsion takes place. 137
 - (4) The board of education of a city, exempted village, or

local school district may adopt a resolution establishing a	139
policy under section 3313.661 of the Revised Code that	140
authorizes the superintendent of schools to expel a pupil from	141
school for a period not to exceed one year for committing an act	142
that is a criminal offense when committed by an adult and that	143
results in serious physical harm to persons as defined in	144
division (A)(5) of section 2901.01 of the Revised Code or	145
serious physical harm to property as defined in division (A)(6)	146
of section 2901.01 of the Revised Code while the pupil is at	147
school, on any other property owned or controlled by the board,	148
or at an interscholastic competition, an extracurricular event,	149
or any other school program or activity. Any expulsion under	150
this division shall extend, as necessary, into the school year	151
following the school year in which the incident that gives rise	152
to the expulsion takes place.	153

- (5) The board of education of any city, exempted village, 154 or local school district may adopt a resolution establishing a 155 policy under section 3313.661 of the Revised Code that 156 authorizes the superintendent of schools to expel a pupil from 157 school for a period not to exceed one year for making a bomb 158 threat to a school building or to any premises at which a school 159 activity is occurring at the time of the threat. Any expulsion 160 under this division shall extend, as necessary, into the school 161 year following the school year in which the incident that gives 162 rise to the expulsion takes place. 163
- or local school district may adopt a resolution that authorizes

 the superintendent of schools to expel a pupil from school for a

 period of up to one year for communicating a threat to kill or

 do physical harm to persons or property, as defined in division

 (A) (3) or (4) of section 2901.01 of the Revised Code, if all of

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the following conditions are met:	170
(a) The threat is communicated verbally or in writing in	171
person or via telephone, cellular telephone, computer, pager,	172
personal communication device, or other electronic communication	173
device.	174
(b) The threat is made against persons or property at a	175
school operated by the district board, on a school bus, at any	176
other property owned or controlled by the district board, or at	177
an interscholastic competition, an extracurricular event, or any	178
other program or activity sponsored by the school district or in	179
which the district is a participant.	180
(c) The pupil who made the threat engaged in conduct that	181
constitutes a substantial step in a course intended to culminate	182
in the commission of the threatened act, as determined by the	183
superintendent in consultation with the law enforcement agency	184
of the appropriate municipal corporation, township, or county.	185
Division (B)(6) of this section applies regardless of	186
whether the person or property that is the object of the threat	187
actually receives the communication of the threat.	188
The board of education of any city, exempted village, or	189
<pre>local school district may require the pupil, as a condition of</pre>	190
reinstatement from an expulsion under division (B)(6) of this	191
section to undergo an assessment to determine whether the pupil	192
poses a danger to the pupil's self or to other pupils or school	193
<pre>employees.</pre>	194
In making any determination under division (B)(6) of this	195
section, the superintendent shall comply with the procedures	196
prescribed by divisions (B)(7) and (D) of this section.	197
Nothing in division (B)(6) of this section shall be	198

construed to limit or prohibit bringing a juvenile or criminal	199
action against a student who is expelled under that division.	200
Any expulsion under division (B)(6) of this section shall	201
extend, as necessary, into the school year following the school	202
year in which the incident that gives rise to the expulsion	203
takes place.	204
(7) No pupil shall be expelled under division (B)(1), (2),	205
(3), (4), $\frac{\text{or}}{\text{or}}$ (5), $\frac{\text{or}}{\text{or}}$ (6) of this section unless, prior to the	206
pupil's expulsion, the superintendent does both of the	207
following:	208
(a) Gives the pupil and the pupil's parent, guardian, or	209
custodian written notice of the intention to expel the pupil;	210
(b) Provides the pupil and the pupil's parent, guardian,	211
custodian, or representative an opportunity to appear in person	212
before the superintendent or the superintendent's designee to	213
challenge the reasons for the intended expulsion or otherwise to	214
explain the pupil's actions.	215
The notice required in this division shall include the	216
reasons for the intended expulsion, notification of the	217
opportunity of the pupil and the pupil's parent, guardian,	218
custodian, or representative to appear before the superintendent	219
or the superintendent's designee to challenge the reasons for	220
the intended expulsion or otherwise to explain the pupil's	221
action, and notification of the time and place to appear. The	222
time to appear shall not be earlier than three nor later than	223
five school days after the notice is given, unless the	224
superintendent grants an extension of time at the request of the	225
pupil or the pupil's parent, guardian, custodian, or	226
representative. If an extension is granted after giving the	227

original notice, the superintendent shall notify the pupil and	228
the pupil's parent, guardian, custodian, or representative of	229
the new time and place to appear. If the proposed expulsion is	230
based on a violation listed in division (A) of section 3313.662	231
of the Revised Code and if the pupil is sixteen years of age or	232
older, the notice shall include a statement that the	233
superintendent may seek to permanently exclude the pupil if the	234
pupil is convicted of or adjudicated a delinquent child for that	235
violation.	236
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 $\frac{(7)-(8)}{(8)}$ A superintendent of schools of a city, exempted 237 village, or local school district shall initiate expulsion 238 proceedings pursuant to this section with respect to any pupil 239 who has committed an act warranting expulsion under the 240 district's policy regarding expulsion even if the pupil has 241 withdrawn from school for any reason after the incident that 242 gives rise to the hearing but prior to the hearing or decision 243 to impose the expulsion. If, following the hearing, the pupil 244 would have been expelled for a period of time had the pupil 245 still been enrolled in the school, the expulsion shall be 246 imposed for the same length of time as on a pupil who has not 247 withdrawn from the school. 248

249 (C)(1) Subject to division (C)(2) of this section, if a pupil's presence poses a continuing danger to persons or 250 property or an ongoing threat of disrupting the academic process 251 taking place either within a classroom or elsewhere on the 252 school premises, the superintendent or a principal or assistant 253 principal may remove a pupil from curricular activities or from 254 the school premises, and a teacher may remove a pupil from 255 curricular activities under the teacher's supervision, without 256 the notice and hearing requirements of division (A) or (B) of 257 this section. As soon as practicable after making such a 258 S. B. No. 253

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removal, the teacher shall submit in writing to the principal 259 the reasons for such removal. 260

- (2) A pupil in any of grades pre-kindergarten through three may be removed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section only for the remainder of the school day and shall be permitted to return to curricular and extracurricular activities on the school day following the day in which the student was removed.
- (a) A school district or school that returns a student in any of grades pre-kindergarten through three to curricular and extracurricular activities on the next school day shall not be required to follow division (C)(3) of this section with regard to that student.
- (b) A school district shall not initiate a suspension or expulsion proceeding against a student in any of grades pre-kindergarten through three who was removed from a curricular or extracurricular activity under division (C) of this section unless the student has committed an act described in division (B) (1) (a) or (b) of section 3313.668 of the Revised Code.
- (3) If a pupil is removed under division (C) (1) or (2) of this section from a curricular activity or from the school premises, written notice of the hearing and of the reason for the removal shall be given to the pupil as soon as practicable prior to the hearing, which shall be held on the next school day after the initial removal is ordered. The hearing shall be held in accordance with division (A) of this section unless it is probable that the pupil may be subject to expulsion, in which case a hearing in accordance with division (B) of this section shall be held, except that the hearing shall be held on the next school day after the date of the initial removal. The individual who ordered, caused, or requested the removal to be made shall

be present at the hearing.

(4) If the superintendent or the principal reinstates a 290 pupil in a curricular activity under the teacher's supervision 291 prior to the hearing following a removal under this division, 292 the teacher, upon request, shall be given in writing the reasons 293 for such reinstatement.

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(D) The superintendent or principal, within one school day 295 after the time of a pupil's expulsion or suspension, shall 296 297 notify in writing the parent, guardian, or custodian of the 298 pupil of the expulsion or suspension. In the case of an expulsion, the superintendent or principal, within one school 299 day after the time of a pupil's expulsion, also shall notify in 300 writing the treasurer of the board of education. Each notice 301 shall include the reasons for the expulsion or suspension, 302 notification of the right of the pupil or the pupil's parent, 303 304 guardian, or custodian to appeal the expulsion or suspension to the board of education or to its designee, to be represented in 305 all appeal proceedings, to be granted a hearing before the board 306 or its designee in order to be heard against the suspension or 307 expulsion, and to request that the hearing be held in executive 308 309 session, notification that the expulsion may be subject to extension pursuant to division (F) of this section if the pupil 310 is sixteen years of age or older, and notification that the 311 superintendent may seek the pupil's permanent exclusion if the 312 suspension or expulsion was based on a violation listed in 313 division (A) of section 3313.662 of the Revised Code that was 314 committed when the child was sixteen years of age or older and 315 if the pupil is convicted of or adjudicated a delinquent child 316 for that violation. 317

In accordance with the policy adopted by the board of

education under section 3313.661 of the Revised Code, the notice	319
provided under this division shall specify the manner and date	320
oy which the pupil or the pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian	321
shall notify the board of the pupil's, parent's, guardian's, or	322
custodian's intent to appeal the expulsion or suspension to the	323
board or its designee.	324

Any superintendent expelling a pupil under this section 325 for more than twenty school days or for any period of time if 326 the expulsion will extend into the following semester or school 327 year shall, in the notice required under this division, provide 328 the pupil and the pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian with 329 information about services or programs offered by public and 330 private agencies that work toward improving those aspects of the 331 pupil's attitudes and behavior that contributed to the incident 332 that gave rise to the pupil's expulsion. The information shall 333 include the names, addresses, and phone numbers of the 334 appropriate public and private agencies. 335

(E) A pupil or the pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian 336 may appeal the pupil's expulsion by a superintendent or 337 suspension by a superintendent, principal, assistant principal, 338 or other administrator to the board of education or to its 339 designee. If the pupil or the pupil's parent, quardian, or 340 custodian intends to appeal the expulsion or suspension to the 341 board or its designee, the pupil or the pupil's parent, 342 quardian, or custodian shall notify the board in the manner and 343 by the date specified in the notice provided under division (D) 344 of this section. The pupil or the pupil's parent, quardian, or 345 custodian may be represented in all appeal proceedings and shall 346 be granted a hearing before the board or its designee in order 347 to be heard against the suspension or expulsion. At the request 348 of the pupil or of the pupil's parent, guardian, custodian, or 349

attorney, the board or its designee may hold the hearing in	350
executive session but shall act upon the suspension or expulsion	351
only at a public meeting. The board, by a majority vote of its	352
full membership or by the action of its designee, may affirm the	353
order of suspension or expulsion, reinstate the pupil, or	354
otherwise reverse, vacate, or modify the order of suspension or	355
expulsion.	356
The board or its designee shall make a verbatim record of	357
hearings held under this division. The decisions of the board or	358

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The board or its designee shall make a verbatim record of hearings held under this division. The decisions of the board or its designee may be appealed under Chapter 2506. of the Revised Code.

This section shall not be construed to require notice and hearing in accordance with division (A), (B), or (C) of this section in the case of normal disciplinary procedures in which a pupil is removed from a curricular activity for a period of less than one school day and is not subject to suspension or expulsion.

(F)(1) If a pupil is expelled pursuant to division (B) of 367 this section for committing any violation listed in division (A) 368 of section 3313.662 of the Revised Code and the pupil was 369 sixteen years of age or older at the time of committing the 370 violation, if a complaint, indictment, or information is filed 371 alleging that the pupil is a delinquent child based upon the 372 commission of the violation or the pupil is prosecuted as an 373 adult for the commission of the violation, and if the resultant 374 juvenile court or criminal proceeding is pending at the time 375 that the expulsion terminates, the superintendent of schools 376 that expelled the pupil may file a motion with the court in 377 which the proceeding is pending requesting an order extending 378 the expulsion for the lesser of an additional eighty days or the 379 S. B. No. 253

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number of school days remaining in the school year. Upon the 380 filing of the motion, the court immediately shall schedule a 381 hearing and give written notice of the time, date, and location 382 of the hearing to the superintendent and to the pupil and the 383 pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian. At the hearing, the 384 court shall determine whether there is reasonable cause to 385 believe that the pupil committed the alleged violation that is 386 the basis of the expulsion and, upon determining that reasonable 387 cause to believe the pupil committed the violation does exist, 388 shall grant the requested extension. 389

390 (2) If a pupil has been convicted of or adjudicated a delinquent child for a violation listed in division (A) of 391 section 3313.662 of the Revised Code for an act that was 392 committed when the child was sixteen years of age or older, if 393 the pupil has been expelled pursuant to division (B) of this 394 section for that violation, and if the board of education of the 395 school district of the school from which the pupil was expelled 396 has adopted a resolution seeking the pupil's permanent 397 exclusion, the superintendent may file a motion with the court 398 that convicted the pupil or adjudicated the pupil a delinquent 399 child requesting an order to extend the expulsion until an 400 adjudication order or other determination regarding permanent 401 exclusion is issued by the superintendent of public instruction 402 pursuant to section 3301.121 and division (D) of section 403 3313.662 of the Revised Code. Upon the filing of the motion, the 404 court immediately shall schedule a hearing and give written 405 notice of the time, date, and location of the hearing to the 406 superintendent of the school district, the pupil, and the 407 pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian. At the hearing, the 408 court shall determine whether there is reasonable cause to 409 believe the pupil's continued attendance in the public school 410

system may endanger the health and safety of other pupils or	411
school employees and, upon making that determination, shall	412
grant the requested extension.	413
(G) The failure of the superintendent or the board of	414
education to provide the information regarding the possibility	415
of permanent exclusion in the notice required by divisions (A),	416
(B), and (D) of this section is not jurisdictional, and the	417
failure shall not affect the validity of any suspension or	418
expulsion procedure that is conducted in accordance with this	419
section or the validity of a permanent exclusion procedure that	420
is conducted in accordance with sections 3301.121 and 3313.662	421
of the Revised Code.	422
(H) With regard to suspensions and expulsions pursuant to	423
divisions (A) and (B) of this section by the board of education	424
of any city, exempted village, or local school district, this	425
section shall apply to any student, whether or not the student	426
is enrolled in the district, attending or otherwise	427
participating in any curricular program provided in a school	428
operated by the board or provided on any other property owned or	429
controlled by the board.	430
(I) Whenever a student is expelled under this section, the	431
expulsion shall result in removal of the student from the	432
student's regular school setting. However, during the period of	433
the expulsion, the board of education of the school district	434
that expelled the student or any board of education admitting	435
the student during that expulsion period may provide educational	436
services to the student in an alternative setting.	437
(J)(1) Notwithstanding sections 3109.51 to 3109.80,	438
3313.64, and 3313.65 of the Revised Code, any school district,	439
after offering an opportunity for a hearing, may temporarily	440

deny admittance to any pupil if one of the following applies:	441
(a) The pupil has been suspended from the schools of	442
another district under division (A) of this section and the	443
period of suspension, as established under that division, has	444
not expired;	445
(b) The pupil has been expelled from the schools of	446
another district under division (B) of this section and the	447
period of the expulsion, as established under that division or	448
as extended under division (F) of this section, has not expired.	449
If a pupil is temporarily denied admission under this	450
division, the pupil shall be admitted to school in accordance	451
with sections 3109.51 to 3109.80, 3313.64, or 3313.65 of the	452
Revised Code no later than upon expiration of the suspension or	453
expulsion period, as applicable.	454
(2) Notwithstanding sections 3109.51 to 3109.80, 3313.64,	455
and 3313.65 of the Revised Code, any school district, after	456
offering an opportunity for a hearing, may temporarily deny	457
admittance to any pupil if the pupil has been expelled or	458
otherwise removed for disciplinary purposes from a public school	459
in another state and the period of expulsion or removal has not	460
expired. If a pupil is temporarily denied admission under this	461
division, the pupil shall be admitted to school in accordance	462
with sections 3109.51 to 3109.80, 3313.64, or 3313.65 of the	463
Revised Code no later than the earlier of the following:	464
(a) Upon expiration of the expulsion or removal period	465
<pre>imposed by the out-of-state school;</pre>	466
(b) Upon expiration of a period established by the	467
district, beginning with the date of expulsion or removal from	468
the out-of-state school, that is no greater than the period of	469

expulsion that the pupil would have received under the policy	470
adopted by the district under section 3313.661 of the Revised	471
Code had the offense that gave rise to the expulsion or removal	472
by the out-of-state school been committed while the pupil was	473
enrolled in the district.	474

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- (K) As used in this section:
- (1) "Permanently exclude" and "permanent exclusion" have the same meanings as in section 3313.662 of the Revised Code.
- (2) "In-school suspension" means the pupil will serve all
 of the suspension in a supervised learning environment within a
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 school setting.
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Sec. 3313.661. (A) Subject to the limitations set forth in 481 section 3313.668 of the Revised Code, the board of education of 482 each city, exempted village, and local school district shall 483 adopt a policy regarding suspension, expulsion, removal, and 484 permanent exclusion that specifies the types of misconduct for 485 which a pupil may be suspended, expelled, or removed. The types 486 of misconduct may include misconduct by a pupil that occurs off 487 of property owned or controlled by the district but that is 488 489 connected to activities or incidents that have occurred on property owned or controlled by that district and misconduct by 490 a pupil that, regardless of where it occurs, is directed at a 491 district official or employee, or the property of such official 492 or employee. The policy shall specify the reasons for which the 493 superintendent of the district may reduce the expulsion 494 requirement in division (B)(2) of section 3313.66 of the Revised 495 Code. If a board of education adopts a resolution pursuant to 496 division (B)(3) of section 3313.66 of the Revised Code, the 497 policy shall define the term "knife capable of causing serious 498 bodily injury" or "firearm," as applicable, for purposes of 499

expulsion under that resolution and shall specify any reasons	500
for which the superintendent of the district may reduce any	501
required expulsion period on a case-by-case basis. If a board of	502
education adopts a resolution pursuant to division (B)(4) $-$ or $_{L}$	503
(5), or (6) of section 3313.66 of the Revised Code, the policy	504
shall specify any reasons for which the superintendent of the	505
district may reduce any required expulsion period on a case-by-	506
case basis. The policy also shall set forth the acts listed in	507
section 3313.662 of the Revised Code for which a pupil may be	508
permanently excluded.	509

The policy adopted under this division shall specify the 510 date and manner by which a pupil or a pupil's parent, guardian, 511 or custodian may notify the board of the pupil's, parent's, 512 guardian's, or custodian's intent to appeal an expulsion or 513 suspension to the board or its designee pursuant to division (E) 514 of section 3313.66 of the Revised Code. In the case of any 515 expulsion, the policy shall not specify a date that is less than 516 fourteen calendar days after the date of the notice provided to 517 the pupil or the pupil's parent, guardian, or custodian under 518 division (D) of that section. 519

A copy of the policy shall be posted in a central location 520 in the school and made available to pupils upon request. No 521 pupil shall be suspended, expelled, or removed except in 522 accordance with the policy adopted by the board of education of 523 the school district in which the pupil attends school, and no 524 pupil shall be permanently excluded except in accordance with 525 sections 3301.121 and 3313.662 of the Revised Code. 526

(B) A board of education may establish a program and adopt

guidelines under which a superintendent may require a pupil to

perform community service in conjunction with a suspension or

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expulsion imposed under section 3313.66 of the Revised Code or	530
in place of a suspension or expulsion imposed under section	531
3313.66 of the Revised Code except for an expulsion imposed	532
pursuant to division (B)(2) of that section. If a board adopts	533
guidelines under this division, they shall permit, except with	534
regard to an expulsion pursuant to division (B)(2) of section	535
3313.66 of the Revised Code, a superintendent to impose a	536
community service requirement beyond the end of the school year	537
in lieu of applying an expulsion into the following school year.	538
Any guidelines adopted shall be included in the policy adopted	539
under this section.	540
(C) The written policy of each board of education that is	541
adopted pursuant to section 3313.20 of the Revised Code shall be	542
posted in a central location in each school that is subject to	543
the policy and shall be made available to pupils upon request.	544
(D) Except as described in division (B) of section	545
3313.668 of the Revised Code, any policy, program, or guideline	546
adopted by a board of education under this section with regard	547
to suspensions or expulsions pursuant to division (A) or (B) of	548
section 3313.66 of the Revised Code shall apply to any student,	549
whether or not the student is enrolled in the district,	550
attending or otherwise participating in any curricular program	551
provided in a school operated by the board or provided on any	552
other property owned or controlled by the board.	553
(E) As used in this section, "permanently exclude" and	554
"permanent exclusion" have the same meanings as in section	555
3313.662 of the Revised Code.	556
Sec. 3313.754. The board of education of each city, local,	557
and exempted village school district and the chief	558

administrative officer of each chartered nonpublic school shall

require the telephone number for the SaferOH tip line to be	560
conspicuously posted throughout each of the district's or	561
school's buildings and on the district's or school's web site.	562
Sec. 3314.03. A copy of every contract entered into under	563
this section shall be filed with the superintendent of public	564
instruction. The department of education shall make available on	565
its web site a copy of every approved, executed contract filed	566
with the superintendent under this section.	567
(A) Each contract entered into between a sponsor and the	568
governing authority of a community school shall specify the	569
following:	570
(1) That the school shall be established as either of the	571
following:	572
(a) A nonprofit corporation established under Chapter	573
1702. of the Revised Code, if established prior to April 8,	574
2003;	575
(b) A public benefit corporation established under Chapter	576
1702. of the Revised Code, if established after April 8, 2003.	577
(2) The education program of the school, including the	578
school's mission, the characteristics of the students the school	579
is expected to attract, the ages and grades of students, and the	580
focus of the curriculum;	581
(3) The academic goals to be achieved and the method of	582
measurement that will be used to determine progress toward those	583
goals, which shall include the statewide achievement	584
assessments;	585
(4) Performance standards, including but not limited to	586
all applicable report card measures set forth in section 3302.03	587

or 3314.017 of the Revised Code, by which the success of the	588
school will be evaluated by the sponsor;	589
(5) The admission standards of section 3314.06 of the	590
Revised Code and, if applicable, section 3314.061 of the Revised	591
Code;	592
(6) (a) Diamingal proceedures.	593
(6)(a) Dismissal procedures;	593
(b) A requirement that the governing authority adopt an	594
attendance policy that includes a procedure for automatically	595
withdrawing a student from the school if the student without a	596
legitimate excuse fails to participate in seventy-two	597
consecutive hours of the learning opportunities offered to the	598
student.	599
(7) The ways by which the school will achieve racial and	600
ethnic balance reflective of the community it serves;	601
(8) Requirements for financial audits by the auditor of	602
state. The contract shall require financial records of the	603
school to be maintained in the same manner as are financial	604
records of school districts, pursuant to rules of the auditor of	605
state. Audits shall be conducted in accordance with section	606
117.10 of the Revised Code.	607
(9) An addendum to the contract outlining the facilities	608
to be used that contains at least the following information:	609
(a) A detailed description of each facility used for	610
instructional purposes;	611
(b) The annual costs associated with leasing each facility	612
that are paid by or on behalf of the school;	613
(c) The annual mortgage principal and interest payments	614
that are paid by the school;	615

(d) The name of the lender or landlord, identified as	616
such, and the lender's or landlord's relationship to the	617
operator, if any.	618
(10) Qualifications of teachers, including a requirement	619
that the school's classroom teachers be licensed in accordance	620
with sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code, except	621
that a community school may engage noncertificated persons to	622
teach up to twelve hours per week pursuant to section 3319.301	623
of the Revised Code.	624
(11) That the school will comply with the following	625
requirements:	626
(a) The school will provide learning opportunities to a	627
minimum of twenty-five students for a minimum of nine hundred	628
twenty hours per school year.	629
(b) The governing authority will purchase liability	630
insurance, or otherwise provide for the potential liability of	631
the school.	632
(c) The school will be nonsectarian in its programs,	633
admission policies, employment practices, and all other	634
operations, and will not be operated by a sectarian school or	635
religious institution.	636
(d) The school will comply with sections 9.90, 9.91,	637
109.65, 121.22, 149.43, 2151.357, 2151.421, 2313.19, 3301.0710,	638
3301.0711, 3301.0712, 3301.0715, 3301.0729, 3301.948, <u>3313.206,</u>	639
3313.472, 3313.50, 3313.536, 3313.539, 3313.5310, 3313.608,	640
3313.609, 3313.6012, 3313.6013, 3313.6014, 3313.6015, 3313.6020,	641
3313.6024, 3313.643, 3313.648, 3313.6411, 3313.66, 3313.661,	642
3313.662, 3313.666, 3313.667, 3313.668, 3313.67, 3313.671,	643
3313.672, 3313.673, 3313.69, 3313.71, 3313.716, 3313.718,	644

3313.719, 3313.7112, 3313.721, <u>3313.754,</u> 3313.80, 3313.814,	645
3313.816, 3313.817, 3313.818, 3313.86, 3313.89, 3313.96,	646
3319.073, 3319.321, 3319.39, 3319.391, 3319.41, 3319.46,	647
3321.01, 3321.041, 3321.13, 3321.14, 3321.141, 3321.17, 3321.18,	648
3321.19, 3321.191, 3327.10, 4111.17, 4113.52, and 5705.391 and	649
Chapters 117., 1347., 2744., 3365., 3742., 4112., 4123., 4141.,	650
and 4167. of the Revised Code as if it were a school district	651
and will comply with section 3301.0714 of the Revised Code in	652
the manner specified in section 3314.17 of the Revised Code.	653

- (e) The school shall comply with Chapter 102. and section 654 2921.42 of the Revised Code. 655
- (f) The school will comply with sections 3313.61, 656 3313.611, 3313.614, 3313.617, 3313.618, and 3313.6114 of the 657 Revised Code, except that for students who enter ninth grade for 658 the first time before July 1, 2010, the requirement in sections 659 3313.61 and 3313.611 of the Revised Code that a person must 660 successfully complete the curriculum in any high school prior to 661 receiving a high school diploma may be met by completing the 662 curriculum adopted by the governing authority of the community 663 school rather than the curriculum specified in Title XXXIII of 664 the Revised Code or any rules of the state board of education. 665 Beginning with students who enter ninth grade for the first time 666 on or after July 1, 2010, the requirement in sections 3313.61 667 and 3313.611 of the Revised Code that a person must successfully 668 complete the curriculum of a high school prior to receiving a 669 high school diploma shall be met by completing the requirements 670 prescribed in division (C) of section 3313.603 of the Revised 671 Code, unless the person qualifies under division (D) or (F) of 672 that section. Each school shall comply with the plan for 673 awarding high school credit based on demonstration of subject 674 area competency, and beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, 675

with the updated plan that permits students enrolled in seventh	676
and eighth grade to meet curriculum requirements based on	677
subject area competency adopted by the state board of education	678
under divisions (J)(1) and (2) of section 3313.603 of the	679
Revised Code. Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, the	680
school shall comply with the framework for granting units of	681
high school credit to students who demonstrate subject area	682
competency through work-based learning experiences, internships,	683
or cooperative education developed by the department under	684
division (J)(3) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code.	685
(g) The school governing authority will submit within four	686
months after the end of each school year a report of its	687
activities and progress in meeting the goals and standards of	688
divisions (A)(3) and (4) of this section and its financial	689
status to the sponsor and the parents of all students enrolled	690
in the school.	691
(h) The school, unless it is an internet- or computer-	692
based community school, will comply with section 3313.801 of the	693
Revised Code as if it were a school district.	694
(i) If the school is the recipient of moneys from a grant	695
awarded under the federal race to the top program, Division (A),	696
Title XIV, Sections 14005 and 14006 of the "American Recovery	697
and Reinvestment Act of 2009," Pub. L. No. 111-5, 123 Stat. 115,	698
the school will pay teachers based upon performance in	699
accordance with section 3317.141 and will comply with section	700
3319.111 of the Revised Code as if it were a school district.	701
(j) If the school operates a preschool program that is	702
licensed by the department of education under sections 3301.52	703
to 3301.59 of the Revised Code, the school shall comply with	704

sections 3301.50 to 3301.59 of the Revised Code and the minimum

standards for preschool programs prescribed in rules adopted by	706
the state board under section 3301.53 of the Revised Code.	707
(k) The school will comply with sections 3313.6021 and	708
3313.6023 of the Revised Code as if it were a school district	709
unless it is either of the following:	710
(i) An internet- or computer-based community school;	711
(ii) A community school in which a majority of the	712
enrolled students are children with disabilities as described in	713
division (A)(4)(b) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code.	714
(12) Arrangements for providing health and other benefits	715
to employees;	716
(13) The length of the contract, which shall begin at the	717
beginning of an academic year. No contract shall exceed five	718
years unless such contract has been renewed pursuant to division	719
(E) of this section.	720
(14) The governing authority of the school, which shall be	721
responsible for carrying out the provisions of the contract;	722
(15) A financial plan detailing an estimated school budget	723
for each year of the period of the contract and specifying the	724
total estimated per pupil expenditure amount for each such year.	725
(16) Requirements and procedures regarding the disposition	726
of employees of the school in the event the contract is	727
terminated or not renewed pursuant to section 3314.07 of the	728
Revised Code;	729
(17) Whether the school is to be created by converting all	730
or part of an existing public school or educational service	731
center building or is to be a new start-up school, and if it is	732
a converted public school or service center building,	733

specification of any ductes of responsibilities of an employer	/34
that the board of education or service center governing board	735
that operated the school or building before conversion is	736
delegating to the governing authority of the community school	737
with respect to all or any specified group of employees provided	738
the delegation is not prohibited by a collective bargaining	739
agreement applicable to such employees;	740
(18) Provisions establishing procedures for resolving	741
disputes or differences of opinion between the sponsor and the	742
governing authority of the community school;	743
(19) A provision requiring the governing authority to	744
adopt a policy regarding the admission of students who reside	745
outside the district in which the school is located. That policy	746
shall comply with the admissions procedures specified in	747
sections 3314.06 and 3314.061 of the Revised Code and, at the	748
sole discretion of the authority, shall do one of the following:	749
(a) Prohibit the enrollment of students who reside outside	750
the district in which the school is located;	751
(b) Permit the enrollment of students who reside in	752
districts adjacent to the district in which the school is	753
located;	754
(c) Permit the enrollment of students who reside in any	755
other district in the state.	756
(20) A provision recognizing the authority of the	757
department of education to take over the sponsorship of the	758
school in accordance with the provisions of division (C) of	759
section 3314.015 of the Revised Code;	760
(21) A provision recognizing the sponsor's authority to	761
assume the operation of a school under the conditions specified	762

in division (B) of section 3314.073 of the Revised Code;	763
(22) A provision recognizing both of the following:	764
(a) The authority of public health and safety officials to	765
inspect the facilities of the school and to order the facilities	766
closed if those officials find that the facilities are not in	767
compliance with health and safety laws and regulations;	768
(b) The authority of the department of education as the	769
community school oversight body to suspend the operation of the	770
school under section 3314.072 of the Revised Code if the	771
department has evidence of conditions or violations of law at	772
the school that pose an imminent danger to the health and safety	773
of the school's students and employees and the sponsor refuses	774
to take such action.	775
(23) A description of the learning opportunities that will	776
be offered to students including both classroom-based and non-	777
classroom-based learning opportunities that is in compliance	
with criteria for student participation established by the	779
department under division (H)(2) of section 3314.08 of the	
Revised Code;	781
(24) The school will comply with sections 3302.04 and	782
3302.041 of the Revised Code, except that any action required to	783
be taken by a school district pursuant to those sections shall	784
be taken by the sponsor of the school. However, the sponsor	785
shall not be required to take any action described in division	786
(F) of section 3302.04 of the Revised Code.	787
(25) Beginning in the 2006-2007 school year, the school	788
will open for operation not later than the thirtieth day of	789
September each school year, unless the mission of the school as	790
specified under division (A)(2) of this section is solely to	791

serve dropouts. In its initial year of operation, if the school	792
fails to open by the thirtieth day of September, or within one	793
year after the adoption of the contract pursuant to division (D)	794
of section 3314.02 of the Revised Code if the mission of the	795
school is solely to serve dropouts, the contract shall be void.	796
(26) Whether the school's governing authority is planning	797
to seek designation for the school as a STEM school equivalent	798
under section 3326.032 of the Revised Code;	799
(27) That the school's attendance and participation	800
policies will be available for public inspection;	801
(28) That the school's attendance and participation	802
records shall be made available to the department of education,	803
auditor of state, and school's sponsor to the extent permitted	804
under and in accordance with the "Family Educational Rights and	805
Privacy Act of 1974," 88 Stat. 571, 20 U.S.C. 1232g, as amended,	806
and any regulations promulgated under that act, and section	807
3319.321 of the Revised Code;	808
(29) If a school operates using the blended learning	809
model, as defined in section 3301.079 of the Revised Code, all	810
of the following information:	811
(a) An indication of what blended learning model or models	812
will be used;	813
(b) A description of how student instructional needs will	814
be determined and documented;	815
(c) The method to be used for determining competency,	816
granting credit, and promoting students to a higher grade level;	817
(d) The school's attendance requirements, including how	818
the school will document participation in learning	819

opportunities;	820
(e) A statement describing how student progress will be monitored;	821 822
(f) A statement describing how private student data will be protected;	823 824
(g) A description of the professional development	825
activities that will be offered to teachers.	826
(30) A provision requiring that all moneys the school's	827
operator loans to the school, including facilities loans or cash	828
flow assistance, must be accounted for, documented, and bear	829
interest at a fair market rate;	830
(31) A provision requiring that, if the governing	831
authority contracts with an attorney, accountant, or entity	832
specializing in audits, the attorney, accountant, or entity	833
shall be independent from the operator with which the school has	834
contracted.	835
(32) A provision requiring the governing authority to	836
adopt an enrollment and attendance policy that requires a	837
student's parent to notify the community school in which the	838
student is enrolled when there is a change in the location of	839
the parent's or student's primary residence.	840
(33) A provision requiring the governing authority to	841
adopt a student residence and address verification policy for	842
students enrolling in or attending the school.	843
(B) The community school shall also submit to the sponsor	844
a comprehensive plan for the school. The plan shall specify the	845
following:	846
(1) The process by which the governing authority of the	847

school will be selected in the future;	848
(2) The management and administration of the school;	849
(3) If the community school is a currently existing public	850
school or educational service center building, alternative	851
arrangements for current public school students who choose not	852
to attend the converted school and for teachers who choose not	853
to teach in the school or building after conversion;	854
(4) The instructional program and educational philosophy	855
of the school;	856
(5) Internal financial controls.	857
When submitting the plan under this division, the school	858
shall also submit copies of all policies and procedures	859
regarding internal financial controls adopted by the governing	860
authority of the school.	861
(C) A contract entered into under section 3314.02 of the	862
Revised Code between a sponsor and the governing authority of a	863
community school may provide for the community school governing	864
authority to make payments to the sponsor, which is hereby	865
authorized to receive such payments as set forth in the contract	866
between the governing authority and the sponsor. The total	867
amount of such payments for monitoring, oversight, and technical	868
assistance of the school shall not exceed three per cent of the	869
total amount of payments for operating expenses that the school	870
receives from the state.	871
(D) The contract shall specify the duties of the sponsor	872
which shall be in accordance with the written agreement entered	873
into with the department of education under division (B) of	874
section 3314.015 of the Revised Code and shall include the	875
following:	876

(1) Monitor the community school's compliance with all	877
laws applicable to the school and with the terms of the	878
contract;	879
(2) Monitor and evaluate the academic and fiscal	880
performance and the organization and operation of the community	881
school on at least an annual basis;	882
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(3) Report on an annual basis the results of the	883
evaluation conducted under division (D)(2) of this section to	884
the department of education and to the parents of students	885
enrolled in the community school;	886
(4) Provide technical assistance to the community school	887
in complying with laws applicable to the school and terms of the	888
contract;	889
(5) Take steps to intervene in the school's operation to	890
correct problems in the school's overall performance, declare	891
the school to be on probationary status pursuant to section	892
3314.073 of the Revised Code, suspend the operation of the	893
school pursuant to section 3314.072 of the Revised Code, or	894
terminate the contract of the school pursuant to section 3314.07	895
of the Revised Code as determined necessary by the sponsor;	896
(6) Have in place a plan of action to be undertaken in the	897
event the community school experiences financial difficulties or	898
closes prior to the end of a school year.	899
(E) Upon the expiration of a contract entered into under	900
this section, the sponsor of a community school may, with the	901
approval of the governing authority of the school, renew that	902
contract for a period of time determined by the sponsor, but not	903
ending earlier than the end of any school year, if the sponsor	904
finds that the school's compliance with applicable laws and	905
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terms of the contract and the school's progress in meeting the	906
academic goals prescribed in the contract have been	907
satisfactory. Any contract that is renewed under this division	908
remains subject to the provisions of sections 3314.07, 3314.072,	909
and 3314.073 of the Revised Code.	910

(F) If a community school fails to open for operation 911 within one year after the contract entered into under this 912 section is adopted pursuant to division (D) of section 3314.02 913 of the Revised Code or permanently closes prior to the 914 915 expiration of the contract, the contract shall be void and the school shall not enter into a contract with any other sponsor. A 916 school shall not be considered permanently closed because the 917 operations of the school have been suspended pursuant to section 918 3314.072 of the Revised Code. 919

Sec. 3326.11. Each science, technology, engineering, and 920 mathematics school established under this chapter and its 921 governing body shall comply with sections 9.90, 9.91, 109.65, 922 121.22, 149.43, 2151.357, 2151.421, 2313.19, 2921.42, 2921.43, 923 3301.0714, 3301.0715, 3301.0729, 3301.948, 3313.14, 3313.15, 924 3313.16, 3313.18, 3313.201, <u>3313.206,</u> 3313.26, 3313.472, 925 3313.48, 3313.481, 3313.482, 3313.50, 3313.536, 3313.539, 926 3313.5310, 3313.608, 3313.6012, 3313.6013, 3313.6014, 3313.6015, 927 3313.6020, 3313.6021, 3313.6024, 3313.61, 3313.611, 3313.614, 928 3313.615, 3313.617, 3313.618, 3313.6114, 3313.643, 3313.648, 929 3313.6411, 3313.66, 3313.661, 3313.662, 3313.666, 3313.667, 930 3313.668, 3313.67, 3313.671, 3313.672, 3313.673, 3313.69, 931 3313.71, 3313.716, 3313.718, 3313.719, 3313.7112, 3313.721, 932 3313.754, 3313.80, 3313.801, 3313.814, 3313.816, 3313.817, 933 3313.818, 3313.86, 3313.89, 3313.96, 3319.073, 3319.21, 3319.32, 934 3319.321, 3319.35, 3319.39, 3319.391, 3319.41, 3319.45, 3319.46, 935 3321.01, 3321.041, 3321.05, 3321.13, 3321.14, 3321.141, 3321.17, 936

3321.18, 3321.19, 3321.191, 3327.10, 4111.17, 4113.52, and	937
5705.391 and Chapters 102., 117., 1347., 2744., 3307., 3309.,	938
3365., 3742., 4112., 4123., 4141., and 4167. of the Revised Code	939
as if it were a school district.	940
Sec. 5502.03. (A) There is hereby created in the	941
department of public safety a division of homeland security.	942
(B) The division shall do all of the following:	943
(1) Coordinate all homeland security activities of all	944
state agencies and be the liaison between state agencies and	945
local entities for the purposes of communicating homeland	946
security funding and policy initiatives;	947
(2) Collect, analyze, maintain, and disseminate	948
information to support local, state, and federal law enforcement	949
agencies, other government agencies, and private organizations	950
in detecting, deterring, preventing, preparing for, responding	951
to, and recovering from threatened or actual terrorist events.	952
This information is not a public record pursuant to section	953
149.43 of the Revised Code.	954
(3) Coordinate efforts of state and local governments and	955
private organizations to enhance the security and protection of	956
critical infrastructure, including casino facilities, and key	957
assets in this state;	958
(4) Develop and coordinate policies, protocols, and	959
strategies that may be used to prevent, detect, prepare for,	960
respond to, and recover from terrorist acts or threats;	961
(5) Develop, update, and coordinate the implementation of	962
an Ohio homeland security strategic plan that will guide state	963
and local governments in the achievement of homeland security in	964
this state.	965

(C) The director of public safety shall appoint an	966
executive director, who shall be head of the division of	967
homeland security and who regularly shall advise the governor	
and the director on matters pertaining to homeland security. The	
executive director shall serve at the pleasure of the director	970
of public safety. To carry out the duties assigned under this	
section, the executive director, subject to the direction and	
control of the director of public safety, may appoint and	973
maintain necessary staff and may enter into any necessary	974
agreements.	975
(D) Except as otherwise provided by law, nothing in this	976
section shall be construed to give the director of public safety	977
or the executive director of the division of homeland security	
authority over the incident management structure or	979
responsibilities of local emergency response personnel.	980
(E)(1) As used in division (E) of this section:	981
(a) "Chartered nonpublic school" has the same meaning as	982
in section 3310.01 of the Revised Code.	983
(b) "Public school" has the same meaning as in section	984
3781.106 of the Revised Code.	985
(2) The director of public safety shall establish the Ohio	986
school safety center within the division of homeland security.	987
In addition to its other duties and functions required or	988
authorized by law or executive order, the Ohio school safety	989
center shall develop a mechanism by which public and chartered	990
nonpublic schools may make reports to the center required by	991
section 3313.206 of the Revised Code.	992
Section 2. That existing sections 3313.66, 3313.661,	993
3314.03, 3326.11, and 5502.03 of the Revised Code are hereby	994

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