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**A BILL**

To enact section 3318.39 of the Revised Code to 1  
establish the 1:1 School Facilities Option 2  
Program as an alternative to assist certain 3  
school districts in constructing, acquiring, 4  
reconstructing, or making additions or repairs 5  
to any feature of a classroom facility. 6

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

**Section 1.** That section 3318.39 of the Revised Code be 7  
enacted to read as follows: 8

**Sec. 3318.39.** (A) The 1:1 school facilities option program 9  
is hereby established. Under the program, the Ohio school 10  
facilities commission shall provide state funds to assist 11  
eligible school districts in constructing, acquiring, 12  
reconstructing, or making additions or repairs to any feature of 13  
a classroom facility that meets the design standards of the 14  
commission in lieu of that district participating in the 15  
classroom facilities assistance program under sections 3318.01 16

to 3318.20 of the Revised Code, in the case of a city, exempted 17  
village, or local school district, or sections 3318.40 to 18  
3318.45 of the Revised Code, in the case of a joint vocational 19  
school district. 20

For purposes of this program, an eligible school district 21  
is either of the following: 22

(1) A city, exempted village, or local school district 23  
that has not entered into an agreement for any program under 24  
this chapter prior to the effective date of this section, 25  
including a district that received partial assistance prior to 26  
May 20, 1997, and can qualify for assistance under division (B) 27  
(2) of section 3318.04 of the Revised Code; 28

(2) A joint vocational school district that has not 29  
entered into an agreement for any program under this chapter 30  
prior to the effective date of this section. 31

An eligible school district may avail itself of the option 32  
provided under this section only at the time it becomes eligible 33  
for assistance under the classroom facilities assistance program 34  
in accordance with the annual percentile ranking of districts 35  
under section 3318.011 or 3318.42 of the Revised Code. 36

(B) (1) The commission, at the request of a school district 37  
that meets the criteria set forth in division (A) of this 38  
section, shall assess the current conditions of the classroom 39  
facilities of that school district. Based on the results of the 40  
assessment, the commission shall determine the scope of the 41  
entire project, the basic project cost of the school district's 42  
classroom facilities needs, and the state's portion of the total 43  
project if the school district were to receive assistance under 44  
sections 3318.01 to 3318.20 of the Revised Code, in the case of 45

a city, exempted village, or local school district, or sections 46  
3318.40 to 3318.45 of the Revised Code, in the case of a joint 47  
vocational school district. 48

(2) A district that opts to receive assistance under this 49  
section shall be eligible to receive state funds in the amount 50  
of up to the greater of one million dollars or ten per cent of 51  
the state's share of the total project cost determined under 52  
division (B)(1) of this section. However, a district may choose 53  
to receive less than the maximum amount of state funds for which 54  
it is eligible under this division. 55

(3) A district that opts to receive assistance under this 56  
section shall match the amount of state funds it receives on a 57  
one-to-one basis. A district may generate the school district 58  
funds for its match using any lawful manner. 59

(C) The commission shall adopt guidelines and procedures 60  
for the administration of the program. The guidelines shall 61  
include the following: 62

(1) A requirement that, in order to participate in the 63  
program, the district's board of education must approve 64  
participation by an affirmative vote of not less than four- 65  
fifths of the board's full membership; 66

(2) The application process for districts; 67

(3) A requirement that, in order to participate in the 68  
program, the district shall provide a share that is at least 69  
equal to the amount of the state assistance provided under this 70  
section. 71

(D) If a district participates in the program established 72  
under this section, that district shall not have another project 73  
under sections 3318.01 to 3318.20 of the Revised Code, in the 74

<u>case of a city, exempted village, or local school district, or</u>	75
<u>sections 3318.40 to 3318.45 of the Revised Code, in the case of</u>	76
<u>a joint vocational school district, conditionally approved until</u>	77
<u>the expiration of twenty years after the date the district</u>	78
<u>enters into an agreement with the commission for assistance</u>	79
<u>under this section.</u>	80