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**A BILL**

To amend section 2935.03 and to enact section 1  
3313.951 of the Revised Code to define the 2  
necessary qualifications and responsibilities of 3  
school resource officers. 4

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

**Section 1.** That section 2935.03 be amended and section 5  
3313.951 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 6

**Sec. 2935.03.** (A) (1) A sheriff, deputy sheriff, marshal, 7  
deputy marshal, municipal police officer, township constable, 8  
police officer of a township or joint police district, member of 9  
a police force employed by a metropolitan housing authority 10  
under division (D) of section 3735.31 of the Revised Code, 11  
member of a police force employed by a regional transit 12  
authority under division (Y) of section 306.35 of the Revised 13  
Code, state university law enforcement officer appointed under 14  
section 3345.04 of the Revised Code, veterans' home police 15  
officer appointed under section 5907.02 of the Revised Code, 16  
special police officer employed by a port authority under 17  
section 4582.04 or 4582.28 of the Revised Code, or a special 18

police officer employed by a municipal corporation at a 19  
municipal airport, or other municipal air navigation facility, 20  
that has scheduled operations, as defined in section 119.3 of 21  
Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations, 14 C.F.R. 119.3, as 22  
amended, and that is required to be under a security program and 23  
is governed by aviation security rules of the transportation 24  
security administration of the United States department of 25  
transportation as provided in Parts 1542. and 1544. of Title 49 26  
of the Code of Federal Regulations, as amended, shall arrest and 27  
detain, until a warrant can be obtained, a person found 28  
violating, within the limits of the political subdivision, 29  
metropolitan housing authority housing project, regional transit 30  
authority facilities or areas of a municipal corporation that 31  
have been agreed to by a regional transit authority and a 32  
municipal corporation located within its territorial 33  
jurisdiction, college, university, veterans' home operated under 34  
Chapter 5907. of the Revised Code, port authority, or municipal 35  
airport or other municipal air navigation facility, in which the 36  
peace officer is appointed, employed, or elected, a law of this 37  
state, an ordinance of a municipal corporation, or a resolution 38  
of a township. 39

(2) A peace officer of the department of natural 40  
resources, a state fire marshal law enforcement officer 41  
described in division (A) (23) of section 109.71 of the Revised 42  
Code, or an individual designated to perform law enforcement 43  
duties under section 511.232, 1545.13, or 6101.75 of the Revised 44  
Code shall arrest and detain, until a warrant can be obtained, a 45  
person found violating, within the limits of the peace 46  
officer's, state fire marshal law enforcement officer's, or 47  
individual's territorial jurisdiction, a law of this state. 48

(3) The house sergeant at arms, if the house sergeant at 49

arms has arrest authority pursuant to division (E) (1) of section 50  
101.311 of the Revised Code, and an assistant house sergeant at 51  
arms shall arrest and detain, until a warrant can be obtained, a 52  
person found violating, within the limits of the sergeant at 53  
arms's or assistant sergeant at arms's territorial jurisdiction 54  
specified in division (D) (1) (a) of section 101.311 of the 55  
Revised Code or while providing security pursuant to division 56  
(D) (1) (f) of section 101.311 of the Revised Code, a law of this 57  
state, an ordinance of a municipal corporation, or a resolution 58  
of a township. 59

(4) The senate sergeant at arms and an assistant senate 60  
sergeant at arms shall arrest and detain, until a warrant can be 61  
obtained, a person found violating, within the limits of the 62  
sergeant at arms's or assistant sergeant at arms's territorial 63  
jurisdiction specified in division (B) of section 101.312 of the 64  
Revised Code, a law of this state, an ordinance of a municipal 65  
corporation, or a resolution of a township. 66

(5) A school resource officer shall arrest and detain, 67  
until a warrant can be obtained, a person found violating, 68  
within the limits of the school resource officer's territorial 69  
jurisdiction specified in division (D) of section 3313.951 of 70  
the Revised Code, a law of this state, an ordinance of a 71  
municipal corporation, or a resolution of a township. 72

(B) (1) When there is reasonable ground to believe that an 73  
offense of violence, the offense of criminal child enticement as 74  
defined in section 2905.05 of the Revised Code, the offense of 75  
public indecency as defined in section 2907.09 of the Revised 76  
Code, the offense of domestic violence as defined in section 77  
2919.25 of the Revised Code, the offense of violating a 78  
protection order as defined in section 2919.27 of the Revised 79

Code, the offense of menacing by stalking as defined in section 80  
2903.211 of the Revised Code, the offense of aggravated trespass 81  
as defined in section 2911.211 of the Revised Code, a theft 82  
offense as defined in section 2913.01 of the Revised Code, or a 83  
felony drug abuse offense as defined in section 2925.01 of the 84  
Revised Code, has been committed within the limits of the 85  
political subdivision, metropolitan housing authority housing 86  
project, regional transit authority facilities or those areas of 87  
a municipal corporation that have been agreed to by a regional 88  
transit authority and a municipal corporation located within its 89  
territorial jurisdiction, college, university, veterans' home 90  
operated under Chapter 5907. of the Revised Code, port 91  
authority, or municipal airport or other municipal air 92  
navigation facility, in which the peace officer is appointed, 93  
employed, or elected or within the limits of the territorial 94  
jurisdiction of the peace officer, a peace officer described in 95  
division (A) of this section may arrest and detain until a 96  
warrant can be obtained any person who the peace officer has 97  
reasonable cause to believe is guilty of the violation. 98

(2) For purposes of division (B)(1) of this section, the 99  
execution of any of the following constitutes reasonable ground 100  
to believe that the offense alleged in the statement was 101  
committed and reasonable cause to believe that the person 102  
alleged in the statement to have committed the offense is guilty 103  
of the violation: 104

(a) A written statement by a person alleging that an 105  
alleged offender has committed the offense of menacing by 106  
stalking or aggravated trespass; 107

(b) A written statement by the administrator of the 108  
interstate compact on mental health appointed under section 109

5119.71 of the Revised Code alleging that a person who had been 110  
hospitalized, institutionalized, or confined in any facility 111  
under an order made pursuant to or under authority of section 112  
2945.37, 2945.371, 2945.38, 2945.39, 2945.40, 2945.401, or 113  
2945.402 of the Revised Code has escaped from the facility, from 114  
confinement in a vehicle for transportation to or from the 115  
facility, or from supervision by an employee of the facility 116  
that is incidental to hospitalization, institutionalization, or 117  
confinement in the facility and that occurs outside of the 118  
facility, in violation of section 2921.34 of the Revised Code; 119

(c) A written statement by the administrator of any 120  
facility in which a person has been hospitalized, 121  
institutionalized, or confined under an order made pursuant to 122  
or under authority of section 2945.37, 2945.371, 2945.38, 123  
2945.39, 2945.40, 2945.401, or 2945.402 of the Revised Code 124  
alleging that the person has escaped from the facility, from 125  
confinement in a vehicle for transportation to or from the 126  
facility, or from supervision by an employee of the facility 127  
that is incidental to hospitalization, institutionalization, or 128  
confinement in the facility and that occurs outside of the 129  
facility, in violation of section 2921.34 of the Revised Code. 130

(3) (a) For purposes of division (B) (1) of this section, a 131  
peace officer described in division (A) of this section has 132  
reasonable grounds to believe that the offense of domestic 133  
violence or the offense of violating a protection order has been 134  
committed and reasonable cause to believe that a particular 135  
person is guilty of committing the offense if any of the 136  
following occurs: 137

(i) A person executes a written statement alleging that 138  
the person in question has committed the offense of domestic 139

violence or the offense of violating a protection order against 140  
the person who executes the statement or against a child of the 141  
person who executes the statement. 142

(ii) No written statement of the type described in 143  
division (B) (3) (a) (i) of this section is executed, but the peace 144  
officer, based upon the peace officer's own knowledge and 145  
observation of the facts and circumstances of the alleged 146  
incident of the offense of domestic violence or the alleged 147  
incident of the offense of violating a protection order or based 148  
upon any other information, including, but not limited to, any 149  
reasonably trustworthy information given to the peace officer by 150  
the alleged victim of the alleged incident of the offense or any 151  
witness of the alleged incident of the offense, concludes that 152  
there are reasonable grounds to believe that the offense of 153  
domestic violence or the offense of violating a protection order 154  
has been committed and reasonable cause to believe that the 155  
person in question is guilty of committing the offense. 156

(iii) No written statement of the type described in 157  
division (B) (3) (a) (i) of this section is executed, but the peace 158  
officer witnessed the person in question commit the offense of 159  
domestic violence or the offense of violating a protection 160  
order. 161

(b) If pursuant to division (B) (3) (a) of this section a 162  
peace officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the offense 163  
of domestic violence or the offense of violating a protection 164  
order has been committed and reasonable cause to believe that a 165  
particular person is guilty of committing the offense, it is the 166  
preferred course of action in this state that the officer arrest 167  
and detain that person pursuant to division (B) (1) of this 168  
section until a warrant can be obtained. 169

If pursuant to division (B) (3) (a) of this section a peace officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the offense of domestic violence or the offense of violating a protection order has been committed and reasonable cause to believe that family or household members have committed the offense against each other, it is the preferred course of action in this state that the officer, pursuant to division (B) (1) of this section, arrest and detain until a warrant can be obtained the family or household member who committed the offense and whom the officer has reasonable cause to believe is the primary physical aggressor. There is no preferred course of action in this state regarding any other family or household member who committed the offense and whom the officer does not have reasonable cause to believe is the primary physical aggressor, but, pursuant to division (B) (1) of this section, the peace officer may arrest and detain until a warrant can be obtained any other family or household member who committed the offense and whom the officer does not have reasonable cause to believe is the primary physical aggressor.

(c) If a peace officer described in division (A) of this section does not arrest and detain a person whom the officer has reasonable cause to believe committed the offense of domestic violence or the offense of violating a protection order when it is the preferred course of action in this state pursuant to division (B) (3) (b) of this section that the officer arrest that person, the officer shall articulate in the written report of the incident required by section 2935.032 of the Revised Code a clear statement of the officer's reasons for not arresting and detaining that person until a warrant can be obtained.

(d) In determining for purposes of division (B) (3) (b) of this section which family or household member is the primary

physical aggressor in a situation in which family or household 201  
members have committed the offense of domestic violence or the 202  
offense of violating a protection order against each other, a 203  
peace officer described in division (A) of this section, in 204  
addition to any other relevant circumstances, should consider 205  
all of the following: 206

(i) Any history of domestic violence or of any other 207  
violent acts by either person involved in the alleged offense 208  
that the officer reasonably can ascertain; 209

(ii) If violence is alleged, whether the alleged violence 210  
was caused by a person acting in self-defense; 211

(iii) Each person's fear of physical harm, if any, 212  
resulting from the other person's threatened use of force 213  
against any person or resulting from the other person's use or 214  
history of the use of force against any person, and the 215  
reasonableness of that fear; 216

(iv) The comparative severity of any injuries suffered by 217  
the persons involved in the alleged offense. 218

(e) (i) A peace officer described in division (A) of this 219  
section shall not require, as a prerequisite to arresting or 220  
charging a person who has committed the offense of domestic 221  
violence or the offense of violating a protection order, that 222  
the victim of the offense specifically consent to the filing of 223  
charges against the person who has committed the offense or sign 224  
a complaint against the person who has committed the offense. 225

(ii) If a person is arrested for or charged with 226  
committing the offense of domestic violence or the offense of 227  
violating a protection order and if the victim of the offense 228  
does not cooperate with the involved law enforcement or 229



prosecuting authorities in the prosecution of the offense or, 230  
subsequent to the arrest or the filing of the charges, informs 231  
the involved law enforcement or prosecuting authorities that the 232  
victim does not wish the prosecution of the offense to continue 233  
or wishes to drop charges against the alleged offender relative 234  
to the offense, the involved prosecuting authorities, in 235  
determining whether to continue with the prosecution of the 236  
offense or whether to dismiss charges against the alleged 237  
offender relative to the offense and notwithstanding the 238  
victim's failure to cooperate or the victim's wishes, shall 239  
consider all facts and circumstances that are relevant to the 240  
offense, including, but not limited to, the statements and 241  
observations of the peace officers who responded to the incident 242  
that resulted in the arrest or filing of the charges and of all 243  
witnesses to that incident. 244

(f) In determining pursuant to divisions (B) (3) (a) to (g) 245  
of this section whether to arrest a person pursuant to division 246  
(B) (1) of this section, a peace officer described in division 247  
(A) of this section shall not consider as a factor any possible 248  
shortage of cell space at the detention facility to which the 249  
person will be taken subsequent to the person's arrest or any 250  
possibility that the person's arrest might cause, contribute to, 251  
or exacerbate overcrowding at that detention facility or at any 252  
other detention facility. 253

(g) If a peace officer described in division (A) of this 254  
section intends pursuant to divisions (B) (3) (a) to (g) of this 255  
section to arrest a person pursuant to division (B) (1) of this 256  
section and if the officer is unable to do so because the person 257  
is not present, the officer promptly shall seek a warrant for 258  
the arrest of the person. 259

(h) If a peace officer described in division (A) of this 260  
section responds to a report of an alleged incident of the 261  
offense of domestic violence or an alleged incident of the 262  
offense of violating a protection order and if the circumstances 263  
of the incident involved the use or threatened use of a deadly 264  
weapon or any person involved in the incident brandished a 265  
deadly weapon during or in relation to the incident, the deadly 266  
weapon that was used, threatened to be used, or brandished 267  
constitutes contraband, and, to the extent possible, the officer 268  
shall seize the deadly weapon as contraband pursuant to Chapter 269  
2981. of the Revised Code. Upon the seizure of a deadly weapon 270  
pursuant to division (B) (3) (h) of this section, section 2981.12 271  
of the Revised Code shall apply regarding the treatment and 272  
disposition of the deadly weapon. For purposes of that section, 273  
the "underlying criminal offense" that was the basis of the 274  
seizure of a deadly weapon under division (B) (3) (h) of this 275  
section and to which the deadly weapon had a relationship is any 276  
of the following that is applicable: 277

(i) The alleged incident of the offense of domestic 278  
violence or the alleged incident of the offense of violating a 279  
protection order to which the officer who seized the deadly 280  
weapon responded; 281

(ii) Any offense that arose out of the same facts and 282  
circumstances as the report of the alleged incident of the 283  
offense of domestic violence or the alleged incident of the 284  
offense of violating a protection order to which the officer who 285  
seized the deadly weapon responded. 286

(4) If, in the circumstances described in divisions (B) (3) 287  
(a) to (g) of this section, a peace officer described in 288  
division (A) of this section arrests and detains a person 289

pursuant to division (B)(1) of this section, or if, pursuant to 290  
division (B)(3)(h) of this section, a peace officer described in 291  
division (A) of this section seizes a deadly weapon, the 292  
officer, to the extent described in and in accordance with 293  
section 9.86 or 2744.03 of the Revised Code, is immune in any 294  
civil action for damages for injury, death, or loss to person or 295  
property that arises from or is related to the arrest and 296  
detention or the seizure. 297

(C) When there is reasonable ground to believe that a 298  
violation of division (A)(1), (2), (3), (4), or (5) of section 299  
4506.15 or a violation of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code 300  
has been committed by a person operating a motor vehicle subject 301  
to regulation by the public utilities commission of Ohio under 302  
Title XLIX of the Revised Code, a peace officer with authority 303  
to enforce that provision of law may stop or detain the person 304  
whom the officer has reasonable cause to believe was operating 305  
the motor vehicle in violation of the division or section and, 306  
after investigating the circumstances surrounding the operation 307  
of the vehicle, may arrest and detain the person. 308

(D) If a sheriff, deputy sheriff, marshal, deputy marshal, 309  
municipal police officer, member of a police force employed by a 310  
metropolitan housing authority under division (D) of section 311  
3735.31 of the Revised Code, member of a police force employed 312  
by a regional transit authority under division (Y) of section 313  
306.35 of the Revised Code, special police officer employed by a 314  
port authority under section 4582.04 or 4582.28 of the Revised 315  
Code, special police officer employed by a municipal corporation 316  
at a municipal airport or other municipal air navigation 317  
facility described in division (A) of this section, township 318  
constable, police officer of a township or joint police 319  
district, state university law enforcement officer appointed 320

under section 3345.04 of the Revised Code, peace officer of the 321  
department of natural resources, individual designated to 322  
perform law enforcement duties under section 511.232, 1545.13, 323  
or 6101.75 of the Revised Code, the house sergeant at arms if 324  
the house sergeant at arms has arrest authority pursuant to 325  
division (E)(1) of section 101.311 of the Revised Code, or an 326  
assistant house sergeant at arms is authorized by division (A) 327  
or (B) of this section to arrest and detain, within the limits 328  
of the political subdivision, metropolitan housing authority 329  
housing project, regional transit authority facilities or those 330  
areas of a municipal corporation that have been agreed to by a 331  
regional transit authority and a municipal corporation located 332  
within its territorial jurisdiction, port authority, municipal 333  
airport or other municipal air navigation facility, college, or 334  
university in which the officer is appointed, employed, or 335  
elected or within the limits of the territorial jurisdiction of 336  
the peace officer, a person until a warrant can be obtained, the 337  
peace officer, outside the limits of that territory, may pursue, 338  
arrest, and detain that person until a warrant can be obtained 339  
if all of the following apply: 340

(1) The pursuit takes place without unreasonable delay 341  
after the offense is committed; 342

(2) The pursuit is initiated within the limits of the 343  
political subdivision, metropolitan housing authority housing 344  
project, regional transit authority facilities or those areas of 345  
a municipal corporation that have been agreed to by a regional 346  
transit authority and a municipal corporation located within its 347  
territorial jurisdiction, port authority, municipal airport or 348  
other municipal air navigation facility, college, or university 349  
in which the peace officer is appointed, employed, or elected or 350  
within the limits of the territorial jurisdiction of the peace 351

officer; 352

(3) The offense involved is a felony, a misdemeanor of the 353  
first degree or a substantially equivalent municipal ordinance, 354  
a misdemeanor of the second degree or a substantially equivalent 355  
municipal ordinance, or any offense for which points are 356  
chargeable pursuant to section 4510.036 of the Revised Code. 357

(E) In addition to the authority granted under division 358  
(A) or (B) of this section: 359

(1) A sheriff or deputy sheriff may arrest and detain, 360  
until a warrant can be obtained, any person found violating 361  
section 4503.11, 4503.21, or 4549.01, sections 4549.08 to 362  
4549.12, section 4549.62, or Chapter 4511. or 4513. of the 363  
Revised Code on the portion of any street or highway that is 364  
located immediately adjacent to the boundaries of the county in 365  
which the sheriff or deputy sheriff is elected or appointed. 366

(2) A member of the police force of a township police 367  
district created under section 505.48 of the Revised Code, a 368  
member of the police force of a joint police district created 369  
under section 505.482 of the Revised Code, or a township 370  
constable appointed in accordance with section 509.01 of the 371  
Revised Code, who has received a certificate from the Ohio peace 372  
officer training commission under section 109.75 of the Revised 373  
Code, may arrest and detain, until a warrant can be obtained, 374  
any person found violating any section or chapter of the Revised 375  
Code listed in division (E)(1) of this section, other than 376  
sections 4513.33 and 4513.34 of the Revised Code, on the portion 377  
of any street or highway that is located immediately adjacent to 378  
the boundaries of the township police district or joint police 379  
district, in the case of a member of a township police district 380  
or joint police district police force, or the unincorporated 381

territory of the township, in the case of a township constable. 382  
However, if the population of the township that created the 383  
township police district served by the member's police force, or 384  
the townships and municipal corporations that created the joint 385  
police district served by the member's police force, or the 386  
township that is served by the township constable, is sixty 387  
thousand or less, the member of the township police district or 388  
joint police district police force or the township constable may 389  
not make an arrest under division (E) (2) of this section on a 390  
state highway that is included as part of the interstate system. 391

(3) A police officer or village marshal appointed, 392  
elected, or employed by a municipal corporation may arrest and 393  
detain, until a warrant can be obtained, any person found 394  
violating any section or chapter of the Revised Code listed in 395  
division (E) (1) of this section on the portion of any street or 396  
highway that is located immediately adjacent to the boundaries 397  
of the municipal corporation in which the police officer or 398  
village marshal is appointed, elected, or employed. 399

(4) A peace officer of the department of natural 400  
resources, a state fire marshal law enforcement officer 401  
described in division (A) (23) of section 109.71 of the Revised 402  
Code, or an individual designated to perform law enforcement 403  
duties under section 511.232, 1545.13, or 6101.75 of the Revised 404  
Code may arrest and detain, until a warrant can be obtained, any 405  
person found violating any section or chapter of the Revised 406  
Code listed in division (E) (1) of this section, other than 407  
sections 4513.33 and 4513.34 of the Revised Code, on the portion 408  
of any street or highway that is located immediately adjacent to 409  
the boundaries of the lands and waters that constitute the 410  
territorial jurisdiction of the peace officer or state fire 411  
marshal law enforcement officer. 412

(F) (1) A department of mental health and addiction 413  
services special police officer or a department of developmental 414  
disabilities special police officer may arrest without a warrant 415  
and detain until a warrant can be obtained any person found 416  
committing on the premises of any institution under the 417  
jurisdiction of the particular department a misdemeanor under a 418  
law of the state. 419

A department of mental health and addiction services 420  
special police officer or a department of developmental 421  
disabilities special police officer may arrest without a warrant 422  
and detain until a warrant can be obtained any person who has 423  
been hospitalized, institutionalized, or confined in an 424  
institution under the jurisdiction of the particular department 425  
pursuant to or under authority of section 2945.37, 2945.371, 426  
2945.38, 2945.39, 2945.40, 2945.401, or 2945.402 of the Revised 427  
Code and who is found committing on the premises of any 428  
institution under the jurisdiction of the particular department 429  
a violation of section 2921.34 of the Revised Code that involves 430  
an escape from the premises of the institution. 431

(2) (a) If a department of mental health and addiction 432  
services special police officer or a department of developmental 433  
disabilities special police officer finds any person who has 434  
been hospitalized, institutionalized, or confined in an 435  
institution under the jurisdiction of the particular department 436  
pursuant to or under authority of section 2945.37, 2945.371, 437  
2945.38, 2945.39, 2945.40, 2945.401, or 2945.402 of the Revised 438  
Code committing a violation of section 2921.34 of the Revised 439  
Code that involves an escape from the premises of the 440  
institution, or if there is reasonable ground to believe that a 441  
violation of section 2921.34 of the Revised Code has been 442  
committed that involves an escape from the premises of an 443

institution under the jurisdiction of the department of mental 444  
health and addiction services or the department of developmental 445  
disabilities and if a department of mental health and addiction 446  
services special police officer or a department of developmental 447  
disabilities special police officer has reasonable cause to 448  
believe that a particular person who has been hospitalized, 449  
institutionalized, or confined in the institution pursuant to or 450  
under authority of section 2945.37, 2945.371, 2945.38, 2945.39, 451  
2945.40, 2945.401, or 2945.402 of the Revised Code is guilty of 452  
the violation, the special police officer, outside of the 453  
premises of the institution, may pursue, arrest, and detain that 454  
person for that violation of section 2921.34 of the Revised 455  
Code, until a warrant can be obtained, if both of the following 456  
apply: 457

(i) The pursuit takes place without unreasonable delay 458  
after the offense is committed; 459

(ii) The pursuit is initiated within the premises of the 460  
institution from which the violation of section 2921.34 of the 461  
Revised Code occurred. 462

(b) For purposes of division (F) (2) (a) of this section, 463  
the execution of a written statement by the administrator of the 464  
institution in which a person had been hospitalized, 465  
institutionalized, or confined pursuant to or under authority of 466  
section 2945.37, 2945.371, 2945.38, 2945.39, 2945.40, 2945.401, 467  
or 2945.402 of the Revised Code alleging that the person has 468  
escaped from the premises of the institution in violation of 469  
section 2921.34 of the Revised Code constitutes reasonable 470  
ground to believe that the violation was committed and 471  
reasonable cause to believe that the person alleged in the 472  
statement to have committed the offense is guilty of the 473



violation. 474

(G) As used in this section: 475

(1) A "department of mental health and addiction services 476  
special police officer" means a special police officer of the 477  
department of mental health and addiction services designated 478  
under section 5119.08 of the Revised Code who is certified by 479  
the Ohio peace officer training commission under section 109.77 480  
of the Revised Code as having successfully completed an approved 481  
peace officer basic training program. 482

(2) A "department of developmental disabilities special 483  
police officer" means a special police officer of the department 484  
of developmental disabilities designated under section 5123.13 485  
of the Revised Code who is certified by the Ohio peace officer 486  
training council under section 109.77 of the Revised Code as 487  
having successfully completed an approved peace officer basic 488  
training program. 489

(3) "Deadly weapon" has the same meaning as in section 490  
2923.11 of the Revised Code. 491

(4) "Family or household member" has the same meaning as 492  
in section 2919.25 of the Revised Code. 493

(5) "Street" or "highway" has the same meaning as in 494  
section 4511.01 of the Revised Code. 495

(6) "Interstate system" has the same meaning as in section 496  
5516.01 of the Revised Code. 497

(7) "Peace officer of the department of natural resources" 498  
means an employee of the department of natural resources who is 499  
a natural resources law enforcement staff officer designated 500  
pursuant to section 1501.013 of the Revised Code, a forest-fire 501

investigator appointed pursuant to section 1503.09 of the 502  
Revised Code, a natural resources officer appointed pursuant to 503  
section 1501.24 of the Revised Code, or a wildlife officer 504  
designated pursuant to section 1531.13 of the Revised Code. 505

(8) "Portion of any street or highway" means all lanes of 506  
the street or highway irrespective of direction of travel, 507  
including designated turn lanes, and any berm, median, or 508  
shoulder. 509

(9) "School resource officer" means an officer who 510  
provides services to a school district or school as described in 511  
section 3313.951 of the Revised Code. 512

**Sec. 3313.951.** (A) A school resource officer who provides 513  
services to a school district or school for the first time on or 514  
after the effective date of this section must satisfy both of 515  
the following conditions: 516

(1) Complete a training program approved by the Ohio peace 517  
officer training commission described in section 109.79 of the 518  
Revised Code; 519

(2) Complete at least forty hours of school resource 520  
officer training through one of the following entities: 521

(a) The national association of school resource officers; 522

(b) The Ohio school resource officer association; 523

(c) Any association with a certified training program that 524  
includes instruction regarding skills, tactics, and strategies 525  
necessary to address the specific nature of all of the 526  
following: 527

(i) School campuses; 528

<u>(ii) School building security needs and characteristics;</u>	529
<u>(iii) The nuances of law enforcement functions conducted</u>	530
<u>inside a school environment, including understanding the</u>	531
<u>psychological and physiological characteristics consistent with</u>	532
<u>the ages of the students in the assigned building or buildings,</u>	533
<u>deescalation techniques, and behavior management strategies;</u>	534
<u>(iv) The mechanics of being a positive role model for</u>	535
<u>youth, including informal counseling techniques;</u>	536
<u>(v) Providing assistance on topics such as classroom</u>	537
<u>management tools to provide law-related education to students</u>	538
<u>and methods for managing the behaviors sometimes associated with</u>	539
<u>educating children with special needs;</u>	540
<u>(vi) The mechanics of the laws regarding compulsory</u>	541
<u>attendance, as set forth in Chapter 3321. of the Revised Code;</u>	542
<u>(vii) Identifying the trends in drug use, eliminating the</u>	543
<u>instance of drug use, and encouraging a drug-free environment in</u>	544
<u>schools.</u>	545
<u>(B) (1) A school resource officer may be employed by or</u>	546
<u>assigned to one or more school districts or schools, according</u>	547
<u>to the requirements set forth in this section, for the</u>	548
<u>following:</u>	549
<u>(a) Assistance with adoption, implementation, and</u>	550
<u>amendment of the comprehensive emergency management plan</u>	551
<u>required under section 3313.536 of the Revised Code;</u>	552
<u>(b) Carrying out any additional responsibilities assigned</u>	553
<u>to the school resource officer under the employment engagement,</u>	554
<u>contract, or memorandum of understanding, including but not</u>	555
<u>limited to:</u>	556

<u>(i) Providing a safe learning environment;</u>	557
<u>(ii) Providing valuable resources to school staff members;</u>	558
<u>(iii) Fostering positive relationships with students and staff;</u>	559 560
<u>(iv) Developing strategies to resolve problems affecting youth and protecting all students.</u>	561 562
<u>(2) A school resource officer shall consult with local law enforcement officials and first responders when assisting a school district's administrator in the development of a comprehensive emergency management plan.</u>	563 564 565 566
<u>(C) (1) A school resource officer may, in accordance with the standards and requirements applicable to Ohio peace officers, engage in all of the following acts while carrying out the school resource officer's duties:</u>	567 568 569 570
<u>(a) Make an arrest as authorized by division (A) (5) of section 2935.03 of the Revised Code;</u>	571 572
<u>(b) Conduct a search or seizure of a person or property when there is probable cause that the person has committed or is committing a criminal offense;</u>	573 574 575
<u>(c) Carry a firearm;</u>	576
<u>(d) Exercise other police powers necessary to enforce the laws of this state.</u>	577 578
<u>(2) A school resource officer shall not ask a school employee to conduct a search for law enforcement purposes. Unless there is a serious and immediate threat, the officer shall not initiate or participate in a physically invasive search of a student.</u>	579 580 581 582 583

(D) A school resource officer has jurisdiction in every 584  
school within the school district engaging the officer or, if 585  
stipulated in the employment engagement, contract, or memorandum 586  
of understanding, in the particular school to which the officer 587  
is assigned. This division does not restrict the jurisdiction 588  
that a school resource officer may possess due to the officer's 589  
employment with a law enforcement agency. 590

**Section 2.** That existing section 2935.03 of the Revised 591  
Code is hereby repealed. 592